

ALPHA THETA CHAPTER OF SIGMA CHI FRATERNITY, INC.

Alpha Theta Chapter
founded 1882

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founded 1861

September 15, 2002

Minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Board, held June 4, 2002.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM in the Chapter House Library.

Present: Ben Wang (Spring Board Rep., Quaestor), Raudel Rodriguez (Consul, Board), Mark Curtiss (Board), P. K. Hadley (Board), Herb Mower (Board), Jay Krone (Board), Mike DeLaus (Board), Adam d'Amico (Chapter Advisor), Tae Kim (Work Week Mgr), Jonathon Coe, Thomas Quealy, Michael Kahan (Fall Board Rep.), Karl Büttner (Board), Tom Faust (Board), Josh Littlefield (Board).

Absent: Brady Young (House Manager, Board), Neelash Kantak (Fall Board Rep.), Danny Craig (G.Z., Board), Dennis Van der Staay (Spring Board Rep.).

Minutes of the March 22, 2002 meeting were accepted as distributed.

CHAPTER REPORTS

Consul Report – Raudel Rodriguez

1. The Chapter held a Rush Retreat in early May and Derby Days after the 120th reunion.
2. MIT awarded the Chapter (by unanimous vote) the Reid Weedon Alumni/ae Relations Award for outstanding alumni relations. The award included a \$5000 cash prize.
3. Due to the new housing plan for freshmen, the Chapter will have 19-20 resident actives in the fall. Most quads will become triples. One quad will be used as a pledge room for meetings. MIT will reimburse the Chapter 80% for every empty bed. Housebills will increase by \$100/term to help with future shortfalls.
4. There will be 9 brothers and 20 women at the house over the summer.

Quaestor Report – Ben Wang

1. The Chapter is financially sound. Ben will be sending rent checks to the Corporation soon.

CORPORATE REPORTS

120th Anniversary Reunion – Mark Curtiss for John Piotti

1. This was the best-attended reunion so far, with a total of 301 participants. 120 alumni attended the reunion, and 255 people attended the banquet. Everything ran very smoothly and the feedback was good, aside from a few remarks about John's e-mail. Alpha Theta Academy got very good reviews. Most events were very well attended. The Chapter improvised beautifully when the caterer failed to appear with food on Sunday morning.
2. Financial results for the event were good. The Corporate contribution was only \$3600 of the \$5000 we had allotted. Alumni contributions in support of the reunion were better than expected.

Building Needs Committee – Mike Delaus

1. The Sunday morning forum at reunion was very well attended. The architects gave a presentation, to a packed audience in the library, of the project's scope, the building's needs, and the project's constraints. They answered many questions. The presentation received a very good response and many voiced their support.
2. Nothing new to report on the construction planning aspects of the project. Now waiting for fundraising investigation to proceed.
3. Mark Curtiss reports the steering group is now working on fundraising assessment. Doug Bailey has agreed to chair this steering committee.

OLD BUSINESS

Work Week Budget – Tae Kim

1. Since the academic year has finished, Tae attended by speakerphone and was assisted by Raudel and others.
2. Tae's budget proposal was circulated.
3. Much of the proposed focus is on the bathrooms, with plans for some new countertops and other repairs. The proposal includes new carpeting for the first and second floors, new polyurethane for the bar, library and dining room, new egress signs to comply with fire codes, kitchen shelving to improve organization, and painting of outside sashes and back stairwell. The Corporation recommended trying to re-hang the outer front door so it can close.
4. *The Board approved a motion* authorizing \$5900 for Work Week.

NEW BUSINESS

New Resident Advisor – Raudel Rodriguez

1. Melissa is leaving in about a month, so we need to hire a new R.A.. No eligible Sigs are available for the position. One candidate, Hao Zhu, is known to some actives and considered a good fit.
2. Mark and Herb will interview and approve RA candidates presented by the Chapter.

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Joshua B. Littlefield
Corporate Clerk