## South Central Province Provincial Council Report 2023 Henry McDaniel, Provincial Vice President

#### **Executive Summary of the Province**

We have now completed the first year of in-person events, including a Grand Chapter Congress and it is obvious while members are engaging in person, many chapters are struggling. Navigating from a virtual environment to an in-person world has left many chapters with issues of membership retention. While the issue seems to be leveling out, the continued pressure on chapter size in some areas is obvious. This past year we have closed one chapter in the Gateway region due to lack of member involvement in the chapter and unfortunately several smaller chapters could be facing the same issue throughout all our regions. Leadership continues to work with these chapters to help ensure their continued success.

The discipline committee has also seen withdrawal requests from members who no longer wish to be involved. The main overarching theme of these Brothers was a lack of being informed of the obligations of membership, primarily attendance requirements once the chapter moved to in-person events. While the trend is concerning, it is my belief that this will begin to lessen as we move into the Post-COVID world and also educate potential members on participation requirements.

I am also excited about the accomplishments of our Province leadership, primarily the roll out of our social media presence and the South Central Podcast. This monthly podcast has been an insightful experience for our Brothers and delivers information. As we look forward to the Spring semester look out for more information presented by our Chair Emily Kepley and the hosts Kaitlynn Kaminski and Kristina Block.

One of my goals was to provide additional opportunity for Brothers to feel they have direct access to the Provincial Vice President. While I feel I have helped to do this by hosting a legislative review prior to Grand Chapter Congress, I feel there is more to be done, especially as we gear up for 2023 Grand Chapter Congress. In the coming months we will have additional legislative reviews and a virtual town hall to allow members to ask the questions and to share ideas.

In regards to chapter health, I feel the Province is moving in the right direction. During the last fiscal year, it was obvious that many chapters were struggling to find a path forward. As many success stories we heard of chapters moving to in-person events there were as many failures. With diligence, chapters have found a path forward and how to provide an experience that is energizing our members. I will refer to the individual RVP reports for specific chapter details and concerns, but in general our Province is healthier than it has been for many years.

In closing, I want to thank the Brothers for electing me as your Provincial Vice President and allowing me to serve in this role. It takes us all to be successful and I want to thank the members, those who serve in exec and other leadership roles, and especially the other volunteer leaders for all they do for Delta Sigma Pi.

## Awards Committee Provincial Council Report 2022 Josh Robinson, Provincial Chair

#### **Executive Summary of the Committee**

Traditionally, the Fall semester is relatively quiet for Awards Committees, with the primary focus being motivation to have chapters nominate a Collegian of the Year and providing support to nominated COYs to submit their application. We had 29 chapters in the South Central Province nominate a COY, with 15 of those nominated completing their application. There are plans to host webinars in the Spring to help make sure VPSA's feel prepared to submit winning applications for their chapters. There are plans to meet with the Awards Committee to discuss the Provincial COY process, and how we can strengthen our awards committee approach for end of year awards and into the future.

### **Committee Highlights and Other Projects**

- Only 15 chapters submitted a COY application
- 1 chapter has begun their Outstanding Service Award application

#### **Committee Members**

- Seth Chavez Gulf Western Region
- Brian Powell Southwestern Region
- Megan Samano Gulf South Region
- Jim Deaton Tornado Alley Region
- Jackie Soetmelk Midwestern Region
- Jessica Kuenzel Gateway Region

## Alumni Development Committee Provincial Council Report 2023 Megan Paul, Provincial Chair Executive

## **Summary of the Committee**

The committee has two significant priorities moving forward.

- To work with the National Committee to revamp the New Alumni Orientation into a process that spans the entire last semester of a brother rather than five PowerPoint slides.
- 2. To create and maintain a communication network among alumni and collegiate brothers in the province.

## **Committee Highlights & Other Projects**

We are actively looking for brothers, collegiate or alum, that are interested in helping with either of the above priorities

## **Fraternity Events**

- South Central Special Council Meeting March 2022
- GCC July 2022
- St. Louis LEAD October 2022
- President's Academy January 2023
- South Central Provincial LEAD 2023

## **Committee Members**

- Cora Leadbetter Midwestern
- Actively searching for more members to be able to accomplish our stated priorities

## Gateway Region Provincial Council Report 2023 Joe Shaver, Regional Vice President

### **Executive Summary of the Region**

The region overall is performing well, especially with better recruitment than last year, bringing in larger pledge classes across the board. We have 13 volunteers helping the region as DDs, ADDs, and committee members. DDs have helped support the chapters by attending at least the pledging ceremony, one chapter event, and initiation. Six chapters (including the St. Louis Alumni Chapter) attended the St. Louis LEAD, while one attended the Phoenix LEAD, bringing the total attendance for fall LEADs from our region to 34. The region gained 118 new collegiate members this semester! Chapter morale and engagement continues to be the biggest challenge for the region as members still get used to working together in person and attending events. Overall, CMP deadlines are being met sooner and better than last year, and the number of trials has decreased.

#### **High Priority Risks**

- Trials:
  - o Although there was a general decrease in trials across the region since last year, we still had quite a few exec trials and subsequent expulsions due to non-participation. As chapters continue to get used to being back in person (when most of their membership was initiated virtually), there's still a learning curve related to in-person programming, operations, ritual, traditions, and chapter culture.

#### **Region Highlights**

- Alpha Beta Chapter, at the University of Missouri-Columbia, will hit their Centennial Anniversary on March 24, 2023! A large celebration is planned in Columbia for Saturday, April 8, 2023.
- *Iota Nu Chapter, at Truman State University,* is celebrating their 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this fall, with an event planned for Saturday, November 4, 2023.

- Alpha Beta Chapter, at the University of Missouri-Columbia
  - o District Director: Don Fitzgerald
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 49% complete, 40% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter has continually strong recruitments and initiated 24 new brothers in the fall, bringing the chapter to over 110 members. The chapter will celebrate its Centennial this spring, so plan to attend that milestone event if your schedule allows. The chapter is currently on track to reach CMP Chapter of Recognition, which is wonderful news as it's currently on CMP-related Guidance.
- Alpha Chi Chapter, at Washington University in St. Louis

- o <u>District Director</u>: Kristen Wilhelm
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 32% complete, 28% approved
- Summary: The chapter, which historically struggles with submission of CMP items, successfully completed their CMP-related Guidance requirements last year and were subsequently taken off Guidance this year. It is currently on track to reach CMP Chapter of Excellence this year. The chapter continues to do well with recruitment, with 19 initiated in the fall bringing them to over 100 members. The DD and RVP continue to work with the chapter to improve communication between them, volunteer leadership, and the National Fraternity.
- Beta Sigma Chapter, at Saint Louis University
  - o District Director: Jeanne Safron
  - o Assistant District Director: Charles Nienaber
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 38% complete, 32% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is very prominent on campus and has full support from their School of Business, with almost 70 active members. Due to a few late and not approved items, in addition to not attending Grand Chapter Congress last summer, the chapter will not reach Accredited Chapter status this year. The DDs and RVP continue to work on communicating the importance of national event attendance and CMP submissions, as it did not reach Accredited last year either.
- Eta Nu Chapter, at the University of Missouri-St. Louis
  - Summary: Due to consistently low or non-existent recruitment numbers over the past few years, especially when the University was entirely virtual for three and a half semesters (March 2020 through May 2022) for COVID-19, which led to an active member count of two, the chapter understandably struggled to operate at the minimum expectations of the Fraternity and voted to voluntarily surrender their charter last spring. Official notice from the Fraternity was sent in November, 2022.
- Iota Nu Chapter, at Truman State University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: TBD
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 60% complete, 49% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: With an initiation class of 14, the chapter is steadily growing, with now over 45 active members. It is also currently on track to reach CMP Chapter of Excellence this year. The chapter is celebrating its 45-year anniversary this fall. The RVP is working to find a volunteer to serve as DD who is willing to travel to Kirksville occasionally.
- Kappa Omicron Chapter, at Missouri State University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Sally Hinkle
  - o Assistant District Director: George Husted
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 51% complete, 38% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently on track to reach CMP Chapter of Excellence again this year, being the only chapter in the region who achieved that last year. The chapter has strong finances, and it continually meets all required and suggested CMP deadlines.

It had a great recruitment season in the fall, initiating 29 new members, bringing the chapter total to over 70 members.

- Sigma Psi Chapter, at Lindenwood University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Emily Hudson
  - o <u>CMP Accredited Progress</u>: 55% complete, 40% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter continues to have a strong presence within their School of Business and support from the University. The chapter is very communicative with local leadership and the National Fraternity. Due to a few not approved items, the chapter will not reach Accredited Chapter status again this year. The DD is primarily working on member education and engagement, as their smaller chapter size of just over 20 makes for more work for fewer people, sometimes leading to burnout quickly, although initiating 10 members in the fall was a great step for them.

#### Committees

- Awards Committee
  - o Chair: Megan Paul
  - o Committee Members: Shannon Keys, Laura O'Connell, Aly Rauen, and Kristen Wilhelm
- Marketing Committee
  - o Chair: Kristina Block
  - o Committee Members: none at this time

## **Fraternity Events/Chapter Visits**

- 7/12-17/22 Grand Chapter Congress, Cleveland, OH
- 7/21/22 St. Louis Alumni Chapter Social outing
- 8/1/22 Alpha Beta Chapter Meeting with DD, President, & VPCO, virtual
- 8/22/22 Sigma Psi Chapter Meeting with DD, President, & VPCO
- 8/29/22 Beta Sigma Chapter Meeting with DD, ADD, President, & VPCO
- 9/15/22 St. Louis Alumni Chapter Social outing
- 9/29/22 Ritual Training Working Group meeting, virtual
- 10/20/22 St. Louis Alumni Chapter Social outing
- 10/21-22/22 LEAD School, St. Louis, MO
- 10/29/22 *Iota Nu Chapter* Initiation
- 10/30/22 Alpha Beta Chapter Initiation
- 10/30/22 Sigma Psi Chapter Initiation
- 11/5/22 *Kappa Omicron Chapter* Initiation
- 11/5/22 Alpha Chi Chapter Initiation
- 11/14/22 Beta Sigma Chapter Initiation
- 12/3/22 St. Louis Alumni Chapter Social outing
- 1/13-15/23 Presidents' Academy, St. Louis, MO
- 2/10-12/23 South Central LEAD Provincial Conference, Kansas City, MO
- 2/24-26/23 North Central LEAD Provincial Conference, Indianapolis, IN

# Gulf South Region Provincial Council Report 2023 Laura Olivencia, Regional Vice President

#### **Executive Summary of the Region**

It has been an entire year since being back in person and the region is still struggling as a whole. We have around 13 volunteers helping the region as DD's, ADD's, committee members, etc. Alumni engagement and overall volunteers for the region is an area that the RVP has identified as something that they will focus on improving in. Current volunteers have helped support the chapters by attending at least the pledge ceremony, one chapter & pledge meeting, and the initiation. We are aiming to have more collegiate chapter members attend LEAD in the spring as half of the chapters have additional funds in the Chapter Leadership Fund. Overall, the region gained 80 new members in Fall 2022 which is more than the previous year. Chapter Recruitment and retention seems to be one of the biggest challenges as chapters. The lack of engagement, executive committee understanding of roles & responsibilities has overall impacted meeting CMP deadlines, increase exec trials for non-payment of dues and attendance. The DD's and RVP will focus on these areas in the Spring to make sure each chapter reaches Accredited Chapter.

#### **High Priority Risks**

## • Financial Obligations:

o *Kappa Xi, at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette* – The chapter was placed on guidance till June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022, due to repeated failure to meet CMP requirements. A warning letter was sent in August 2021 due to past due balances beyond 90 days. The Chapter is currently working on gaining access to their bank accounts and funds as well as getting things back in order moving forward. The chapter will likely remain on guidance until further notice.

#### • CMP Requirements:

o *Delta Nu, at Loyola University* – The chapter was place on guidance until June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, due to repeated failure to meet CMP standards.

#### • Miscellaneous:

o All chapters have struggled with extremely high exec trials due to non-payment of dues and/or attendance issues. Despite being 1 year back in person, there has been there will be a steep learning curve related to in person programing, operations, ritual, healthy traditions, and chapter culture. Chapter morale across the board is still down.

## **Region Highlights and Other Projects**

• Regional Initiation is in the works of being planned at Beta Zeta Chapter, at Louisiana State University for Fall 2023.

- Beta Psi, at the LA Tech University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Chet Andrewso <u>Assistant District Director</u>: N/A
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 31.91% complete, 19.15% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently NOT on track to reach Accredited Chapter. The chapter has made strides in recruitment the past few semesters, increasing chapter membership to 22 members at the end of the Fall 2022 semester. The chapter must continue to focus on recruitment to build up their membership. The DD and RVP are continuing to allocate as much support and resources to the chapter and its executive committee members. They are working with the chapter executive committee on recruiting focuses, finances, fundraising, overall chapter operations. They are also working with the chapter on attending National Events.
- Eta Tau, at McNeese State University:
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Seth Chavez
  - o Assistant District Director: N/A
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 68.09% complete, 55.32% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently on track to reach Chapter of Recognition, possibly even Chapter of Excellence. This chapter has some opportunity when it comes to the Chapter Membership Size. They are currently sitting at 30 Chapter Members with a goal of 35. The chapter has made great strides in paying off chapter debt and establishing strong organizational practices. The DD and RVP are working with the chapter executive committee to bolster recruiting, fundraising, chapter operations etc.
  - Kappa Xi, at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette:
    - o <u>District Director</u>: Samantha Louque
    - o Assistant District Director:
    - o CMP Accredited Progress: 17.02% complete, 6.38% approved
    - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently not on track to reach Accredited Chapter. This chapter has been inactive per the university for the 2022 year but has recently been able to work with the Dean to get their inactive status lifted. The Chapter has a list of to do's from the Dean Membership Size and consistent recruitment over the years. While they had a strong semester, they still have a major opportunity for creating a presence on campus. They are currently sitting at 5 Chapter Members with a goal of 72. This chapter is currently working on paying off chapter debt and in the future needs to establish a process for maintaining chapter finances & collection of membership dues. The DD and RVP plan to work with the chapter executive committee on recruitment, proper training, education, and understanding each role & responsibilities. They are also working on the relationship with the University after all of the previous incidents hindering that relationship.
- Delta Nu, at the Loyola University New Orleans
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Hernan Espinal

- o Assistant District Director: N/A
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 55.32% complete, 44.68% approved
- o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently on Track to being an Accredited Chapter. This chapter has some opportunity with Chapter Membership Size. They are currently sitting at 17 Chapter Members with a goal of 29. The president expressed concerns to the RVP after the previous chapter leadership that the executive members will need some additional training on roles, responsibilities, and transitions. The DD and RVP will be working with the chapter executive committee to focus on recruitment and fundraising efforts as well as chapter operations.
- Beta Zeta, at the Louisiana State University
  - o District Director: Angela Andrews
  - o Assistant District Director: Josiah Blood
  - o <u>CMP Accredited Progress</u>: 57.45% complete, 44.68% approved
  - O Summary: The chapter is currently on track to reach Chapter of Recognition, possibly Chapter of Excellence. The chapter has been consistent over the years but continues to work towards building stronger organizational practices. The chapter has struggled like many other chapters with member engagement and recruitment while being virtual. The chapter is in the process of reevaluating their recruitment strategy and looking for ways to increase chapter morale and overall participation of members. The DD and RVP will continue to provide support to the chapter in recruitment, fundraising and overall chapter operations.
- Gamma Mu, at Tulane University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Trinity Anderson
  - o Assistant District Director: N/A
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 59.57% complete, 51.06% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: The chapter is currently on track to reach Accredited Chapter. The chapter has made great strides in continuing to ensure that the chapter follows Risk Management procedures/policies and has also been putting a huge focus on establishing stronger organizational practices. The DD and RVP plan to continue working with the chapter executive committee on recruiting, fundraising, chapter operations etc. The RVP has plans to gain more insight into the chapters recruiting efforts and share best practices with the rest of the chapters in the region. This chapter has successfully maintained a strong chapter membership over the years and is currently the only chapter exceeding membership goals and is sitting at 117 members as of the end of the Fall 2022 semester.

#### Regional Expansion

• Southeastern Louisiana State University – The fraternity has received interest from a student on campus. The RVP has numerous connections on campus as well within the business college. The college's business program has seen YOY growth in students consistently.

## **Committees**

- Awards Committee
  - o Chair: Michael McNulty
  - o <u>Committee Members</u>: Breana Carrier & Summit Jain
- Marketing Committee Need to assign still.
  - o Chair: N/A
  - o <u>Committee Members</u>: N/A

## Fraternity Events/Chapter Visits -

• RVP has plans to visit all chapters at least 1x over the Spring semester in addition to attending chapter initiations.

# Gulf Western Region Provincial Council Report Fall 2022 Gilbert Landras, Regional Vice President

## **Executive Summary of the Region**

This 2022 – 2023 year has started out well. There has not been much turnover on regional level leadership considering the enforced requirement of the Certified Deltasig Leader certification. There has been much more activity with the San Antonio and Austin area alumni chapters which is awesome. This momentum will surely sustain itself going into Houston GCC.

The Gulf Western Region will be having a Regional Conference in April of 2023. The event will serve as a make up for chapters that were not able to make a LEAD School in Fall 2022. The conference will be a great opportunity to reinforce some regional cohesion.

## **High Priority Risks**

## Example:

- Risk Management:
  - Eta Psi, The University of Houston Suspended from campus activity per UH Administration until November 2023
  - o Beta Kappa, University of Texas Probation until June 2023

#### **Region Highlights and Other Projects**

- Regional Conference hosted by Lambda Upsilon April 2023.
- Gulf Western has the pleasure of hosting GCC Houston in August 2023.
- Ongoing project of getting university activity funding for the chapters this year.

- Beta Kappa, The University of Texas at Austin
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Charles Hill

- o CMP Accredited Progress: 34.04% Completed, 17.02% approved
- <u>Summary</u>: Beta Kappa continues to be strong. They are always in the running for regional and provincial awards. Their probation with the UT Administration is going well.
   They should have no problem completing the terms of probation.
- Zeta Nu, Texas A&M University at Kingsville
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Tiphanie Contreras
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 29.79% Completed, 14.89% Approved
  - Summary: Zeta Nu is bouncing back relatively well with recruiting and participation. We assigned Tiphanie an assistant DD in Alyssa Light. They have been doing well helping and advising in the rebuild of the chapter. Though the CMP percentage is not as high as other chapters the numbers are high and that is the start of all the improvements.
- Eta Psi, The University of Houston

o District Director: N/A

Assistant District Director: N/A
 CMP Accredited Progress: N/A

o Summary: N/A

- Theta Omega, St. Edwards University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: David Reidel
  - o Assistant District Director: Dany Nguyen
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 44.68% Completed, 38.30% Approved
  - Summary: Theta Omega has ended the 2021-2022 fiscal year strong. Going into the They recently had their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The chapter is finding their direction. They recently had two years in a row of Collegians of the Year. David Reidel continues doing a commensurate job as their long time District Director. We assigned him an Assistant DD, Dany Nguyen since he is doubling up duties with another chapter. Their continued participation with the Austin Alumni chapter helps with their momentum in being a leading chapter in the region.
- Lambda Nu, Texas A&M University at College Station
  - o <u>District Director</u>: David Riedel
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 53.19% Completed, 46.81% Approved
  - o Summary: Lambda Nu has consistently done well. They had an issue with the university

banking system as they were unable to process financial transactions due to the administration changing their software. One additional improvement we have identified is finding a better way to validate academic audits by using their faculty advisor in their recruiting process.

- Lambda Upsilon, St. Mary's University San Antonio
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Dohnovan Montalvo
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 59.57% Completed, 53.19% Approved
  - Summary: Lambda Upsilon will likely be the first chapter in achieveing 100% completion in the CMP regionally. With university funding they had a strong showing at St. Louis LEAD. They are hosting the Gulf Western Regional Conference in April 2023.
- Omicron Phi, The University of Texas at San Antonio
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Tony Coe
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 53.19% Completed, 48.94% Approved
  - Summary: Omicron Phi still functions well. The chapter plans to send a single delegate to Kansas City Provincial LEAD due to travel costs.
- Pi Omega, Trinity University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Joelyn Parker
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 51.06% Completed, 42.55% Approved
  - Summary: Pi Omega does well on campus and with general operations regarding
    Deltasig. They are incredibly active on campus often winning campus awards at Trinity.
    They are well on their way to meeting the Accredited Tier. Their involvement in the
    upcoming regional conference will only add to their efforts.

#### **Regional Expansion**

## Example:

• Texas A&M San Antonio – We have gathered a list of names of people that are interested in starting another colony at their campus.

## **Committees**

• Awards Committee

- <u>Chair</u>: Cody Bruce/Micah Raaf (there was an assignment issue in the hub that will be resolved soon)
- o <u>Committee Members</u>: Shaan Davis, Kimberly Joy, Ferman Lopez, Truc "Trish" Tran

## **Fraternity Events/Chapter Visits**

- Regular Meetings
  - Zeta Nu 8/27
- Pledge Ceremony
  - o Lambda Nu 9/6
- Initiations
  - Lambda Nu 11/6
- Many other regular meetings and events have been attended largely by assigned District Directors.

## Southwestern Region Provincial Council Report 2023 Sara Casey, Regional Vice President

### **Executive Summary of the Region**

Fall 2022 was a great semester overall for the chapters of the Southwestern Region. With COVID guidelines easing up everywhere, a sense of normalcy has begun to return for our brothers. Now that chapters have benefited from attending in-person national events for several semesters in a row, it feels that we are beginning to regain much of the institutional knowledge that was lost and we can start to rebuild while incorporating new policies and traditions.

The Southwestern Region has done a great job with attendance at national events in the past year – we had delegates from every chapter attend 2022 Provincial LEAD in Austin, GCC in Cleveland, and both the St Louis and Washington DC 2022 LEAD Schools. We had 65 brothers attend Austin LEAD, 13 brothers attend Cleveland GCC, 2 brothers and 4 pledges attend St Louis LEAD School, and 15 brothers attend Washington DC LEAD School. We are continuing to emphasize the benefits of attendance at these national events and hope to have an excellent turnout at the Kansas City LEAD and especially Houston GCC as it is so close to home for this region.

The Southwestern Region also did a fantastic job of applying for awards last summer as part of our goal to recognize and award outstanding performance. I am very pleased to say that all 7 of our chapters applied for at least 2 chapter awards and 5/7 chapters received at least one Regional award recognition. Chi Psi (UT Dallas) received the National Professional Activities award as well as the Provincial Outstanding Service Award. Eta Theta (Angelo State) received the Provincial Outstanding Financial Operations and Outstanding Scholastic Development awards. We also had two outstanding alumni receive awards – Gayle Randall received the National Chapter Advisor of the Year award and Thomas Haliburton received the Provincial DD of the Year Award.

Last year we had 5/7 chapters achieve at least the Accredited Chapter tier of CMP with Delta Epsilon (UNT) reaching the Recognition tier and Delta Upsilon (TCU), Eta Theta (Angelo State), and Chi Psi (UT Dallas) reaching the Excellence tier. All of our chapters are currently on track to achieve Accredited Chapter at a minimum in CMP. Myself, DDs, and ADDs will continue working with chapters to ensure they reach this milestone as well as their overall goals for the year.

## **High Priority Risks**

#### Board Discipline:

o Zeta Mu - The Zeta Mu chapter at the University of Texas at Arlington is currently on Guidance until 6/31/23. The chapter is working diligently to fulfil the goals the board and RVP has set for them as well as improve the culture of their chapter overall.

- Beta Iota Baylor University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Megan Ray
  - o Assistant District Director: Dustin Casey
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 45% complete, 38% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: Beta lota is on track to reach the Recognition tier of CMP. The chapter continues to struggle with low attendance, especially at important events such as Pledge Ceremony and Initiation. For the past few semesters, the chapter's recruitment efforts have produced small but engaged pledge classes. Greek life overall has a poor reputation on campus and Delta Sigma Pi is included in the eyes of the administration and College of Business. The chapter needs to focus on building awareness and reputation within the business school which will help with their recruiting goals. The chapter's size has continued to get smaller for the past few semesters which is a big concern and extra emphasis is being placed on good recruiting by the chapter's DD and RVP.
- Beta Phi Southern Methodist University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Katrina Winant
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 53% complete, 49% approved
  - o Summary: Beta Phi is on track to reach the Recognition tier of CMP. After getting off of Guidance last year, the chapter has been able to maintain the improvements they made during that period. The chapter's most recent pledge class was very engaged within their class as well as with the chapter and can contribute strong leaders to the chapter. The chapter could improve its relations with College of Business faculty and should work on planning out their events in advance. The chapter has struggled with low attendance at important events such as Pledge Ceremony, Initiation, and national events but continued emphasis on the importance of these events should help to improve this culture.
- Delta Epsilon University of North Texas
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Sally Hinkle
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 64% complete, 53% approved
  - o <u>Summary</u>: Delta Epsilon is on track to reach the Accredited tier of CMP. They should still follow guidelines for the Recognition and Excellence tier when planning chapter events so that they maintain the habit of completing these events regularly. Delta Epsilon continues to go above and beyond the CMP requirements for professional and community service events and have already completed their required events for the whole year in the first semester. The chapter has good morale and attendance and their recruiting efforts are consistent. An area for improvement is working on their knowledge of ritual and parliamentary procedure to ensure they are consistent in their practices. The chapter also needs to work on creating and sticking to a budget so they can maintain healthy financial operations.
- Delta Upsilon Texas Christian University
  - o <u>District Director</u>: Thomas Haliburton

- o CMP Accredited Progress: 53% complete, 47% approved
- o <u>Summary</u>: Delta Upsilon is on track to reach the Excellence tier of CMP. Delta Upsilon has hit a stride this year and things are running smoothly for the chapter. The chapter has a great morale because of the increased social events they have added to their calendar and they are benefiting from events that are providing value for their brothers. They have excellent attendance at national events and are financially healthy as a chapter. Delta Upsilon continues to do a great job with recruitment but should focus on adding pledges who are highly engaged and will add value to the chapter.

#### • Zeta Mu – University of Texas at Arlington

- o District Director: Omar Sandoval
- o <u>Assistant District Director</u>: Charlie Kenney
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 53% complete, 47% approved
- o <u>Summary</u>: Zeta Mu is on track to reach the Excellence tier of CMP. They are currently under Guidance from the board and are working very hard to try to get off of Guidance. RVP Sara and DD Charlie hosted an Exec Retreat for the chapter's officers in Fall 2022 which was very successful in bonding the exec team and helping the team learn about leadership and Delta Sigma Pi operations. The chapter has had a small dip in attendance when returning to in-person events but is doing a great job of building brotherhood through social events, intramural sports, and general comradery with their brothers. The chapter will benefit from connecting with other local chapters regionally and at LEAD and GCC events to be able to learn new ideas for how to fine-tune chapter operations.

## <u>Eta Theta – Angelo State University</u>

- o <u>District Director</u>: Marquis Allen
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 66% complete, 62% approved
- o <u>Summary</u>: Eta Theta is on track to reach the Excellence tier of CMP. The chapter is operating at a high level and has had a very successful year so far. Eta Theta continues to go above and beyond the CMP requirements for professional and community service events and have already completed their required events for the whole year in the first semester. The chapter is a smaller chapter numbers wise but consists of a tight-knit group. Chapter adviser Gayle Randall continues to be a cornerstone of leadership for the chapter, assisting with the positive image DSP has on campus. Gayle recently won the National Chapter Advisor of the year award and the chapter is very lucky to have her. Eta Theta has an excellent relationship with their university and the benefits that come from that are priceless they receive significant support financially to attend national events, help with fundraising, etc. When you walk through the College of Business at Angelo State University you can tell the college is very proud of their Delta Sigma Pi chapter! Last year, the San Angelo Concho Valley Alumni Chapter was formed to support alumni in the local area and there are great opportunities for collaboration between the alumni chapter and the Eta Theta chapter.

## • <u>Chi Psi – University of Texas at Dallas</u>

- o <u>District Director</u>: Lainey Gover
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 49% complete, 43% approved

o <u>Summary</u>: Chi Psi is on track to reach the Excellence tier of CMP. The Chapter has done a fantastic job of performing ritual over the past few semesters which has them excited to want to host an upcoming joint initiation. As a very young chapter, areas for improvement are working more with local alumni in the Dallas area to build relationships and networking opportunities, having a greater number of chapter members attend national events to learn from other chapters and see more of the "big picture" of Delta Sigma Pi, and increasing awareness on their campus. Chi Psi reached the Excellence Tier of CMP last year for the first time ever and was also awarded the National Outstanding Professional Activities award. This helped provide significant momentum for this year's exec team and they are focused on planning outstanding events that add value for their members.

## **Regional Expansion**

- UT Tyler The fraternity has previously had a failed colony at this university but has interest in trying again
- Other possible expansion opportunities:
  - o Tarleton State University
  - o Texas Woman's University
  - o Abilene Christian University

#### **Committees**

- Awards Committee
  - o <u>Chair</u>: Dustin Casey
  - o <u>Committee Members</u>: Chris Sundberg, Henry Kammlah, Emily Nguyen

## **Fraternity Events/Chapter Visits**

Chapter:	Date:	Description:		
Zeta Mu - UT Arlington	8/14/2022	Strategic planning with President & DD		
Delta Epsilon - UNT	8/16/2022	Strategic planning with President & DD		
Chi Psi - UT Dallas	8/17/2022	Strategic planning with President & DD		
Dallas Area Alumni	8/18/2022	Alumni Chapter Meeting		
Delta Upsilon - TCU	8/24/2022	Strategic planning with President & DD		
Beta Phi - SMU	8/26/2022	Strategic planning with President & DD		
Zeta Mu - UT Arlington	9/9/2022	Exec Retreat		
Beta Phi - SMU	9/14/2022	Pledge Ceremony		
Beta Iota - Baylor	9/14/2022	Exec Meeting		
Chi Psi - UT Dallas	9/18/2022	Pledge Ceremony		
Dallas Area Alumni	9/22/2022	Alumni Chapter Meeting		
Delta Epsilon - UNT	9/24/2022	Broomball		
Zeta Mu - UT Arlington	9/25/2022	Pledge Ceremony		
Delta Epsilon - UNT	10/2/2022	Pledge Ceremony		
Delta Upsilon - TCU	10/2/2022	Pledge Ceremony		
	10/3/2022	Board of Directors Meeting		
Beta Phi - SMU	10/18/2022	Initiation		
Zeta Mu - UT Arlington	10/23/2022	Initiation		

Dallas Area Alumni 10/27/2022 Alumni Chapter Meeting
Eta Theta - Angelo 10/29/2022 Initiation
Beta Iota - Baylor 10/30/2022 Initiation
Chi Psi - UT Dallas 11/13/2002 Chapter Meeting

# Tornado Alley Region Provincial Council Report 2023 Mark Wernette, Regional Vice President

## **Executive Summary of the Region**

The region overall is performing well. All chapters attended Grand Chapter Congress in July and fall LEAD. All chapters are currently register for the 2023 Presidents Academy and the 2023 South Central Provincial LEAD Conference. All chapters had a Collegian of the Year nominee this year. No chapter owes any debt.

## **High Priority Risks**

There were no chapters in the Tornado Alley Region who received discipline action in the past year. In addition, no chapters are on guidance.

All chapters in the region, as well as the country, could be considered high risk due to the fallout of the Pandemic and the lasting impact it is having on students, universities and chapters. All chapters in the region could improve with officer transitions, member motivation, and the reduction of the need for trials. We also need to keep an eye on recruitment and member retention.

### **Region Highlights and Other Projects**

All District Directors were appointed soon after the conclusion of GCC and are experienced alumni brothers. Overall, the semester was smooth with little issue.

#### **Chapter Updates**

- Beta Epsilon Chapter, at the University of Oklahoma
  - Example:
    - o District Director: Yvonne Moore
    - o Assistant District Director: Thomas Haliburton
    - o CMP Accredited Progress: 59.57% complete, 46.81% approved
    - o <u>Chapter Size</u>: 82
    - o Fall 2021 Pledges/Initiates: 21/18
- Beta Upsilon Chapter, at Texas Tech University

#### Example:

- o <u>District Director</u>: Cody Vasquez
- o CMP Accredited Progress: 61.70% complete, 42.55% approved
- o Chapter Size: 53
- o Fall 2021 Pledges/Initiates: 14/14
- Gamma Epsilon Chapter, at Oklahoma State University

## Example:

o <u>District Director</u>: Laura Stockbridge

o <u>CMP Accredited Progress</u>: 48.94% complete, 36.17% approved

o Chapter Size: 56

o Fall 2021 Pledges/Initiates: 13/12

• Epsilon Zeta Chapter, at Midwestern State University

o <u>District Director</u>: Karen Beatty-Martinez

o <u>CMP Accredited Progress</u>: 51.06% complete, 34.04% approved

o Chapter Size: 32

o Fall 2021 Pledges/Initiates: 12/9

#### **Regional Expansion**

There are currently no colonies in the region. Schools in the region that could be targeted include West Texas A&M, University of Tulsa, University of Central Oklahoma, and University of Arkansas.

#### **Committees**

**Awards** 

Chair: Laura Stockbridge

#### **Leadership Foundation**

• Chapter Leadership Funds

Chapter Leadership Fund Balances As of 12/17/2022								
Chapter Current Balance Approved Requests LTD Total Donations LTD								
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Beta Epsilon	\$	492.90	\$	1,597.63	\$	2,090.53		
Beta Upsilon	\$	215.20	\$	1,371.21	\$	1,586.41		
Gammy Epsilo	\$	681.71	\$	1,881.77	\$	2,563.48		
Epsilon Zeta	\$	1,940.41	\$	2,320.92	\$	4,261.33		
Total	\$	3,330.22	\$	7,171.53	\$	10,501.75		

#### Scholarship Funds

There are two scholarships that are specific to the region – the Los Ellis/Beta Epsilon Scholarship Fund and the Gerald Hotwagner/Gamma Epsilon Scholarship Fund. Both funds had applications this past year. They will continue to be promoted, as well as all Leadership Foundation scholarships.

#### Other Funds

There is one other Leadership Foundation fund that is specific to the region – the Michael R Mallonee "Where Leadership Begins Fund," which is for the South Central Province. This fund provides a grant to chapters in the South Central Province who attend a fall LEAD and achieve Chapter of Excellence. This fund is promoted for fundraising efforts and to encourage CMP achievement.

## Midwestern Region Provincial Council Report 2023 Katie McGrath-Whalen, Regional Vice President

## **Executive Summary of the Region**

There has been a lot of growth over the past year in the Midwestern Region, as well as some missteps. Chapters are finding their footing when it comes to chapter engagement and following CMP. In the spring semester, most chapters unfortunately did not meet the minimum requirements for Accredited Chapter, but all chapters are on the right track to meet the requirements this year. Almost all executive committees have participated in alumni lead exec retreats, and I believe this has greatly helped give our chapters direction. There are still instances chapters feel they could have more alumni support, but I believe our alumni leaders have been providing as much support as they can.

## **High Priority Risks**

- Chapter Management Program:
  - Iota Omicron Chapter, at the University of Central Missouri This chapter has not received the status of an Accredited Chapter in several years but is on track to be accredited chapter this year.
  - Nu Xi Chapter, at the University of Missouri, Kansas City This chapter did not receive
    the status of an Accredited Chapter last year but is on track to be accredited chapter this
    year.
  - Nu Omega Chapter, at Rockhurst University This chapter did not receive the status of an Accredited Chapter last year and will not be able to be an accredited chapter again this year solely due to not being able to attend GCC 2022.
- Risk Management:
  - o *lota Chapter, at the University of Kansas* Violations have been made in regard to the alcohol piece of our risk management policy. A warning letter will be sent to the chapter and the chapter will be put on guidance (Henry, this is just what I am assuming, feel free to update this).

## **Region Highlights and Other Projects**

- *Iota Chapter, at the University of Kansas*, was awarded the Provincial Most Improved Chapter and the Provincial R. Nelson Mitchell Outstanding Collegiate Chapter, along with the inaugural Tatum Award, along with several regional awards.
- *Iota Omicron, at the University of Central Missouri*, raised \$1,554 during the 2022 Founders Day Challenge, making them third in within the Tier I chapters of most raised funds.
- Nu Xi Chapter, at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, was awarded the Regional Outstanding alumni Relations Award and the Regional Outstanding Alumni Relations Award.
- Kansas City Alumni Chapter, in Kansas City, Missouri, was awarded the Provincial Outstanding Service Award, Outstanding Professional Activities Award, Outstanding Collegiate Relations Award, and Outstanding Alumni Chapter Award, the National Outstanding Service Award, and Gold Recognition level.

 The Midwestern Region held a joint initiation during the Spring 2022 semester and will be conducting another joint initiation in the Spring of 2023 on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

- Iota Chapter, at the University of Kansas.
  - o District Director: Taylor Rippe
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 57.45% Completed; 44.68% Approved
  - Summary: The lota Chapter has had great success in their recruiting processes and has a rounded out chapter of over a hundred. Many brothers from this chapters have made a point to get involved in the chapter or their executive committee. Over the past year, the chapter has had some concerns with following the pledge program as well as other risk management concerns when it comes to partying and alcohol abuse/underage drinking. The chapter has grown quite large and could you more education on how to function as a healthy chapter. Their upcoming executive team is up for the challenge and plan to meet with more alumni to reroute the chapter to a higher standard.
- Iota Omicron, at the University of Central Missouri
  - District Director: Spencer Terpstra
  - CMP Accredited Progress: 55.32% Completed; 38.30% Approved
  - Summary: The lota Omicron chapter made way over many hurdles over the past two semesters. At the end of the last Fraternal year, they did not receive Accredited Chapter, and the current brothers are very determined to turn that around this year. Although this chapter has remained smaller, most brothers are involved and have great passion for the Fraternity. Spencer and I have spent a lot of time going to their chapter to educate them and support them through their various challenges. During the FDC, the chapter heavily promoted their fundraising platform and raised the most money within the region.
- Nu Xi, at the University of Missouri-Kansas City
  - District Director: Kaitlynn Kaminski & Omar Sandoval
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 42.55% Completed; 38.30% Approved
  - Summary: The Nu Xi chapter has made tremendous progress of the past year. At the beginning of 2022, we worked with the executive committee to find a better understanding of the purpose behind DSP, and how to translate that into events and chapter engagement. The chapter has grown significantly in participation and have made a point to reach out to other chapters and alumni. They still have some areas they could improve in, but overall they are on their way for a prosperous year.
- Nu Omega, Rockhurst University
  - District Director: Rachel Larberg
  - o CMP Accredited Progress: 44.68% Completed; 34.04% Approved
  - Summary: The Nu Omega chapter had a rough end to the at the end of the last Fraternal year. Once they elected a new executive committee, they understood they had a lot of work to do. We held an executive committee retreat before the summer break, so the chapter could start with fresh ideas and educational information to better run their chapter. The chapter has been doing a great job at implementing what was learned from that meeting. Unfortunately, chapter participation is still somewhat low, and the chapter

could likely use further motivation. The chapter wants to do well, but they do the bare minimum at best.

- Kansas City Alumni Chapter, in Kansas City, Missouri
  - Summary: The KCAC remains active in many areas, especially in areas of community service and social activities. The alumni chapter has gotten more participation from brothers from the collegiate chapters as we have attempted to do more events that cater to both the alumni and the collegiate brothers.

## **Regional Expansion**

- Startup Washburn University
  - o District Directors: Angie Schelp & Kathryn (Katie) Erskine
  - o Summary: The Washburn Startup is on the cusp of becoming a chapter, which is very exciting! They still have much to do in a small timeframe, but Angie and their faculty advisor, Jayme Burdiek, have been actively pushing the startup forward. They have about twenty members and need to complete a handful of events before we can officially move to the next steps. Some of their struggles is making cohesive decisions about when/where/what kind of events they will have and getting everyone to agree. We have been working with them to understand planning for majority, not all, as they struggled to plan events this last semester. They are eager to get over the hurdles to become an official chapter.

## **Committees**

- Awards Committee
  - o Chair: Kaitlynn Kaminski
  - Committee Members: Kathryn Erskine, William Heideman, and Chandler Rhoades