

MINUTES
ALPHA PHI OMEGA NATIONAL SERVICE FRATERNITY
NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

National Office
Kansas City, Missouri
January 27, 2017

Presiding: Brother John Ottenad, National President

Brother Ottenad called the meeting of the National Board of Directors of Alpha Phi Omega to order at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation: Brother Katz

Roll Call: Brother London

Hon. John Ottenad
Rob Coop
Disraeli Smith
Marilyn Mims
Glen Kinder, IV
Tom Southard
Melissa DeLuka
Abigayle Tobia
mrn Tomusiak
Rich Koval
Dawn Gurganious
Elliot Echlov
Irene Wolf, Ph. D.
Jeremy Bingman
Fulori Kirikiti

Matthew Rom
Melissa Donndelinger
Kim Yee
Ping Huang
Mark Stratton
Maggie Katz
Fred Heismeyer, Ed.D.
Stan Carpenter, Ph.D.
Wilfred M. Krenek
Jack McKenzie
Roger Sherwood
Beth Tom M.D.
Rick Diles
Jennifer Chierek Znosko.
Robert J. London, CAE

Also in attendance were: **Stacey Robinson**, Director of Chapter Services. **Kate Smith**, Director of Communications; **Christy Byrns**, Director of Information Technology; **Linda Secrist**, Deputy Executive Director, **Ginny Combs**, Past Region IX Director, **Clark Israel**, Past Board Member.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Brother Mims moved, it was seconded and adopted the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda was approved without objection. The Consent Agenda included:
Approval of the Board meeting minutes of the:

June 27-28, 2014 meeting
December 30, 2014 meeting.

Approval of the following Board meetings:

June 26-27, 2015, Las Vegas, Nevada
January 29-31, 2016, New Orleans, Louisiana
June 24-26, 2016, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

Girl Scouts USA MOU

Brother Tobia moved, it was seconded and approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the Girl Scouts USA.

2015 Fall Pledge Class Namesake Committee

Brother Ottenad appointed the following people to serve on the committee that will be chaired by Brother Coop: Melissa DeLuka, Abigail Tobia, Kim Yee, Rich Koval, and Wilfred Krenk.

Declaration of Inactive Charter

Brother Ottenad, on the recommendation of Brother DeLuka and concurrence by Brother Echlov, and pursuant to Article IX, Section 7 of the National Bylaws, declared the following Chapter's charter null and void:

Alpha Alpha Epsilon Chapter at College of Charleston (Region IV, Section 77)

Approval of Charter

The Board of Directors, by unanimous vote, approved granting charters to:

St. John's University (Region I, Section 97)

The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (Region I, Section 102)

Diversity Discussion

The Board discussed diversity and its many facets and President Ottenad announced that Brother Matt Baily would be chairing the Committee on Diversity.

Approval of Entering into a Convention Contract

Brother Coop moved, it was seconded and approved directing the Executive Director to negotiate and enter into a contract with Westin Hotel for the Fraternity's 2016 Convention.

Facilities Discussion

Brothers Coop and Mims provided the Board with an overview of the work and decisions that the previous Boards have had regarding a new national office and a division of responsibilities moving forward. Brother DeLuka, moved, it was seconded and approved moving forward with the division of responsibilities and decision making including a written plan being presented to the Board at a later date.

Parcel of Land

Brother Mims moved, it was seconded and approved, that the Board would accept the parcel of land owned by the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment if they should offer it to the Fraternity as a gift. Brother Krenek abstained.

Brother Mims moved, it was seconded and approved that should the Alpha Phi Omega Endowment gift the parcel of land they own to the Fraternity, that the land should be combined with the Fraternity's existing property or disposed of. Brother Krenek abstained.

Gift Annuity Policy

Brother London moved, it was seconded and approved adding a Gift Annuity policy to the Board of Director's Policy Manual. The Board of Directors adopted the following Gift annuity Policy: *A Charitable Gift Annuity is a contract (not a "trust"), under which Alpha Phi Omega Inc., in return for a transfer of cash, marketable securities or other property, agrees to pay a fixed sum of money (payments) for a period measured only by one or two lives (not a term of years). A minimum gift of \$10,000 is required to establish a charitable gift annuity with Alpha Phi Omega Inc. and a minimum donor age of sixty (60) years. Subsequent charitable gift annuity contracts may be established with the same donor with a minimum additional gift of \$5,000. All gift annuities must be approved by the Board of Directors or its designee before they are accepted. The American Council on Gift Annuities' suggested charitable gift annuity rates will be used for payout rates.*

Brother Kinder moved, it was seconded and approved accepting a \$10,000 one life gift annuity.

Strategic Plan

The Board discussed the Strategic plan and unanimously approved the following goals:

- 1) The Fraternity should have 500 active chapters by its 100th anniversary on December 16, 2025.
- 2) Improve effectiveness of our programs in preparing our students to be better servant leaders.
- 3) Increase philanthropic support to provide the resources necessary for expanding programs and mission fulfillment including the Leaders in Service campaign goal of \$4.25 million by December 16, 2016
- 4) Engage alumni in support of our mission and further their development in leadership and service.

Presidential Appointment

With the approval of the Board of Directors, Brother Ottenad appointed Jennifer Chierek Znosko as Legal Counsel; Beth Tom, International Relations Director; and Kevin Baldwin, Scouting and Youth Services Committee Chair.

Brother Ottenad additionally appointed the following: Board Restructuring Task Force being chaired by Brother Stratton; Jack McKenzie, Jeff Neurauter, Melody Martin, and Christine Topacio. Regional Realignment Committee Chair, Rich Koval.

Convention Directives

Brother Ottenad assigned responsibilities for each of the 21 convention directives.

Brother Ottenad turned the Chair over to Brother Coop

Regional Director and Program Director Discussions

The Regional Directors and Program Directors reported on their individual group discussions.

Executive Committee

In accordance with Article VI, Section 4 of the National Bylaws those serving on the Executive Committee are: Brothers Ottenad, Chair, Coop, Kinder, Mims, Gurganious, and Rom.

Board Restructure Task Force

Brother Stratton discussed how he sees the task force handling their work and anticipates that the work will be completed by the end of the calendar year to allow ample time for discussion before implementation.

Probation Update

Brother Coop reviewed the probation of Delta Sigma and stated that it is continuing as previously outlined.

UPDATES

Updates were provided on the topics of; National Volunteer Conference, APO Philippine Convention and items relating to specific regions and programs.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

The following written reports submitted for this meeting are part of the official minutes maintained at the National Office.

The Board of Director's Reports as presented to the 2014 National Convention

Respectfully Submitted:

Hon. John Ottenad
National President

Robert J. London
National Executive Director