

CE&CF BOARD MEETING -- November 18, 2016 at KCC

Present: Bill Giesler, Eric Haines, Jerry Lang, Jim Sparrow, John Strohbach and Barry Wanninger

Excused: Dick Fenstermacher

Minutes of the August 19, 2016 meeting were approved.

President's Report – Bill Giesler

Active Chapter -- Christian Przedziecki, Active Chapter President

The Fall semester has been an extremely successful one for the Alpha Xi chapter thus far with only four weeks remaining before classes are dismissed for winter break. There have been a number of accomplishments achieved by our brothers both internally and externally. We are truly hitting our stride operationally and continue to work on enhancing the experience of the 178 brothers and new members in our chapter. Our executive board and position holders keep striving to offer our brothers the best experience possible and continue to hear great feedback from brothers, however we are still trying to improve and build on the rich tradition of our fraternity.

The beginning of the semester saw much of our efforts go towards recruitment. Anthony Durso did a spectacular job in leading the chapter as recruitment chair this fall and the chapter bought into the process completely. The new member class has an extremely good reputation within our community and continues the trend of PIKE having the strongest class on campus. As always, many of the new members were highly sought after by a number of other chapters but Alpha Xi won those battles and is happy to have a class with multiple honors students, an international student, one athlete, and a number of scholarship winners from other chapters. We held very high standards throughout the process and because of that we got men of the highest character while seeing a larger involvement from active chapter in the process than recent years. After recruitment concluded, all 42 members of the Mu pledge class were pinned and are currently in the final two weeks of their new member process led by Nick Wessels. Highlights of the new member semester include our brotherhood retreat to West Virginia. We look forward to the class's ingress and for the chance to finally call them brothers.

Externally the chapter continues to operate at a high level. The chapter did a good job of adapting to stricter IFC social guidelines implemented at the beginning of the semester and continues to have a good relationship with the community. Our social calendar is always full as we have events with each sorority and we continue to be seen as the top social fraternity on campus among sorority girls. Our chapter has had a great semester for philanthropy and has held several exceptional events. PIKE Spike, our annual charity volleyball tournament, broke both our previous records in attendance and for money raised for the NCFCF foundation. We also held our annual Coney eating contest at a football tailgate to raise money for the Karen Wellington Foundation for families living with cancer and helped send a family dealing with cancer on vacation. PIKE also continued to have a strong campus leadership presence with three brothers being tapped into Sigma Sigma, three into Men of Metro, and one into Phi Rho Chi.

We have seen significant improvement on internal affairs throughout the semester. Brother Brett Carlin has led a successful SLAG 101 membership development class for brothers. The class incorporates several guest speakers including several alumni. Brother Steve Armsey has also worked with Brett to establish an alumni speaker series for chapter meetings starting with a speech from Brother John Deatruck later this month. We were also extremely happy to welcome nearly 100 PIKE alums back to the Nester Home for our homecoming celebration. Lastly, we are looking forward to Christmas Scholarship Luncheon and are constantly encouraging brothers to attend.

We have had a great semester full of success but continue to look for areas to improve on. Our chapter has never been larger and we have unfortunately seen a small group of brothers struggle to attend chapter events. In order to combat that we are actively trying to add more programming that will cater to brothers who are not as engaged in chapter as we would like. We hope to add more chapter involvement by holding more brotherhood events for our brothers. We are also continuing to work on our goal of improving overall respect for the house and ensuring it is in a better state than it was the majority of last year. We have seen significant improvement and chapter buy in, however there is still room for improvement. The renovated basement has been utilized heavily by chapter and has improved the quality of our chapter meetings and our socials. This has allowed the first floor to be in considerably better shape than it was previously in before the renovation. In conclusion, the Alpha Xi chapter is having a very successful year but we continue to not be satisfied with the status quo and are actively pushing one another to become greater.

SHA - Mark Wood, SHA President

SHA hosted the annual golf outing on September 11, returning to California golf course. 45 brothers participated (34 alumni), joined by 3 Alpha Xi recruits. Barry Wanninger hired professional golfers for his foursome, leaving the rest of the field in the dust. We haven't seen such dominance on the golf course since Tiger Woods back in 2000.

For the Homecoming festivities, SHA provided funding for the food buffet at the house. We joined Actives for a fun-filled day at the Nester Home. Still wondering if the bathrooms are ever cleaned.

Our next focus is Pike Night at the Shoe. Chris Simendinger has graciously volunteered to run this event. He is currently working with UC to identify a game, but we've narrowed our options to late January/early February. Our first choice is 2/4 against UConn. You'll recall this event has moved to the UCATS Lounge recently. This area of the arena has undergone a renovation/renaming, and they are now forcing all attendees to buy a game ticket (not a good deal for season ticket holders). As a result, we are exploring the option of renting a campus venue prior to the game for dinner/drinks, which will allow attendees to use their season ticket for the game or join us in group seating. We are waiting until after the Christmas Luncheon to open up registrations to the alumni.

Lastly, as I'm sure you all are interested to know, the date of Founders' Day will be... announced in mid-December. As always, it will fall on the last weekend of February, or first weekend of March. Ryan Boggs (new to SHA) is helping me recruit a younger alum to run this event.

UCPHC

- UCPHC met with AC on November 3rd. Agenda topics were:
 - 2017/2018 Master Lease
 - 2017/2018 Resident Lease
 - Nester House, Phase 2 (First Floor)
 - Scholarship Plan (Transferring responsibility for \$16,500 in-house scholarships to A/C – 2 page Agreement document attached).
- We met on November 16th with PCA Architects to discuss developing design details of Phase 2 (First floor renovation and deck expansion). Budget for this Phase is \$75,000.
- The expansion of the Nester House is delayed due to the cost (> \$1.0MM). The former single occupant handicap room has been converted to a double, bringing total current occupancy to 28.
- Alex Glutz and Dan Schroyer are moving up the 'learning curve' and we will continue transitioning day to day responsibilities over the next few months to them. Our expectation is they will be in the drivers' seat for UCPHC next year.
- Potential candidates to help UCPHC are:
 - Chris Lee: Finances
 - Andy Pool: House Management

Treasurer's Report – Jim Sparrow

Cash balance 9/1/2016	\$ 118.94
Transfer from Johnson	5,000.00
Omega deposits	518.37
Omega charges	<u>-980.35</u>
Cash balance 10/31/2016	\$ 4,656.96

Fund Raising Report – Bill Giesler

Annual Fund Raising Program (AFRP)

The 2016/2017 AFRP began in August. Through November 10th, \$8,150 has been pledged from 22 Brothers and \$8,150 has been collected.

We have also collected \$1,450 from 5 Brothers from the CE&CF mail in donation campaign.

The AFRP for 2014-2015 resulted in \$17,752 collected from 74 Brothers. The 2015/2016 AFRP resulted in \$28,810 collected from 89 Brothers.

Investment Committee Report – John Strohbach

The 2015 - 2016 Annual Report has been mailed.

The value of the Portfolio on Nov. 18, 2016 was \$787,327.

For discussion purposes, a proposal for adjusting each scholarship to a minimum of \$1,000 is attached.

Next committee meeting in January.

Scholarship Committee Report – Barry Wanninger

The CE&CF Scholarship Committee is getting ready to kick into gear once again. The initial email and scholarship application form with a list of the available 2017 scholarships/awards will go to the Alpha Xi chapter president in the next few days to be distributed to all active chapter members. No scholarship/award values are ever listed when presented to active chapter. The final scholarship/award values will need to be figured after the CE&CF Board meets and the available funds from Pi Kappa Alpha Foundation are determined. Scholarship applications will need to be emailed back to me by midnight Friday, January 6, 2017 so they can be forwarded to the scholarship committee members electronically to be read and scored. The scholarship committee will meet the third week of January to select the final recipients so that checks and individual scholarship/award letters can be finalized for the Founders' Day Banquet presentation. Finally, Bob Dorsey contacted me by phone and after a conversation with Gary Pies he has requested that scholarship endowment sponsors be allowed to present their scholarships/awards personally at Founders Day if they desire.

Old Business:

1) Omega Fi collection fee – Omega Fi is charging us a fee on funds CE&CF collected. Bill would prefer paying a flat (monthly) fee for their service rather than a percentage on all funds collected. He will send out a listing of the duties of Omega Fi, especially regarding fund raising.

2) Gifting of PiKA Pins – With several older alumni seeking to donate their pin to a deserving pledge/chapter member, it would be helpful to have a procedure in place for selecting future recipients.

New Business –

1) CE&CF Scholarship Funds for 2017 – The Investment Committee reviewed scholarships with an eye for increasing their individual value. John Strohbach moved that scholarships be adjusted per the attached recommendation up to a total of \$21,750, seconded and approved unanimously.

2) House Parking Lot Lighting – Jim Sparrow recommended that in response to recent neighborhood robberies, additional lighting in the parking lot may be warranted. This will be a topic for UCPHC to address.

Future Meetings: Feb. 3, 2017 (Exec Bd); May 5 (Full Bd); Aug. 4 (Exec Bd); Nov.3 (Exec Bd);

Jerry Lang
CE&CF Secretary

In House Scholarship 2017 – 2018 (I)
Non-exclusive Scholarship Fund Allocation Between
UC Pikes Housing Corporation, Inc and the Alpha Xi Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity
2711 Stratford Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio

The Directors of UC Pikes Housing Corporation, Inc., a non-profit corporation in the State of Ohio (Corporation or Landlord herein), have this day rented to the Alpha Xi chapter of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity (Chapter or Tenant herein), that certain real property municipally known as 2711 Stratford Avenue, in the City of Cincinnati, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio with all buildings and improvements thereon and thereunto belonging all of which is hereafter referred to as the "Premises" and/or "Nester Home" on a non-exclusive basis. The term of this agreement shall be from the first day of September 2017 to the last of August 2018, and from year to year thereafter unless notice of amendment or termination is given by the parties are hereinafter provided, at the annual rental base rate of \$54,900, there is to be \$71,400 allocated on an annual basis with \$16,500 allocated exclusively for in house scholarships. The base scholarship allocation is based on occupancy of 27 for fall and spring semesters. If the occupancy is less than 27, then the base allocation is reduced \$100/month/occupant less than 27. There is no adjustment in September through May for occupancy above the base amount. The scholarship amount will be allocated in such a manner, \$6,000 for fall and spring semesters. Base allocation of \$4,500 for summer semester is based on occupancy of 20. If occupancy is less than 20, base allocation is decreased \$100/month/occupant. There is no adjustment in May through August for occupancy above the base amount. Rent and all Tenant notices to the Landlord shall be sent to the Corporation's address at:

UC Pikes Housing Corporation, Inc
C/o Jim Sparrow
Rankin, Rankin & Company
1717 Dixie Highway Suite 600
Ft. Wright, KY 41011

Landlord notices to the Tenant shall be sent to the Premises to the attention of the Treasurer.

The Conditions of this Agreement are:

1. It is acknowledged by the Corporation and the Chapter that this is a non-exclusive agreement that covers the entire premises. In addition, all conditions of this agreement are contingent on compliance with the 2017-2018 Chapter Lease.
2. All tenants must have signed a lease and be recognized as occupants for the semester in question by UC Pikes Housing Corporation, to be eligible for said allocated funds.
3. All tenants must be in good standing with Uptown rentals, requiring them to have no outstanding delinquent balances over \$600 for more than 30 days. Any delinquent tenants will not be allocated scholarship funds for the semester in which the delinquency in question is from.
4. To be considered for allocated scholarship funds, a tenant must earn above a 3.2 GPA from their most recent academic semester. Proof this academic record must be submitted to the Scholarship Chairmen and Treasurer.
5. Allocated funds will be dispersed through paper checks by the Treasurer or by wire transfer to recipients who are out of town or so wish to receive funds in such a manner.
6. The specific allocations will be made aware to UC Pikes Housing Corporation before money is dispersed by the Treasurer.
7. The Chapter and the Corporation shall each maintain complete and accurate books and records of its financial officers and that both parties to this agreement will submit, one to the other, a financial report reflecting the Agreement and those books, records and reports shall be provided to the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

8. Chapter and all parties claiming under Chapter hereby fully, finally, totally and completely release and discharge the Corporation, and the Pi Kappa Alpha International Fraternity, Inc. ("International Fraternity") and their respective members, employees, agents, servants, officers, directors, representatives, and other chapters, and any other entity whose liability is derivative by or through said released parties from all past, present and future claims, causes of action and liabilities of any nature whatsoever, regardless of the cause of the damage or loss, and including, but not limited to, claims and losses covered by insurance, claims for property damage, expensed, reimbursements, repairs and maintenance, claims and damage for personal injury, claims and damages for premises liability, claims and damage for torts of any nature, and claims for compensatory damages, consequential damages or punitive/exemplary damages. Chapter and all parties claiming under Chapter covenant not to sue the Corporation, International Fraternity, or their respective members, employees, agents, servants, officers, directors, representatives, and other chapters.

9. Chapter agrees that it will provide notice to the Corporation of any changes in the Chapter's President or Treasurer ("Officers") within 30 days of said change by providing a copy of this agreement with the new Officers' signatures. In the event that notice is not provided in this manner, all provisions of this agreement shall remain in effect except that monthly base allocation shall increase \$500 per month until such notice is received. Chapter and the Corporation further acknowledge that it is anticipated that a change in Officers will occur in May of each year.

10. If for any reason any clause or paragraph herein is deemed unenforceable, in whole or in part, all parties agree that the remaining portion of the clause or lease, as the case may be, shall be binding and remain enforceable.

The terms, conditions and covenants of this agreement extend and are binding on both parties unless and until revised and upon the heirs, successors, administrators and personal representatives of the Chapter and the agents, representatives and successors of the Corporation.

In Witness Whereof, the said parties have set their hands and seal this ___ day of _____, 2016.

CORPORATION

BY: _____

Printed: Wm. S. Giesler

Its: Trustee

CHAPTER

BY: _____

Printed: _____

Its: President

BY: _____

Printed: _____

Its: Treasurer