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**Alpha Rho Alumni Chapter
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
3/20/2019**

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, March 20, 2019. The meeting convened at 6:04 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:

- Bob Laughner, AP 68 - Regional Leader for Pittsburgh, PA
- Ken Berko, AP 367 - Regional Leader for the Carolinas
- 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
- Tom Begley, AP 284 - President & Chief Executive Officer

Others in attendance:

- Allyson Cannon, Chapter Advisor, Alpha Rho Council of Advisors

Not in attendance:

- Anthony Graley, AP 359 - Regional Leader for Charleston, WV
- Craig Winkelmann, AP 69 - Vice President – Fundraising
- Erik Baldwin, AP 412 VP- Chief Operating Officer
- 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 Patrick Farley Laughner, AP 67 and seconded by Brother Bob Laughner AP 68 with no opposition.

Introduction of Ally Cannon, Chapter Advisor

Ally relayed that the undergrads are preparing for exams and in full prepping mode for initiation as its 18 days from the next Sunday meeting. Ally has a room reserved in the Life Sciences building for the Wednesday meeting before initiation with Tom and Patrick Farley. Ally has checked with campus administration about attendance at the re-chartering as well as with Noah

Officer Reports:

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

- Leaders should send any event information to Tom by email as reports will be bypassed on this call.

- Bob Laughner (Pittsburgh Region) –
- Ken Berko (Charlotte Region) –
- Anthony Graley (Charleston, WV Region) –

Historian - Patrick Farley

- Patrick's report provided at end of officer reports (see below) –

VP- Chief Risk Officer- Jordan Feathers

- Jordan provided that we have two polo option of white and Gold (Prices: SM-XL \$29, 2XL-4XL \$32, 5XL \$34), t-shirt price will be \$20. Jordan will send information to Jason Hyett to upload to wvupikapp.org for online orders.

VP- Fundraising - Craig Winkelmann

- Not present.

VP- Chief Information Officer - Jason Hyett

- Not present

Secretary - Chief Communications Officer - John George

- John will be releasing the March newsletter soon. The April version will feature William Sigmon.

Treasurer- Chief Financial Officer- Patrick Folio

- Patrick is meeting with Pat and Ally on Friday to minimize re-chartering costs. 148 people registered as of today and should hit 175 to 180 by end of next week. We are over budget by about \$2,000 right now, so Patrick suggested the board to go ahead and send out a last effort email to pledge class to get registrants and hotels ordered. Tom asked if we should send another email about the hotel registration ending next week. Patrick suggested an all-inclusive email early next week about final registration, hotel, and t-shirt/shirt ordering info.
- Patrick has a \$2,500 check for the student chapter for ritual equipment and will look to deliver on Friday morning of the anniversary weekend.

Vice President- Chief Operating Officer- Erik Baldwin

- Not present

Executive Vice President- Matt Loffa

- Not Present

Historian - Patrick Farley

- Patrick indicated that the hotel rate ends on Wednesday, March 27th. Of note, the Blue and Gold game is taking room space and could sell out the rooms along with a few other event in Morgantown. Pat Folio asked if a certain number of rooms was blocked off, but Patrick replied that we only had the rate instead of a room block. There are a number of parents that haven't registered for the hotel and Ally plans to send an email reminder to them.
- Ally was successful in getting Atria's on Friday evening at 10pm for a private event. Ally is following up with Rachel from the Holiday Inn regarding the food.
- Tom asked if Patrick would be getting a list or request of duties from Board members for the weekend. Patrick said he would, but is still trying to nail down the needs. One area is the registration table that will need some help to man.

- Ally proposed a Thursday walk-through of the ritual spaces and Tom agreed. Patrick Farley added that Thursday morning has a breakfast meeting, but the rest of the day is prep work. Therefore, Ally will look to get something after 11:30am for those spaces.
- Patrick Folio suggested a “know before you go” email to attendees with attire suggestion and other important reminders for the weekend.

President- Chief Executive Officer- Tom Begley

- Tom made the board aware that mid-90s initiated, Joe Mackowiak who was expelled due to back dues wants to donate a \$1,000 check. He lives in Wheeling, WV and Tom remembers as good guy. We are looking at reinstatement procedures from the National Office.
- Tom gave his thanks to the Patrick’s for their work and everyone for their efforts.
- Tom received the re-chartering brochure from Josh Faulconer and looks great. The APAC will defray the costs of the brochure, but it will be a great memento.

Old Business:

- Undergraduate & Other Important Items (this point pinned and tabled for future consideration)

- **Recent Graduate Active Member Proposal from 1/16/19 meeting** (by Tom Begley):

- I would like to propose a recent graduate Active Member tier to encourage our new Alumni members to contribute.
 1. Propose a \$150 Annual contribution for 3 years or a one-time \$250 contribution good for 3 years.
 2. Propose 1 Complementary Event Registration for either Homecoming or Spring Alumni Weekend for the first 3 years.
- Suggested edits to the proposal by email:
 - From Anthony Graley - 50% discount on all contribution levels for first two years after graduation.
 - From Jason Hyett - \$50 membership fee for two years, then 50% of current levels until year 5, then full cost for year 6 and beyond. In addition, one complementary event registration for the five years.
- Discussion was opened and Bob Laughner asked if the discounts and complementary cover the cost of hosting events. Jason Hyett added that we shouldn’t offer it if we can cover the cost of events. Jason proposed to withdraw his recommendation and suggested that Tom’s Proposal be an option along with Anthony Graley’s.
- After Discussion, the following Amendment was presented:
 - Recent Graduate Active Members will be provided the opportunity to join the Alpha Rho Alumni Chapter through one of the following discount membership options:
 1. Basic Membership at \$100 for first three years after graduation with one complementary event over those three years, or
 2. Vice Archon Council at \$250 or Archon Council at \$375 for three years after graduation with two complementary event over those three years.
 - Jason Hyett moved to vote on entering this new amendment to the bylaws and seconded by Bob Laughner. The vote produced all “Ayes” with zero “No’s”. Therefore, the new amendment will be added to 2019 annual member meeting for discussion and ratification by the membership.

New Business:

No new business

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

- Patrick

Scheduling Next Conference Call

- Saturday, April 13th at 12:30 PM EST for the Annual Alumni Chapter Meeting in Mountainlair in Morgantown.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn meeting was presented by Bob Laughner, AP 68 and seconded by Patrick Farley, AP 67 with no opposition. Meeting ended at 7:05pm.