# INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY OF DELTA SIGMA PI, INC. MINUTES

#### WESTERN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING

# February 28th, 2016 San Jose, CA

The Western Provincial Council Meeting of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, Inc. was called to order according to Ritual at 9:07 AM on Sunday, February 28, 2016, by Western Provincial Vice President Patrick Bonfrisco at the Holiday Inn in San Jose, CA.

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

Patrick BonfriscoWestern Provincial Vice-PresidentLisa BrownBay Area Regional Vice-President

Alex WarrickDesert Mountain Regional Vice-PresidentShanna EmrichPacific Coast Regional Vice-President

Cat LesliePacific Northwest Regional Vice-PresidentKristyn ChildressRocky Mountain Regional Vice-PresidentCrystal JusticeSierra Nevada Regional Vice-PresidentErica KolsrudSouth Pacific Regional Vice-President

Absent officers of the Western Province were:

None

Other positions were as follows:

Carley Haro Chancellor

Nick Rizzi Recording Secretary

At this time, Bonfrisco relinquished the chair to Chancellor Haro, who introduced Secretary Rizzi. Rizzi then conducted the Roll Call of Delegates and announced 54 delegates present and eligible to vote. (See Addendum A)

Mu Chi then moved to adopt the Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Inland Empire Alumni and approved.

Gamma Phi moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the 2015 Western Provincial Council Meeting and to approve the minutes as previously distributed. Seconded by Lambda Phi and approved.

Zeta Omega moved to receive the printed **Official Reports** as distributed to the delegates. Sigma Upsilon seconded and the motion was adopted. (**See Addendum B**)

#### **OLD & NEW BUSINESS**

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

**Proposal 1** - Redrawing Boundary Lines (See Addendum C)

- **Proposal 1** [Redrawing Boundary Lines] was discussed.
- Proposal 1 was then adopted.
- Proposal 1 passed by Majority

#### 2017 Provincial Budget (See Addendum D)

- Lambda Phi then moved the 2017 Provincial Budget.
- The motion was seconded by Gamma Omega.

• The 2017 Provincial Budget was then adopted.

#### Location and Date of the 2018 Western Provincial Conference and Council Meeting

- Phi then moved the Location and Date of the 2018 Western Provincial Conference and Council Meeting.
- The motion was seconded by Alpha Nu.
- The Listing of Preference for the 2018 Provincial Conference and Council Meeting was then adopted:

		Date Preferences	
		Date 1	February 23 through 25
Location 2	Tucson	Date 2	March 2 through 4
Location 3	Salt Lake City	Date 3	February 16 through 18

• Motion Passed

Proposal 2 - Bylaw Amendment (See Addendum E)

- Proposal 2 [Bylaw Amendment] was discussed.
- **Straw Poll** vote was taken on **Proposal 2**.
- **Straw Poll** vote **passed by Majority** (opposed by 4, abstained by 5)

Orange County moved to take a recess to discuss the national initiatives and strategic plan. Seconded by Sigma Phi.

Bonfrisco made announcements and then Haro invited others to make announcements.

- PVP asked Hawaii to meet after meeting
- Pi Sigma annual event in Las Vegas. Email sent with information and date
- Gamma Omega plus phoenix Chapters Alumni Day April 9th
- Inland Empire Santa Claus Inc for Make a Difference Day (October 26)
- Delta Sigma April 15<sup>th</sup> Gender Inequality Conference with speakers
- Cal-Lutheran Colony March 15, Women in Business Event
- Epsilon Phi bi-annual business career fair on April 26th in Sacramento, CA All Open

Haro then adjourned the Western Provincial Council Meeting at 10:53 AM after a motion by Delta Omicron, Omicron Sigma second, was approved by consensus. Bonfrisco then closed the meeting according to Ritual.

Patrick Bonfrisco, Provincial Vice President

Nicolas Rizzi, Recording Secretary

Rick Riggi



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Western Province		
Provincial Vice President		✓
Bay Area Region		
Regional Vice President		<b>√</b>
Collegiate Chapters	III - II CONC - D. I. I	
Rho	University of California-Berkeley	<b>√</b>
Gamma Xi	Santa Clara University	✓
Gamma Omicron	University of San Francisco	
Delta Omicron	San Francisco State University	✓
Zeta Tau	Cal State University - East Bay	✓
Theta Chi	San Jose State University	✓
Pi Chi	University of California-Santa Cruz	✓
Alumni Chapters		
EAST BAY (CA)	East Bay	
Santa Clara Silicon Valley (CA)	Santa Clara, CA	
Desert Mountain Region		
Regional Vice President		✓
Collegiate Chapters		
Gamma Iota	University of New Mexico	
Gamma Phi	University of Texas-El Paso	✓
Gamma Psi	University of Arizona	✓
Gamma Omega	Arizona State University	✓
Epsilon Upsilon	New Mexico State University	✓
Zeta Omega	Northern Arizona University	✓
Alumni Chapters		
Las Vegas	Las Vegas, NV	
El Paso Sun City	El Paso, TX	
Phoenix-Thunderbird	Phoenix, AZ	
Pacific Coast Region		
Regional Vice President		✓
Collegiate Chapters		
Iota Pi	San Diego State University	<b>√</b>
Lambda Pi	University of San Diego	<b>√</b>
Lambda Sigma	Cal State University-Fullerton	<b>√</b>
Lambda Chi	University of California-Riverside	<b>√</b>
Xi Pi	University of Redlands	<b>√</b>
Omicron Sigma	University of California-San Diego	<b>√</b>
Pi Sigma	University of California-Irvine	· ✓
Rho Phi	Concordia University	· ·
Sigma Phi	Chapman University	<b>→</b>
Alumni Chapters	onaphan oniversity	·
Orange County (CA)	Orange, CA	✓
San Diego	L San Diego, CA	<u> </u>
San Diego Inland Empire (CA)	San Diego, CA Riverside, CA	
Inland Empire (CA)	San Diego, CA Riverside, CA	<b>√</b>
Inland Empire (CA) Colony	Riverside, CA	
Inland Empire (CA) Colony Lambda Beta Phi		×
Inland Empire (CA) Colony Lambda Beta Phi Pacific Northwest Region	Riverside, CA	×
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Rocky Mountain Region		
Regional Vice President		✓
Collegiate Chapters		
Alpha Nu	University of Denver	✓
Alpha Rho	University of Colorado - Boulder	✓
Mu Rho	Colorado State University	✓
Mu Chi	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	<b>√</b>
Nu Phi	University of Northern Colorado	✓
Alumni Chapters		
Denver	Denver, CO	✓
Sierra Nevada Region		
Regional Vice President		✓
Collegiate Chapters		
Delta Pi	University of Nevada-Reno	✓
Epsilon Theta	Cal State University-Chico	✓
Epsilon Phi	Cal State University-Sacramento	✓
Iota Phi	Cal State University-Fresno	✓
Lambda Mu	University of the Pacific	✓
Nu Rho	University of California-Davis	✓
Alumni Chapters		
Reno Sierra Nevada	Reno, NV	
Sacramento Valley	Sacramento, CA	
Fresno-CenCal	Fresno, CA	
Colony		
California-Merced Colony	University of California-Merced	x
South Pacific Region		
Regional Vice President		✓
Collegiate Chapters		
Phi	University of Southern California	✓
Delta Sigma	Loyola Marymount University	✓
Iota Upsilon	Cal State University-Northridge	✓
Kappa Mu	Cal State Poly University-San Luis Obispo	✓
Lambda Phi	Cal State University-Long Beach	✓
Lambda Psi	University of Hawaii-Hilo	✓
Xi Omicron	University of California - Los Angeles	✓
Rho Sigma	University of California - Santa Barbara	✓
Rho Upsilon	Pepperdine University	
Rho Chi	University of Hawaii-Manoa	✓
Alumni Chapters		
Honolulu-Oahu	Honolulu, HI	
Hawaii	Hilo, HI	
Long Beach-Pier 9	Long Beach, CA	
Los Angeles	Los Angeles, CA	✓
Colony		
California Lutheran Colony	California Lutheran University	x

<sup>√ =</sup> present and voting

<sup>× =</sup> present but not eligible to vote



# Report of the Western President Vice President Friday, December 11, 2015 Submitted by Patrick Bonfrisco

#### I. ACTION ITEMS

Proposal submitted to redraw the regional boundaries within the Western Province, to better align with existing chapters and anticipated expansion.

#### II. PROJECTS

- **Boundary Project** Complete. Recommendation submitted.
- **Collegiate Expansion** On track. All four colonies plan to submit petitions in the next few months for spring installations. Will discuss and determine new targets at Provincial team meeting in January.
- **Alumni Expansion** Assigned to Ivan Munguia, Western Alumni Development Chair. Will provide the team with a list of target cities at Provincial team meeting in January.

#### III. GOALS

#### Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood Contest

- Win the contest in 2015 ACHIEVED
- More chapters participate in 2015 than did in 2014 NOT ACHIEVED
- o More money raised in 2015 than in 2014 NOT ACHIEVED
- o LONG TERM GOAL: Win the contest again in 2016

#### Certified Deltasig Leader (CDL)

- o All District Directors Tier One Certified by 10/15/15 NOT ACHIEVED
- o All District Directors Recertified by 10/15/15 IN PROGRESS
- LONG TERM GOAL: All District Directors Tier One Certified throughout the 2016-2017 year

#### Chapter Management Program (CMP)

- Year over year increase in total number of Accredited Chapters IN PROGRESS
- o Year over year increase in total number of Chapters of Recognition IN PROGRESS
- Year over year increase in total number of Chapters of Excellence IN PROGRESS
- o LONG TERM GOAL: All chapters achieve Accredited level in 2016-2017

#### **IV. LESSONS LEARNED**

Over the course of the semester, we've maintained an ongoing conversation between the seven RVPs (and me) in a Facebook messenger group. This has been invaluable as RVPs can ask a question to the entire group instead of emailing me and waiting on my response. In most cases, the more senior RVPs already know the answer, and can respond quicker than I can. Another advantage is that in a case where there is no black and white answer, everyone can weigh in with thoughts, opinions and new ideas.

#### V. BEST PRACTICES

We are trying a contest between regions this year. Collegiate chapters can earn points for their region by participating in the initiatives found in the goals section (CMP, Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood). Alumni chapters can earn points for their region by participating in the Alumni Chapter Recognition Program. District Directors can earn points for their region by getting CDL certified. The hope is that this contest will engage all brothers (regardless of their status of collegiate, alum, or volunteer) in the Provincial Goals. The winning region will receive a trophy that will travel from year to year.

#### VI. HIGHLIGHTS

The Province is proud to have won the Buck\$ 4 Brotherhood Contest for the fifth consecutive year, and we look forward to have many more highlights to report after we finish out the academic year!

# Report of the Bay Area Regional Vice President

by Lisa Brown 01/14/16

# **SUMMARY**

It has been a great couple of months. The Bay Area has strong chapters and leadership. Gamma Xi and Theta Chi are going to host Western Regional Initiation on 4/30. In the March and April timeframe, I want to visit each chapter to promote Alumni Benefits and Leadership opportunities. I am looking forward to an awesome next 6 months.

# **SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL**

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT
9/20 & 9/26	Pleasanton	Bay Area Leadership Meeting
10/7	Santa Clara	Gamma Xi Recruiting Event
10/7	San Jose	Theta Chi Chapter Meeting
11/14	San Francisco	Delta Omicron and Gamma Omicron Initiation
1/5	Santa Clara	Gamma Xi Chapter Meeting
1/12	Hayward	Zeta Tau Chapter Meeting

#### **REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS**

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DESCRIPTION	GOAL	RESULTS/PROGRESS
CMP - Accredited	7/7	6/7
COY Nomination	7/7	7/7
Participation in Buck\$\$Brotherhood	7/9	0/7
Submit 3 awards	7/7	0/7
Attendance at LEAD or Area Conference	7/7	7/7
Attendance at Provincial Conference	7/7	0/7

# EXPANSION (if applicable)

None

# DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

One chapter put paddles on the Facebook

#### **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Rho	Joe West	Level 1
Gamma Xi	<b>Brandon Studley</b>	Level 1
Gamma Omicron	Sukhdip Sangha	Level 1
Delta Omicron	Kelly Kolstad	Level 1
Zeta Tau	Issac Yuen	Level 1
Theta Chi	Justin Areola	Level 1
Pi Chi	Ellen Johns	Level 1

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Leadership Meeting – January  $31^{st}$  Western Provincial Conference – February  $26^{th}$  – February  $28^{th}$  WRI – April 30th

# Report of the Desert Mountain Regional Vice President

Alex Warrick 01/05/16

#### SUMMARY

**Gamma Iota** – started semester at low #s; recruited well and doubled the chapter size; headed in the right direction; goal is to improve recruitment process, fundraising and getting brothers more committed;

**Gamma Phi** – officers are knowledgeable about their positions and committed to keeping the chapter on a positive path; goal is to improve fundraising, professional image and inter-chapter communications;

**Gamma Psi** – very goal-orientated chapter with mix of short- and long-term; great with communications; goal is to improve prioritization of alumni and faculty relations;

**Gamma Omega** – chapter is very passionate about their chapter and DSP; goal is to shorten both EC and chapter meetings as they both can run ridiculously long;

**Epsilon Upsilon** – brothers get along with each other, have enthusiasm for DSP, good attendance for DSP LEAD; communication between chapter, DD and RVP is severely lacking; appears that brothers do not have a solid foundation of chapter operations – getting them to CMP Accredited will be biggest hurdle;

**Zeta Omega** – brothers get along with each other and have fairly solid foundation of operations; goal is to have strong spring recruitment and train/prepare new officers;

**Alumni Chapters** – LVAC is fairly dormant; PTAC has brothers enthusiastic to attend and help plan events, consistency is key; El Paso is looking for a variety of events to attract new brothers to keep going strong into their 2<sup>nd</sup> year; there has been interest in re-starting Albuquerque and Tucson – have given my support for them!

# SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL

Grand Chapter Congress [as Central RVP]

Albuquerque LEAD School

National Leadership Retreat - Cincinnati

Western Province Leadership Planning Meeting – Los Angeles

Gamma Iota – dinner with brothers/pledges and Albuquerque alumni at LEAD

Gamma Phi – skyped with EC

Gamma Psi – skyped with EC; golf tournament; Initiation

Gamma Omega – Recruitment Bootcamp; Pledging Ceremony

Epsilon Upsilon – skyped with EC

Zeta Omega – skyped with EC + DD

Phoenix AC – monthly professional networking breakfast 4x



# REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS

- 1. Help each collegiate chapter reach CMP [any level]
  - a. All chapters but 1 appear to reach this for 2015-16 schoolyear
- 2. Assign each collegiate chapter a DD
  - a. Was able to find 6 amazing/talented alumni brothers!
- 3. Create a 1-page "how to" guide for each of the nationally-elected officers to help with transitions
  - a. Was able to create one for alumni officers [didn't take long] and currently working to get it collegiate officer one created
- 4. All DD's become CDL
  - a. 3/6 have gotten certified; 1 add'l have expressed interest in completing by this semester's end, other 2 say they don't have time to do right now [I've expressed it only takes 90min]
- 5. Visit each chapter once a year
  - a. Visited with 3 in-person, other 3 electronically;
  - b. Will be visiting other 3 in-person in spring 2016
- 6. Create a regional alumni leadership database for DD's/awards committees/speakers/etc
  - a. After DD/awards committee search have gotten good list going
- 7. Continue with Brotherhood Days and Regional Joint Initiation
  - a. Had a Brotherhood breakfast at LEAD since it was in DMR;
  - b. Regional Joint Initiation scheduled for Apr 16 in El Paso
- 8. Start a colony/chapter
  - a. Had a few connections into GCU [Phoenix] but didn't reach out further once the semester got underway perhaps a goal to reach for 2016-17 year

#### EXPANSION (if applicable)

Grand Canyon University – looking to making contact Spring 2016 or Fall 2016 depending on different variables; Eastern New Mexico University reactivation – potential to look into F16/S17 schoolyear;

DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

Epsilon Upsilon – CMP Guidance/Assistance recommended [have not achieved Accredited in ~5 years]

#### DISTRICT DIRECTORS

CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Gamma Iota	Brittany Loera	No
Gamma Phi	Robert Ordonez	Yes
Gamma Psi	David Pratt	Yes
Gamma Omega	Lindsay Palmer	Yes
<b>Epsilon Upsilon</b>	Karen Waterman	No
Zeta Omega	Katie Paulsen	No

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Desert Mountain Region Initiation	April 16, 2016	El Paso, TX
NAU/ASU/UA/Phoenix Alumni Day Dinner	April TBD	Phoenix, AZ
Desert Mountain Region Brotherhood Day	Fall 2016	TBD

# **Report of the Pacific Coast Regional Vice President**

by Shanna Emrich 01/16/16

#### **SUMMARY**

#### **Iota Pi (SDSU)**

Iota Pi is currently on guidance with the Fraternity and probation with the school, however, this has not stopped them from consistently improving on their chapter operations. They've done a lot of work around reevaluating the definition of a Brother to get rid of any deadweight, tried new fundraising events, and increased attendance at inter-chapter and National Fraternity events. The chapter will be focusing on recruiting quality pledges rather than trying to meet a quantified number to subsidize large graduating classes.

#### Lambda Pi (USD)

Lambda Pi had a successful semester with their recruitment and pledge class. They were able to meet all deadlines for their events, and their professional events had more variety this term. The chapter also saw a large increase in their national events attendance, specifically at Albuquerque LEAD by incentivizing the Brothers through using chapter funds to help pay for registration. There will be a large graduating class this Spring (2016) which is a slight concern for the chapter and DD, but a plan is in place to perform effective transitions.

#### Lambda Sigma (CSUF)

Lambda Sigma is currently on guidance and is currently trying to rebuild themselves as a chapter. I attended a special meeting during the Fall 2015 term where Brothers (collegians and alumni alike) were able to voice their concerns and work on a plan to improve chapter operations and motivation of Brothers going forward. The chapter does a good job with recruitment and they meet all requirements for their events, however, have an issue with attendance and, at times, can't meet quorum for their meetings. There are many development opportunities for the chapter and will be a focus for myself and the DD in the next term.

## Lambda Chi (UCR)

Lambda Chi is a fundamentally sound chapter whose recruitment is largely successful and always meets the requirements for their events each term. They had a slight hiccup this last term with not properly planning in order to send a delegate out to GCC causing them to not be eligible for Accredited Chapter. However, this has not stopped them from constantly trying to improve their events and make sure to send Brothers to events. The chapter has difficulty with Alumni relations and having Alumni attend their events; this is something that could be focused on going forward.

#### Xi Pi (Redlands)

Xi Pi does a good job with their events and recruitment. For a smaller school, their chapter size is decent. They do a fair job with recruitment and recruiting quality pledges. Many of their Brothers are heavily involved with other school organizations and activities, which can cause a lack of motivation to attend Deltasig events both hosted by the chapter and the National Fraternity. The chapter also struggles with alumni relations since many of the students are not from the area and do not stay local after graduating. I would like to see the chapter get more involved with the National Fraternity and the region as a whole (since they are the furthest chapter, distance-wise), this is something the DD is aware of and is assisting to improve.

# Omicron Sigma (UCSD)

Omicron Sigma is an extremely professional chapter that has been able to consistently drive positive marketing about their chapter on campus and receive large turnouts for their recruitment events. Their chapter operations are fundamentally sound, being able to host very successful professional and community service events. An area of improvement, which was solidified by Central Office's visit, is the imbalance of professionalism with social interactions and National Fraternity attendance. This is a focus for their DD and the chapter this next term.

#### Pi Sigma (UCI)

Pi Sigma's operations are fundamentally sound with only minor hiccups that are assessed and improved upon going forward. Overall, the chapter executes their events well but could do better with proper, long-term planning. The chapter does well on engaging their own chapter's alumni; however, they could do more to reach out to non-Pi Sigma alumni in the area. Lastly, the area for largest improvement is their transitions, retention, and passing-along of leadership. As with all chapters, motivation and engaging all members can be a challenge, particularly when meetings and events overlap with school and sometimes feel repetitive. The chapter does well fundraising and have found their "tried and true" methods. All chapter members are extremely career driven and this translates to their academics as well. I would like to see Pi Sigma be more involved with the national Fraternity and giving back once they graduate. The chapter tends to recruit quality Brothers, but the Fraternity loses them once they graduate.

#### Rho Phi (Concordia)

Rho Phi is a newer chapter in the region and is currently going through growing pains trying to figure out its core events and how to operate successfully as a unit. The chapter had a more successful term with recruitment which brought out a decent number of prospects to allow for the chapter to find quality and quantity pledges. Due to many struggles the chapter is having, there is a large lack of motivation for Brothers to want to be more involved and attend events. I would like for the chapter to work on communicating with each other better and creating a more unified chapter. Larger attendance at National Fraternity events would be ideal to allow for them to create a network of Brothers to assist them in growing into a great chapter.

#### Sigma Phi (Chapman)

Sigma Phi, being a new chapter, has quite a few development opportunities. The chapter hosts satisfactory events, but aren't communicated well amongst the chapter and its alumni network, therefore receiving low turnout. Recruitment has been successful for the chapter but has a lot of opportunity to improve and drum more interest from students. There is also concern that the pledging process is more focused on pledges passing their quizzes rather than focusing on the fundamentals of the Fraternity and effectively transitioning them into Brothers. Overall, Sigma Phi is able to meet all requirements of the Fraternity but could make positive changes to become a great chapter.

# SDAC, IEAC, & OCAC

All alumni chapters are still active and host a variety of events throughout the semester. I would like to see more involvement of the alumni chapters with the collegiate chapters, something that we will focus on in the next term. I believe there could also be a focus on all 3 alumni chapters working together in order to improve each other and assist in recruiting new members for their chapter.



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DATE	LOCATION	EVENT
10.23.15-10.25.15	Albuquerque, NM	Albuquerque LEAD School
09.11.15-09.13.15	Cincinnati, OH	Leadership Meeting
09.02.15	San Diego, CA	Iota Pi & Lambda Pi President/RVP Meeting
09.08.15	Fullerton, CA	Lambda Sigma Recruitment Social Event
09.17.15	San Diego, CA	Iota Pi Alumni Panel Event
09.27.15	Irvine, CA	Rho Phi Pledging Ceremony
09.28.15	San Diego, CA	Omicron Sigma Meet the Chapter
10.01.15	Chapman, CA	Sigma Phi Professional Event
10.03.15	Redlands, CA	Xi Pi Pledging Ceremony
10.05.15	Irvine, CA	Pi Sigma Meet the Chapter
10.06.15	San Diego, CA	Omicron Sigma Pledging Ceremony
10.12.15	Riverside, CA	Lambda Chi Pledging Ceremony
10.21.15	San Diego, CA	SDAC Networking Event
11.07.15	San Diego, CA	Founder's Day BBQ
11.13.15	Fullerton, CA	Lambda Sigma Special Meeting
11.21.15	San Diego, CA	Pacific Coast Regional Initiation

#### **REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS**

- Increase inter-chapter relations in progress and will be a discussion point at our regional meeting
- Increase national Fraternity presence in progress, but saw an improvement with Albuquerque LEAD and expect to see even greater improvement in San Jose
- All chapters receive Accredited Chapter in progress, but most chapters are targeting Chapter of Excellence with the exception of Lambda Sigma (in a re-building phase) and Lambda Chi (did not have a delegate at GCC)

# EXPANSION (if applicable)

**La Verne Colony** (in progress); **CSU-San Marcos** (no progress, just a desire); **ASU** (no progress, just a desire); **CSU-San Bernardino** (no progress, just a desire)

# DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

**Lambda Sigma** – on guidance; **Iota Pi** – on guidance with the Fraternity, on probation with the school; **Lambda Pi** – warning letter

#### DISTRICT DIRECTORS

CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Iota Pi	Wilfredo (Freddy) Saluna	Tier 2
Lambda Pi	Joe Tacto	Tier 1
Omicron Sigma	Tony Nguyen	Tier 2
Rho Phi	Sothinet (Salty) Sry	Tier 2
Pi Sigma	Jen Lee	Tier 1
Sigma Phi	Carley Haro	Tier 1
Lambda Sigma	Ryan Murphy	Tier 2
Lambda Chi	Angelica Leyva	Tier 1
Xi Pi	Tiffany Davis	Tier 2
SDAC	Jessica Valo	Tier 1

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Pacific Coast Leadership Team & Chapter President Meeting Location and date is TBD, will occur in February
- Brotherhood Games Date is TBD, location will be in the Inland Empire area
- I will be attending 1 GBM and/or pledge meeting for each chapter this term
- Western Provincial LEAD School in San Jose, CA

## Report of the Pacific Northwest Regional Vice President

Catherine Leslie 01/15/16

#### **SUMMARY**

Omicron Psi - Continuing to move in a positive direction. LEAD School attendance continues to increase as well as enthusiasm. Still struggling with their local events - specifically fundraising. There seems to be a drop in commitment after pledging. Their advisor has created a lot of issues with getting finances in a timely order affecting their CMP. Otherwise doing excellently with CMP. Need a district director still!

Sigma Upsilon - Struggling with chapter enthusiasm and CMP. Very strong professionally but the brotherhood aspect struggles. Recruitment strong but then drops as the quarter progresses. I think a lot of issues could be solved with a more involved District Director as the current one is hoping to resign after this year.

UW Bothell Colony - Currently thriving! They continue to increase chapter numbers and are currently the largest club on campus. Lots of enthusiasm, goals, and events happening. They are set to install in May! Both District directors are very involved and providing resources.

Seattle Alumni - Unable to get any contact from them...

Portland Alumni - Alumni are very active in other leadership roles with the fraternity. I believe the chapter will continue to grow stronger with time.

#### SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL

Grand Chapter Congress
Albuquerque LEAD School
National Leadership Retreat - Cincinnati
Western Province Leadership Planning Meeting – Los Angeles
Meeting with Sigma Upsilon EC
Meeting with UW Bothell Colony
Meeting/Pinning Ceremony/ and Initiation with Omicron Psi

## **REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS**

- 1. Expansion 3 Installations / Colonies
  - a. UW Bothell will get installed in May 2016
  - b. Dean unresponsive at CWU after lead
- 2. All chapters reach Accredited
  - a. 1 chapter is not on target to meet this, the rest are
- 3. Attendance from all chapters at LEAD school
  - a. All chapters/colonies are sending members to LEAD in San Jose!
- 4. Host a Regional Initiation
  - a. Chapters are considering hosting a joint initiation in the Spring of 2017

#### EXPANSION (if applicable)

UW Bothell - Installation in May 2016

# DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

None.

# **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

CHAPTER DISTRICT DIRECTOR CDL STATUS

Sigma Upsilon Lindsey Rose No UW Bothell Darren Behler Yes UW Bothell Sunischal Yes

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

LEAD San Jose - February Sigma Upsilon - Initiation Omicron Psi - Initiation UW Bothell - Installation

# Report of the Rocky Mountain Regional Vice President

by Kristyn Childress 01/19/16

#### **SUMMARY**

Rocky mountain region is continuing the momentum we had last year. We have come together more as a region, demonstrated by group flights and professional events at LEAD, as well as DSP Olympics. We have a strong leadership team including DDs for each chapter, a few DDs in training, a CMP chair person, active awards committee, and we are looking to add an expansion committee.

## SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL

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DATE	LOCATION	EVENT
Aug 26	Colorado State University	Mu Rho (meeting)
Sep 14	University of Norther Colorado	Nu Phi (meeting)
Sep 20	University of Denver	Alpha Nu (pledging)
Oct 22	University of Denver	Alpha Nu (meeting)
Oct 25	University of Denver	Alpha Nu (pledge meeting)
Nov 12	University of Denver	Alpha Nu (initiation)
Nov 21	University of Colorado - Colorado Springs	Mu Chi (initiation)
Nov 17	University of Colorado	Alpha Rho (initiation)
Dec 1	University of Colorado	Alpha Rho (meeting)

#### **REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS**

DESCRIPTION RESULTS/PROGRESS

**All chapters accredited** On track. The CMP chair person keeps all chapters on track.

Currently the only risk is Alpha Rho, and they are developing a plan that can be included in the next phase of transitions to ensure they

reach accredited.

**All DD's CDL Trained** On track. Not sure that the HUB is showing it correctly, but all the

DD's have done the training.

**Provincial Award** We are working on submissions now. DD's are promoting this. I am

working closely with my awards committee chair to outline the award worthy work we have seen and word directly with those

chapters.

**New Colony** The lead for pueblo went cold. This will be a big focus for the spring

semester. We are considering creating a expansion committee to be

specifically focused on this.

#### **EXPANSION (if applicable)**

*None currently.* 

#### DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

None at this time. If any chapter does not reach accredited CMP level, I would like to place them on guidance.

#### **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**



CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Alpha Rho	Mego Long	<b>CDL Certified</b>
Alpha Nu	Matthew Koller	CDL Trained

Mu Rho AJ Goodenow CDL Trained (I believe CDL Certified)

Nu PhiLaura SchrienerCDL CertifiedMu ChiErika LakeyCDL CertifiedDenverGreg HowellCDL Certified

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DSP Olympics is scheduled for April 23. Professional event at LEAD Feb 26. Google Tour and Tesla tour (Google is confirmed; Tesla is potential)



# Report of the Sierra Nevada Regional Vice President

by Crystal Justice 01/10/16

# **SUMMARY**

The Sierra Nevada Region has been focused on training our leadership team, through utilizing the Certified Deltasig Leader program. We have also been utilizing education tools available to focus on Risk Management and educating all Brothers within the region on the proper methods for preventing risk management. The Sierra Nevada Region has also been working on reigniting our three alumni chapters – Fresno/Cen Cal, Sierra Nevada and Sacramento Valley Alumni Chapters. This is a work in progress, but we are seeing an increased alumni involvement. Lastly, and definitely most importantly, we are working on EXPANSION! For the first time in over 25 years, we have a colony that is working hard towards installation in Spring 2016!

#### SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL

<u>DATE</u> 1/11/15	<u>LOCATION</u> UC Merced Colony	<u>REASON FOR TRAVEL</u> Meet with Executive Committee
1/13/15	Nu Rho	Chapter Visit, UC Davis
1/16-1/17	San Diego, CA	Provincial Leadership Retreat
2/4/15	Lambda Mu	Recruiting Event
2/14/15	Epsilon Theta	Pledging Ceremony
2/21-22/15	Portland, OR	LEAD Provincial Conference
2/28/15	Epsilon Theta	Chapter Visit, CSU Chico
3/1/15	Delta Pi	Chapter Visit, UNR
3/7/15	Iota Phi	Chapter Visit, CSU Fresno
4/18/15	Delta Pi	WRI, UNR
8/1-14/15	Chicago, IL	Grand Chapter Congress
9/11-13/15	Cincinnati, OH	Leadership Retreat
9/30/15	Epsilon Phi	Executive Committee Meeting Visit, CSU Sacramento
10/15/15	UC Merced Colony	Colony Visit, UC Merced
10/21/15	Lambda Mu	Exec. Committee Meeting Visit, Univ. of the Pacific
10/23-25/15	Albuquerque, NM	LEAD School
11/1/15	UC Merced Colony	Colony Visit, UC Merced
11/14/15	Iota Phi	Regional Initiation, CSU Fresno
12/5/15	Sacramento Valley A.C.	Annual Holiday Party



REGIONAL	GOALS &	<b>PROGRESS</b>

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GOAL</u>	<u>RESULTS/PROGRESS</u>
DDs	Have a DD assigned to	COMPLETED
	each chapter, with 2 DDs	
	in training for potential	
	growth & turnover	
CDL	Have all DDs complete the	COMPLETED
	CDL training	
CMP	Have all chapters achieve	One chapter is ineligible for Accredited due to not
	a minimum of accredited status on CDL.	attending GCC, all others are on track. RVP is sending out monthly updates to ensure deadlines are met
UC Merced	To have UC Merced Colony	On track to achieve this goal pending Board approval
Installation	get Board approval and	of the Petition for Installation
	installed	
Regional	Continue to host Regional	COMPLETED – at Regional Intiation we hosted Part 1
Initiation	& WRI initations	and Part 2 together to ensure all ritual integrity was upheld

# **EXPANSION (if applicable)**

UC Merced Colony is expected to be installed in the next academic semester. They have been working progressively to achieve their goals and complete their petition for installation for the Board of Directors to Approve. After UC Merced Colony installation, we are hoping to expand to CSU Stanislaus in Turlock, CA. As the region lines are currently drawn out, this is the last opportunity for expansion in the Sierra Nevada Region.

#### DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

**Iota Phi** has been removed from probation in August and put on 1 year guidance. **Delta Pi** remains on probation until January 2016, with the anticipation of being approved for guidance. **Epsilon Phi** remains on probation until January 2016, with the anticipation of being approved for guidance.

# **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Delta Pi	Cody Heimerdinger	CDL Certified – Level 2
Epsilon Theta	Kristin Minetti	CDL Certified - Level 1
Epsilon Phi	Suzette Halterman	CDL Certified – Level 2
	Jason Sumi	CDL Certified - Level 1
Iota Phi	Tina Mistry	CDL Certified – Level 1
Lambda Mu	Marcial Hoyos	CDL Certified – Level 2
Nu Rho	Christian Suyat	CDL Certified – Level 1
UC Merced Colony	Amparito Galvan	CDL Certified - Level 1

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
January 23, 2015	Area Conference	Epsilon Phi, CSU Sacramento
February 26-28, 2015	LEAD Provincial Conference	San Jose, CA
March 12, 2015	UC Merced Installation	UC Merced (TENTATIVE)
TBD	San Francisco, CA	Brotherhood Games
April 30, 2015	WRI	Bay Area Region

#### **Report of the South Pacific Regional Vice President**

by Erica Kolsrud 01/21/16

#### **SUMMARY**

Overall the region is doing average. The chapters are completing tasks for CMP status with only two chapters missing the track for Accredited. We had five chapters participate in Regional Initiation and will revisit the idea at Provincial LEAD to see if it should continue. The chapters have room for growth and are still lacking in Regional identity and participation/excitement for the Region as a whole.

#### **SIGNIFICANT TRAVEL**

DATE LOCATION EVENT

11/21/15 Pepperdine University Regional Initiation

#### **REGIONAL GOALS & PROGRESS**

DESCRIPTION RESULTS/PROGRESS

CDL Training for chapter officers Will be implemented as a Beta test in the Spring 2016

Involvement in Region wide events Initiation went well, have another event scheduled for Spring

2016

#### **EXPANSION (if applicable)**

One colony current on track for installation in 2016

# DISCIPLINE AND ASSISTANCE ACTIONS AND ISSUES (if applicable)

*Phi – University assistance only (roll over from previous year)* 

#### **DISTRICT DIRECTORS**

CHAPTER	DISTRICT DIRECTOR	CDL STATUS
Delta Sigma	Lucy Tseng	None
Iota Upsilon	Louise Santos	None
Lambda Phi	Tony Nguyen	CDL Tier 1
Lambda Psi	Gaylen Kalipi	None
Xi Omicron	Adrian Avalos	None
Rho Sigma	Jamie Ball	CDL Tier 1
Rho Upsilon	Trey Hernandez	CDL Tier 2
Rho Chi	Luke Nagashima	CDL Tier 1

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

LEAD - February 26-28

Ronald McDonald Walk - April 3



# **PROPOSALS**

# PROPOSAL 1 – Recommendation to the Western Provincial Council

#### **SUBMITTED BY:**

Patrick A. Bonfrisco, Western Provincial Vice President 1746 E. Belmont Ave. Anaheim, CA 92805 (714) 328-8658 WesternPVP@dsp.org

DATE: December 11, 2015

#### Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation

Amend National Policy & Procedure Manual, Section O. PROVINCIAL COUNCILS, Policy 12. Regions and Boundaries, to redraw regional boundaries within the Western Province.

Proposal Details (and/or exact Policy or Bylaw Language proposed -- use ALL CAPS for new language and strikethrough for deletions.)

#### Western Province

**Bay Area Region**, to comprise chapters in SAN LUIS OBISPO, Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, Marin, Napa, Sonoma, Lake and Mendocino Counties of California.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Rho (University of California-Berkeley), Gamma Xi (Santa Clara University), Gamma Omicron (University of San Francisco), Delta Omicron (San Francisco State University), Zeta Tau (Cal State University-Hayward), Theta Chi (San Jose State University), KAPPA MU (CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY-SAN LUIS OBISPO), and Pi Chi (University of California - Santa Cruz).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* Zeta Rho (Menlo College).

*Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16:* EAST BAY (Emeryville Antioch San Ramon Tracy Berkeley Albany Yountville) and Santa Clara Silicon Valley.

**Desert Mountain Region**, to comprise chapters in Arizona, New Mexico, the southern portion of Nevada (south of a line from Highway 58 at the California Nevada state line and proceeding due east to the city of Mesquite, Nevada), the area of Texas in the Mountain Time Zone and the Mexican states of Sonora and Chihuahua.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Gamma Iota (University of New Mexico), Gamma Phi (University of Texas-El Paso), Gamma Psi (University of Arizona), Gamma Omega (Arizona State University), Epsilon Upsilon (New Mexico State University), and Zeta Omega (Northern Arizona University).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* Epsilon Eta (Eastern New Mexico University) and Mu Nu (University of Nevada Las Vegas).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: El Paso Sun City, Las Vegas and Phoenix-Thunderbird.

Pacific Coast Region, to comprise chapters in San Diego, Riverside, Orange, San Bernardino, and Imperial Counties of California, the Pomona Valley area of Los Angeles County (specifically the cities of Claremont, Diamond Bar, La Verne, Montelair, Ontario, Pomona, and San Dimas), and the Mexican states of Baja California North and Baja California South.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Iota Pi (San Diego State University), Lambda Pi (University of San Diego), Lambda Sigma (California State University-Fullerton), Lambda Chi (University of California-Riverside), Xi Pi (University of Redlands), Omicron Sigma (University of California-San Diego), Pi Sigma (University of California-Irvine), Rho Phi (Concordia University), and Sigma Phi (Chapman University).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: NONE Eta Chi (California Polytechnic State University Pomona).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: Inland Empire, Orange County, and San Diego.

**Pacific Northwest Region**, to comprise the following geographic areas: Oregon, Washington, Idaho, MONTANA, Alaska, British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, the Northwest Territories, and the Yukon.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Omicron Psi (Washington State University) and Sigma Upsilon (University of Washington)

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: Portland Cascadia and Seattle-Pacific Northwest.

Rocky Mountain Region, to comprise chapters in Montana, Wyoming, Utah and Colorado.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Alpha Nu (University of Denver), Alpha Rho (University of Colorado-Boulder), Mu Rho (Colorado State University), Mu Chi (University of Colorado-Colorado Springs), and Nu Phi (University of Northern Colorado).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* Sigma (University of Utah), Zeta Kappa (Western State College), and Eta Lambda (Weber State College).

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: Denver.

Sierra Nevada Region, to comprise chapters in NEVADA AND ALPINE, AMADOR, BUTTE, CALAVERAS, COLUSA, DEL NORTE, EL DORADO, FRESNO, GLENN, HUMBOLDT, INYO, KERN, KINGS, LASSEN, MADERA, MARIPOSA, MERCED, MODOC, MONO, NEVADA, PLACER, PLUMAS, SACRAMENTO, SAN JOAQUIN, SHASTA, SIERRA, SISKIYOU, STANISLAUS, SUTTER, TEHAMA, TRINITY, TULARE, TUOLUMNE, YOLO, AND YUBA, COUNTIES IN THE STATE OFCALIFORNIA. Northern California and Nevada east of a line beginning at the Monterey Fresno County lines, north of a line beginning at the Tulare Kern County lines, west of the Nevada Wyoming State line and south of the California Oregon State line.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Delta Pi (University of Nevada-Reno), Epsilon Theta (California State University-Chico), Epsilon Phi (California State University-Sacramento), Iota Phi (California

State University-Fresno), Lambda Mu (University of the Pacific), and Nu Rho (University of California-Davis).

Inactive Collegiate Chapters: MU NU (UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS) None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: Fresno CenCal, LAS VEGAS, Reno Sierra Nevada, and Sacramento Valley.

**South Pacific Region**, to comprise chapters located in Hawaii, and San Luis Obispo, Kern, Santa Barbara, Ventura, and Los Angeles (excluding the Pomona Valley area) Counties in the state of California.

Active Collegiate Chapters: Phi (University of Southern California), Delta Sigma (Loyola-Marymount University), Iota Upsilon (California State University-Northridge), Kappa Mu (California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo), Lambda Phi (California State University-Long Beach), Lambda Psi (University of Hawaii-Hilo), Xi Omicron (University of California-Los Angeles), Rho Sigma (University of California-Santa Barbara), Rho Upsilon (Pepperdine University), and Rho Chi (University of Hawaii-Manoa).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* ETA CHI (CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY-POMONA) None.

Alumni Chapters Franchised for 15-16: Hawaii, Honolulu-Oahu, Long Beach-Pier 9, and Los Angeles

Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date July 1, 2016

# Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

Realigns regional boundaries based on current number of chapters and expected expansion in the near future.

Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation None.

**Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation (if applicable)**Staff time to update manuals and website, as well as designer and expense to redraw maps for pledge manual.

NOTES:				
	Passed	Passed as amended	☐Failed	



# International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi Western Provincial Budget Statement of Budget and Expenses

Description	2016-17 Approved Budget	
Western Provincial Vice President	\$	3,000.00
Regional Vice President Individual Travel Budgets		
Bay Area Region	\$	640.00
Desert Mountain Region	\$	480.00
Pacific Coast Region	\$	720.00
Pacific Northwest Region	\$	240.00
Rocky Mountain Region	\$	400.00
Sierra Nevada Region	\$	560.00
South Pacific Region	\$	880.00
Provincial Leadership Meeting	\$	2,000.00
LEAD School Travel Budget	\$	2,100.00
Long Distance Exceptional Travel Budget *	\$	1,680.00
Leadership Training	\$	200.00
Other (committees)	\$	100.00
TOTAL PROVINCIAL EXPENSES	\$	13,000.00

<sup>\*</sup> Air and hotel only



# **PROPOSALS**

# **PROPOSAL 2 – Bylaw Amendment**

#### SUBMITTED BY:

Gamma Upsilon Chapter, Alexa Strauss, 231 Forest Street, Babson Park, MA

**DATE:** December 22, 2015

#### Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation.

Change procedure of Election of Pledges from Article XII Section 11 of National Bylaws to move announcement of favorable or unfavorable outcomes to the end of all voting and discussion. Current procedure reveals outcomes favorable or unfavorable immediately after discussion of each candidate. Current procedure, creates potential to shift focus off individual qualities and instead on quantitative size of the pledge class and interpersonal relations of already accepted candidates. This is a disadvantage to candidates towards the end of deliberation period for the chapter. Names of all pledges with favorable votes would be announced at the same time at the end of the deliberation period with this change.

Proposal Details (and/or exact Policy or Bylaw Language proposed -- use ALL CAPS for new language and strikethrough for deletions.)

Current Bylaw Article XII. Section 11. "Election of Pledges":

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 pledgeship 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 pledgeship, an election must be held in any subsequent academic term in which the prospective pledge's name is proposed again.

Proposed Bylaw Article XII. Section 11. "Election of Pledges":

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# Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date

Start of academic year after next Grand Chapter Congress (September 2017), though Board of Directors can advise for a different implementation date.

# Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

Implementation of this proposal leads to voting and reveal of the entire pledge class (its members and its size) at the end of deliberations without re-vote or re-discussion.

- Keeping the number secret until the end of voting and discussion creates a fairer environment for candidates for pledgeship because it allows for discussion to be consolidated and not completely affect voting results. This fairer environment is created by increasing anonymity of the number of pledges with favorable votes throughout the deliberation process, which has in the past affected how members vote on candidates for pledgeship.
- This process minimizes quotas that may hinder the amount of pledges elected to the chapter.

# Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation

Implementation of this proposal leads to voting and reveal of the entire pledge class (its members and its size) at the end of deliberations without re-vote or re-discussion.

- Chapter members may feel regret if they see a pledge class too big or too small
- Chapters will need to budget carefully for a certain number of pledge pins and manuals

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

Any costs foreseen to change this bylaw would be at the individual chapter level based on increased or decreased number of pledges elected to the chapter

NOTES:				
	□Passed	□Passed as amended	□Failed	