

MINUTES: GRAND COUNCIL OF ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

PLACE OF MEETING: National Headquarters, 330 West 42nd Street, New York, N.Y.

DATE AND TIME: Saturday, February 4, 1939

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Chairman  
Maurice J. Pierce  
Benjamin Clarke  
Malcolm Dresser  
Lloyd S. Cochran  
Edmund B. Shotwell  
George E. Worthington  
Ralph F. Burns, Executive Secretary

71. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion was presented, duly seconded and passed that the reading of the minutes of the meeting of November 26, 1938 be dispensed with.
72. Report of Executive Secretary: The Executive Secretary read his report, a copy of which was included in the agenda. The report touched upon matters to be brought up at the meeting and informal discussion took place. Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded by Brother Pierce and carried that the report of the Executive Secretary be accepted and filed.

73. National Finances:

- A. Statements as of January 31, 1939: Financial statements were approved as presented. Discussion took place on the following points:

1. Tomahawk Trustee Account -- After a thorough discussion the following motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Pierce and carried:

WHEREAS, the Fraternity has been carrying upon its books a "liability" to the Tomahawk Trustees of \$4676.43; and WHEREAS said sum was incurred prior to June 30, 1937 as a result of members being initiated by various chapters at a time when the regulations of the Fraternity required that all initiates pay \$10 as a part of their initiation expenses to be applied for a life subscription to the Tomahawk; and WHEREAS, in fact, said initiates did not make said \$10 payment, or if they made it it was paid to the Chapter and never forwarded to National Headquarters, as a result whereof said sums were never received by National Headquarters in any form and were therefore not

regularly payable to the Tomahawk Trustees; and WHEREAS it is the opinion of the Grand Council that the present principal of the Tomahawk Trust Fund will warrant continuing sending Tomahawks, for life, to the initiates who paid or should have paid said sum of \$4676.43,

NOW THEREFORE be it

X RESOLVED that in the opinion of the Grand Council the sum of \$4676.43 now carried on the books of the Fraternity as a liability to the Tomahawk Trustees is not a true "liability" and should be and hereby is charged off said books of the Fraternity against charges for publishing the Tomahawk prior to June 30, 1937 by an entry crediting the Capital account for this amount; and be it further, ✓

RESOLVED that no names be dropped from the Tomahawk Life Subscription books as a result of this action.

2. Approval of Expenses -- A motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded and passed that the Grand Council approve the expenses of the Executive Secretary's visitation to Syracuse, Cornell, Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois amounting to \$193.96.

Motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded and carried that the Grand Council approve the expenses of members attending the meeting of February 4, 1939.

Motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded and carried that the salary of Miss Karn, the Executive Secretary's secretary, be increased to \$35 a week, effective as of January 16, 1939.

3. Endowment Fund -- Dr. Cramblet stated that such a fund was a necessity with reference to services which we must render to our chapters from time to time. He brought out the fact that if such a fund had been in operation for the past thirty years that it would now represent a considerable amount and would have alleviated some of our problems during the depression. He hoped that he would have a definite recommendation to present at the next meeting of the Grand Council such as a special assessment to be levied on the active members in our chapters, said sum to be designated as the Endowment Fund of the Fraternity. This proposal would undoubtedly take the form of an amendment to the By-Laws of the Fraternity to be approved by the Chapters.
4. Miscellaneous -- The Executive Secretary's report indicated that the net result of our operations for the year would be close to our total budget figures. Dr. Cramblet stated that our budget figures would depend in a great measure on the outcome of our initiations.

Dr. Cramblet made the suggestion that comparative figures be given at the next meeting of the Grand Council as to our cash position over the last four years. It was felt that this comparison would show the progress which the National Organization has made.

The Grand Council realized very definitely the need for extra help to alleviate the time of the Executive Secretary and Miss Karn on detail matters. However, it was thought that this was a matter best left to the Executive Secretary and the possibility of increased revenue.

74. Chapters and Alumni:

A. Problem Chapters --

1. Yale: Letter of December 3, 1938 written by Frederick W. Toohey, Treasurer of Alpha Chapter, which was sent to all members of the Grand Council was discussed in detail. This letter listed the following proposals of Alpha Chapter to the National Organization:
  - (a) Reduction of National initiation fee from \$15 to \$2.
  - (b) \$10 -- Life Subscription to the Tomahawk.
  - (c) \$7 -- Badge
  - (d) \$1 -- Shingle
  - (e) Complete elimination of the \$5 National membership dues.

Brother Shotwell reported that he had been collaborating with Brother George Hopkins, Alpha '32 on the possibility of Brother Hopkin's instituting a financial program for Alpha Chapter. He stated that he had turned over his files to Brother Hopkins.

While the general discussion of the problems of Alpha Chapter took place Brothers Cochran and Shotwell spoke with Brother Rice at New Haven. Brother Rice's recommendation was that the Fraternity change to a \$20 basis for Alpha Chapter. He specified no time limit to such an arrangement and when questioned concerning the collection of national dues stated that he felt he was not in a position to answer this question and that national dues were more of a chapter proposition.

The expression of the Grand Council was that:

- (a) Drastic action would endanger National prestige at present.
- (b) Continuance of chapter would aid in Expansion.
- (c) Definitely wish to aid chapter in present emergency.

A motion was then presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and passed that it be the sense of the Grand Council of the Fraternity that they have no authority under the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fraternity to reduce the fees charged to members of any chapter under \$33 nor to waive the annual dues of \$5 per member but that in the case of Alpha Chapter until the next convention, subject to the further order of the Grand Council, we are prepared to accept \$23 in cash and note from Alpha Chapter for \$10 for each initiate and in the matter of dues from members that at least a token payment should be made and a note given for the balance the whole matter to be reviewed by the next convention and this arrangement not to extend beyond that time.

2. Zeta: Brother Burns reported that the Chapter had fulfilled the requirements of the previous probation. Conditions at the Chapter reached a head in the early part of December. The mortgagee put pressure on the Chapter with regard to the payment of rent. The Chapter had been unsuccessful in their rushing program and the general morale and leadership of the Chapter was very low.

An alumni committee was organized by Louis F. Gump, Chapter Alumni Advisor, and they suspended the local chapter officers as well as the de-pledging of all pledges.

The re-organization plan is to center around an entirely new group of men. Leadership in the active Chapter is headed by Charles Bellenger who is a graduate student but has never been initiated. Brother Gump reported on February 1st that the alumni were back of the Chapter 100% and felt that there was nothing that the Grand Council could do further than the continuance of the probation. He stated that he felt there was a definite possibility that Zeta Chapter would come back but that the future was a question mark.

A motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and passed that the probation continue until the next meeting of the Grand Council and that the Executive Secretary be instructed to send a letter embodying the points we have discussed here and with the added statement that we are very much pleased with the progress which they have made.

For the period of this probation, the chapter is required to submit a monthly report to National Headquarters covering the following points:

1. Entertaining of rushees, number pledged, number at house for meals.
2. Financial reports -- cash receipts and disbursements.
3. Report on general activities of house.
4. Report on scholarship at end of each quarter.
5. Chapter should invite one alumnus each week to the house.

6. Chapter should contact Dean of Men and report results of interview with him.
7. Activity of chapter in Interfraternity affairs on the campus.
8. Brother Burns will make other specific recommendations at the time of his visit.

A motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and carried that Brother Burns be authorized to see that the regulations of the Constitution were complied with in connection with the re-organization of the Chapter.

3. Alpha Alpha: Dr. Cramblet and the Executive Secretary reported that there was no real leadership in the house and that the boys had no idea of how to rush and other factors so necessary in a Chapter. It was also reported that the University of Oklahoma had one of the finest programs in the country with regard to the social activities of its undergraduates. The program of our Chapter at the present offers very little in addition to that of the University. It was the consensus of opinion that it was necessary to put forth every effort to locate an outstanding man who would be very interested in graduate work at the University of Oklahoma; this man to act as resident advisor of the Chapter. It was suggested that the Executive Secretary communicate with Brother Wright, Chapter Alumni Advisor, with regard to this matter before his visit in March so that arrangements could be made as soon as possible.

A motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and passed that such a program be adopted and that the Executive Secretary try from time to time to select a man that would be suitable for this purpose.

- B. Visitation -- Discussion was carried on as to the advisability of the amount of time spent on the visitation of the Chapters. It was thought that while visitation of chapters was most important that a proper balance should be reached. Further discussion brought out the fact that visitation enabled the Executive Secretary to have a more thorough knowledge of chapter affairs which in turn assisted a great deal in the contacting of the chapters while in the office.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded and carried that the itinerary of the Executive Secretary be approved.

- C. Convention -- Reading of a survey made by the Convention Committee. Comparative railroad costs were given for bringing one official delegate from each chapter, nine members of the Grand Council and the Executive Secretary to the Convention.

Cost of holding Convention in California --	\$4,877.25
Cost of holding Convention in Ohio --	\$2,075.15
Cost of holding Convention in New York --	\$2,512.50
Cost of holding 1937 Convention in Champaign --	\$3,092.74

It was the opinion of the Committee that the cost would prohibit the holding of a Convention until 1940.

A motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded and passed that the Convention be held in the summer of 1940.

It was the suggestion of the Grand Council that it would be in order to ask all chapters and chartered alumni councils for their thoughts as to where the 1940 Convention would be held.

- D. Chapter Advisors -- Motion by Dr. Cramblet, duly seconded and carried approving the appointment of Dana K. Smith as Chapter Alumni Advisor for Tau Chapter and Stuart E. Pomeroy as Chapter Alumni Advisor for Alpha Epsilon Chapter.

Motion was presented by Brother Cochran that Albert Nolin be appointed chapter advisor for Iota Chapter; Robert Murray be appointed chapter advisor for Lambda Chapter and that Frank Kislingbury be appointed chapter advisor for Alpha Zeta Chapter. Motion duly seconded and carried.

The suggestion was made by Brother Cochran that we get in touch with Brother Bill Young before approving Brother R. M. Swift as chapter advisor for Penn. State.

Brother Clarke suggested contacting Brother R. E. Newhall in Chicago and asking for his suggestions as to a chapter advisor for Xi Chapter. Brother Clarke also mentioned as a possibility for chapter advisor for Alpha Iota Chapter the name of Brother Elmer E. Leopold of North Birmingham, Alabama.

Motion by Brother Cochran, duly seconded and carried, provided that upon satisfactory information being presented in the National Office, that the New York members of the Council may appoint chapter advisors and the other members of the Grand Council would blanket their vote.

75. Extension:

Brother Worthington read and discussed a brief report on his extension work and asked for suggestions from the other members of the Grand Council. (A copy of this report is attached to the minutes.) During the discussion which followed Brother Worthington stated that he wished that each and every member of the Grand Council consider himself as a member of the extension committee and that any assistance or aid in connection with extension matters would be much appreciated.

76. Delta Beta Xi:

A motion was presented by Mr. Clarke, duly seconded and passed that the following names be accepted for election to Delta Beta Xi, the Executive Secretary to so notify them.

Blakeslee, H. C. -- Ohio State  
 Boos, J. Kenneth -- Cornell  
 Bowen, Albert Vernon -- Marietta  
 Eshelman, Carl -- Syracuse  
 Wayne Grunden -- Columbia  
 Higgins, Dr. Charles H. -- Mass. State  
 Shoecraft, Robert -- Illinois  
 Wiggins, Dean -- Cornell  
 Woodward, George Harold -- Middlebury  
 Goldthwait, Dr. Joel Ernest -- Mass. State  
 Gaskill, Edwin Francis -- Mass. State  
 Peters, Charles Adams -- Mass. State  
 Lindsey, Dr. Joseph B. -- Mass. State  
 Carpenter, Earle S. -- Mass. State  
 Machmer, William L. -- Mass. State

77. Publications:

- A. Tomahawk -- It was the decision of the Council that two issues be published before June 30, 1939.
- B. Esoteric Letter -- Motion was presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and carried authorizing the undertaking of sending an esoteric letter to all chapters, chartered alumni councils and members of the Grand Council during the balance of this year.

It was thought that this esoteric letter should embody the points raised in the report of the Executive Secretary.

78. Judicial Matters:

- A. Francis Trott -- Brother Dresser offered to contact Brother Meacham in connection with preferring formal charges against Brother Trott.

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and carried that the New York members of the Council be authorized to appoint a court when they decide a suitable place to hold a hearing.

- B. Frank M. Baker -- The Executive Secretary reported that our chapter at the University of Iowa had suspended Brother Baker, H.S.P. of Alpha Beta, for failure to assume his financial obligations.

79. Vacancy in Grand Council: The Executive Secretary reported that Brother Malcolm Dresser had been elected to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Brother Gantt. A motion was presented, duly seconded and passed electing Brother Malcolm Dresser as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council.

A motion was presented, duly seconded and carried instructing the Executive Secretary to extend the appreciation and thanks of the Grand Council to Brother Gantt for his unselfish service to the Fraternity during the period of his term as Grand Treasurer of the Grand Council.

80. Miscellaneous:

- A. Chapter Constitution Committee & Ritual Committee -- Brother Clarke reported that he had received a sample chapter constitution from Theta Chapter. He outlined the following program of procedure in checking the present constitution and rituals which they are using.
1. He deemed it advisable to work through our chapter alumni advisor asking him to attend a chapter meeting. He could then ascertain whether the chapter is conforming to the national ritual.
  2. Copy of the chapter constitution should be submitted to the chapter alumni advisor. The chapter alumni advisor in his report could state in what way the chapter constitution was in conflict with the national constitution. His recommendations would be considered by the committee on chapter constitutions and ritual.

Brother Clarke stated that the Grand Council as such ought to insist on all chapters conforming strictly to the ritual except where there is some particular reason and that should only be permitted to be changed upon the recommendation of the Executive Secretary and that he so report to the Grand Council.

Brother Clarke stated that it would take time to carry out this program and that he felt that it would be a slow process.

Motion was presented by Brother Dresser, duly seconded and carried that the Grand Council accept the report of Brother Clarke.

- B. Scholarship -- Dr. Cramblet stated that he would like to have a scholarship report giving the comparative standing of our chapters on their individual campuses. The Executive Secretary assured the Council that such reports were sent to the National Office and that he would prepare a report of this type for the information of the Grand Council.
- C. Pledge Manual -- To be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.
- D. Endowment Fund -- To be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.
- E. Chartered Alumni Council -- While the meeting was in session a letter was received notifying the Grand Council of the desire of the Tulsa Oklahoma Alumni Council to secure a charter.

Motion was presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and carried that the Tulsa Oklahoma Alumni Council be approved.



- F. Resident Chapter Advisors -- During the discussion on problem chapters and general fraternity program it was brought out that the majority of colleges and universities where we have chapters offered scholarships to men who would act in the capacity of resident advisors for fraternities. It was the feeling of those members of the Council present that the Executive Secretary should write all chapters and alumni groups throughout the country advising them of this opportunity in an effort to secure the names of outstanding men.
- G. Calendar of Instructions to be placed in Tomahawk for Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer --

Motion was presented, duly seconded and carried approving the Calendar of Instructions.

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DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, April 12, 1939

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Chairman  
Lloyd S. Cochran  
Malcolm Dresser  
Maurice J. Pierce  
George E. Worthington  
Ralph F. Burns, Executive Secretary

81. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded and passed that the minutes of the meeting of February 4, 1939 be approved as read with the addition that Dr. Cramblet was presented with the key of Delta Beta Xi and given the oath by Brother Clarke, Grand Marshall.
82. Report of Executive Secretary: The Executive Secretary read his report. It briefly outlined the program of the National Organization during the last two years and four months. He stated that on early visitation trips he was received in many chapters and alumni groups with skepticism because of the lack of interest and inactivity shown by the National Organization in the past, but was confident that this feeling of skepticism did not exist today. In his report he stressed the fact that he was encouraged by the general reception on the part of the chapters and alumni to the program of the National Organization. Motion was presented, duly seconded and carried that the report of the Executive Secretary be accepted and filed.
83. National Finances:
- A. Statements as of March 31, 1939: Discussion took place on the following points:
1. Budget -- Dr. Cramblet emphasized the fact that next year's budget would have to reflect the total experience of this year's budget and that these figures would not be available until June.
  2. General discussion disclosed that initiations had "dropped below the figure anticipated when the 1937-38 budget was drawn up. Dr. Cramblet stated that this problem was faced by almost every fraternity and that poor scholarship had contributed in a large measure to this condition. University requirements are more stringent.

The point was raised as to whether the next Grand Council Meeting should be held during the fiscal year of 1937-38 inasmuch as cash receipts up to date were lower than anticipated.

Motion was presented by Brother Cochran, duly seconded and carried that the Grand Council plan to have a Grand Council meeting as soon after the end of the fiscal year as is practical.

2. Approval of Expenses -- Motion was presented, duly seconded and carried that the Grand Council approve the expenses of members attending the meeting of April 12th.

A motion was presented, duly seconded and passed that the Grand Council approve the expenses of the Executive Secretary's visitation to the south and midwest.

3. Alumni Dues -- The Executive Secretary stated that members initiated after August 1927 had not been billed for alumni dues this year. It was his opinion that these should be sent out as a net profit of at least \$200 had always been realized in the past.

Motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded by Brother Cochran and carried that the Executive Secretary be instructed to send out bills for national dues according to requirements of the Constitution and By-Laws and to be accompanied by a letter of general interest to members.

4. Miscellaneous -- Brother Cochran raised the question as to whether we are using the teeth in our Constitution and By-Laws relative to those chapters that are delinquent in their accounts. He stated that it was a debatable question but he wondered if we are using all of the powers invested in the Grand Council.

Brother Pierce said that we had been putting pressure on almost all chapters but that it was his opinion that the leniency given to Alpha had in a great measure influenced the Grand Council. He stated that he did not think we can turn about face immediately.

Dr. Cramblet voiced the opinion that if a chapter went to the trouble of asking for aid or extension of time that we could afford to do that but thought they should go through the formality of requesting assistance.

Brother Cochran suggested that a letter be written to those chapters deficient in their normal number of initiates and that it should state that it would be more difficult for them to start operations next year with such a low membership and that if they now review the men on the campus that they will probably locate good fraternity material. It was his thought that such a letter should be an official communication which would be read in open chapter meeting.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded and carried approving the financial statements as presented at this meeting.

84. Chapters and Alumni:

A. Problem Chapters --

1. Yale: The question was asked as to whether any Council member had any word of the proposed drive at Yale. No one of any definite action along this line.

It was reported by Brother Pierce that Raymond Marcus, treasurer of Alpha Chapter had been in the National Office March 30th and paid \$100 on the last initiation. Marcus expressed the hope that the balance would be paid before the end of the school year.

Arrangement that was made with Alpha covering the last initiation: \$23 cash per man and the chapter to give a note for the balance. Chapter initiated 21 men. (\$483 cash & \$210 note.) Amount due on last initiation is \$383 cash and the \$210 note.

Brother Pierce then mentioned that perhaps someone should visit Alpha.

Brother Cochran then stated that the \$100 had been remitted in response to a written request for payment and expressed the opinion that a letter should be sent requesting further payment.

Motion was presented by Brother Cochran, duly seconded by Brother Worthington and carried that a letter be written to Alpha Chapter stating the opinion of the Grand Council and that the Executive Secretary or some member of the Grand Council would be in New Haven to meet with them in May.

2. Zeta: The Executive Secretary stated that a letter had been received from John Slemmons, Chairman of the Alumni Committee at Ohio State. A maximum of \$33 will be charged the new initiates. Brother Burns quoted from the letter written by John Slemmons, "Now, of this \$33 National cannot expect more than \$10 or \$12 which must also include the badges. The reason being that we have incurred such obligations that must be paid out of this money."

Brother Pierce argued they should pay the full \$33 charge and if assistance be necessary that we loan them the money as in the case of Kappa Chapter. He asked if it would clear up the matter if we wrote saying we must have \$33 per man and would consider a loan of a reasonable amount upon formal request for assistance.

Brother Pierce reviewed conditions of Eta Chapter i.e. alumni members have retired some obligations on a compromise basis of 50¢ on the dollar.

Brother Cochran interposed the comment that a six month's note be taken.

Brother Pierce in acquiescing suggested the loan be limited to \$500.

Brother Cochran remarked that we should urge on them their own obligation but agree to be just as helpful as we can.

Dr. Cramblet felt that a complete financial statement should be requested.

It was the opinion of Brother Pierce that we insist on \$33 per member but should indicate a desire to cooperate, but before being in a position to loan them money we must have a financial statement to determine their needs.

At this time a long distance call was put through to John Slemmons but was not completed. As the meeting adjourned the following wire was sent to Brother Slemmons: "Relet April 3 Grand Council voted cooperate financially but needs complete financial statement showing all old obligations too. Will telephone Thursday 8 P.M."

Brother Burns talked with Brother Slemmons on Thursday evening and a letter and complete financial statement will be filed at National Headquarters.

No action was taken on the above until complete information has been received from Brother Slemmons.

3. Oklahoma: Preliminary to the presentation of the resolution the following comments were made by the members of the Council:

A frank statement of what occurred at Ohio State and Oklahoma City should be included in the next esoteric letter for the salutary influence it would have.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded by Brother Cochran and carried that the Executive Secretary's report on his visit to Oklahoma and his action in definitely suspending operations and closing the chapter house be approved and on the basis of this report the Grand Council suspend the chapter at Oklahoma and is planning to take steps to reorganize in cooperation with the University, said action being taken with the approval of the administration of the University and notification of said action to be sent to all chapters.

4. Colorado: The Executive Secretary stated that the house was foreclosed February 24, 1939 and has not been put up for sale. The period of redemption will not expire until November or December of this year. The alumni are being organized

to put the chapter in shape as well as to develop a program to meet the situation this coming fall. A very full report on all developments will be given at our next meeting. No action necessary at this time.

Brother Pierce inquired if the alumni of Pi would accept <sup>assistance from</sup> Brothers Oakes and Scheib. Brother Burns replied yes and explained that it would be necessary for the Grand Council to set down very definite points as to what we have to demand from Pi.

5. U.C.L.A. Dr. Cramblet reported on the letter which he received from President Robert Sproul of the University of California. He stated that the University believed that in order to put the work relating to fraternities on an adequate basis that a permanent full-time official be added to the staff of the Dean of Undergraduates and that each national organization on the campus of the University remit annually to the University at least twenty per cent of the sum which it collects each year from its local chapter.

Dr. Cramblet suggested that the Executive Secretary contact some of the national secretaries of other fraternities having chapters at U.C.L.A. in order that we may know just what action is being considered. He stated that while it was a matter of real importance he personally thought it was not the right approach.

Brother Pierce suggested that the Executive Secretary ask for the opinion of Brothers Hargear and Mosiman.

It was the belief of Brother Cochran that the Interfraternity Conference could best take the lead in handling this situation.

A motion was presented by Brother Cochran, duly seconded by Brother Dresser and carried that the Executive Secretary investigate the attitude of the other fraternities and at the same time be it recorded that we are in entire sympathy with the theory and goal to be attained but that inasmuch as this service is being rendered without cost on other campuses we believe we should not be subjected to a charge for it at the University of California.

6. Columbia: Brother Dresser reported concerning the visit he made to the Columbia Chapter House. It was his opinion that any strong attitude at this time would crush them and their greatest need was strong alumni support.

#### B. Other Chapters --

1. Gamma: Brother Dresser discussed Gamma Chapter and stated that their financial record is spotless and the answer is strong alumni in Amherst or not farther than 15 miles. A new chapter house is under consideration and if plans materialize all work will be done on a strictly cash basis. The chapter has owned the lot for years.

2. Oregon State, Washington & Stanford: The Grand Council discussed Brother Mosiman's reports of his visitation to these chapters. His reports are being condensed and will be sent to the Grand Council.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded by Brother Pierce and carried that Brother Fred D. Martin be appointed chapter alumni advisor for Mu Chapter and Brother Edward B. Beatty as chapter alumni advisor for Psi Chapter. These men were recommended by Brother Mosiman.

85. Extension:

Brother Burns reported that Vanderbilt University had reached the saturation point and there were no locals available. At Southern Methodist the same situation exists and they definitely are not looking for any new groups. At the University of Tulsa there is one local, Delta Sigma Xi which has been fostered by the Dean of Personnel, Brother Harvey D. Chase. The administration is very favorable to fraternities and will give them the ground upon which they can build if they desire. The members of the Grand Council present at the meeting suggested that we keep in touch with our alumni concerning the local. (Report by the Executive Secretary will be sent to all members of the Council.)

Brother Worthington -- "As chairman of the extension committee during the last four months I have visited eleven colleges and universities and on my last trip I visited eight. Conditions are the same at all with the exception of the University of Florida. In each school and college I had an extended conference with the Dean of Men and in some with the President of the University."

University of Georgia: "Brother Coulter of Delta Chapter and Professor of History paved my way here. He is a very high-type Sig. The situation at Georgia is somewhat typical of most of the other schools. There are no locals left and for a year or two they will not be able to support any fraternities. A few nationals have faded out of the picture. The dean having prepared a file of Alpha Sigma Phi informed me that should any men be desirous of forming a new group he would communicate with Brother Coulter who would in turn inform me."

Atlanta: "I had a group of four alumni to dinner preliminary to visiting the two important educational institutions there. Emory University does not feel that they can support any more national fraternities. There are no locals. A file was made for us. At Georgia Tech the Dean of Men was very friendly and while there are no locals he would be glad to see an additional group or two develop but it would have to be done on a colonization basis if it were done."

Rollins: "Dean of Men was most friendly and was acquainted with Alpha Sigma Phi. Two of our alumni had a definite local in mind some years ago. They had written in but were advised that we were not expanding. There is only one local at the present time and the Dean informed me that there are some Jews connected with the group. Our alumni will keep us informed."

John B. Stetson University: "I talked with the President and Dean of Men. Stetson has three nationals, two of whom are very weak. There are no locals. The President does not feel that the University can support any additional fraternities for several years.

University of Florida: Mr. Worthington -- "Possibility for a strong chapter is the best I have ever seen. There are half a dozen fraternities with memberships of 100. There are only 12 or 15 national fraternities there. The Dean wants a few more good national fraternities on the campus. He is not going out and inviting them on the campus. If our group is organized and accepted by us and with the going in of Phi Gamma Delta the University will limit the maximum membership in a chapter to fifty. At the present time the University believes that they do not have enough nationals there. The University is large enough to support considerably more. The University of Florida has about the same number of men as the University of Indiana. There are no dormitories. The Balfour representative is an Alpha Sig and comes in contact with thousands of high school students. That plus the lack of competition means that we would have a very strong chapter. There is no restriction on pledging.

The type of men that I have talked with are men that are just as fine and high-type men as I have ever seen. Zimmer, who is a law student, and whom I have contacted has been put on the pay roll of the University. The question is how far can we go in helping these boys? They are men that are likely to be successful. Once a group is formed we will have all of these possibilities to work on in future years. They will of course be a local before they petition us. A delegation could go to the University of Alabama for the installation. They could complete the initiation of the rest of the group upon their return."

Brother Cochran -- "We should do all that we can but I believe there should be some compromise between the two thoughts -- practical and idealistic. We have passed up opportunities."

Dr. Cramblet -- "If there were 20 men that would amount to \$760. There should be some obligation and the suggestion of actually making a donation on their fees. I don't know any other way to organize but one or two fellows getting together. It is a regular procedure and I don't believe there is anything that can be criticized. That's what the Yale group did."

Brother Worthington -- "President Tigert told me that to his mind it was far different where we had the actual approval and support of the University."

Dr. Cramblet -- "To my mind the organization of a group by one individual is the way it always happens. I have seen it happen with other fraternities that have as much prestige as we have. This group will be just as carefully picked at Florida as it will be at Ohio State and just as much as what we hope to organize at Oklahoma. To determine as to whether we want to have this as our policy or not is the question. How are we going to get them. Is this going to be a



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thing we can say. To my mind it is the thing we ought to say. It becomes now a question of procedure and to what extent we can go. It should always be on the basis of the institution. I don't think we will lose caste if we put a chapter in a good University. Ohio State was reorganized by a non-fraternity man."

Brother Worthington -- "It seems to me it is up to us to be prompt and not dally because Dr. Tigert will not fool around with any group. If we don't have an Alpha Sig do the organizing for us we ought to take out of the extension budget something in the way of a scholarship. Zimmer suggested that since the task of organization seemed to be more work than he could do alone why not permit the other two men to cooperate with him and any money given to them be turned over to the treasury of the new group."

Brother Cochran -- "What definite things should be done?"

Brother Worthington -- "We should definitely waive everything in the way of expense that we possibly can waive because the situation is entirely different as Dr. Cramblet said from a local that has been organized and has built up a national fund. These are boys who are working their way through school and as our contribution to their efforts in organizing the chapter we should waive every part of the \$33 that we can. I want the authorization of the Grand Council. The \$100 is mandatory. As to the question of investigation I am sure that I can get local alumni to make the full investigation report so that we can save that expense. I would be perfectly glad to suggest that if and after the petition is received, voted upon and accepted if it comes to the question of initiation and expense the group could go at their own expense to the University of Alabama."

Brother Cochran -- "The shortness of time raises the question as to whether this group could be organized and a petition filed before the end of the school year."

Brother Worthington -- "I would like to give a definite reply so that they can work on submitting a petition."

Brother Cochran -- "Couldn't they split the balance on monthly installments throughout the next school year. Dues could possibly be waived."

Brother Worthington -- "National dues do not apply to pledges for the second year. This is a contribution of the National Organization toward the extension."

Brother Cochran -- "They could pass the obligation on. Let's ask for the \$15.60 that it would cost us as a down payment and then pro-rate the difference over the months of the school year. We could loan them money as an entirely different transaction."

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Dr. Cramblet -- "15.60 plus \$100 would leave them with \$17.40 owing."

Brother Worthington -- "Zimmer is not a youngster. He is a senior but will go to law school. He is not the salesman type at all."

Memorandum from Brother Clarke on extension was read and given careful consideration.

Dr. Cramblet -- "They can't pledge next year. It certainly is practical to get it done. They will have a very definite asset in rushing if they have a house and are members of Alpha Sigma Phi."

Brother Pierce -- "As a matter of expansion we could pay them for their organization. Let's pay them for the promotional work to form a group and get a house for the fall. If we paid them enough they could put it in the treasury and then pay us the full amount. If they get together 12, 15 or 20 men and we bring them to Alabama what assurance have we that they will return in the fall."

Dr. Cramblet -- "Some of the original group would possibly not return as is the case in almost every new group."

Brother Pierce -- "There is nothing in the Constitution and By-Laws as to our method of approach. We could authorize George to pay to the organizers at Florida \$50 for organization now and \$100 when petition is properly presented. In case charter is granted we will lend new chapter up to \$150, same to be repaid during the academic year."

Motion was presented, duly seconded and passed approving the following as the method of procedure: The cost would be of course the charter fee of \$100, the initiation fee per man \$33, and the Grand Council agrees to pay \$150 of the organization expense, the time of payment at the discretion of the Chairman of Extension, with the further understanding that this money is to be put into the treasury of the proposed organization. As to the method of procedure they would follow the requirements outlined in the Constitution and By-Laws that a group of not less than 12 prepare a petition in the required form, said petition may be typed or mimeographed, and, after being filed with the Grand Council will lie on the table for 30 days before being acted upon, and action on the petition must be unanimous by the Grand Council; and be it further resolved that if the petition is accepted it be suggested the group or a delegation from the group go to the University of Alabama at their own expense for the installation of the chapter; the paraphernalia is to be provided by the chapter and that they immediately form themselves into a local group and in case the charter is granted the Grand Council will also loan the new chapter up to \$150, the same to be repaid during the academic year, it being further understood there will be no national dues charged during this year.

Motion was presented by Brother Cochran, duly seconded and carried that the above outline be confirmed and approved as our procedure in the handling of the extension at the University of Florida in accordance with the Extension Chairman's report.

Motion was presented by Brother Cochran, duly seconded and passed that the Grand Council extend a vote of thanks to Brother Worthington for his splendid work in the field of extension.

85. Adjournment - - Meeting adjourned at 2:45 A.M.

MINUTES: GRAND COUNCIL OF ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

PLACE OF MEETING: National Headquarters, 330 West 42nd Street, New York, N.Y.

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 22, 1939

MEMBERS PRESENT:

*Saturday*  
Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Chairman  
Benjamin Clarke  
Malcolm Dresser  
Maurice J. Pierce  
Edmund B. Shotwell  
George E. Worthington  
Ralph F. Burns, Executive Secretary

GUESTS PRESENT:

A. C. Droegemueller, National Treasurer, Phi Pi Phi  
Victor B. Scott, National Councilor, Phi Pi Phi  
Herbert A. Wicks, National Secretary, Phi Pi Phi

86. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Dr. Cramblet asked if there were any questions concerning the minutes of the Grand Council Meeting of April 12, 1939. No questions arising Brother Worthington presented a motion, duly seconded by Brother Clarke and passed that the minutes of the meeting of April 12th be approved.
87. Discussion of Phi Pi Phi Merger: Brother Clarke proposed the following amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fraternity and upon approval of the same by the Grand Council that it be submitted to the chapters and chartered alumni councils for vote:

Amend Section 1 of Article II of TITLE II of the Constitution by inserting at the third line after the word scope "except as not provided in Section 3a of Article II of TITLE III hereof."

Amend Section 4, Article I of TITLE II of the Constitution by inserting in the sixth line after the word organization "or former chapter of a social Greek letter fraternity of collegiate grade national in scope be granted a charter as provided in Section 3a of Article II of TITLE III hereof."

Amend Article II, TITLE III of the Constitution by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 3a and to read as follows: "The granting of charters to one or more chapters of any other national Greek letter fraternity either by reason of the dissolution of said organization or otherwise where said other organization agrees to the same shall be handled in such manner and under such terms and conditions as the Grand Council shall determine from time to time provided the institutions in which said charters are to be granted shall meet the requirements and qualifications under Section 3 of Article II of TITLE III hereof and provided the said institutions have been approved by majority of the chapters. That the active

members of such groups and the alumni members thereof shall be eligible for initiation in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Grand Council from time to time. Provided that any action heretofore taken under the terms of this amendment is hereby confirmed."

Amend the By-Laws, Article III by adding thereto a new section to be known as Section 9a and to read as follows: "That the provisions of this Article shall not apply with respect to charters granted under the provisions of Section 3a, Article II of TITLE III of the Constitution but the Grand Council may grant such a charter on such terms and conditions as they may determine is for the best interests of the Fraternity in the particular case. The Grand Council shall have authority to grant said charters upon such financial terms and conditions as they may determine including the amount of charter fee, if any, initiation fee, if any, and Tomahawk subscription, if any, which shall be paid by said petitioning groups and their alumni and active members provided that no special terms or conditions shall be made or agreed upon with respect to the obligations of said groups after they become chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi or with respect to their future active and alumni members. Provided any action heretofore taken under the terms of this amendment is hereby confirmed."

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and carried approving the foregoing amendment to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Fraternity and that it be submitted to the chapters and chartered alumni councils for vote.

No action was taken on the proposed resolution of merger until after luncheon when the Phi Pi Phi representatives, Mr. Droegemueller, Mr. Scott and Mr. Wicks joined the meeting. Dr. Cramblet on behalf of the Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi cordially welcomed the members of Phi Pi Phi stating that the Grand Council wished them to feel free to comment on the resolution and to make any suggestions. He commented that the resolution was based on the idea that the merger become a fact as of today and that with the adoption of the resolution the only thing that remained would be the actual installation.

Dr. Cramblet read the resolution of merger through. Discussion developed on the following points: Brother Clarke asked if August 1, 1939 was the proper date for the transfer of all funds now in the possession of Phi Pi Phi to Alpha Sigma Phi. It was the opinion of Mr. Wicks that the date was too early inasmuch as he planned a letter to the members of Phi Pi Phi announcing the merger. Brother Clarke suggested that the letter could be sent from the National Office of Alpha Sigma Phi under Mr. Wicks' signature. This was felt to be satisfactory by all concerned.

Mr. Scott mentioned that any expense incurred would be ultimately for the benefit of the one fraternity and that no reserve in Phi Pi Phi was necessary.

Mr. Droegemueller commented that the Scholarship Trophy known as the Scott Scholarship Cup should be continued. Decision was that this was definitely advisable.

Mr. Scott stated that although he had not attended the Phi Pi Phi Convention he understood that they already had a resolution approving the merger.

Mr. Droege Mueller inquired as to what records should be turned over to the National Office of Alpha Sigma Phi and questioned the advisability of turning the roster over inasmuch as this was their only mean of certification. He suggested that a photo-static copy be sent. It was the opinion of all present that this was the proper method of handling the records. Brother Burns mentioned that the records most essential to the National Office would be the card files giving the addresses of Phi Pi Phi members.

Installation costs and the cost of life subscription to the Tomahawk were considered satisfactory.

Dr. Cramblet stated that with reference to paraphernalia that robes of all officers should be uniform. It was thought that these might be arranged through the medium of the Mothers' Clubs. Robes of Members could be dyed black.

Discussion followed as to the names of the chapters. Thought was given to whether Purdue would not prefer to be Alpha Phi instead of Alpha Pi inasmuch as they were so well established on the campus as Phi Chapter. It was decided that the question of seniority in future years would outweigh any immediate advantage to be gained.

Dr. Cramblet mentioned that the question had been raised as to a joint installation but that Dr. Hart had stated that Westminster wished theirs to be held independently of the other chapters. It was the consensus of opinion that each chapter should be installed separately. Dr. Cramblet stated that Brother Burns and some member of the Grand Council would be in attendance at each installation.

The question of how many life members of Phi Pi Phi initiated prior to August 1, 1944, would be required to pay only \$7.00 for a pin and shingle with an allowance amounting to that which is received by the Fraternity as a turn-in value on the pin and would be entitled to a life subscription to the Tomahawk was considered thoroughly. Brother Clarke pointed out that we are attempting to do something of mutual benefit, and that if a figure of 500 was agreed upon that it would be necessary to set aside \$5000.00 for the Tomahawk Trust Fund which would considerably deplete the general fund. Mr. Wicks stated that he felt that the coming three months would more or less determine the number of alumni life members that would come in. Dr. Cramblet suggested that the first 300 life members of Phi Pi Phi become life members of Alpha Sigma Phi and that if there were another 300 that the fraternity issue them a free copy of the Tomahawk for life but that they not be considered life subscribers to the Tomahawk.

Discussion followed as to the alumni of defunct chapters. They could be initiated not only by a chapter but by a chartered alumni council. If they were initiated by an alumni council the question was raised as to what chapter would they be considered alumni of. After many names were considered it was decided that they be known as "members at large" inasmuch as their chapter might be revived at some future date.

It was the decision of the group that the coming issue of the Tomahawk be a joint issue with the Quarterly of Phi Pi Phi. Mr. Wicks commented that it would not be feasible to attempt to get material from the active chapters of Phi Pi Phi as it might delay the issue and it was important that it be published as soon as possible.

Brother Burns disclosed that Mr. Brice had written offering him information and assistance concerning the history of Phi Pi Phi for the joint issue of the Tomahawk and Quarterly.

Dr. Cramblet stated that Brother Frank Hargear and Brother Floyd Mosiman had authorized him as their proxy for the merger.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded by Brother Clarke and passed that the Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi approve the resolution of merger of Phi Pi Phi Fraternity into Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc.

RESOLUTION OF MERGER OF PHI PI PHI FRATERNITY  
INTO ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY, INC.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

I. Petition

The National Council of Phi Pi Phi will prepare a petition or memorandum setting down the terms of the merger, which shall be approved by our Grand Council and constitute the agreement of the bodies. In addition to other matters there shall be contained or attached to their petition copies of the resolutions passed by their council and convention authorizing the merger and authorizing the change in the scheme of the magazine endowment fund trust agreement which will permit the dissolution of said trust and turning of the funds in said trust to Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. Phi Pi Phi will turn over to Alpha Sigma Phi all records relative to their members now in their possession. Said petition to also contain a provision that the National Organization incorporated as Phi Pi Phi under laws of state of Illinois shall continue its existence merely as a skeleton organization for the purpose only of winding up its affairs and approving such members of its present alumni body for initiation into Alpha Sigma Phi and will dissolve on or before August 1, 1944.

## II. Transfer of all Funds

The National Council of Phi Pi Phi will turn over all general funds, permanent funds and investments now in their possession to Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc., by August 1, 1939.

## CHAPTERS AND ACTIVE MEMBERS

### I. Chapters eligible for Installation

The following chapters of Phi Pi Phi and their present active membership shall be eligible for initiation and installation as chapters. The names of said chapters in Alpha Sigma Phi shall be the names as designated opposite their respective chapter names of Phi Pi Phi as indicated below.

Phi Pi Phi - Lambda --	Case --	will be known as Alpha Lambda of $\Lambda\S\Phi$
Phi Pi Phi - Mu --	Baldwin-Wallace --	will be known as Alpha Mu of $\Lambda\S\Phi$
Phi Pi Phi - Nu --	Westminster --	will be known as Alpha Nu of $\Lambda\S\Phi$
Phi Pi Phi - Gamma --	Armour Tech. --	will be known as Alpha Xi of $\Lambda\S\Phi$
Phi Pi Phi - Omicron --	Mississippi --	will be known as Alpha Omicron of $\Lambda\S\Phi$
Phi Pi Phi - Phi --	Purdue --	will be known as Alpha Pi of $\Lambda\S\Phi$

### II. Petitions

The Chapters of Phi Pi Phi will prepare a petition covering the institutions and chapters as set down in the By-Laws of Alpha Sigma Phi per direction of details by Grand Council.

### III. Installation Costs

Pins and shingles will be furnished free of charge by National Office of Alpha Sigma Phi for each man now active in Phi Pi Phi, at time of installation. Each active man must turn in his Phi Pi Phi pin at time of installation or pay the sum of \$2.00 for the privilege of keeping said pin.

### IV. Life Subscription to Tomahawk

All actives will pay \$10.00 for life subscription to Tomahawk on or before initiation. Those actives who have paid \$15.00 for a life membership in Phi Pi Phi will not have to pay the above \$10.00 for a life subscription to the Tomahawk.



## V. Chapter Paraphernalia

All paraphernalia required by Alpha Sigma Phi Constitution and By-Laws and rituals will be provided without cost to chapters except for robes for members and officers which the respective chapters will have to furnish at their own expense. The said chapters shall provide said robes at the time of installation.

## VI. Installation Expense

Petitioning groups will not be charged with any expense of installation but shall bear their own expenses and accompanying entertainment incidental to installation in their own chapter house or the place at which the chapter is located. Where installation takes place other than the place where the chapter is located the respective chapters shall bear their own expenses for presenting themselves for installation and initiation.

## VII. Permission to use Alpha Sigma Phi Name

Chapters should be given immediate notice of approval to use name of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Phi Pi Phi - Lambda --	Case --	will be known as Alpha Lambda of AΣΦ
Phi Pi Phi - Mu --	Baldwin-Wallace --	will be known as Alpha Mu of AΣΦ
Phi Pi Phi - Nu --	Westminster --	will be known as Alpha Nu of AΣΦ
Phi Pi Phi - Gamma --	Armour Tech. --	will be known as Alpha Xi of AΣΦ
Phi Pi Phi - Omicron --	Mississippi --	will be known as Alpha Omicron of AΣΦ
Phi Pi Phi - Phi --	Purdue --	will be known as Alpha Pi of AΣΦ

## VIII. Annual Active Dues

All present active members of Phi Pi Phi who are initiated as active members under this merger shall pay annual dues for year 1939-40 the same as all other members of Alpha Sigma Phi.

## ALUMNI MEMBERS

### I. Eligibility for Membership

Only those alumni life members and non-life members who shall be duly approved by Phi Pi Phi shall be eligible for membership in Alpha Sigma Phi. Members of former locals of which the present active chapters of Phi Pi Phi are successors shall be eligible for membership only as provided in paragraph four hereof.

## II. Phi Pi Phi Life Members

The first 300 alumni life members of Phi Pi Phi who are initiated in Alpha Sigma Phi prior to August 1, 1944 shall be required to pay only \$7.00 for a pin and shingle with an allowance amounting to that which is received by the Fraternity as a turn-in value on the pin and shall be entitled to a Life Subscription to the Tomahawk. All additional alumni life members who shall be initiated prior to August 1, 1944 shall pay \$10.00 for a life subscription to the Tomahawk, plus cost of pin and shingle. All Life Members who shall be initiated subsequent to August 1, 1944 shall pay \$25.00 for which he shall receive Life Subscription to Tomahawk, pin and shingle.

## III. Phi Pi Phi Non-Life Members

Phi Pi Phi non-life members who shall be initiated prior to August 1, 1944 shall pay \$10.00 for life subscription to Tomahawk, plus \$7.00 for pin and shingle and receive an allowance for Phi Pi Phi pin if turned in as provided above. All Non-Life Members who shall be initiated subsequent to August 1, 1944 shall pay \$25.00 for which he shall receive Life Subscription to Tomahawk, pin and shingle.

## IV. Members of Former Locals

Shall be eligible for initiation if they be so designated by National Council of Phi Pi Phi and provided they are initiated on or before September 1, 1940. All such members shall pay the same fees, etc. as any active member as provided by constitution and by-laws of Alpha Sigma Phi and may be assessed such initiation fee or other charges by the chapter which is the successor to his local group as such chapter may see fit provided that National Council of Phi Pi Phi may eliminate or reduce said charges in their discretion. No other members of such locals will be eligible for membership in Alpha Sigma Phi except upon approval of the Grand Council.

Wire was received from Brothers Hargear and Mosiman stating that they strongly favored merger and that Dr. Cramblet was their proxy. A long distance call was placed to Los Angeles and Dr. Cramblet talked to Brothers Hargear and Mosiman concerning the merger. Brother Cochran was contacted by phone and his vote received in favor of the resolution of merger.

Matter of announcement was discussed in full. It was thought advisable to write to the presidents of the institutions where Phi Pi Phi had chapters advising them of the merger and asking for their approval. It was decided to withhold public announcement till August 1st. The Grand Council urged that publicity be given in Santa's Creek Exchange and the Fraternity Month.

Mr. Wicks stated that he would write a letter advising all members of Phi Pi Phi of the merger, said letter to be sent from the National Office of Alpha Sigma Phi under his signature.

Mr. Droege Mueller inquired as to whether their chapters could use the Alpha Sigma Phi pledge pin in rushing. All agreed that this should be done.

Dr. Cramblet stated that a date around November 1st should be considered as the date of installation for the chapters. The matter of expense should be studied and a program worked out that would enable the Executive Secretary to install the chapters with a minimum amount of traveling expense.

88. Report of Chairman of Extension: Brother Worthington suggested that an amount be included in the budget for extension that would permit the establishment of either a full or partial scholarship at the University of Florida. It was his opinion that, if possible, a man should be selected from the Alabama Chapter.

James Webb was suggested by Brother Burns who stated that Webb was an outstanding man on the Alabama campus and was interested in being a chapter advisor. Dr. Cramblet inquired as to whether he was interested in being a chapter organizer as a chapter organizer differed from a chapter advisor. Brother Burns stated that he had discussed the matter with him and he was interested. Dr. Cramblet brought out the fact that a chapter advisor could be placed in several of our chapters -- namely, Oklahoma, Ohio State and Colorado. He asked if Duke were not a better project than Florida inasmuch as their graduate school was so well known.

Brother Clarke asked as to just what sort of help in dollars and cents would a chapter organizer or advisor involve. Dr. Cramblet replied that it would vary dependent on whether the college or university offered any scholarship for this purpose. He stated that in southern colleges and universities the cost of living was much lower than in the east, but that in his opinion, it possibly would be around \$200.00 a year. Brother Worthington reported that the University of Florida had no provision for scholarships of this type. Brother Clarke remarked that the sororities took advantage of these scholarships and apparently the plan worked out very well. Dr. Cramblet cited cases

of which he knew and said that in his mind it was the sound approach, in fact, the only approach. Brother Worthington stated that if a man could be put in Florida this year that Ben Fuller, a Balfour representative, would give him the names of all the high school graduates planning to attend Florida and that all his work during the past year would be made available to the Alpha Sig placed there by the Grand Council.

Brother Clarke raised the question as to whether Brother Worthington felt that a new group placed there would prosper. Brother Worthington replied that he would not say yes except in the case of Florida. Brother Clarke then inquired as to what a new group would do about furnishings and Brother Worthington replied that in all probability they would rent furnished quarters or buy modest furnishings on time. He stated that one of the three boys that were left from the other group was a very good manager and that for the past three years had been manager of a cooperative barracks.

Brother Burns mentioned his conversation with Mr. Balfour in which Mr. Balfour stated that the Interfraternity Conference felt that the only possible method for expansion was the organization of groups by the fraternities or by merger, inasmuch as the old locals were all gone with the exception of a very few that were so strong they did not wish to go national.

Brother Worthington inquired as to a possible man for the re-establishment of the chapter at Carnegie Tech. He stated that the alumni have between \$2000 and \$3000 to invest in attempting to re-establish the chapter. Brother Worthington informed the Council that he had made a visit to Pittsburgh and had a conference with Brothers Wilson and Lowry.

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Pierce and passed that the Grand Council authorize the Chairman of Extension to undertake to locate an Alpha Sigma Phi member to be placed at the University of Florida on a scholarship basis of \$200.00 to \$250.00 the arrangements to be approved by the New York members of the Grand Council.

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Pierce and carried that the report of the Chairman of Extension be accepted.

89. Report of Executive Secretary: Dr. Cramblet inquired if there were any questions concerning the report as contained in the agenda. He stated that the summary of initiations charged and initiations collected which was sent to the members of the Council before the meeting and contained in the agenda of the meeting was very significant. He asked as to how many pick-ups in initiations were there for the year 1937-38 and Brother Burns replied there were eight.

Brother Burns discussed the fact that initiations had dropped for the year 1938-39 and stated that he believed the causes were scholarship and the quality of pledges. Dr. Cramblet stated that in former years the colleges and universities did not have the rigid requirements which they now have and in consequence fraternities were permitted to initiate more freely than now. Brother Clarke stated that when he was in school he could recall not more than four or five men that were pledged that were not initiated.

Brother Worthington commented on the efficiency of the National Office in the collection of dues and initiation fees shown by the raise in the percent collected. Brother Pierce remarked that were it not for Yale we would be almost 100% as far as collections on initiation fees and dues and that though there was a small balance with Kentucky this would be collected in the fall.

Brother Burns notified the Grand Council that Oregon State had asked for a \$500 loan which represented an operating deficit for last year. The chapter wishes to buy in some of their bonds. However, Brother Beatty, the chapter advisor, has requested no action from National Headquarters at this time.

Brother Burns then discussed the proposed amendment to the Constitution for financially delinquent undergraduates. He stated that the chapters in some cases would prefer action to come from the Grand Council as a weak treasurer often found it difficult to enforce the local laws which some of the chapters have. Brother Clarke remarked that he could not see the necessity for a pledge coming under the ruling and that he did not like the idea of a man being expelled from the Fraternity for failure to pay money. Brother Pierce inquired if there were any objection to making it a ruling that a chapter could not initiate a man until his bill was paid. Dr. Cramblet and Brother Pierce both stated that they would be agreeable to setting the time limit at 60 days.

Brother Pierce then cited the case of Eta Chapter where the auditor recommended that balances be turned over to the alumni but that the active chapter be assessed.

Motion was presented by Brother Dresser, duly seconded and carried that all active members or pledges delinquent 60 days be suspended from house privileges 60 days from the date the bill is rendered.

Question was asked as to whether any response had been received from the esoteric letters. It was felt that they had definitely been helpful as several replies had come in giving comments and suggestions. Brother Clarke inquired as to what expense the letters had been. Brother Pierce replied that they had been run off on the duplicating machine in the office and outside of postage were little or no expense.

Motion was presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and passed that the report of the Executive Secretary be accepted.

90. Finances: Statements as of June 30, 1939 were discussed. The question as to whether the dues should be raised to \$7 was considered. Dr. Cramblet stated that he was not in favor of \$7 but thought that \$6 might be all right on the basis of a deficit, thus giving the convention something to go on. However, he stated that he believed that we could get along on \$5. Brother Burns presented Brother Cochran's comments on annual dues. Brother Cochran believes that it is not advisable to increase the annual dues from \$5 to \$7 this year. It was the consensus of opinion that \$5 for dues should be charged for 1939-40. It was felt that income figures in the budget were conservative.

Dr. Cramblet and Brother Pierce stated that they felt that \$400 for visitation was entirely too low and that visitation was the only way to justify a national program.

Brother Clarke asked if it were not possible to cut down on Tomahawk expense. He also inquired if the type on the directory were being held. Brother Burns replied that he did not know and Brother Clarke stated that he believed it would do no harm to inquire as it would simplify a future directory.

It was felt advisable to continue sending Banta's Greek Exchange to all chapters inasmuch as it probably would be discontinued if it were up to the chapters to subscribe and it ought to be in every chapter house.

Dr. Cramblet asked the Council if it would not be advisable to set up on the books of the Fraternity the amount the Trustees owed inasmuch as Tomahawk expense had exceeded Tomahawk income.

Brother Clarke stated that eventually some of the expense would have to be allocated to the Tomahawk.

Dr. Cramblet raised the question as to whether we want to set up for the current year a portion of the actual expense or the total. It could be written off as a loss.

Motion was presented by Brother Worthington, duly seconded by Brother Clarke and passed directing the charges as discussed be incorporated in the budget but that a deferred expense account be not set up on the general books as an asset.

Motion was presented by Brother Dresser, duly seconded by Brother Clarke and passed that the budget for 1939-40 be approved as adjusted.

Motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded by Brother Dresser and carried that the expenses of the Grand Council Meeting of July 22nd be approved.

91. Endowment Fund: Brother Burns reported on the suggestion made by Brother Cochran. "Transfer of History Account to Endowment Fund with the understanding that the general fund will be liable for all claims on the History Account up to the amount now held in present History Account." It was the opinion of those present that such a transfer was not necessary at this time.

Dr. Cramblet cited the case of Sigma Nu and SAE with reference to their endowment funds. It was his belief that if the Fraternity had \$2 coming in from each member it would be a substantial fund. Then, an effort could be made to contact men who would be interested in making donations.

92. Chapters and Alumni:

A. Problem Chapters --

1. Yale: It was reported by Brother Burns that the treasurer of Alpha Chapter had stated that the \$100 checks would continue to come in. He stated that he believed the chapter was anxious to pay the balance on the last initiation.

Arrangement that was made with Alpha covering the last initiation: \$23 cash per man and the chapter to give a note for the balance, also to make a token payment on their national dues. Chapter initiated 21 men. (\$483 cash & \$210 note.) Amount due -- \$183 in cash plus a token payment on national dues.

Motion was presented by Brother Pierce, duly seconded by Brother Clarke and carried that no permission to initiate be given to Alpha Chapter until they have paid \$393 which represents the balance of initiation fees for 1938-39, plus token payment on their dues for that year and that the chapter be notified that initiation fees and dues for the year 1939-40 must be paid.

2. Ohio State: Dr. Cramblet reviewed the events of the last initiation.

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Shotwell and passed that the Grand Council instruct Ralph Burns, the Executive Secretary to visit Ohio State and set up a program that will work including the authority to employ an Alpha Sig on a scholarship basis or otherwise to carry out said program.

3. Colorado: Brother Burns discussed the situation at Colorado. It was the consensus of opinion that it would be impossible for the National Organization to help them financially. Dr. Cramblet stated that he believed that the alumni of the chapter had thought the bank would assume the loss.

It was the opinion of the Council that letters should be written to alumni who are still interested in an attempt to get information on the situation. The question of a chapter advisor arose but Brother Burns informed the Council that he did not have anyone to suggest now and that he was waiting to see who would take the initiative in the alumni program.

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Dresser and passed that the Grand Council appoint an alumni committee consisting Donald Scheib, Chairman; William James Parsons, Thomas Maynard Burgess, Sherman James Sedgwick and James Reid Williams to advise the Grand Council of the actual facts concerning the situation at the Colorado Chapter and that they submit their recommendations as to what the Grand Council may do to assist this group and that they make every effort possible to interest the alumni in getting behind their program.

Dr. Cramblet stated that he would write a letter to Donald Scheib as Chairman of the committee.

4. Oklahoma: The problem of Oklahoma was discussed but it was decided that nothing could be done at the present time as the University officials had stated that organization could best be attempted in the spring.

Brother Burns reported on the renewed activity of the Oklahoma City Alumni Council.

Brother Clarke reported that he had received a letter from Scott Squyres criticizing the action taken by the Executive Secretary. He stated that he would answer Brother Squyres' letter and inform him of the program of the National Organization with reference to the Oklahoma Chapter.

5. U.C.L.A. Dr. Cramblet reported that President Sproul of the University of California was not taking any action with reference to the collection of money from the fraternities for the maintenance of a full-time official to supervise fraternity affairs. This was discussed in detail at the April 12th Meeting.

B. Convention:

Dr. Cramblet stated that the merger would increase the benefits to be derived from holding the convention in Ohio. Penn. State and Cornell were discussed as possible locations.

Brother Pierce suggested that we could provide income for convention by placing a special assessment on the chapters. Mr. Wicks commented that their chapters were charged \$15. Brother Burns suggested that transportation costs might be pro-rated and that the Fraternity stand the actual expense of the convention.

Brother Burns reported that Brothers Mosiman and Hargear had suggested that the Grand Council take steps to have the Chapters amend the constitution so we can postpone for another year the National Convention and to hold it in 1941 rather than 1940 and that if it were held in 1940 that it be held at a place geographically economical.

Brother Clarke stated that in his opinion the best convention was that which was held in a chapter house such as the Champaign Convention.

Motion was presented by Brother Cramblet, duly seconded and passed that the convention be held in the summer of 1940 in Ohio.

93. Publications:

A. Officers' Handbook:

It was the opinion of the Council that all of the chapters were very anxious for the manual to be published.

Motion was presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and passed that the New York members of the Grand Council be authorized to publish an Officers' Handbook reasonably to be ready for distribution in September.



94. Miscellaneous:

A. Sale of Pledge Pins:

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded and carried that the Grand Council approve the sale of pledge pins on the various campuses and authorizing the salesmen of the L.G. Balfour Company to carry said pledge pins and requiring that each chapter send in a record of purchases.

B. Reduction in Price of Official Sister Pin:

Motion was presented by Brother Clarke, duly seconded by Brother Dresser and carried approving reduction in price of Official Sister Pin from \$5.00 to \$4.00.

C. Charter Kansas City Alumni Council:

Motion was presented by Brother Burns, duly seconded and passed granting a charter to the Kansas City Alumni Council.

D. Delta Beta Xi:

Brother Burns stated that Brother Cochran had suggested that before any additional men were nominated or initiated into Delta Beta Xi that some ritual be devised along the line of our present charge. It is Brother Cochran's opinion that it should embody something with regard to the greek letters, Delta Beta Xi, and also to reiterate to the members upon whom are being bestowed the honor of Delta Beta Xi the symbols which are on the key. Brother Cochran believes that something like this would be more appealing to any professional men or business men or other alumni in the fraternity that receive this honor.

Brother Burns said that he would discuss the matter of ritual for Delta Beta Xi with Brother Charlie Hall and Brother Wayne Montgomery Musgrave and that a suggested ritual would be submitted to the Grand Council for approval at a later date.

Brother Hargear and Brother Mosiman suggested the election of 20 men to Delta Beta Xi this year instead of 10 inasmuch as they thought it was very necessary to get as much help for individual chapters as well as the National Fraternity from all alumni possible and they believed that suitable recognition would help in securing such support. It was their opinion that it would carry considerable weight and prestige if the letter of election to Delta Beta Xi were signed by our National Grand President. The Council Members on the coast strongly urged the election of seven men from their area.

It was the opinion of those present that Delta Beta Xi be tabled until the October meeting.

E. Founder's Day:

Brother Burns stated that Brother Cochran felt that it was very important that a program be set up for the celebration of Founder's Day. It was his

opinion that our alumni should be contacted as a matter of suggestion to hold current meetings on the same night and if possible said meeting to be in the form of a banquet. He felt that such a program would be a signal for the meeting of prospective alumni councils.

95. Adjournment:

Motion was presented by Brother Shotwell, duly seconded and carried that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P.M.