

INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY OF DELTA SIGMA PI, INC.
MINUTES
SOUTH CENTRAL PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING
March 8, 2025
Baton Rouge, LA

The South Central Provincial Council Meeting of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, Inc. was called to order according to Ritual at 3:50 p.m. on Saturday, March 8, 2025, by South Central Provincial Vice President Sara Casey at the Heidelberg Ballroom in the Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center in Baton Rouge, LA.

Present and in person at this meeting were the following officers of the South Central Province:

Sara Casey	Provincial Vice President
Joe Shaver	Gateway Regional Vice President
Laura Olivencia	Gulf South Regional Vice President
Tiphannie Contreras	Gulf Western Regional Vice President
Kris McDaniel	Midwestern Regional Vice President
Sally Hinkle	Southwestern Regional Vice President
Yvonne Moore	Tornado Alley Regional Vice President

There were no absent officers of the South Central Province.

Other positions were as follows:

Henry McDaniel	Chancellor
Cora Leadbetter	Recording Secretary
Nicole Wernette	Credentials Chair
Lauren Keely	Guide
Kayleigh Campbell	Guide

At this time, Brother Sara Casey relinquished the chair to Chancellor McDaniel, who introduced Secretary Leadbetter. Leadbetter then conducted the Roll Call of Delegates and announced 47 delegates present and eligible to vote. 1 delegate was present and not eligible to vote. **See Addendum A (no motion to approve voting delegates).**

Gamma Epsilon then moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Space City Houston Alumni Chapter. South Central Provincial Vice President Sara Casey motioned to amend the agenda to add "E- Adopt the Standing Rules" and adjust to renumber the agenda accordingly. Seconded by St. Louis Alumni Chapter. Amendment passed. The Agenda was adopted as amended. **See Addendum B for the amended agenda.**

Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter moved to adopt Standing Rules. Seconded by Gamma Epsilon and approved. **See Addendum C for the standing rules.**

Eta Theta moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2024 South Central Provincial Council Meeting and to approve the minutes as previously distributed. Seconded by Delta Upsilon and approved.

There were no votes taken since the last council meeting.

Brother Casey then gave a verbal report to supplement the written 2025 Annual Leadership Reports of the Province. The Provincial Vice President's verbal report was received without objection.

The 2025 Annual Leadership Reports of the Province were previously distributed and were received without objection.

The 2025 Finance Report was received without objection.

OLD & NEW BUSINESS

Chancellor McDaniel then noted there was no old business and moved into new business.

Iota then moved the 2025-2026 Provincial Budget. The motion was seconded by Baton Rouge-Red Stick Alumni Chapter. The 2025-2026 Provincial Budget was then adopted.

1) Bylaw Proposals

- a) R25-16: PVP Removal From The Board and Provincial Director
 - i) Motioned by Eta Tau, seconded by Beta Upsilon.
 - ii) PVP Sara Casey yielded the floor to Brother Mark Wernette for a brief overview of Bylaw Proposal 1 (R25-16).
 - iii) Discussion
 - iv) R25-16 was ADOPTED with a majority
 - (1) In favor: 41
 - (2) Against: 6
 - (3) Abstain: 0
- b) R25-17: Grand President Elect
 - i) Motioned by Iota Omicron, seconded by Omicron Phi.
 - ii) PVP Sara Casey yielded the floor to Brother Mark Wernette for a brief overview of Bylaw Proposal 2 (R25-17).
 - iii) Discussion
 - iv) R25-17 was ADOPTED with a majority
 - (1) In favor: 31
 - (2) Against: 14
 - (3) Abstain: 2

2) Ritual Proposals

- a) R25-15: The Purpose in Ritual
 - i) Motioned by St Louis Alumni Chapter, seconded by Kappa Omicron.

- ii) Chancellor yielded the floor to Brother Megan Paul, St. Louis Alumni Chapter for a brief overview of Ritual Proposal 1 (R25-15).
- iii) Discussion
- iv) R25-15 was ADOPTED with a majority
 - (1) In favor: 46
 - (2) Against: 1
 - (3) Abstain: 0

Chancellor McDaniel made announcements and then invited others to make announcements.

Chancellor McDaniel then adjourned the South Central Provincial Council Meeting at 4:40 p.m. after a motion by Delta Epsilon, seconded by Dallas Area Alumni Chapter, which was approved by consensus. Brother Casey then closed the meeting according to Ritual.



Sara Casey, Provincial Vice President



Cora Leadbetter, Recording Secretary

Addendum A

#	Chapter	Delegate	
9	Iota (University of Kansas)	Hayden Cook	
25	Alpha Beta (University of Missouri-Columbia)	Farouk Hamdan	
45	Alpha Chi (Washington University in St. Louis)	Nduwimana Claude	
50	Beta Epsilon (University of Oklahoma)	Ryan Crawford	
51	Beta Zeta (Louisiana State University)	Kayln Williams	
54	Beta Iota (Baylor University)	Yash Balasabramaniam	
55	Beta Kappa (University of Texas-Austin)		ABSENT
63	Beta Sigma (Saint Louis University)	Nicholas Parafiniuk	
65	Beta Upsilon (Texas Tech University)	Caleb Pearson	
66	Beta Phi (Southern Methodist University)	Gracia Suppoga	
71	Gamma Epsilon (Oklahoma State University)	Jonathan Posey	
78	Gamma Mu (Tulane University)	Isaac Ratzan	
91	Delta Epsilon (University of North Texas)	Bhavika Shekar	
99	Delta Nu (Loyola University-New Orleans)	Madison Clemons	
106	Delta Upsilon (Texas Christian University)	Julia Brondello	
111	Epsilon Zeta (Midwestern State University)	Kyann Roberts	
135	Zeta Mu (University of Texas-Arlington)		ABSENT
136	Zeta Nu (Texas A&M University-Kingsville)	Cody Trejo	
148	Eta Theta (Angelo State University)	Clay Cables	
159	Eta Tau (McNeese State University)	Lauren Keeley	
180	Theta Omega (St. Edward's University)	Lauren Westfall	
184	Iota Nu (Truman State University)	Caroline Daccache	
186	Iota Omicron (University of Central Missouri)	Audrey Klinger	
199	Kappa Xi (University of Louisiana at Lafayette)*	Joshua Brown	INELIGIBLE
200	Kappa Omicron (Missouri State University)	Patric Frey	
211	Lambda Nu (Texas A&M University-College Station)	Advait Atreya	
218	Lambda Upsilon (St. Mary's University)	Noah Gibson	
235	Nu Xi (University of Missouri-Kansas City)	Eleanor Mieremet	
245	Nu Omega (Rockhurst University)		ABSENT
261	Omicron Phi (University of Texas-San Antonio)	Hannah Conde	
272	Pi Omega (Trinity University-San Antonio)	William Meckel	
284	Sigma Psi (Lindenwood University)	Katt Mossinghoff	
298	Chi Psi (University of Texas-Dallas)	Arvitha Ventr Pragada	
503	San Antonio (TX) Alumni Chapter	Dohnovan Montalvo	
517	Austin Alumni Chapter	Cody Bruce	
522	Baton Rouge-Red Stick Alumni Chapter	Angela Andrews	
546	Fort Worth Cowtown Alumni Chapter	Lainey Gover	
592	Dallas Area Alumni Chapter	Dustin Casey	

615 Space City Houston Alumni Chapter	Seth Chavez
630 Kansas City Alumni Chapter	Michelle Marrs
635 Lake Charles-Lagniappe (LA) Alumni Chapter	Courtney Bradley
700 St. Louis Alumni Chapter	Megan Paul
701 Oklahoma City Tornado Alley Alumni Chapter	Laura Stockbridge
760 Arlington Area Lone Star (TX) Alumni Chapter	Omar Sandoval
South Central Province Provincial Vice President	Sara Casey
Gateway Regional Vice President	Joe Shaver
Gulf South Regional Vice President	Laura Olivencia
Gulf Western Regional Vice President	Tiphonie Contreras
Midwestern Regional Vice President	Kris McDaniel
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Addendum B



DELTA SIGMA PI SOUTH CENTRAL PROVINCE

Provincial Council Meeting Agenda

March 8, 2025

Baton Rouge, LA

All Provincial Council Meeting documents can be found in the South Central LEAD Provincial section of the DSP Network app.

Download the official DSP Network App for iPhone or Android through the App/Play Store by visiting dsp.org/leadapp and tapping the "DSP Network App" link. Search within the App for "LEAD Events" and download the "LEAD Event Guide."

- A. Opening Ritual (CLOSED SESSION – MEMBERS ONLY)
- B. Call the meeting to order
- C. Roll call of the Delegates
- D. Adopt the agenda
- E. Adopt the standing rules
- F. Approve the minutes of the previous Council Meeting
- G. Review votes taken since the last meeting
 - a. None
- H. Report of the Provincial Vice President – Sara Casey
- I. Report of the Regional Vice Presidents
 - a. Gateway – Joe Shaver
 - b. Gulf South – Laura Olivencia
 - c. Gulf Western – Tiphonie Contreras
 - d. Midwestern – Kris McDaniel
 - e. Southwestern – Sally Hinkle
 - f. Tornado Alley – Yvonne Moore

J. Provincial Financial Report

K. Reports of the Provincial Committees

- a. Alumni Development – Katrina Winant
- b. Community Service – Laura Stockbridge
- c. Professional Development – Chrissie Rogers
- d. Scholastic Development and Awards – David Riedel

L. Old Business

- a. None

M. New Business

- a. Approve Provincial Budget for 2025-2026 fiscal year
- b. Legislative Proposals/Recommendations
 - i. Bylaws Proposals
 - 1. PVP Removal From The Board and Provincial Director
 - 2. Grand President Elect
 - ii. Ritual Proposals
 - 1. The Purpose in Ritual (RITUAL LEGISLATION - MEMBERS ONLY)

N. General announcements

- a. Review schedule of upcoming meetings and events:
 - i. 4/25 Alumni Day Drive - April 23-25, 2025
 - ii. National Alumni Day – April 25, 2025
 - iii. Grand Chapter Congress (Palm Springs) - August 6-10, 2025
 - iv. 2025 Fall LEAD Schools and Summits
 - 1. Coming soon! Check www.dsp.org for more information.
 - v. Make A Difference Day - October 25, 2025
 - vi. Founders' Day - November 7, 2025
 - vii. Founders' Day Challenge - November 7-8, 2025
 - viii. 2026 LEAD Provincial Conference & Council Meeting
 - 1. San Antonio, TX - February 27-March 1, 2026
- b. Other chapter announcements as time allows

O. Adjournment

P. Closing Ritual (CLOSED SESSION – MEMBERS ONLY)

Addendum C

South Central Provincial Council Standing Rules—

A. Delegates and Credentials:

1. A collegiate or alumni chapter delegate will be the chapter president or an alternate delegate selected by the chapters as prescribed in Article VII, Section 3; Article X, Section 6; and Article XI, Section 7 of the Bylaws.
2. Provincial Vice Presidents and Regional Vice Presidents may not appoint an alternate for themselves.
3. In accordance with the Bylaws, naming an alternate delegate during a Provincial Council Meeting is not permitted.

B. Meetings and Agenda:

1. Regular Meetings a) Regular annual meetings of the Provincial Council will be held during Provincial Conferences. b) The Provincial Vice President, or their designee, must prepare a preliminary agenda for each regular meeting and distribute it to all Council members for review and comment at least 30 days prior to the meeting. The final agenda will be distributed at the meeting and approved at the meeting.
2. Special Meetings a) The Provincial Vice President will call special meetings on behalf of the Provincial Council as prescribed in Article VII, Section 2 of the Bylaws. b) The Provincial Vice President will select the date(s), time, location, and specific site of special meetings and provide each Council member ten days notice thereof. c) The agenda for any special meeting must be included in the call for the meeting. d) Special meetings may be conducted in person or via conference call as the situation allows, and style will be included in the notice.

C. Special Rules of Order:

1. No secondary amendments will be allowable except those that create or fill a blank.
2. A roll call vote will not be in order under any circumstances.
3. A Council action becomes effective upon the adjournment of the meeting at which it was adopted unless a different time therefore is specified.
4. Voting by proxy is not allowed, as per Bylaws Article II, Section 7.
5. A "tie" vote (equal votes "For" and "Against") results in a motion failing.

D. Actions Between Meetings:

1. "Conference call" means communication among Council members present by telephone or other, similar electronic medium and that each member present can hear each and every other member simultaneously.
2. "E-Mail/electronic communication" means communication among all Council members via the Internet to previously provided e-mail addresses. No verification of receipt is required and votes received via e-mail will be assumed to be legitimate.

3. Anything in the parliamentary authority to the contrary notwithstanding, at the discretion of the chairperson or upon written request of a majority of the Council, the Council may act by mail or e-mail between regular 57 meetings. Such action will be considered an act of the Council.
4. The Central Office will prepare, distribute, receive, and tabulate all ballots for a mail or e-mail vote.
5. The Central Office will transmit the ballots to all members with communication indicating: a) The date by which all ballots must be received by the Central Office. Such date will not be less than seven days nor more than 14 days from the date of the communication. The Provincial Vice President may require a longer or shorter balloting period; and b) If a secret ballot has been authorized (notice will only be provided in those instances where such authorization has been made).
6. Amendments to proposals being considered by email voting are not allowed.
7. The action, if passed, will become effective at the end of the announced voting period, unless a different time is specified by the action. The Central Office will notify the Provincial Vice President of the results of the vote within 14 days.
8. If any requirement of this Rule is not met, then the action will not be considered an act of the Council unless ratified as such at the next regular Council meeting.
9. The Past Grand President will arbitrate any unsolved issues or disputes regarding actions between meetings.

E. Amendments

1. No amendment is allowable until a written copy is presented to the Council Secretary in such manner as the Secretary may prescribe.

F.. Debate

1. No speech in debate may exceed two minutes. Time not consumed is lost and may not be carried over to future speeches or otherwise reserved in any manner.
2. A delegate or Grand Officer (Provincial Vice President and Regional Vice Presidents) may yield the floor to someone other than a delegate or Grand Officer for purposes of debate. The yielding will be considered as if the delegate had obtained the floor for purposes of recognition and time consumed in debate. At the conclusion of the speech of the person to whom the floor was yielded, the delegate may automatically reclaim the floor to speak for any remaining time. Time not consumed is lost and may not be carried over to future speeches or otherwise reserved in any manner.
3. Debate on any main motion (including debate on all subsidiary, incidental, and privileged motions, except Points of Order and appeals there from, associated with the main motion) will not exceed the lesser of:
 - a. 15 minutes, or
 - b. The time allotted therefore under the Orders of the Day.Debate may be extended for one additional 15-minute period by a two-thirds vote.
4. No debate on any main motion or amendment may begin until a written copy is presented to the Council Secretary in such manner as the Secretary may prescribe.