

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL
January 9,2007

Call to Order: 5:36 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos

Absent: Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle

Guests: Grand Historian, Bob Kutz; CEO, Drew Thawley; General Counsel, Bryan Proctor; Director of Communications and Leadership Programs, Steve Latour

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still

February 2007 review provided. Council should arrive no later than dinner on February 9 to participate in the StrengthsQuest activity. Formal business will start on February 10 at 9 a.m.

CEO Report provided by Thawley

No Report other than the 2007 Burns Institute will have more than 300 participants.

Foundation Report provided by Burns

Confirmed that Thawley will be attending the February 16-18 Foundation Board Meeting in Florida.

Old Business:

Motion to approve 12-5-06 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Buss. Passed unanimously.

Thawley confirmed that Brother G. Scott Grissom's gift watch had arrived to Fraternity Headquarters. A plan to present the gift will be finalized at the February Board Meeting.

Proctor and Thawley to collaborate on the Use of Data Agreement, present draft to Kocher for review and suggestions, and have ready for Still to present to Chairman Christ before the Foundation's Board Meeting.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 2.0 as submitted by Thawley made by Schulz. Seconded by Ritter. Passed unanimously.

Thawley acknowledged that the 200506 Audited Financials were mailed to all Councilors in early January. Due to time constraints, it was determined that the Council would review the documents with staff during the face to face meeting in February.

Ritter provided an update on the NIC Board Member nomination progress. Rob Sheehan has been approached to serve as Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity's nominee. Deadline is in February. It was noted that the idea of nominating an alumnus for the role is not mandatory, and could be entertained in the near future if this year's efforts are fruitless.

Still asked that Councilors Buss, Burns, Young and Zimmerman provide a brief update on their respective "job descriptions". Each Councilor complied and agreed to further develop their description.

Comments:

The next Grand Council Conference Meeting will be February 9-11, 2007 at Jameson Camp near the Indianapolis Airport.

The summer Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation's Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Jameson Camp, Indianapolis, IN
February 10,2007

The February, 2007, Grand Council Meeting was held in conjunction with the 2007 Academy of Leadership. Councilors arrived midday, February 9, to participate in the Academy programming, meals and casual time. The overlap in meetings allowed for significant linkage between the Fraternity's leadership at the national level and the Fraternity's leadership at the chapter level.

Call to Order: 8:58 a.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle

Absent: Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter

Guests: Grand Historian, Bob Kutz; CEO, Drew Thawley; Director of Communications and Leadership Programs, Steve Latour (from 10:10 to 10:30 a.m.); VP of Fraternity Operations, Dan Duncan (from 10:10 to 10:45 a.m.)

Reports:

CEO Report provided by Thawley

The memo (attached) from Thawley to the Board of Directors of the Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation Inc. was reviewed in detail.

Foundation Report provided by Burns

Confirmed that he and Thawley will be attending the February 16-18 Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation Board Meeting in Naples, Florida.

Old Business:

Motion to approve 1-9-07 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Kefaloukos. Passed unanimously.

Still offered a report on the NIC Board of Directors nomination process on Ritter's behalf. Sheehan, Zizzo and Gibson have been considered. Sheehan and Zizzo declined nomination, and due to a tight time constraints, Gibson was not able to be reached for his consideration. It was determined that Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity would "pass" on the nominations for 2007 and would look to place the appropriate candidate in 2008 or 2009.

Buss provided update on the Linkage Plan. Much discussion surrounded this topic. The results of the dialogue were as follows:

- A moderated conference call will occur in late March or April, 2007
- Target audience to be the Grand Chapter Advisor and a highly select few additional volunteers as appropriate. i.e. if a GCA was grooming another volunteer to take over as GCA.
- General topic will be Chapter Councils and how this model is going to be implemented, fully understanding that there successful models currently in place.
- Councilors must recruit GCA's to the conference call by making individual calls in advance.
- Preparation will be key
- Zimmerman, Buss, Young, Thawley, Still to form temporary Linkage Task Force to assemble a game plan for the conference call. Thawley to get ball rolling.

Thawley provided a Use of Data Agreement update and distributed a second draft. The distributed Use of Data Agreement document had been changed and approved by General Counsel and is now to be placed into the Foundation's hands for forward progress.

New Business:

At Thawley's request, Steve Latour presented memo asking that the following men be approved as GCA's for chapters.

Albright College (Epsilon Kappa)

Ryan Eppihimer, Albright '02

Bowling Green State University (Gamma Zeta)

Greg Amend, Bowling Green '00

Clemson University (Colony)

Berkeley King, Presbyterian '95

Hartwick College (Beta Xi)

Edward Bello, Hartwick '76

Karl Gustafson, Hartwick '76

Indiana University (Gamma Chi)

Jacob Medlen, Indiana '02

New Jersey Institute of Tech. (Alpha Rho)

Marek Kurylko, NJIT '02

Salisbury University (Epsilon Eta)

Rick Deale, Salisbury '99

University of Hartford (Epsilon Lambda)

James Capinera, Hartford '03

University of Michigan (Theta)

Albie Bell, Michigan '98

University of Rio Grande (Delta Epsilon)

Jared Thomas, Rio Grande '97

University of Toledo (Beta Rho)

Chad Felgner, Toledo '90

Wake Forest University (Beta Mu)

Patrick Riley, Wake Forest '01

Motion to approve slate of GCA's as submitted made by Burns. Seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

At Thawley's request, Duncan provided a review of the Audited Financial Statement for the FY 06. Statements of Activities and Cash flow were reviewed specifically with an opportunity for questions.

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 2.5 as submitted by Thawley made by Hittle. Seconded by Tilden. Passed unanimously.

Meeting was dismissed for lunch, to reconvene at 1:30 p.m.

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 2.7 as submitted by Thawley made by Opel. Seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to create a Grand Council Resolution recognizing the Alpha Tau Chapter for its exemplary commitment to attend the chartering or recharterings in recent years made by Hoffman. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously. The Resolution will be drafted this day and presented the next day at the Recognition Breakfast.

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 1.1 A, B and E as submitted by Thawley and amended during discussion, made by Tilden. Seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Hoffman proposed the following be voted on and entered into the Policy Book:

Policy 2.8 / 5:

The CEO of Alpha Sigma Phi shall not allow a breach of confidentiality or sharing of information of executive compensation other than with his assigns, and the members of Alpha Sigma Phi's Grand Council, other than its assigns such as financial auditors or the Alpha Sigma Phi Educational Foundation as related to remuneration directly related to Foundation grants.

Thawley to distribute new Policy 2.8 for inclusion in Board Books.

Motion to accept proposed Policy 2.8 / 5 into policy made by Hoffman. Seconded by Kefaloukos. Passed unanimously.

Hoffman proposed a linkage report that simplifies the reporting mechanism, yet captures all pertinent information. After discussion, it was determined that the report would contain the following information:

1. Name of Councilor
2. Description of Contact (call, letter, personal visit)
3. Date of event
4. Chapter designation and name of College or University
5. Name of event
6. Date of report
7. Chapter officers contact
8. Alumni contacted (identified as GCA, Alumni Association or House Corporation officer or general volunteer)
9. College or University administrator contacted
10. General description of event
11. General comments (laudatory or critical)
12. Observed potential action items for staff
13. Has call been made to CEO reporting possible action items as it relates to possible policy violations? Did CEO as for an incident report form?

14.GSP and CEO acknowledgment of contact related to items 12 or 13

Motion to accept Linkage Report as detailed above as a part of the Linkage section of the Policy Book made by Hoffman. Seconded by Opel. Passed unanimously.

Zimmerman provided report on the status of nominating Alpha Sigma Phi alumni for the NIC's Distinguished Merit Award, Gold Medal Award and the Silver Medal Award. It was discussed that the act of nominating alumni is, in itself, recognition for outstanding dedication to Alpha Sigma Phi and in some cases, the Greek community. Many names were considered.

Motion to submit Brother Robert Kutz, Cal '67, DBX '81 for the Silver Medal Award, Brother Otto Sonder, American '47, DBX '67 for the Gold Medal Award, and Brother Kevin Garvey, Westminster '75, DBX '85 for the Distinguished Service Award to the NIC Awards Committee made by Opel. Seconded by Burns. Passed unanimously.

Thawley presented some basic ideas for a third entity of the organization which would be a housing arm. Thawley asked that the Council consider taking more of a leadership role in the development of the housing model and suggested establishing a short term team to look into the financial structure of how it might work.

Motion to establish a task force tasked with investigating the viability of a national housing entity made by Schulz. Seconded by Buss. Passed unanimously.

Comments:

Everyone needs to chip in to pay for the engraved fraternity watch that will be given to G. Scott Grissom along with a letter recognizing his significant contributions to the Fraternity. The watch may be presented in person when Ritter and Thawley travel to pay a visit to Brother Grissom in the next two months.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be March 6, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. EDT.

The summer Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation's Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call
March 6,2007

Call to Order: 5:31 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter ; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young.

Absent: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle; CEO, Drew Thawley.

Guests: VP of Fraternity Operations, Dan Duncan; General Counsel, Bryan Proctor.

Reports:

CEO Report submitted in advance of the call by Drew Thawley; reviewed by Ritter.

Foundation Report provided by Burns: In addition to information contained in the CEO Report it should be noted that Chairman-Elect Alan Breedlove will not be serving as Chairman and will be leaving the Board due to family commitments, although he will continue to assist the Investment Committee. The Foundation Board remains without a chair-elect.

Old Business:

Motion to approve 2-10-07 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

The Use of Data Agreement was not discussed past what was in the CEO Report.

Hoffman reported that an electronic version of the Board Linkage Report was with fraternity staff and he expected that it would be available soon for use by all.

NIC Award Nominations—no status was given.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 2.1 with small correction amended, and reports 2.2 and 2.9 as submitted by Thawley made by Hoffman. Seconded by Tilden. Passed unanimously.

Motion to pass a Grand Council Resolution of Congratulations recognizing Nu Chapter for its 25th Anniversary of Refounding made by Burns. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Ritter brought up that a member of the UVA Wise Colony, Justin Wilson, had requested that some Councilors make “pump-up” calls to the group. After discussion, the Council agreed that contact with at least a portion of the group was appropriate. Tilden and Duncan will work on an email that can be sent as encouragement to all colony members. Buss and Schulz will be contacting Wilson and Colony President Bryan Wright to seek their opinion on which other brothers should be personally contacted. All of the Councilors on the call plus Mark Still have expressed an interested in making at least one phone call. Buss and Schulz will coordinate with Duncan and Tilden in getting “assignments” out to the Council soon.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be April 3, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. EDT.

The summer Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation’s Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call
April 3, 2007

Call to Order: 5:33 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel, Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos.

Absent: Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle.

Guests: Grand Historian, Robert Kutz; CEO, Drew Thawley; VP of Fraternity Services, Ryan Brown (joined at 5:53 EDT and dropped at 6:30 EDT)

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still

August 11 will be an Indianapolis area Alumni Reception with both the FND board and the FTY Grand Council included.

Thomas Hinkley has been charged by FND board to manage the CEO search process
Thawley is a part of the FND's CEO search

CEO Report submitted in advance and reviewed by Thawley

Foundation Report provided by Burns.

Confirmed that the CEO search has begun.

Commented on the FND board's need to identify a successor to the current chairman whose term is up in August, 2007.

Old Business:

Motion to approve 3-6-07 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Buss. Passed unanimously.

The Use of Data Agreement was reported on by Thawley. He stated that the Agreement had been vetted by both the FTY and FND attorneys, by the Grand Council, and by both the FTY and FND CEOs. The document sits in Bill Christ's hands awaiting approval by the FND board.

GCA Linkage update was given by Buss. No measurable progress since the February Meeting, but expect significant progress before the May Conference Call.

Annual Report Update given by Tilden. Plan remains to send it out electronically a week or so ahead of the Tomahawk. Thawley to provide basic statistics to Tilden, and then Tilden can finish the document.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 3.0, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 with small correction amended made by Burns. Seconded by Tilden. Passed unanimously.

At 6:00 p.m. EDT, Miami (OH) chapter brother Fred Stambaugh joined the conference call to defend the chapter against Charter Revocation as had been recommended by staff (in attached letter). Brother Stambaugh spoke for 5 minutes and then answered questions from Councilors. He left the call at 6:13 p.m. EDT)

At 6:15 p.m. EDT, Miami (OH) chapter GCA, Bill Kellerman, joined the conference call to answer questions from Councilors regarding the topic of Charter Revocation. He left the call at 6:32 p.m. EDT)

Motion to begin Charter Revocation procedure based on staff recommendation for the Epsilon Pi Chapter at Miami University made by Burns, seconded by Hoffman. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve Adam Stein '03 to serve as the GCA for the Epsilon Nu Chapter at Binghamton University from April 3 to June 30, 2008 made by Kefaloukos, seconded by Opel. Passed unanimously.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be May 7, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. EDT, reflecting a change to the first Monday of the month for regular scheduling.

The summer Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation's Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call
May 7, 2007

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos.

Absent: Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle.

Guests: Grand Historian, Robert Kutz; CEO, Drew Thawley; General Counsel, Bryan Proctor (dropped at 6:15).

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still

May 17th Still will visit with members of the UVA-Wise Colony.

GJP Report provided by Ritter

Wife Stacy successfully delivered three sons. Ritter claims he'll be a busy man with four children, three of which are under the age of two months!

CEO Report submitted in advance and reviewed by Thawley

The most notable development is Ryan I. Brown, VP of Fraternity Services, has been called to active duty. The FTY staff will maintain a position for Brother Brown on staff.

The press release posted this day read:

Ryan Brown Called to Active Duty

CARMEL, INDIANA – Effective May 30, Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity's Vice President of Fraternity Services, Ryan Brown, Coastal Carolina '94, will enter active duty in the U.S. Army.

Brown's Army Reserve unit, the 450th Civil Affairs Battalion Airborne, has been activated to support the Global War on Terrorism. His commitment to the United States and his belief in the values of charity and patriotism, two of Alpha Sigma Phi's five values, is commendable and greatly needed in today's society. Brown joins dozens of other brothers actively serving the United States of America and hundreds of brothers who have served in the past.

During his deployment, the Fraternity's staff will distribute Brown's employment obligations to other capable staff members and will patiently await his safe return to his duties as a Fraternity staff member.

Foundation Report provided by Burns.

Interviews for Foundation CEO position are scheduled for early June.

General Counsel Report provided by Proctor
No significant change in status for open legal claims.

Old Business:

Motion to approve 4-3-07 Minutes with amendment made by Burns, seconded by Kefaloukos. Passed unanimously.

The Use of Data Agreement was reported on by Thawley in his CEO Report. Status remains the same with the finalized document awaiting FND Chairman's signature.

Thawley provided brief update to Council regarding the Miami University (OH) chapter. Revocation was considered in April and the "sanctions" letter that was sent to the chapter later that month was shared with the Grand Council. The issue will be revisited in December, 2007.

GCA Linkage update was given by Buss. May 31st was agreed to for the GCA Linkage Call. Buss provided a 9 page powerpoint presentation and suggested that Still, Young, Buss, Thawley and Latour have speaking parts on the Linkage Call. *[Post-meeting, it was realized that the date intended was actually May 30th, and was then conducted on May 30th]*

Annual Report Update given by Tilden. Plan remains to send it out electronically a week or so ahead of the Tomahawk. Thawley to provide basic statistics to Tilden, and then Tilden can finish the document.

New Business:

Motion to approve 10th Anniversary Council Resolution for Lindenwood College's Epsilon Beta made by Buss. Seconded by Burns. Passed unanimously.

Monitoring Reports 1.1G, 1.1H, 2.4, 2.5, 2.7 were deferred to the June 7 Conference Call.

Still offered the following addition to Policy 2.3 to satisfy a request made by the auditors in the 2005-06 Annual Audit Letter:

Policy 2.3 / #3. Fail to provide protection to those who bring financial mismanagement and other matters to the attention of the CEO or the Grand Council in accordance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

Motion to approve amendment to Policy 2.3 as submitted made by Ritter. Seconded by Opel. Approved unanimously.

Still offered the following addition to Policy 2.7 to satisfy a request made by the auditors in the 2005-06 Annual Audit Letter:

Policy 2.7 / #7. Fail to establish a document retention and destruction plan the meets requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

Motion to approve amendment to Policy 2.7 as submitted made by Young. Seconded by Hoffman. Approved unanimously.

Thawley requested the following resolution be approved by the Council for purposes of opening a liquid online savings account.

Be it resolved, that the funds of the undersigned organization be and the same are hereby authorized to be added to or paid into a checking account with Sky Bank and that said institution is hereby authorized to pay withdrawals until further written notice to it signed in the name as indicated below by any (number of signatures required for withdrawal) one person or persons, whose signatures appear below. [Thawley, Still, and Burns]

Said institution is authorized to supply an endorsement for the undersigned on any check or other instrument tendered for this account and is hereby relieved of any liability in connections with collection of such items which are handled by it without negligence and it shall not be liable for the acts of its agents, sub-agents or others for any causality.

Withdrawals may not be made on accounts of the organization until collected and any amount may be charged back to this account including expenses incurred, and any other outside expense incurred on account of this account may be charged to it.

Motion to approve resolution as submitted made by Hoffman. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Still appointed Kefaloukos to chair the search committee to identify a new Grand Councilor who will be a qualified undergraduate. The intention is to provide the name of a candidate to the Council at the August meeting.

Tilden provided detail on how Linkage Report Forms will be catalogued along with the hard copy minutes of Grand Council Meetings. All forms should make their way to the FTY CEO for proper filing.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be June 4, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. EDT. There will not be a Conference Call held in July.

The summer Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation's Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters.

Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Conference Call
June 4, 2007

Call to Order: 5:36 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos.

Guests: Grand Historian, Robert Kutz; CEO, Drew Thawley

Absent: Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still

May 17th Still visited with members of the UVA-Wise Colony.

June 8, Still will participate as an interviewer in the FND CEO final round interviews.

Thawley is a candidate.

CEO Report provided verbally by Thawley

Unsatisfied with free conference call quality, so next meeting will return to previous "pay-as-you-go" conference call service.

Recruitment outcomes for 2006-07 FY looking flat, year over year.

Shaping up to be a good financial year with one month to go.

Staffing remains fluid in the effort to temporarily replace Ryan Brown during his deployment.

Alex Bauer from Alpha Pi will start full-time in August. Dallas Montgomery from Alpha Pi is a current Intern.

Foundation Report provided by Burns.

Interviews for Foundation CEO position are scheduled for June 8, 2007.

General Counsel Report provided by Thawley

Counselor Bryan Proctor plans to attend August Grand Council Meeting

Old Business:

Motion to approve May 7, 2007 Minutes with amendment made by Tilden, seconded by Burns. Passed unanimously.

Annual Report (Report to Membership) update provided by Tilden. Report content is complete and in hand of staff and Hoffman Agency for refining and distribution. It was suggested that there be consideration for introducing an overall Communications Schedule to allow for staff time to be planned with regards to data needed to populate future similar reports to the membership. Still, Thawley, Tilden, and possibly Buss to be involved in the discussion.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 2.4, 2.5, 2.7 as submitted by Thawley made by Schulz, seconded by Hoffman. Passed unanimously.

Monitoring Reports 1.1G, 1.1H were deferred to the August 11 meeting.

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 3.6, 3.7, 4.0, 4.1 as submitted by Still made by Ritter, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the following men for Grand Chapter Advisor through the Grand Chapter, 2008, as recommended in a June 4, 2007 memo from Steve Latour to Mike Young made by Young, seconded by Tilden. Passed unanimously.

Baldwin-Wallace College
Al V. Swanson, Baldwin-Wallace '52

The Ohio State University
Matthew D. Wallace, Ohio State '01

It was determined that as the Grand Council Liaison to Grand Chapter Advisors, Mike Young would make the initial contact with all newly approved GCAs for linkage purposes. He will make personal contact with each individual, thank them for their volunteering efforts, answer any initial questions, and then tell the GCA that staff would be contacting them soon to arrange training and other necessary steps.

Kefaloukos provided update regarding the upcoming two open undergraduate Grand Council positions which will be made vacant by Councilors Opel and Hittle as their terms expire. Recruitment and vetting are ongoing.

The next Grand Council Meeting will be held on the same date and at the same location as the Educational Foundation's Board Meeting; August 10-12, 2007 at Fraternity Headquarters. The business session will be held on August 11.

At 6:14 p.m., Thawley dropped off the conference call. An Executive Session commenced with discussion aimed at Thawley's candidacy for the FND CEO position. The executive session ended at 6:42 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:43 p.m. EDT

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Ralph F. Burns Fraternity Headquarters, Carmel, Indiana
August 11, 2007

Call to Order: 5:31 p.m. EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter ; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns (left at 9:30 AM to attend the Foundation Board Meeting); Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle.

Absent: None

Guests: General Counsel, Bryan Proctor; CEO, Drew Thawley; VP of Fraternity Operations, Dan Duncan; Dean Haine, Delta '59; Director of Communications Steve Latour; Foundation Director of Development Cara Augspurger

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still. Announced that he had not received any feedback or contact from Alpha Kappa Lambda regarding his letter addressing the prospect of merger discussions. Asked for the Council's support to tell the local Beta Theta House Corporation to move forward with their own collection efforts.

CEO Report submitted in advance and commented on by Thawley

Foundation Report provided by Burns. Jonathan is not currently on the Grants Committee. Looking forward to the Foundation's first meeting with the new CEO, Gale Wilkerson who started on August 3, 2007. Gale's son is an Alpha Sigma Phi brother from Upsilon Chapter at Penn State.

General Counsel Report provided by Proctor. Mentioned that he and Thawley were discussing the idea of mandatory arbitration between members and between members and chapters/national.

Old Business:

Motion to approve June 4, 2007 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Duncan provided the Council an update on the Housing Survey being conducted by staff. The results are being tracked in the database and will serve as much needed baseline information as we explore the formation of a housing entity.

Ritter and Thawley provided a recap of the trip to Dallas to present Scott Grissom with the watch that was a gift from the Grand Councilors for his dedication as a volunteer. The watch was presented in person in May by Ritter and Thawley and was very well received.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 1.1 G, 1.1H, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.6, 2.8, and 2.9 as submitted by Thawley made by Young. Seconded by Kefaloukos. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve Monitoring Report 4.2, 4.3 and 4.4 as submitted by Still made by Ritter. Seconded by Hittle. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve Donald E. Cole, Lock Haven '91, as GCA for Lock Haven and James G. Black, Presbyterian '06 (alumni initiate), as GCA for Presbyterian as requested by Grand Councilor Young made by Ritter. Seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to adjust Policy 3.8 with the following specifics: A. \$2,500, B. \$10,500, C. \$7,000, D. \$7,000 made by Tilden. Seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve a Corporate Resolution allowing for a \$50,000 investment in a UBS account for purposes of funding the Optional SIR account within FRMT as submitted by staff made by Hoffman. Seconded by Buss. Passed unanimously.

Motion to pass a Memorial Resolution for the late Emmet B. Hayes made by Opel. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Motion to pass a Recognition Resolution recognizing the Second Founding and the role that Delta Chapter played in our early history made by Young. Seconded by Tilden. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the GSP Citation recognizing the outgoing Foundation CEO, Ted Kocher, for his service made by Ritter. Seconded by Hittle.

Duncan offered a review of the un-audited year end financial statements. Audit financials will be available in September.

Schulz offered an update on the Fraternal Caucus progress. At Thawley's request, the Grand Council will take into consideration a more direct policy representing the Council's desire to address certain bills effecting fraternities as well as a general initiative to be active in public affairs.

Motion to approve the list of award and scholarship recipients as requested by Scott Grissom, Awards Committee Chairman, and Larry Grimes, Scholarship Committee Chairman (both staff committees) made by Hoffman. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Kefaloukos, who was tapped to lead the search for two new undergraduate Grand Councilors, shared the selection process with the Council. Dane Leasure of Akron, Kreig

Sherette of Bowling Green, Pete (Francis) Carteaux of Tri-State, and Justin LaRoche of UNC-Charlotte were all interviewed by the three undergraduate Councilors and Councilor Young. The group presented Leasure and LaRoche for approval.

Motion to approve Dane Leasure and Justin LaRoche as Grand Councilors to begin active service in November, 2007 made by Kefaloukos. Seconded by Opel. Passed unanimously.

An informational presentation by George Srour, the Founder and Executive Director of the charity "Building Tomorrow" was heard.

Steve and Cara presented the '07-'08 Combined Communications Plan.

All Grand Council conference calls will be scheduled for the second Thursday of each month at 5:30 EDT or EST.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be September 13, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. EDT.

The next Grand Council Meeting will be held November 10 in a location to be determined at the September Conference Call.

There will be a Grand Council Meeting February 8-9, 2008 at Camp Jameson, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The Grand Council convened an Executive Session at 3:31 p.m. and all guests were asked to leave the room. CEO performance and compensation were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. EDT

A large Alumni Reception to honor the Centennial of the Second Founding was hosted at Ralph F. Burns Fraternity Headquarters at 6:30 p.m. this same evening. Both the Fraternity and Foundation boards were present as well as nearly 65 guests, many of whom were Alpha Sigma Phi brothers.

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

**MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL
September 13, 2007**

Call to Order: 5:34 PM EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter ; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman (joined at 5:59 PM); Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel (left at 6:49 PM).

Absent: Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle; Grand Historian, Robert Kutz.

Guests: Grand Councilor select, Justin LaRoche; Grand Councilor select, Dane Leasure; CEO, Drew Thawley; VP of Fraternity Operations, Dan Duncan; Director of Communications & Volunteer Initiatives, Steve Latour; Expansion and Leadership Programming Coordinator, Alex Bauer.

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still. No report beyond a general welcome to Dane Leasure and Justin LaRoche, both chosen to serve as undergraduate Grand Council for a two year term beginning at the November, 2007 meeting.

CEO Report submitted in advance by Thawley. Accepted as submitted.

Old Business:

Motion to approve August 11, 2007 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

Thawley led the conference call participants through a detailed review of the Draft Ritual Book. This item was necessitated by the outcomes of the 2006 Grand Chapter and the items proposed by the Ritual Committee and approved by the Delegates.

Staff developed a draft version of the Ritual Book and distributed said book to all Councilors for review and feedback well before the conference call. All feedback provided by Councilors was compiled in one document called the *Ritual Book Council Feedback*. All editorial related suggestions were summarily changed in the proposed draft. Feedback and context were provided related to some portions of the book. Discussion was had regarding all proposed ceremonial changes. Not all recommendations were accepted. Copious notes were taken by staff detailing exact changes that were to be made per the results of the discussion points. Due to the esoteric nature of those discussions, those notes are not reflected in these minutes.

Motion to approve the Ritual Book as proposed and amended during the call made by Young. Seconded by Tilden. In discussion, it was noted by Still that this edition of the Ritual Book would need to be ratified at the 2008 Grand Chapter. Passed unanimously.

Comments for the Good of Society:

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be October 11, 2007 at 5:3 PM EDT.

The next Grand Council Meeting will be held November 10 in a location to be determined. Chicago, Atlanta, Denver, and Dallas are the available options.

There will be a Grand Council Meeting February 8-9, 2008 at Camp Jameson, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Motion to adjourn made by Tilden at 7:08 PM EDT. Seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL
October 11, 2007

Call to Order: 5:32 PM EDT

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman (joined at 5:55 PM); Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos (left at 6:30 PM); Grand Councilor, Perry Opel

Absent: Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle

Guests: Grand Historian, Robert Kutz; Grand Councilor select, Justin LaRoche; Grand Councilor select, Dane Leasure; CEO, Drew Thawley; Director of Communications & Volunteer Initiatives, Steve Latour

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still. Still reported that he attended the Educational Foundation Board Conference Call the week prior and was happy to report on a few positive developments:

1. The Foundation and Fraternity staffs are working well together which is consistent with reports from Thawley.
2. The new Board Chairman, Brian Jump, has charged the Foundation staff and Board with looking into new governance structures, including structures that are similar to Carver Policy.
3. Brian Jump also has committed to reevaluating the Purpose and Mission Statements of the Educational Foundation.
4. There is an emphasis on increasing donors at the Annual Fund level this year.
5. Board Development is something that Brian Jump is committed to, asking Gale Wilkerson to identify three new Board members by the end of the calendar year.

CEO Report provided by Thawley.

1. Confirmed that all Councilors (except undergraduate Councilors) had received the 2006-07 Audited Financials in the mail. Noted that not material change occurred since the August review of the unaudited numbers.
2. Christine (Chris) Markovich starts October 12, 2007 as Drew's Executive Assistant. She will also assist other Chapter Services employees, particularly Steve Latour. Her email address is chris@alphasigmaphi.org.
3. Drew will be actively supporting Gale Wilkerson's goal to increase the Educational Foundation Board of Directors by identifying viable candidates and working to make the selection process more transparent to stakeholders.
4. Provided brief chapter updates on Epsilon Delta at the University of Maryland, and Epsilon at Ohio Wesleyan.

Fraternal Caucus Update provided by Schulz.

1. The recent calling campaign had significant benefit in terms of the number of sponsors signed on to the Greek Housing Infrastructure Act. Alpha Sigma Phi placed 21/24.
2. April 15, 2007 is the Capitol Hill Day for the NIC.
3. PAC has raised \$261,000 in pledges against a goal of \$400,000. This is great progress this early in the year.

Old Business:

Motion to approve September 13, 2007 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Opel. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve Joanna Burns Pension Increase consistent with pension policies and as submitted by Thawley made by Young, seconded by Schulz. Passed unanimously.

In view of last meeting's discussion and outcomes regarding the proposed Ritual Book, it was decided that the Grand Chapter 2008 Ritual Committee would take the draft version under advisement as they prepare for their report to the Delegates in August, 2008. What was not determined, and therefore, tabled until the November Meeting, was what materials would be provided to the Ritual Committee to assist them in presenting a final draft to the Delegates. Issue will be an agenda item in November.

New Business:

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.7 as submitted by Thawley and as amended made by Kefaloukos, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 3.5, 3.8 as submitted by Still made by Opel, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Buss discussed the Linkage Call that should occur Fall 2007. It was determined that every GCA would be invited and that the GCA could also invite two other volunteers to the call. November 27th was selected as the date for the Linkage Call.

Motion to approve the Grand Council Resolutions for Lock Haven, Michigan State, Wake Forest, Lawrence Tech. as amended made by Tilden, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Comments for the Good of Society:

The next Grand Council Meeting will be held November 10, 2007 in Atlanta.

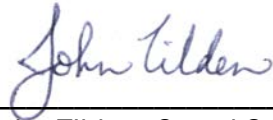
There will be a Grand Council Meeting February 8-9, 2008 at Camp Jameson, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL MEETING
Embassy Suites, Alpharetta, Georgia
November 10, 2007

Call to Order: 8:04 AM EST

Roll Call: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Matt Hittle; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Perry Opel

Absent: Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Historian, Robert Kutz; General Counsel, Bryan Proctor

Guests: Grand Councilor select, Justin LaRoche; Grand Councilor select, Dane Leasure; CEO, Drew Thawley; Foundation CEO, Gale Wilkerson (joined for portions of the meeting); Director of Communications & Volunteer Initiatives, Steve Latour; Chapter Advance Coordinator, James Byars

Reports:

GSP Report provided by Still.

1. For purposes of clarification and voting, Still stated that the existing undergraduate Grand Councilors would be in place and vote through the conclusion of this meeting. Immediately following the meeting, the medallions would be handed from Matt Hittle to Dane Leasure, and from Perry Opel to Justin LaRoche. These two men would serve for a period not to exceed November of 2009.
2. Still reiterated the position of the Council to dismiss any formal relationship with the group in the Philippines that call themselves Alpha Sigma Phi. He reported that he had conversations with both Rob Sheehan and Richard Gibbs about this position, and that each of them understood the logic behind such a move.
3. Still committed to working with General Counselor, Bryan Proctor, to draft a letter that would address the situation and would bring that draft to the Council's attention in one of the upcoming Grand Council meetings.

CEO Report provided by Thawley.

As submitted and attached.

Educational Foundation Report provided by Wilkerson and Burns.

1. Partnership with the Fraternity is quickly developing into a strong relationship.
2. The G.O.L.D. Program is highly successful.
 - a. Mike Finelli from BGSU has been doing a very good job.
 - b. Goal was to visit with 140 alumni and raise \$100,000, and it appears those objectives will be met.
 - c. Foundation programming will occur at Grand Chapter in August, 2008. Foundation will sponsor five events.

3. Jonathan Burns noted that he looks forward to next week's planning session with Wilkerson and Garvey where a new Purpose and Mission will be discussed for the Foundation.
4. Jonathan Burns shared that it is the Board development Committee's goal to place three new board members by the February Meeting.

Fraternal Caucus Update provided by Schulz.

Old Business:

Motion to approve October, 2007 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Burns. Passed unanimously.

Still introduced the topic of the Ritual Book as well as the Ritual Committee that must be formed before Grand Chapter 2008. After discussion, two decisions were addressed and made.

1. A Grand Chapter Committee named the Ritual Committee will be formed and charged with the following (may not be an exhaustive list), using the Ritual Book draft supported by the Grand Council.
 - a. Consider introducing a Chartering Ceremony that is consistent with the tone and length of the existing Colonization Ceremony.
 - b. Consider changing the HZ title to one that reflects a Latin origin as opposed to a Greek origin.
 - c. Consider making the Pledge Ceremony entirely public.

Motion to charge a Ritual Committee with the responsibility of bringing a Ritual Book draft to the floor of the 2008 Grand Chapter made by Young, seconded by Buss. Passed unanimously.

2. The issue of use of the word Candidate or Pledge was raised as well as the issue of which Pledging Ceremony would be presented to the Ritual Committee for consideration.. At question was whether the Grand Council would suggest to the Ritual Committee that either the word "Candidate" or the word "Pledge" should be used when referencing the noun used to label a man who has passed through the Pledging Ceremony and has not yet been initiated through the Initiation Ceremony.

Motion made to revert to the Pledging Ceremony approved by the 2006 Grand Chapter. Additionally to return from the expanded use of "Candidate" back to the use of the term "Pledge" in the draft version of Rituals for Life and Esoteric Ceremonies of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, Inc. (The Ritual Book) that will be presented as a recommendation to the undergraduate Ritual Committee for 2008 Grand Chapter. Further, the Committee charge will include instructions to consider replacement of the word "Pledge" with "Candidate" in the Rituals. Motion made by Ritter, seconded by Schulz. Passed with majority vote. Young and Tilden voted "no".

Still allowed for conversation that addressed the topics and issues contained in the Management Letter that was attached to the 2006-07 Financial Audit. These issues include Document Retention, Investment Policy and a policy on Chapter Assets. It was noted that the auditors and Thawley expressed thanks to the Grand Council for taking action in response to previous years' Management Letter suggestions.

Thawley submitted an updated Document Retention Policy. The document was reviewed quickly by the Council. Thawley committed to having the new Policy represented when Policy 2.7 is next reviewed by the Grand Council.

Still charged Hoffman with refining the Investment Policy contained within Policy 2.5 with a focus on separating Funds Held in Trust and the Fraternity Reserve Funds.

Still introduced the topic of the Fraternity's Chapter Asset Policy. Both the audit team and the CEO agree that a more robust policy be established. It is debatable as to what exactly the policy should aim to achieve, and where the policy could be placed (i.e. Policy Book, national Constitution, national Bylaws, local Constitution, local Bylaws, etc.). Thawley referenced a compilation of other Greek organization policies. Still committed to drafting some language that would advance this topic of conversation.

The topic of housing was discussed relative to what role the national organization has in the development of solutions for chapter housing. Buss and Schulz were reminded that they committed to serving as organizers of a task force formed in February, 2007, to investigate options. Still commissioned a Grand Council Committee on Housing and said he would draft a specific charge for the Committee before February, 2008. Tilden offered to be involved in the Committee as well.

New Business:

Motion to approve GCA's as proposed the following Grand Chapter Advisors to serve until August, 2008 made by Young, seconded by Hittle. Passed unanimously.

McDaniel College

Robbie Bieschke, McDaniel '05

Stevens Institute of Technology

Thomas Ritter, Stevens Tech. '04

Northern Michigan University

Scott Mental, Northern Michigan '06

Wake Forest University

Stephen Stancil, Wake Forest '03

Otterbein College

Patrick Gaul, Otterbein '05

Westminster College

Sterling Smith, Westminster '95

Motion to approve the Bentley College, Epsilon Mu Chapter, Five Year Anniversary Grand Council Resolution made by Buss, seconded by Ritter. Passed unanimously.

Motion accept staff's recommendation to expel Robert Calton from University of Southern Indiana, and not to expel Tyler Smith from UC-Berkeley made by Schulz, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the UVA-Wise petition for charter was made by Tilden, seconded by Opel. Discussion included size (26 men), quality of campus, financial and recruitment practices, and overall prospects for long-term success. Passed unanimously.

[Lunch break started at 11:55 AM, and concluded at 12:40 AM]

Tilden and Latour updated the Council on the progress of the Annual Report. It is expected that the Report will be distributed to all emailable alumni by Founders Day, 2007. All Councilors were responsible for submitting materials by a preset deadline in order for this delivery date to be a reality.

Motion to approve Monitoring Reports 1.1 C, D, and F as submitted by Thawley and as amended made by Opel, seconded by Kefaloukos. Passed unanimously.

Still and Thawley reviewed the Strategic Plan Progress Tracker in detail. It was generally noted that good progress has been made, and now the organization must remain keenly focused on the hard work of executing the plans for a robust Chapter Council Monitoring Report and Policy manual as well as devote significant attention to assessment. Still committed to updating the Progress Tracker document and distributing it to Councilors before 2008.

2008 Grand Chapter Committees were discussed. The general timeline and committee assignments were discussed and are listed below:

November	Grand Council Determine Council Committee Assignments
January	Grand Council Determine Committee Charges
February 9	Establish Ritual Committee; Hold first meeting at Academy.
March 15	Select and Notify Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs
April 7 – 11	Staff/Grand Council Conference Call w/Committee Chairs to develop committee timeline.
May 15	Delegates notified of committee assignment
May – June	Committees hold no less than (2) committee conference calls
July 10	Materials to be presented at Grand Chapter Due
August 7	Committee Chairs Arrive to Grand Chapter Early for Meeting

Finance Committee

Council Liaison: John Tilden
Staff Contact: Dan Duncan

Credentials, Resolutions & Law

Council Liaison: J. Zimmerman
Staff Resource: Drew Thawley

Nominations Committee

Council Liaison: B. Kutz /J. Gibson
Staff Resource: Drew Thawley

Undergraduate Operations

Council Liaison: Rick Buss
Staff Resource: Steve Latour

Alumni Operations

Council Liaison: Mike Young
Staff Resource: Steve Latour

**Ritual Committee
Chairman:**

A. Kefaloukos

**Council Liaison:
Staff Contact:**

Bernie Schulz
Dan Duncan

Buss discussed the Linkage Call that will occur on November 27, 2007. The agenda was reviewed and it was noted that only those Councilors and Staff with speaking parts needed to be on the call.

Byars made a presentation on why and how Alpha Sigma Phi needs to create a recruitment culture with the organization. His presentation touched on the idea of rethinking how we set standards and how we clearly define the role of the national staff in local recruitment efforts. The presentation was well received, but many Councilors were challenged to change the way recruitment is defined and approached. Thawley reiterated the need to rethink this topic and recommitted to exploring recruitment as a topic that will receive intensified attention here forward.

Comments for the Good of Society:

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be held December 13, 2007.

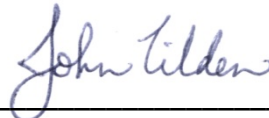
There will be a Grand Council Meeting February 8-9, 2008 at Camp Jameson, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary

**MINUTES of the GRAND COUNCIL CONFERENCE CALL
December 13, 2007**

Call to Order: 5:31 PM EST

Roll Call: Grand Junior President, Rich Ritter; Grand Secretary, John Tilden; Grand Treasurer, Jeff Hoffman; Grand Marshal, Bernie Schulz;; Grand Councilor, Rick Buss; Grand Councilor, Mike Young; Grand Councilor, Jonathan Burns; Grand Councilor, Alex Kefaloukos; Grand Councilor, Justin LaRoche; Grand Councilor Dane Leasure. General Counsel, Bryan Proctor

Absent: Grand Senior President, Mark Still; Grand Councilor, Joe Zimmerman; Grand Historian, Robert Kutz;

Guests: CEO, Drew Thawley; VP of Operations, Dan Duncan; Warwick Johnson, Epsilon Pi HSP-Elect (5:45 p.m.) Epsilon Pi GCA Bill Kellerman (5:54 p.m.)

Reports:

CEO Report—Thawley

Missouri Western may have voted to surrender their charter—officially not yet known.

Educational Foundation Report—Burns.

1. Four new directors have been asked to join the Foundation Board.
2. A new proposed mission statement should be before the board for approval in February.

General Counsel Report—Proctor

Litigation is moving at a glacial pace.

Old Business:

Motion to approve November 2007 Minutes made by Tilden, seconded by Young. Passed unanimously.

Update on Grand Chapter Preparation:

GM Schulz requested if possible that the Ritual Exemplification could be scheduled during an earlier part of the activities; the suggestion was made to not perform the Black Lantern. Scott Grissom has agreed to lead the Ritual team.

New Business:

Discussion was held on the Miami of Ohio (Epsilon Pi) Charter revocation process, with input from HSP-Elect Warwick Johnson and GCA Bill Kellerman on the call for a time. CEO Thawley recommended that Epsilon Pi be given another six months to recruit enough new members to retain their Charter.

Motion was made to extend the revocation process for the Epsilon Pi charter to be effective April 1, 2008 unless the group recruits an additional 18 men. If the chapter recruits to that goal, the issue will be revisited. Made by Burns, seconded by Schulz. Approved Unanimously.

Linkage Call Recap—Buss

There were 24 attendees on the live conference call itself; an additional 10 people listened to the recorded call afterwards.

Rick considered it an effective tool worth the cost and recommended that we consider calls on a quarterly basis. He suggested that most felt the chapter council topic had run its course and the next call should be around another topic.

Comments for the Good of Society:

Rick and Justin commented that their impression of Clemson from their November visit was that they seemed like a solid group.

John reported that the Annual Report should be going out via email soon.

The next Grand Council Conference Call will be held January 10, 2008.

There will be a Grand Council Meeting February 8-9, 2008 at Camp Jameson, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Drew M. Thawley, CEO



John Tilden, Grand Secretary