



**Alpha Rho Alumni Chapter**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**11/15/2017**

Call specifics: 304-362-8484 and <http://www.uberconference.com/wvupikapp>

**Call to Order:** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Alpha Rho Alumni Chapter, was held via conference call on Wednesday, November 15, 2017. The meeting convened at 6:01 PM EST with President and Chief Executive Officer, Tom Begley presiding. Recording of minutes was taken by John George, Secretary.

Members of the Board in attendance:

- Anthony Graley, AP 359 - Regional Leader for Charleston, WV
- Ken Berko, AP 367 - Regional Leader for the Carolinas
- Erik Baldwin, AP 412 - Regional Leader for Washington, DC
- Patrick Farley, AP 67 - Historian
- Jordan Feathers, AP 438 - Vice President - Chief Risk Officer
- Jason Hyett, AP 466 - Vice President - Chief Information Officer
- John George, AP 385 - Secretary - Chief Communications Officer
- Patrick Folio, AP 147 - Treasurer - Chief Financial Officer
- Erik Baldwin, AP 412 VP- Chief Operating Officer
- Tom Begley, AP 284 - President & Chief Executive Officer

Others in attendance:

- Dr. Matthew Richardson, Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life at WVU
- Mathew Miner, Graduate Assistant in Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at WVU

Not in attendance:

- Bob Laughner, AP 68 - Regional Leader for Pittsburgh, PA
- Craig Winkelmann, AP 69 - Vice President - Fundraising
- Matt Loffa, AP 628 - Executive Vice President

***Reading of Minutes from last meeting:***

Suspension of the reading of minutes from the last meeting was motioned by Brother Pat Farley and seconded by Brother Erik Baldwin with no opposition.

***Introduction and Remarks of Special Guests: Dr. Matthew Richardson & Mathew Miner***

Tom introduced Mathew Miner who is the Graduate Assistant in the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at WVU. Many met him at Homecoming and will oversee our transition back to campus. Tom also introduced Dr. Matthew Richardson who is the Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life at WVU.

Dr. Richardson provided comments to the group. He is a member of Delta Chi and considers Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity a friend and has a great relationship with Pi Kappa Phi. Dr. Richardson provided that he wants IFC to buy into expansion to campus and Alpha Rho was unanimously approved to return. WVU is

committed to this expansion and IFC and Greek Life will be partners and have support. Another significant point is that IFC has frozen expansion until 2020 known as 'Expansion 2020' where they will bring on four more fraternities over those next few years as many groups want to be on campus at WVU. This is being done to be strategic in the groups applying to WVU. Regarding education a group known as GAMMA has been started for peer to peer alcohol education as well as efforts to secure an alumni council for fraternities and sororities.

Mathew Miner also provided comments and ask the group to help with setting the record straight if we hear things that are untrue in hopes to get the proper word out in the Greek and university communities. Additionally, Mathew is always open to talking with alumni about the Greek experience so don't hesitate to provide his phone number.

**Officer Reports:**

Regional Leaders - Bob Laughner, Anthony Graley, Ken Berko and Erik Baldwin

- Bob Laughner (Pittsburgh Region) – The Pittsburgh area APAC brothers will meet Saturday evening Dec. 9th at Brother Shawn Janovich's establishment, "Bacon, Bourbon, & Beer" to observe Pi Kappa Phi Founder's Day & to watch the Mountaineers vs Pitt Panther's in the hard court version of the old "Backyard Brawl". So far I believe that 7+ brothers plan to attend. As Erik can attest to, I am trying to get Bobby Dombroski to serve in one of the open positions on the BoAA (now known as Council of Advisors). I believe that he would make a great addition.
- Ken Berko (Charlotte Region) - No report.
- Anthony Graley (Charleston, WV Region) - No report.
- Erik Baldwin (Baltimore/DC Metro Region) - alumni will attending Top Golf this weekend.

Member at Large- Patrick Farley

- No report

VP- Chief Risk Officer- Jordan Feathers

- No Report

VP- Fundraising - Craig Winkelmann

- No Report

VP- Chief Information Officer - Jason Hyett

- No Report

Secretary - Chief Communications Officer - John George

- The November newsletter is expected to be released early next week and will be our Thanksgiving edition.
- We have learned of an error in membership status for Charles "Chaz" Tranter, AP 663. He was listed as N20201 (Not in Good Standing until May of 2021) as he was thought to be part of the Chapter in 2014-15 academic year. After correspondence with Chaz and the National Office, Tom learned that Chaz graduated in the 2013-14 year and is in good standing with them. Therefore, Chaz is now listed as an Inactive Member (I) - In good standing with the Alumni Chapter. Chaz currently lives in Morgantown and has expressed interest in the Council of Advisors.

Treasurer- Chief Financial Officer- Patrick Folio

- Patrick supplied the 2018 Budget by email prior to the meeting. He indicated that fundraising is behind our projections and stands out the most. Most of the expenses have currently been on fees, events and social media. Balance in account is \$6258.54

Vice President- Chief Operating Officer- Erik Baldwin

- Erik asked for names for potential Council of Advisors in addition to Bobby Dombrowski and Chaz Tranter. Tom added that potential advisors don't have to be in Morgantown and help Erik to identify great advisors.

Executive Vice President- Matt Loffa

- Not Present

President- Chief Executive Officer- Tom Begley

- Spring Alumni Weekend – April 20 & 21, 2018
  - a. Tentative plans – 3pm at Mario's Fishbowl for a welcome reception, then dinner will be at Holiday Inn hotel restaurant (Altrias) followed by cocktails. The following morning will be a 10am Annual Board Meeting.
  - b. Trying to coordinate with Stepping Stones to host some families at the WVU vs. Kansas State baseball game. Tom is looking to reach out to WVU athletics to coordinate a first pitch promoting the Ability Experience. That evening we are looking to return to Mike Turner's house if available.
  - c. Additionally, we will have associate members present and we want to leave a great impression.
- Update on Re-chartering effort - following the board meeting, the call will open up to discuss the re-chartering details. Tom mentioned it was cool to visit WVU during expansion meetings and presentation to WVU IFC and Greek Life office. WVU's support will include staffing, office space and other resources for the process. We received compliments from James Maloney, Director of Expansion for Pi Kappa Phi. Job well done to everyone.
- Fundraising - Tom spoke to do Director of Pi Kappa Phi Foundation regarding having contributions tax deductible for our contributions. Tom also spoke to Denise Nelson who provided the name of Chris Conner, Director of Development at Pi Kappa Phi who will help with trying to set up tax deductible status. Therefore we will hold off on the large (\$5,000 and up) contribution requests until he can finalize the tax situation. We still need to raise \$10,000 for our budget and need to get on the fundraising efforts. After today we will roll out a contribution campaign and will need to be promoted by all of the Board members so it's not just Tom's voice. So be ready to step in and start asking peers, pledge class members and more for contributions to the Alumni Chapter. Patrick Folio added that we can have folks to lead the campaign but much of it will be up to each Board member to ask.

***Old Business:***

**Future Undergraduate & Other Important Items (pinned and tabled for future consideration)**

- None

***New Business:***

- None

***Open Floor for Members In good Standing (I)*** - Open to all Members wishing to discuss any topic:

**Scheduling Next Conference Call**

- Wednesday, December 13, 2017 6:00 PM EST

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn meeting was presented by Patrick Farley and seconded by Jason Hyett. No opposition. Meeting ended at 6:45pm.

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2017 03:44:44 PM

**Subject:** Oct 18th, 2017 APAC Board of Director's Meeting - Addition to agenda

Gents,

May I suggest that the APAC BOD consider obtaining a membership to "The White Pages", the internet search engine, [www.whitepages.com](http://www.whitepages.com).

If I understand it correctly, there is a cost to fully utilize this search engine. It may be a monthly or yearly cost.

The reason that I bring this idea forth, is that despite a lot of hard work on various APAC BOD members, our alumni contact list is not at the point of where it should be. This is despite having the resources available to us from Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity HQ in Charlotte, NC. We have to understand that if an Alpha Rho alum doesn't update his information with Pi Kappa Phi then it won't be very useful to APAC.

On the same light, the WVU Alumni Association may not be able to provide APAC with WVU alumni contact information due to privacy rules.

2019, the commemoration of the 40th Anniversary of Alpha Rho's Re-Chartering at WVU and when Alpha Rho is scheduled to come back to WVU. is not that far away. "The White Pages" may be a very useful tool assisting, APAC in locating many, many "lost" brothers. But we should start very soon in that process.

Just throwing this out there.....Perhaps place on next Wednesday's agenda or perhaps on **November's meeting agenda.**

Bob  
AP 68

Chaz Ranter's Status

I just got off the phone with Andrew Bublitz in Charlotte about Chaz's status.

He is NOT listed on their records as on Disciplinary Alumni Status. They have him graduated in good standing and not part of the group of men who were placed by us on N2021.

Therefore, this is a case where we do not need to call a Standards Committee meeting for the purpose of hearing from him. He was incorrectly placed, by us, on the N2021 list.

John- during your report tomorrow evening, please officially report this mistake and change in status.

Jason- Effective immediately, please change Chaz's status to (I) Status and place him on our distribution list so he can begin to receive all of our communications. He sent in his updated information a few days ago so be sure to update our database and share with Carrie Clifford so he can get communications from the Greater Fraternity.

Chaz- I hope you will accept our apologies on having you incorrectly on the N2021 list. You have missed a lot of our efforts and events through no fault of yours. As I expressed to you yesterday, It is my sincere hope that you will continue your lifetime journey in Pi Kappa Phi together with us. I'm sure I speak for all of us and say we are looking forward to having you with us soon! I will reach out to Erik Baldwin and he'll begin to discuss the next steps on joining the Council of Advisors.