

**North Central Province**  
**Provincial Council Meeting Agenda**  
**February 24, 2007**  
**Lisle, Illinois**

**I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.**

**II. Roll call of the Delegates**  
**Roll call completed. 41 seated.**

**Standing Rules**

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Motion to place a 3 minute speaking limit: Eta Pi  
Seconded by: Gamma Kappa  
Motion passed without objection

**III. Adopt agenda**  
Motion by: Mu Phi  
Seconded by: Gamma Pi  
Motion passed without objection

**IV. Wave Approve the minutes of the previous Council Meeting**  
Motion by: Alpha Pi  
Seconded by: Kappa Omega  
Motion passed without objection

**V. Review votes taken since the last meeting**  
No votes were taken since the previous meeting

**VI. Distributed the report of the Provincial Vice President**  
See Appendix A  
Motion to accept the report as distributed by: Xi Chi  
Seconded by: Alpha Iota  
Motion passed without objection

**VII. Distributed the reports of the Regional Vice Presidents**  
See Appendix A  
Motion to accept the report for the Regional Vice Presidents as distributed by: Lambda  
Omicron  
Seconded by: Alpha Epsilon  
Motion passed without objection

**VIII. Distributed the reports of the Provincial Committees**  
See Appendix A  
Motion to accept the report for the Provincial Committee as distributed by: Alpha Pi

Seconded by: Kappa Sigma  
Motion passed without objection

**IX. Distributed the Provincial Financial Report**

See Appendix B  
Motion to accept: Epsilon Iota  
Seconded by: Alpha Delta  
Motion passed

**X. Old Business**

None

**XI. New Business**

Motion to adopt the 2007-2008 North Central Provincial Budget as distributed (Appendix C)  
Motion by: Upsilon  
Seconded by: Theta Tau

Discussion:

Questioned \$500 increase PVP? \$2000 increase RVP went up as well. Increase after 5 years due to travel and such.

Questioned why dues went up? Part of reason

Questioned based on number of chapters? Yes, not alumni or colony. Colony different...

Questioned why all chapters the same for RVP? Actual costs vary from location

Motion to End Discussion: Epsilon

Motion Accepted, not unanimous

**XII. Legislative Review (for Grand Chapter Congress)**

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 1 (See Appendix D) Gamma Theta  
Seconded by: Delta

Discussion:

Travel difficulties: Space issues with good locations when emergency comes up  
Example: July 31<sup>st</sup> this year: New Orleans

Motion carried with majority but not 2/3 super majority

**Amendment Offered:** Alpha Iota: Offers amendment removing August and September and moving to summer months of June, July, and August

Discussion:

Mu Phi: Many school starting after August 15<sup>th</sup> Upsilon

Alpha Epsilon: throw back to the board of directors

Alpha Epsilon: June-August keep it ambiguous

Amended Proposal carried with super majority

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 2: Lambda Omicron  
Seconded by: Alpha Omega  
Motion carried by a super majority

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 3: Kappa Phi  
Seconded by: Gamma Kappa  
Motion carried unanimously

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 4: Mu Psi  
Seconded by: Chicago Alumni  
Motion carried with 2/3 super majority

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 5: Alpha Eta  
Seconded: Twin Cities Alumni

Vote: motion carried

Motion to adopt Legislative Review Proposal 6: Iota Lambda  
Seconded: Zeta Xi

Vote: Motion carried unanimously

### **XIII. Determine dates and location choices for 2008 Provincial Conference and Council Meeting**

Discussion:

- Gamma Theta makes a case for Detroit
- Gamma Kappa makes another case for Detroit
- Mu Psi makes a case for Des Moines prime location
- Alpha Iota makes a case for Minneapolis
- Epsilon makes a case for Des Moines
- Alpha Pi makes a case against Minneapolis case for Des Moines
- Des Moines Alumni makes a case for Des Moines
- Mu Phi makes a case for Michigan
- Iota Lambda makes a case for Des Moines
- Mu Psi makes a case for the Quad Cities
- Gamma Kappa makes a case for Lansing
- Epsilon makes a case for Iowa City

#### **Rankings:**

1. Des Moines
2. Detroit
3. Chicago

**Dates:**

- **Dates Listed: February 6-8, February 20-22, February 27-March 1**
- Theta Tau makes a case against February 13-15
- Removal of February 13-15 and March 6-8
- Iota Lambda makes a case for February 20-22
- Lambda Omicron makes a case for
- Epsilon Xi makes a case for February 28 – March 1

Rankings:

1. February 20-22
2. February 27 – March 1
3. February 6-8

**XIV. General announcements**

- Check out Chicagodsp.org website for information on the Centennial event planned for November 9<sup>th</sup>.
- There are a number of chapters selling T-shirts at this LEAD event as well as at Grand Chapter Congress.

**XV. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn:

Motion by: Eta Mu

Seconded by: Epsilon Iota

Motion passed without objection

The meeting adjourned at 3:42 pm.

# APPENDIX A

## North Central Province

### Provincial Vice President – Amy L. Briggs

#### Travel Summary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
11-15 Sep	Detroit, MI	Work related, but available to meet with chapters
20-21 Oct	Indianapolis, IN	LEAD School
21 Oct	Indianapolis, IN	Met with Kappa Sigma Exec Committee
30 Nov	Atlanta, GA	Dinner with Mitch Simmons
7 Dec	Minneapolis, MN	TCAC Holiday Party
14 Dec	Minnetonka, MN	TCAC Toys-For-Tots shopping and social
12-14 Jan	Minneapolis, MN	Leadership Meeting
26-28 Jan	Oxford, OH	Board Meeting

#### Planned Travel

16-18 Feb	Nashville, TN	Southern Provincial LEAD and Council Meeting
23 Feb	Lisle, IL	National Officer Training
23-24 Feb	Lisle, IL	North Central Provincial LEAD and Council Meeting
10 Mar	Minneapolis, MN	National Officer Training
5-6 Aug	Orlando, FL	Board Meeting
7 Aug	Orlando, FL	National Leadership Team meeting
8-11 Aug	Orlando, FL	Centennial Grand Chapter Congress

#### Provincial Goals

The following are the goals that I outlined in my platform for office and hope to achieve during this biennium.

#### *CEI performance – 100% of chapters with 90 points or more for the 2006-2007 year*

The North Central Province covers the spectrum with one of the top chapters in the country to date down to one of the lowest. At this time, I am no longer certain that this goal will be achieved. I will continue to push toward accomplishment but will shift focus to ensure all chapters understand CEI and it's intent.

#### *Awards – 100% chapter participation at 2007 Grand Chapter Congress*

There were more applications for awards started this year than in the past. Unfortunately only a small number of the applications were completed. Of the awards that were presented many were given to chapters who have previously won awards. All chapters are continually reminded about awards and the deadlines involved. It is hoped that with a session being presented at the Provincial LEAD and some increased communication there will be more completed applications to choose from this spring.

#### *LEAD/Provincial/Congress attendance – 100% chapter participation at all 2006-2007 conferences*

The Province continues to move in the right direction in LEAD school attendance with only 4 schools not attending a fall LEAD school. The benefits and enthusiasm gained at these events

are evident in the improved chapter operations, attitude and participation of those who attend. Steps are being taken to coordinate chapters who may only have a few members attending to help defray costs in an effort to achieve this goal. To date, there are 31 chapters registered to attend the Provincial Conference.

*Expansion – 2 strong opportunities in each region and 1 colony resulting in a new or reactivated chapter by Congress 2007*

#### Colonies

The Alpha Sigma Omega colony at the University of Illinois – Chicago continues to just exist. With no more than 10 members for any period of time in the past 2+ years of existence, this colony seems destined to close. A determination will be made shortly as to if continued attempts are necessary. Theta Xi Lambda at Carroll College has been closed due to lack of interest and involvement. Thanks to the efforts of Gateway Regional Vice President, Lou Maull, a colony has been established at the University of Southern Illinois, Edwardsville. Several members attended the LEAD school in Indianapolis had lunch with Professional Development Chair Brian Krippner, RVP Chris Miller, myself and Grand President Mitch Simmons. They seemed impressed with the organization and appreciative of the help offered by everyone whom they encountered. This colony holds much promise and should look to be installed next year.

#### Committees

Alumni Development – Kim Ward

Community Service – Meagan Hagerty, Chair

Professional Development – Jodi Schoh, Chair

Awards and Scholastic Development – Mark Voyda, Chair

Discipline – Amy Briggs, Brandon Trease and Chris Miller

National Appointee to Awards and Scholastic Development – Pete Bjelan

#### Discipline Issues

The drought has unfortunately ended. One major and several minor issues surfaced this fall with chapters and their pledging programs and hazing. Based on the severity of each situation and how the chapter responded to an initial investigation, several warning letters were issued and one chapter has been placed on probation. Chapter officers of all involved chapters are concerned and are poised to work with their leadership, schools and the Central Office to remedy the situations, educate their members and ensure that these issues do not happen again.

#### National Officer Training (N.O.T.)

No training was conducted this fall, but several dates have been planned so far for this spring. There will be a ‘Mini’ N.O.T. on Friday afternoon in conjunction with the North Central Provincial LEAD and Council Meeting. A full day N.O.T. will be held in Minneapolis in March. Details and agendas for both have been finalized and are available from North Central Provincial Professional Development Committee Chair, Jodi Schoh. Some future dates may be planned as well.

#### General Comments

The National Officer Training that has been conducted has already yielded some fantastic new volunteers. With the continuation of this training, I hope to increase the number of training

sessions and attendance at each one. Attendance at provincial and national events is remarkable and the brothers who attend have their views of the fraternity forever altered and their experiences are enhanced. These brothers become the best marketing force we have for future events and for the Fraternity as a whole. It is my hope to mobilize and empower this force to do just that. With the force in place, the accomplishment of our goals will happen.

## **Central Region**

### **Regional Vice President – Chris Miller**

It has been a pretty busy year so far within the region. I have met with eight of the nine chapters totaling 13 visits since August. Additionally, I attended the Central Office tour with the Iota Chi chapter in Oxford, OH (another trip is scheduled between the Indianapolis Alumni, Kappa Sigma and Alpha Pi chapters on February 10), the fall LEAD Conference in Indianapolis October 20-22 and the Provincial Leadership Retreat in Minneapolis January 12-14. All of these visits plus a few issues within the region have certainly kept me busy, and as a result one chapter is now on probation due to Risk Management violations. The upcoming semester looks to continue the busy streak with the ongoing search for at least two additional District Directors, hoping to see each chapter at least once and securing my successor to be elected at GCC for the 2007-2009 RVP term. I also hope to attend a couple more initiations this semester, as this has been a work in progress for some time.

#### Summary of visits and travel<sup>1</sup>:

August 27, 2006: Delta Tau chapter meeting, Terre Haute, IN  
August 28: Epsilon Omega chapter meeting, Charleston, IL  
August 31: Alpha Pi chapter meeting, consultant visit, new District Director introduction, Bloomington, IN  
September 17: Kappa Omega chapter meeting and new District Director introduction, West Lafayette, IN  
September 24: Kappa Sigma chapter meeting, Indianapolis, IN  
October 2: Epsilon Xi pledge meeting, Muncie, IN  
October 4: Iota Chi chapter meeting, Normal, IL  
October 20-22: Indianapolis LEAD Conference  
October 22: Kappa Sigma executive committee meeting, Indianapolis, IN  
October 28: Central Office tour with Iota Chi chapter  
November 13: Epsilon Omega chapter meeting, Charleston, IL  
December 2: Kappa Sigma Initiation, Indianapolis, IN  
December 5: Iota Chi chapter meeting, Normal IL  
January 12-14 2007: North Central Provincial Leadership Meeting, Minneapolis/St. Paul MN  
January 31: Kappa Sigma recruiting lunch, Indianapolis, IN

Don't forget to go to the Chicago LEAD in November 2007<sup>2</sup>!

1. There are a few chapter visits scheduled between January 31 (the date of this report) and the Chicago Provincial, which are not reflected.

2. The first person from the Central Region to point out the three typos in this report AND name each chapter in the region will get their Fall 2007 LEAD registration paid for by me. \$40 value, not valid for cash. Registration costs only, you are responsible for your hotel, transportation, incidentals, speeding tickets, bail, and any other costs incurred. Non-transferable, void where prohibited, blah, blah, blah...

## **Great Lakes Region**

### **Regional Vice President – John Juat**

#### Chapter CEI and Discipline

A majority of the Great Lakes Region chapters are on track for 100 CEI points and several have healthy numbers in professional and community service activities that more award applications are expected to be turned in this year.

Great Lakes currently has one chapter is on guidance, and one on receivership.

#### Alumni Chapter Activity

The Milwaukee Alumni Chapter held their fifth annual Floating Fraternity Reception where members and pledges from Xi Chi and Delta chapters had the opportunity to socialize with Milwaukee's finest alumni. The MAC also got Xi Chi and Delta members together for the Al's Run which benefited Children's Hospital.

The Chicago Alumni Chapter held its Founders' Day banquet where Brother James Prescott was presented his Lifetime Achievement Award. In attendance were Bill Shilling – Executive Director, Past Provincial Vice President Pete Bjelan, Past Grand President Kathy Jankhe, and Grand President Mitch Simmons.

#### Colony Report

The Alpha Sigma Omega at University of Illinois at Chicago is starting up again with baby steps. Active members from last year have graduated. The new District Director has put together a work plan to implement throughout the semester.

#### Future Events

Chicago Alumni Chapter Volleyball Tournament – date TBA

## **Great Plains Region**

### **Regional Vice President – Brandon D. Trease**

#### Travel during last Period:

July 8, 2006	Omaha, NE	NE Alumni Golf Outing & Social
September 7, 2006	Omaha, NE	Gamma Eta Meet the Chapter
September 12, 2006	Wayne, NE	Eta Pi Meet the Chapter Speaker
October 2, 2006	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Alumni Panel
October 8, 2006	Des Moines, IA	Alumni Panel Discussion
October 21, 2006	Indianapolis, IN	North Central LEAD School

#### Planned Travel This Period:

January 13, 2007	Minneapolis, MN	North Central Leadership Meeting
January 26 – 28, 2007	Minneapolis, MN	Halsey Invitational VB/BB Tourney
February 16 & 17, 2007	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Spina Bifida Tourney
February 23 – 25, 2007	Chicago, IL	North Central Provincial Conference
August 8 – 12, 2007	Orlando, FL	Grand Chapter Congress
Various Chapter visits to be scheduled later.		



CEI Update:

So far it has been a successful CEI year for the Great Plains Region. As a region we are averaging just under 40 points per chapter which is suitable for this time of year. We are slightly above the national average and with continued hard work should have many chapters reach 100 points.

LEAD School – Indianapolis, IN:

The LEAD school this past semester was held in Indianapolis, IN which is located in the Central Region. It was very well attended by both Collegians and Alumni, The final registration count was over 350 members.

Halsey Invitational VB/BB Tournament:

This January marked another successful VB/BB tournament which took place in Minneapolis, MN. We had two chapters from the region put together a joint bid for the 2008 tournament. I am happy to report that the tournament will be returning to the Great Plains Region next winter! The Mu Psi Chapter at Iowa State along with the Alpha Iota Chapter at Drake will be hosting next years tournament in Ames, IA. Hope to see you all there!

Alumni Update:

The newly reformed Alumni Chapter in Des Moines, IA is now fully functioning and seeking out interested Alumni. Please pass the word on to any Alumni who are looking for an opportunity to get back involved in Delta Sigma Pi.

Spring Initiation Schedule:

April 13, 2007	Ames, IA	Mu Psi Initiation
April 15, 2007	Vermillion, SD	Alpha Eta Initiation
April 13, 2007	Wayne, NE	Eta Pi Initiation
April 13, 2007	Des Moines, IA	Alpha Iota Initiation
April 21, 2007	Omaha, NE	Gamma Eta Initiation
February 24, 2007	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Initiation
April 21, 2007	Iowa City, IA	Epsilon Initiation

**Huron Region**

**Regional Vice President – Amy Briggs**

CEI/Operational Issues:

As a whole, the region is doing well. Most of the chapters are on track to achieve at least 90 points with a couple who should easily hit 100 points. Kudos to Gamma Kappa who is leading the country with 60.5 points. There are two chapters who are struggling to meet CEI and operational minimums. Concern letters have been issued and I will endeavor to work more closely with the chapters to educate their members and get them back on track.

Risk Management/Discipline Issues:

There were no reported incidents.

### General Comments:

This region continues to do well as a whole despite the lack of national leadership. Continuous efforts have been made to find a Regional Vice President. With a general shortage of alumni involvement this has proved to be a greater challenge than originally anticipated. Hopefully the newly re-chartered Detroit Alumni Chapter will be able to provide a solid network of support and volunteers to fill the vacant RVP and DD positions throughout the region.

## **North Central Region**

### **Regional Vice President – Jaffrey Blanks**

The North Central region is in a very good position right now. It still needs to boost it's overall CEI score, but I feel we will arrive where we need to be.

One of the things that was accentuated during my travel is the level of leadership our region possesses. It is comforting to know that we have an abundant amount of talented, driven, motivated brothers we have in our organization...and especially in this region.

My leadership team is coming along very well. Majority of the DD's were new to their positions and have handled the transition to their roles very well. I may lead the leadership team here in the North Central region, but I give all the credit to my team. Their determination and commitment to the fraternity as a whole and their fellow brothers is inspiring. I am truly honored to be a part of this region.

Travel plans for Spring of 2007 are as follows.

- RVP Semi Annual Meeting in January
- Halsey Tournament in January
- Provincial in Lyle, IL in February
- Intending to attend 3 events at Nu Tau
- Intending to attend 3 events at Alpha Epsilon
- Intending to attend 2 events at Theta Tau
- Intending to attend 1 or more at Eta Rho
- Intending to attend 2 at Epsilon Iota
- Intending to attend 1 or more at Winona
- Intending to attend 4 events within TCAC

Travel last semester.

- LEAD event in Indianapolis
- Eta Rho was visited 4 times between their DD and myself.
- Theta Tau was visited 4 times between their DD and myself.
- Nu Tau was visited 9 times between their DD and myself. Vast majority of those visits were conducted by their District Directors.  
Nu Tau also hosted the Halsey Tournament in Jan. of 07; an event that brought more than 380 brothers together.
- Epsilon Iota was visited 5 times between their DD and myself.

- Kappa Upsilon was visited 7 times between their DD and myself. Majority of those visits were conducted by their District Directors.

In closing, I look forward to our continued success in this region, as well as the continuous blossoming of leadership from the brothers that reside here.

### **North Central Provincial National Alumni Development Committee Committee Chair – Kim Ward**

One goal of the committee was to find a way to increase the transition of collegiate to alumni. The committee first needed to understand the role of the Vice-President of Alumni Relations (VPAR) at the chapter level. In order to gain this information a survey was submitted to each of them in the fall of 2006 and we received 39 responses.

From the results we have determined that we need to provide a better way to communicate the role of the VPAR. Many are under the impression that they are to maintain a list of alumni and lost brothers. Many did not realize that they are to act as an intermediary for the move from collegiate to alumni. It appears that unless there is a substantial alumni chapter in the area of the school that the VPAR did not know that they were to be an active part of the transition. As a committee we will be working with the various results from the survey to better communicate the roles & responsibilities to the VPAR.

Another area that we have been focusing on is the Best Practices Manual for Alumni Chapters. We have been reaching out to Alumni Chapters in order to build a Best Practices Manual where we will focus on a variety of areas such as community service, professional activities, collegiate transition as well as others. This work will culminate with a session at Grand Chapter Congress on Alumni Chapter best practices.

### **North Central Provincial Community Service Committee Committee Chair – Meagan Hagerty**

At the fall LEAD school hosted in Indianapolis, Indiana in October the North Central Province held a fundraising raffle with all proceeds benefiting Brother Jason Campagna, Gulf South Regional Vice President. The 50/50 raffle raised \$322, all of which was donated to Brother Campagna thanks to the generosity of the raffle winner, Golden Council Member Brother Corie Schilberg.

Nationally, we are continuing to support the National Blood Drive with the American Red Cross, which ends in April 2007. The goal for the entire Fraternity is to donate 2500 pints of blood. If a chapter participates in a blood drive, they should register their event with Liz Negrotti, national Community Service Chair. (liz.negrotti@verizon.net)

Finally, at this North Central Provincial Conference we are hosting a Poker Night where Brothers will make a donation, receive chips to play one of several card games available, and at the end of the night cash their winnings in for chances in a raffle. Prizes are set to include registration to Grand Chapter Conference, Deltasig merchandise, and other items donated by alumni Brothers and local companies. In addition, all day Saturday attendees can buy chances in

a 50/50 raffle where the total amount raised is split between the raffle winner and the charity being sponsored. All proceeds from the weekend will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

If you have any suggestions for Province-wide community service activities that could be held at future events, or if you are interested in being involved in planning service projects, please feel free to contact me!

## **North Central Provincial Professional Development Committee Committee Chair – Jodi Schoh**

Over the past year, the Provincial Professional Development committee has continued to work on its goal to provide volunteer leadership training to our current volunteer leaders as well as to recruit future leaders.

During the Provincial Lead Conference in March of 2006, we offered an educational session on volunteer opportunities available and also had a panel of volunteer leaders to give colleagues an insider's view of being a volunteer leader. On June 17, 2006 we held a North Central Volunteer Leadership Training in Chicago, IL. The training focused on fraternal operational topics as well as enhancing various leadership skills.

Two more Volunteer Leadership training sessions will be held this spring. On February 23<sup>rd</sup> in conjunction with the Provincial Lead Conference we will be holding a four hour training sessions on volunteer leadership. Also, on Saturday, March 10, 2007 in Minneapolis, MN we will be providing a one day training session covering topics such as fraternity operations, personal and professional risk management and group problem solving.

## **North Central Provincial Scholastic Development and Awards Committee Committee Chair – Mark Voyda**

The Awards Committee had a challenge this fall choosing a Provincial Collegian of the Year from the five qualified Regional candidates. While we were very happy that the quality of the candidates continues to make it tougher to choose a winner, we were a little disappointed that there were not more to choose from. The Committee looks forward to the end of the semester when we will have the opportunity to read many more applications for the chapter awards and to face another tough challenge in selecting the Provincial winners.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Province</b>	<b>Chapters</b>	<b>Nominated</b>	<b>Nom %</b>	<b>Submitted</b>	<b>Sub %</b>
2004	North Central Province	39	32	82%	27	69%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>66%</b>
2005	North Central Province	39	29	74%	22	56%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>56%</b>
2006	North Central Province	39	31	79%	23	59%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>63%</b>
2007	North Central Province	39	35	90%	25	64%
2007	Northeastern Province	39	33	85%	27	69%

2007	South Central Province	34	30	88%	19	56%
2007	Southern Province	38	30	79%	24	63%
2007	Western Province	38	36	95%	22	58%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>62%</b>

**North Central Provincial Discipline Committee**  
**Committee: Amy Briggs, Chris Miller, Brandon Trease**  
No appeals received

## APPENDIX B

### International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi

North Central Provincial Budget  
Statement of Budget and Expenses  
Report prepared as of 06/30/2006

Description	Year to Date	Budget	
	2005-06	2005-06	Variance
North Central Provincial Vice President	1,458.14	2,000.00	541.86
<i>Regional Vice President Individual Travel Budgets</i>			
Central	1,125.00	1,125.00	0.00
Great Lakes	838.66	1,375.00	536.34
Great Plains	875.00	875.00	0.00
Huron	875.00	875.00	0.00
North Central	500.00	750.00	250.00
Historical Province Leadership Meeting	1,094.76	1,500.00	405.24
Oxford Leadership Retreat Travel Allotment (air, parking, mileage - for PVP and RVPs)	1,250.00	1,250.00	0.00
Provincial Conference/Leadership Retreat Travel - 3	0.00	0.00	0.00
Speculative Colony	250.00	250.00	0.00
Other - 1	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL PROVINCIAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>8,266.56</b>	<b>10,000.00</b>	<b>1,733.44</b>

1 - "Other and known line item surpluses" may be used at the discretion of the Provincial Vice President for use within the province for province-related purposes, unless otherwise designated by the Provincial Council.

2 - Retreat Line increased to \$1,250 as no retreat in noncongress years

3 - Now in Provincial Budget

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North Central Provincial Budget  
Statement of Budget and Expenses  
Report prepared as of 01/26/2007

Description	<u>Year to Date</u>		<u>Budget</u>
	2006-07	2006-07	Variance
North Central Provincial Vice President	\$436	\$2,000	1,564.28
<i>Regional Vice President Individual Travel Budgets - 1</i>			
Central	\$780	\$1,125	345.47
Great Lakes	\$0	\$1,250	1,250.00
Great Plains	\$590	\$875	284.85
Huron	\$0	\$875	875.00
North Central	\$0	\$750	750.00
Historical Province Leadership Meeting	\$419	\$1,750	1,331.09
Oxford Leadership Retreat Travel Allotment - 2 (air, parking, mileage - for PVP and RVPs)	\$0	\$0	0.00
Provincial Committies	\$0	\$500	500.00
Speculative Colony - 1 (05-06 amount included in Great Lakes RVP Budget)	\$0	\$375	375.00
Other - 3	\$0	\$500	500.00
<b>TOTAL PROVINCIAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,224</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$7,776</b>

1 - RVP Budgets and Colonies funded at \$125 for each collegiate chapter or colony

2 - Retreat line reduced to zero as no retreat in non-congress year

3 - May be used at the discretion of the Provincial Vice President for use within the province (possible expansion) and for provincial related purposes such as banner, website, etc.

## APPENDIX C

### International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi North Central Provincial Budget Approved 2/07

Description	Budget	
	2006-2007	2007-2008
1. North Central Provincial Vice President	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,500
Regional Vice Presidents Travel <sup>1</sup>		
2. Central	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,260
3. Great Lakes	\$ 1,375	\$ 1,400
4. Great Plains	\$ 875	\$ 980
5. Huron	\$ 875	\$ 980
6. North Central	\$ 750	\$ 840
7. Provincial Leadership Team Meetings <sup>2</sup>	\$ 1,750	\$ 2,500
8. Colonies <sup>1</sup>	\$ 375	\$ 280
9. Provincial Committees	\$ 500	\$ 500
10. Other <sup>3</sup>	\$ 500	\$ 760
<b>TOTAL PROVINCIAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>

1. RVP Budgets and Colonies funded at \$140 for each collegiate chapter or colony.
2. Meetings between PVP and RVPs. May include committee chairs and other volunteers.
3. May be used at the discretion of the Provincial Vice President for use within the province (possible expansion) and for provincial related purposes such as banner, website, etc.
4. Any line item budget surpluses may be reallocated at the discretion of the PVP.



## APPENDIX D

### North Central - 2007 Provincial Council Meeting

#### HOW TO USE THIS LEGISLATION BOOKLET AT PROVINCIAL COUNCILS

This document describes in detail the Bylaw amendments and Ritual proposals that have been proposed to the North Central Provincial Council for consideration. Those Bylaw amendments and Ritual proposals passing (by majority vote) will go on to other Provincial Councils for discussion (as timing permits) and ultimately to Grand Chapter Congress in 2007 for consideration.

Any proposals that are related to Policy and Procedures may be discussed and voted upon by the Council, but ultimately all Policy and Procedures are administered by the Fraternity's elected Board of Directors. The Board, of course, will take any recommendation passed by a Provincial Council very seriously.

- Bylaw amendments must achieve a 2/3 majority vote at Congress to pass.
- Ritual proposals must achieve a 3/4 majority vote at Congress to pass.
  - NOTE: No ritual proposals have been received for the 2007 council meeting.
  - Any language with ~~striketroughs~~ would be deleted if the proposal or amendment passes.
  - Any language listed in **bold** indicates language that would be added if the amendment or proposal was adopted.
  - Language in *italics* is included occasionally for explanatory purposes.

#### EXAMPLE:

~~Bylaws~~ - would be deleted

**Bylaws** - would be added

*Bylaws* - would be an explanatory note offering more detail or interpretation

# PROPOSALS

## PROPOSAL 1 – Bylaw Amendment

*Submitted by:* Board of Directors

***Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation:***

Change Article III, Section 1 regarding the timing of Grand Chapter Congress to allow holding it in months other than August or September, as follows:

**Section 1. Meetings** --- The Grand Chapter shall meet ~~in either the month of August or September~~ every second year in the odd-numbered years. A meeting of the Grand Chapter may be deferred for one year at the direction of the Board of Directors but shall not be deferred for two years without authorization by a majority vote of the chapters in good standing.

***Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission:***

As the size of the Grand Chapter Congress increases, the opportunities for securing appropriate facilities to conduct the meeting are complicated by the size and demographics of the Fraternity.

This proposal would give the Fraternity broader parameters in which to search for and secure locations for future Congresses.

***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

Immediately upon passage.

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

The Fraternity will have a greater selection of locations, hotels, and dates for which Grand Chapter Congress can be scheduled. This may allow for more negotiating room and lower prices. Additionally, it will help prevent conducting congress during the start of the fall term.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

Some may be concerned that removing the time restriction entirely will allow the Board of Directors to choose a time for congress in the middle of school semesters.

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)***

Costs of this proposal include modifications to Fraternity governing documents.

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Passed

Passed as amended

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## PROPOSAL 2 – Bylaw Amendment

**Submitted by:** Board of Directors (from Katie Koch (chair) and National Alumni Development Committee)

### ***Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation***

1. Move many refranchising and chartering requirements for alumni chapters from bylaws to policies and procedures
2. Change the term refranchising to annual renewal
- 3a. Set initial fee to charter a voting alumni chapter at \$50 (currently charter fees depend on whether or not an alumni chapter has existed in the area before, this would make it equal).
- 3b. Include liability insurance premium (currently \$50) in the cost of chartering or renewing
- 3c. Set fees for newly formed alumni chapters and for re-chartering inactive alumni chapters as the same

### **Total annual cost for alumni chapters:**

	Current	Proposed
	Chartering and/or Franchising Fee + Insurance Premium*	Chartering or Annual Renewal Including Insurance Premium
Chartering New Chapter (chapter has not previously existed in area)	\$75	\$100
Re-Chartering Inactive Chapter (chapter has previously existed in area)	\$100	\$100
Renew Active Chapter	\$75	\$75

\*Insurance Premium for alumni chapters is currently \$50 annually

### ***Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission (may not exceed 100 words if ultimately submitted for Grand Chapter consideration)***

This recommendation allows the Board of Directors to have more flexibility in addressing the needs of the alumni chapters and the overall Fraternity. This kind of detail should be policy and not “rigid” bylaws. Total annual costs for alumni chapters (including insurance premium) would remain similar to current costs under this proposal- see chart above. (Current alumni chapters would have no cost changes at all).

### ***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

September 1, 2007. Since bylaws require 2/3 vote at Grand Chapter Congress, this would be implemented at the first quarterly implementation date after the 2007 Congress.

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

- Gives Board of Directors the same ability to adjust/adapt alumni chapter chartering as it has for collegiate chapters
- The term annual charter renewal is easier to understand than the term franchise
- Liability insurance premium included in the cost of chartering or renewing simplifies, clarifies, and allows chapters to pay one easy fee instead of separate fees for chartering/franchising and insurance. Eliminates confusion and misunderstanding.
- Fees for newly formed alumni chapters and for re-chartering inactive alumni chapters are currently not the same and confusing to understand. Having one fee for both is much easier to understand.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

- Some may not like increasing “control” given to the Board of Directors over requirements and fees related to chartering or renewing an alumni chapter.

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)***

None

~~strikethrough text~~ removed

**bold text**- inserted

**SUGGESTED CHANGES TO BYLAWS PERTAINING  
TO FRANCHISING AND CHARTERING FEES**

(Bylaws require 2/3 vote at Grand Chapter Congress)

**ARTICLE XI  
ALUMNI CHAPTERS**

**Section 1. Charter and Renewal** --- Each **group of brothers seeking** ~~chapter which seeks~~ to be chartered as an **alumni chapter** by the Board of Directors shall pay a chartering fee of ~~twenty five dollars (\$25.00)~~ **established by the Board of Directors**. In addition, it shall submit a list of **proposed** officers (~~Form L~~), and a roster of ~~its those~~ **brothers committed to** membership. ~~Only after this is done will the issuance of a charter be considered. Any requirements on minimum number of members or any other requirements for charter recognition or renewal shall be determined by the Board of Directors.~~

**Section 2. Franchise Renewal** — Each chapter chartered by the Board of Directors shall remain chartered as long as it submits a list of officers annually and a membership roster annually. ~~An annual franchise renewal fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) shall be due, payable and postmarked on or before June 30th of each year. Failure to remit this fee by the above date shall cause the chapter to be placed on an inactive status. If any alumni chapter becomes inactive, it may become active again by submitting a new list of officers, a new roster of members, the franchise renewal fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) and a charter renewal fee of twenty five dollars (\$25.00).~~

**ARTICLE XVI  
NEW COLLEGIATE AND ALUMNI CHAPTERS**

**Section 6. Eligible Groups for Alumni Chapters** --- ~~Petitions for the authorization of the establishment of an Alumni Chapter must be signed by at least ten (10) Alumni Members of this Fraternity, in good standing and who reside in the locality in which it is proposed to establish such Alumni Chapter. The petition must be approved by the Executive Director. Each Alumni Chapter shall maintain a minimum membership of at least ten (10) members at all times.~~

**Section 7 6. Designation of Alumni Chapters** --- The Alumni Chapters shall be called after the locality in which they are situated or by such other title as may be approved by the Board of Directors. No Alumni Chapter shall include the Greek letter designation of any Collegiate Chapter in its name and no Alumni Chapter shall restrict or limit its membership to alumni of any specific Collegiate Chapter or Chapters.

**SUGGESTED CHANGES TO POLICIES PERTAINING  
TO FRANCHISING AND CHARTERING FEES**

**C. ALUMNI CHAPTERS**

**Policy 14. Inactive Alumni Chapters**—A chapter not on probation or receivership, whose membership reaches nine or less, will be placed on inactive status. As soon as the membership is increased to ten (and the other franchise charter renewal requirements under Article XI, Section 2 of the Bylaws are met) the chapter becomes active again. **A chapter that does not submit annual renewal requirements before June 30 will also be placed on inactive status.**

**Policy 15. Chartering New and Inactive Chapters**—Any alumni member in good standing may be recognized as a contact person for alumni representation or for alumni chapter expansion in a specific geographic location. **When a person becomes an alumni contact, the Central Office will notify the Regional Vice President and Provincial Vice President. Petitions for the authorization of the establishment of a voting Alumni Chapter must be signed by at least ten (10) Alumni Members of this Fraternity, in good standing and who reside in the locality in which it is proposed to establish such Alumni Chapter. The petition must be approved by the Board of Directors. Each Alumni Chapter shall maintain a minimum membership of at least ten (10) members at all times. To charter a new chapter, a group of brothers must submit chartering requirements including a list of officers, a roster of at least ten (10) members, a chartering fee of \$100, and a copy of the proposed chapter bylaws to the Central Office. Refer to Bylaws Article XI, Section 1 and Article XVI, Sections 6 and 7. If any alumni chapter becomes inactive, it may become active again by submitting chartering requirements including a list of officers, a roster of at least ten (10) members residing in the locality of the chapter, a chartering fee of \$100, and a copy of the chapter bylaws to Central Office.**

**Policy 16. Franchising Renewing Currently Active Existing Chapters**—To be recognized continuously as an alumni chapter, the chapter must complete franchising annual renewal requirements between April 1 and June 30 each year for the upcoming fiscal year. **Franchising Annual renewal requirements include a list of officers, a roster of at least ten members residing in the locality of the chapter, a franchise an annual renewal fee of \$2575, and a copy of the chapter bylaws, and a charter renewal fee of \$25 if franchising has lapsed.**

**Policy 17. Liability Insurance Premium**—~~Upon initial recognition as an alumni chapter, an invoice for liability insurance will be sent to the chapter. All alumni chapters receive an invoice for liability insurance upon annual franchise renewal.~~ **Liability insurance is provided to all alumni chapters upon chartering or annual renewal. The fees for annual renewal and chartering include the liability insurance.**

**Policy 18. Alumni Chapter Awards**-Criteria for the selection of alumni awards are found in the *Awards and Recognition Guide* ([www.dspnet.org](http://www.dspnet.org)).

**Policy 19. Boundary and Location Approval for Alumni Chapters**-If an alumni chapter locality is equally divided by a regional boundary, the leadership of the alumni chapter under consultation of the two affected Regional Vice Presidents, will determine the region to which the alumni chapter will belong. The Regional Vice President will be consulted in determining the chapter locale for the purpose of officer eligibility. If a disagreement arises between the chapter and the Regional Vice President in determining boundaries or locales, the Provincial Vice President makes the decision.

**Policy 20. Notification Upon Formation of New Alumni Chapter**—When ~~a new~~ an alumni chapter franchises charters, the Central Office will notify the Regional Vice President and Provincial Vice President. ~~This does not apply to refranchising of existing chapters.~~

**Policy 21. Naming an Alumni Chapter—**

- A. The initial naming of an alumni chapter shall take place with the chartering of the chapter. After the initial naming of an alumni chapter, a name change for an alumni chapter in good standing can only take place ~~in odd years~~ at the time of annual ~~refranchising~~ **renewal**, which occurs from April 1 - June 30 for the upcoming fiscal year.
- B. The naming of an alumni chapter must meet the following criteria: The first part of the name must directly reflect the name of a city where the chapter is focused; the alumni chapter cannot be named the same as any Region or Province; the use of a hyphen (- or /) is permitted; no other punctuation is to appear in the name. The words “alumni chapter” will follow the name designation. (e.g. Seattle-Latte Land Alumni Chapter, not Latte Land-Seattle).
- C. In the instance where ~~an~~ a **previously chartered** alumni chapter is **seeking to recharter** ~~rechartering~~ after a time of inactivity, the alumni chapter can request a name change ~~during the initial refranchising process~~. If a ~~rechartering alumni chapter~~ **it** does not request a name change, the chapter shall take the name of the chapter that previously existed in that area. ~~After one fiscal year of inactivity, an alumni chapter in any particular geographical area is considered “lapsed.” Therefore, any alumni chapter forming in a geographical area where a lapsed alumni chapter previously existed will be subject to all fees applying to the rechartering of a lapsed alumni chapter according to the interpretation of the *National Bylaws* regardless of any request to change the name of the alumni chapter; an alumni chapter forming in the same geographical area as a pre-existing alumni chapter will not be considered a newly chartered alumni chapter.~~
- D. To request a name change, the alumni chapter must file the required “Alumni Chapter Name Change Request Form” (see item G. below) to the Central Office according to the criteria stated above. Approval of the name change is at the discretion of the Executive Director or his/her designee. A decision will be communicated to the alumni chapter within a reasonable time of the request. If approval of a name change is granted, the change will be effective immediately. All name change requests will be kept on file at the Central Office.
- E. For insurance purposes, the alumni chapter must file for an EIN/TIN number with the IRS within 30 days of the approved name change. The new number must be communicated to the Central Office in a timely manner.
- F. Alphabetical listings of alumni chapters are to be determined by the first word of the city/state beginning in the alumni chapter name.
- G. Alumni Chapter Name Change Request Form

**ALUMNI CHAPTER NAME CHANGE REQUEST FORM**

Alumni Chapter Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Submitter \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

New Name of Alumni Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you and/or the chapter review policy C.21 ([www.dspnet.org](http://www.dspnet.org)) before taking this action?

Yes No

Was this name change approved by your chapter? Yes No

When and where was this vote conducted? Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Place: \_\_\_\_\_



How Does This Name Change Benefit Membership? \_\_\_\_\_

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, am aware, pending approval of the request stated above, that my alumni chapter must file for an EIN/TIN with the IRS within 30 days. I take responsibility for communicating the new EIN/TIN to the Central Office for insurance purposes.

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Do Not Write Below This Point- For Central Office Use

This request was reviewed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Denied \_\_\_\_\_

Reasons for Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

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This decision was communicated to \_\_\_\_\_ On \_\_\_\_\_

EIN/TIN \_\_\_\_\_

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*Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

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## PROPOSAL 3 – Bylaw Amendment

*SUBMITTED BY:* Board of Directors

*DATE:* 08/02/06

### *Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation*

Change Bylaws Article IV, Section 4, and Article VIII, Section 2, to clarify that members may be nominated for Grand Offices as long as they reach the 3-year membership requirement by the date of their **election**.

*Current Wording from National Bylaws, Article IV, Section 4:*

Section 4. Qualifications for Office --- No one shall be nominated for or elected or appointed as a Grand Officer of this Fraternity, except the Collegians of the Year and the Executive Director, until such individual has been a member of this Fraternity for three (3) years and is an Alumni Member. The two (2) Collegian of the Year members of the Board of Directors are the two (2) most recently installed Collegians of the Year. In order to be nominated or elected as a Provincial Vice President, the legal residence of the member so nominated or elected shall be within the confines of that Province. A Grand Officer may not be appointed over a chapter for which the Grand Officer is a Chapter Advisor and any Grand Officer who accepts a position as a Chapter Advisor of a chapter supervised by the Grand Officer shall automatically become ineligible for office and such office shall be declared vacant.

*Suggested Revised Wording for National Bylaws, Article IV, Section 4:*

Section 4. Qualifications for Office --- No one shall be ~~nominated for or~~ elected or appointed as a Grand Officer of this Fraternity, except the Collegians of the Year and the Executive Director, until such individual has been a member of this Fraternity for three (3) years and is an Alumni Member. **Members are allowed to be nominated for Grand Office, except the Collegians of the Year and the Executive Director, as long as they reach the three (3) year membership requirement by the date of their election.** The two (2) Collegian of the Year members of the Board of Directors are the two (2) most recently installed Collegians of the Year. In order to be nominated or elected as a Provincial Vice President, the legal residence of the member so nominated or elected shall be within the confines of that Province. A Grand Officer may not be appointed over a chapter for which the Grand Officer is a Chapter Advisor and any Grand Officer who accepts a position as a Chapter Advisor of a chapter supervised by the Grand Officer shall automatically become ineligible for office and such office shall be declared vacant.

*Current Wording from National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2:*

Section 2. Qualifications for Office --- To be eligible for election or appointment, a Regional Vice President shall have been a member of the Fraternity for at least three (3) years, shall be an Alumni Member and shall reside within the Region.

*Suggested Revised Wording for National Bylaws, Article VIII, Section 2:*

Section 2. Qualifications for Office --- To be eligible for election or appointment, a Regional Vice President shall have been a member of the Fraternity for at least three (3) years **at time of election or appointment**, shall be an Alumni Member and shall reside within the Region.

***Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission***

This is a housekeeping change to bylaws so it is clear that the nominations committee intends to allow members to be nominated and run for office as long as they reach the 3-year membership requirement by the date of their **election**.

***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

For the 2007 GCC, the Nominations Committee Chair intends to interpret the current language to mean the date of **election**. A vote of the 2007 GCC, to clarify the language, will also serve to “ratify” this interpretation.

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

Clarifies the nominations committee intent. Allows those who fall short to be pre-nominated and not have to wait until nominated from the floor if they reach the 3-year requirement during the due date of advance nominations and the election.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

None

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)***

None

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Passed

Passed as amended

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*PROPOSAL 4 – Bylaw Amendment*

**SUBMITTED BY:** Louis T. Maull, Gateway RVP  
1049 Joanna Ave., St. Louis, MO 63122

**DATE:** August 10, 2006

***Summarization of the Proposal/Resolution***

Article II, Section 11, parts c. and d. now read:

c. **North Central Province** -- To consist of the Collegiate and Alumni Chapters in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and the province of Manitoba in Canada.

d. **South Central Province** -- To consist of the Collegiate and Alumni Chapters in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas (except Gamma Phi chapter), Oklahoma and Louisiana.

The above would be changed to read:

c. **North Central Province** -- To consist of the Collegiate and Alumni Chapters in the states of North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana and the province of Manitoba in Canada. **Except for the St. Louis metropolitan area counties of Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair in the state of Illinois.**

d. **South Central Province** -- To consist of the Collegiate and Alumni Chapters in the states of Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas (except Gamma Phi chapter), Oklahoma, ~~and~~ Louisiana **and the St. Louis metropolitan area counties of Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, and Saint Clair in the state of Illinois.**

***Purpose of the Proposal/Resolution and reason(s) for its submission (may not exceed 100 words if ultimately submitted for Grand Chapter consideration)***

To allow the entire St. Louis Metropolitan area to be administered by one Province, and one Region.

The affected Universities are:

Southern Illinois at Edwardsville (Madison County)  
Greenville College (Bond County)  
McKendree College (St. Clair County)  
Principia College (Jersey County)

***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

Upon passage by the delegates at the forty-sixth Grand Chapter Congress

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Resolution***

Metro St. Louis will be in just one region, not two. The schools in the eastern half of the metro area can be more easily serviced by Gateway leadership due to their proximity.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Resolution***

None

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Resolution (if applicable)***

There are no hard costs associated with this change. However, some staff time will be required to update bylaws, procedure manuals, etc.

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Passed as amended

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## **PROPOSAL 5 – Recommendation to the Board of Directors**

***SUBMITTED BY:*** Louis T. Maull, Gateway RVP  
1049 Joanna Ave, St. Louis, MO 63122  
314-241-8410 [maully@maull.com](mailto:maully@maull.com)

***DATE:*** August 10, 2006

### ***Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation***

Alter the Policies and Procedures Manual to reflect changes in the Bylaws regarding the boundaries of the N. Central and S. Central Provinces.

Section O, Policy 12, North Central Province Part a. Central Region now reads in part:

**Central Region**, to comprise all the collegiate and alumni chapters in the southern portion of Indiana (south of US Highway 30--but not including the metropolitan Fort Wayne area) and the southern half of Illinois (south of US Highway 24 from the Indiana state line to US Highway 136 west to the Iowa state line).

The paragraph would be changed to read:

**Central Region**, to comprise all the collegiate and alumni chapters in the southern portion of Indiana (south of US Highway 30--but not including the metropolitan Fort Wayne area) and the southern half of Illinois (south of US Highway 24 from the Indiana state line to US Highway 136 west to the Iowa state line) **not including the St. Louis metropolitan area counties of Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair.**)

Section O, Policy 12, South Central Province Part a. Gateway Region now reads in part:

**Gateway Region**, to comprise the entire state of Arkansas; the eastern portion of the state of Missouri, bordered by Hwy 65 (south of Hwy 70), including the town of Springfield, MO and Hwys 41, 11 and 5 (north of Hwy 70) to the Iowa state border.

The paragraph would be changed to read:

**Gateway Region**, to comprise the entire state of Arkansas; eastern portion of the state of Missouri, bordered by Hwy 65 (south of Hwy 70), including the town of Springfield, MO and Hwys 41, 11 and 5 (north of Hwy 70) to the Iowa state border-; **the St. Louis metropolitan counties of Bond, Clinton, Jersey, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair in the state of Illinois.**

### ***Purpose of the Proposal/Resolution and reason(s) for its submission (may not exceed 100 words if ultimately submitted for Grand Chapter consideration)***

To change the policies to reflect the proposed change in the bylaws.

### ***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

At the first policy implementation date after the forty-sixth Grand Chapter Congress assuming that the related bylaw proposal is passed by the delegates.

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

Keeps policies in line with bylaws.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

None

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)***

There are no hard costs associated with this change. However, some staff time will be required to update the procedure manual, pledge books, etc.

## PROPOSAL 6 – Bylaw Amendment

*Submitted by:* Omicron Rho Chapter - Cornell University

### *Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation*

To clarify Bylaws Article XII, Section 11 “Election of Pledges” to avoid confusion by the wording regarding voting to select a pledge class. As it stands, it is unclear whether or not we should only re-vote if a potential pledge has EXACTLY 20% negative votes, or if we should re-vote if a potential pledge has 20% OR MORE. We would like to add the words “or more” into the bylaws to clarify this point. See current and suggested revised wording below.

*Current wording from National Bylaws, Article XII, Section 11:*

**Section 11. Election of Pledges ---** Except as provided hereinafter, no person shall be initiated into this Fraternity except through a Collegiate Chapter and by a secret vote of the members of said chapter, in good standing, constituting a quorum present at a regularly called meeting as may be defined by the Bylaws of the chapter and the Laws of this Fraternity. All elections to pledgship in this Fraternity shall be by secret ballot. To ensure against mistake, should twenty percent (20%) of the members present and voting, or five (5), whichever is greater, negative votes appear in the ballot box on the name of a prospective pledge, a second ballot shall be immediately taken. If twenty per cent (20%) of the members present and voting, or five (5), whichever is greater, negative votes appear in the ballot box on the second ballot, the prospective pledge shall be considered rejected. Before any ballot is cast, the ballot box, if used, shall be shown to the President, the Senior Vice President, and the Vice President-Chapter Operations, who shall severally vouch for the emptiness of the same. All qualified members of the chapter present shall vote. Failure to vote shall be construed as a favorable vote for the candidate. After all such members have voted, the ballot shall be declared closed, the same inspected, and the votes counted by the President, Senior Vice President and the Vice President-Chapter Operations. The declaration of these officers announcing the vote favorable or unfavorable to election shall be final. Should the name of the same prospective pledge be proposed and rejected a third time, the same prospective pledge shall never be proposed again in that chapter. The votes concerning prospective pledges described herein must be held before the individuals in question are formally accepted as pledges. Should the prospective pledge receive a favorable election, but be unable to accept pledgship, an election must be held in any subsequent academic term in which the prospective pledge’s name is proposed again.

*Suggested revised wording for National Bylaws, Article XII, Section 11 (changes in bold):*

**Section 11. Election of Pledges ---** Except as provided hereinafter, no person shall be initiated into this Fraternity except through a Collegiate Chapter and by a secret vote of the members of said chapter, in good standing, constituting a quorum present at a regularly called meeting as may be defined by the Bylaws of the chapter and the Laws of this Fraternity. All elections to pledgship in this Fraternity shall be by secret ballot. To ensure against mistake, should twenty percent (20%) **or more** of the members present and voting, or five (5), whichever is greater, negative votes appear in the ballot box on the name of a prospective pledge, a second ballot shall be immediately taken. If twenty per cent (20%) **or more** of the members present and voting, or



five (5), whichever is greater, negative votes appear in the ballot box on the second ballot, the prospective pledge shall be considered rejected. Before any ballot is cast, the ballot box, if used, shall be shown to the President, the Senior Vice President, and the Vice President-Chapter Operations, who shall severally vouch for the emptiness of the same. All qualified members of the chapter present shall vote. Failure to vote shall be construed as a favorable vote for the candidate. After all such members have voted, the ballot shall be declared closed, the same inspected, and the votes counted by the President, Senior Vice President and the Vice President-Chapter Operations. The declaration of these officers announcing the vote favorable or unfavorable to election shall be final. Should the name of the same prospective pledge be proposed and rejected a third time, the same prospective pledge shall never be proposed again in that chapter. The votes concerning prospective pledges described herein must be held before the individuals in question are formally accepted as pledges. Should the prospective pledge receive a favorable election, but be unable to accept pledgship, an election must be held in any subsequent academic term in which the prospective pledge's name is proposed again.

***Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission***

Our chapter has had issues properly interpreting this text, and feel that the addition of "or more" makes no changes to the rules, but could reduce the confusion surrounding this procedure for all chapters and chapters to come.

***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date***

As soon as possible, no specific date preference since the proposed change doesn't alter the actual rule – but simply clarifies it.

***Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

Chapters can be clear regarding when they should and should not re-vote when selecting the pledge class.

***Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation***

None since the rules are not being changed, they are simply being clarified.

***Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)***

None.

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Passed as amended

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