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The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony

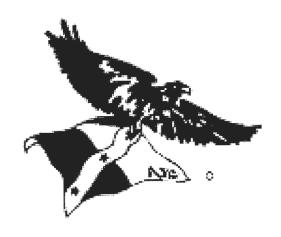


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To The
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ALPHA SIGMA PHI FRATERNITY

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Members and Officers

Prudential Committee

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The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony Mission Statement

The brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi, University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony, exist to fulfill the purposes for which this association was formed. Thus, The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi exist to promote charity, diversity, altruism, unity, brotherhood, academic excellence, community, and to better the man as a whole.

The brothers of this Colony will always strive to fulfill the virtues with which Alpha Sigma Phi stands for, that is, to forever fulfill the virtues and responsibilities noted in *To Better the Man* and Alpha Sigma Phi.

Vision Statement

Our vision is to be men of integrity who forever strive to perpetuate a brotherhood, which exemplifies the moral, ethical, and academic standards of the community as a whole.



The University of Virginia's College at Wise A Brief Overview

The University of Virginia's College at Wise was founded in 1954 as Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia. During its fifty year history, the institution has experienced remarkable growth, going from a two year to a four year college. In 1999, the college changed its name to the University of Virginia's College at Wise to more closely reflect its bonds with the University of Virginia. The only branch of the University of Virginia, UVA-Wise is home to 2,000 students and offers undergraduate and professional programs in the liberal arts tradition of Thomas Jefferson

Mission Statement.

The University of Virginia's College at Wise, a public liberal arts institution, provides students with learning experiences that offer opportunities to develop the insight, competence, sensitivity, and integrity necessary for living enriched lives and for enriching the lives of others. Established in 1954 as a college of the University of Virginia, it is guided by the values of citizenship and altruism. Proud of its Appalachian heritage, the College continues to honor its commitment of service to Southwest Virginia, the nation, and the world. The College is guided by a legacy of teaching and scholarly excellence and by a dedication to quality in both the arts and sciences and professional programs. Above all, The University of Virginia's College at Wise is a diverse community of people who believe that information can be transformed into knowledge and that teaching and learning create a foundation for wisdom.



Greek Life Overview

The Greek Life program at the University of Virginia's College at Wise has underwent dramatic changes in order to make it a more vibrant component of the College's mission. As a result, in 2005, the Vice Chancellor for Administration created a task force to evaluate the existing Greek system at UVA-Wise. Ultimately, the task force helped lead the UVA-Wise Greek system to develop an Inter-Fraternity Council and a Panhellinic Council and require that all fraternities and sororities maintain national status. Thus, UVA-Wise is now home to NIC fraternities, PHC sororities, and a NPHC sorority. The Inter-Fraternity Council and the Panhellinic Council are the basic governing bodies for fraternities and sororities on campus. The Inter-Greek Council oversees fraternities and sororities as a whole. These bodies construct requirements for membership in addition to the individual organization's membership requirements.

Greek life at UVA-Wise is an important component of the extra-curricular experience and encourages students to excel in academics, community service, dedication and loyalty to the alma mater, and dedication to one's self and others. The institution encourages the member organizations to live their ritual and represent the values that they were founded upon. Further, the institution promotes leadership development in Greek life and continuously funds attendance at regional and national leadership conferences, and maintains a full-time intern in Greek Life. Members of UVA-Wise Greek organizations are involved in numerous over organizations, including Student Government, Residence Life, athletics, academic honor societies, Student Activities Board, Honor Court and the Campus Judicial Board. Leadership development is promoted by members participating and holding leadership positions in not only their Greek organizations, but other organization as well.

Social Aspects

Membership in Greek organizations requires that members learn to live and work with other motivated and dedicated students. With the development of the IFC and PC, the Greek life community at UVA-Wise promotes friendships and associations with other organizations and encourages mixers, service events and co-sponsored events between Greek organizations.

Service Aspects

Service to the institution, community and society is encouraged and demonstrated by Greek organizations at UVA-Wise. Member organizations hold numerous charity events and community service events and are involved in programs such as Adopt A Highway, Relay for Life, Locks of Love, Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, and Arches Headstart (a local preschool).

Greek Life Overview (Cont.)

Scholarship

Fraternity and sorority members recognize that the reason they attend UVA-Wise is first and foremost to gain an education. This is central to all facets of Greek Life. The Interfraternity and Panhellinc Councils require that each member maintain a 2.25 GPA.

UVA-WISE GREEK ORGANIZATIONS

FRATERNITIES Alpha Sigma Phi Kappa Sigma Pi Kappa Phi Pi Lambda Phi Order of Omega Greek Honor Society Gamma Sigma Alpha National Greek Academic Honor Society

GREEK MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Enrollment Statistics (Fall 2006)

Total Undergraduate Enrollment Total Undergraduate Female Total Undergraduate Male	1111		
Greek Membership Statistics*			
Total Number Fraternities Total Number Sororities Total Greek Membership Total Fraternity Membership Total Sorority Membership Average Greek Chapter Size Average Fraternity Chapter Size Average Sorority Chapter Size	4 180 88 92 22.5		
Greek Percentage Statistics**			
Total Greek Membership Total Fraternity Membership Total Sorority Membership	4.51%		

^{*}Percentages of Greek population as compared to university undergraduate enrollment.

GREEK SCHOLARSHIP STATISTICS

Fall 2006

Fraternity and Sorority Semester GPA

	F Alpha Sigma Phi S Alpha Sigma Tau S Delta Sigma Theta F Kappa Sigma	3.045 2.984				
	5 Phi Sigma Sigma F Pi Kappa Phi F Pi Lambda Phi	2.913 2.017 2.505				
	5 Theta Phi Alpha	2.560				
Fall 2006 Fraternity and Sorority Semester Cumulative GPA						
	F Alpha Sigma Phi S Alpha Sigma Tau Delta Sigma Theta	3.007				

Grades as a group

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in both Fall 2006;

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up till Fall 2006

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Brief History

The vision for a fraternity that represented the needs for gentlemen who wanted something different than the "frat boy" stereotype emerged during the fall semester of 2003. During that semester, three gentlemen, Joseph Emond '05, Matthew Pickering '06, and David Jay '05, were sitting in their residence hall room when Joseph Emond asked how they felt about starting a fraternity on campus that would accommodate the values they all shared. They agreed that something new and fresh was needed on the campus of UVA-Wise and began researching different national organizations. The organizations they looked at were either too expensive, or were not interested in UVA-Wise. Then, the men discovered Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity. Not only was Alpha Sigma Phi interested in starting an interest group and future chapter on the UVA-Wise campus, but also went the extra mile to provide the information and resources that he gentlemen needed in forming an interest group. Thus, the decision was made to bring the Old Gal to Wise, Virginia.

The following year saw many changes to the UVA-Wise interest group. Membership increased to twenty seven men, and on December 4, 2004, the interest group colonized. Proud of this momentous achievement, the gentlemen of UVA-Wise Colony started making plans to improve their organization in preparation for chartering. The colony treaded some rough water and experienced a decline in membership and in GPAs. Fall 2005, however, saw the colony ratify a new constitution, increase fundraising, increase support for community service and philanthropic events, including adopting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library as their local philanthropy. The colony began cooking dinners at the local homeless shelter on a regular basis. In addition, the UVA-Wise Colony began creating networks with other chapters of Alpha Sigma Phi, including chapters at Virginia Polytechnic and State University, Radford University, and Appalachian State University.

Spring 2006 saw further development and decline for the colony. The Colony was recognized for membership recruitment at the College's annual Student Leadership Banquet. In addition, numerous brothers were recognized at this banquet for their leadership and service to Student Government, residence life, and the Inter-Greek Council. At the same time, the colony had some of the highest GPAs of all Greeks on campus, but also had some of the lowest GPAs. Graduation saw three of our brothers proceed to another phase in their lives and other brothers had made the choice to transfer or leave school.

Summer 2006, however, saw an emergence of the Phoenix once again. Four brothers attended the 2006 Grand Chapter and Leadership Conference in Charlotte, NC. This conference rekindled the fire within their hearts and led them on a determined path to see the UVA-Wise colony chartered. The brothers witnessed one of their own receiving recognition as the National Scholar of the Year for 2006. In addition, the contacts and relationships that they made at the conference geared us and prepared us to reorganize our colony's business meetings and work towards Alpha Sigma Phi's mission to better the man.

The end of the 2006-2007 school year will bring a proud but important time to the UVA-Wise colony with the graduation of 7 brothers, Bryan Wright, Joshua Justice, Steven Perez, John Kaylor, David Strauss, Justice Necessary, and Jared Stallard, who were for a long time many of the people who helped organize and instill what Alpha Sigma Phi was about. The graduation of these 7 brothers makes a very important point to the members that each brother must step up and become the motivators and contribute to the strength of Alpha Sigma Phi. The important thing that the UVA-Wise colony has learned with 7 brothers graduated is that this fraternity is liquid, ever changing and must learn to adapt to the ever changing problems that will arise.

With the changes to Greek Life on the campus of UVA-Wise, the colony has adapted and changed its methods to better exemplify Alpha Sigma Phi. A new scholarship program has been set in place to help increase GPAs and help brothers experience a rewarding academic experience. In addition, the colony formed a new Intramural Director position to oversee the promotion and participation of our brothers in the Intramural program at UVA-Wise. It is our belief that participation in campus intramurals not only helps build a strong brotherhood, but also promotes dedication and sportsmanship. Finally, our colony will run its weekly business meetings based on parliamentary procedure. The colony is living in exciting times at UVA-Wise and looks forward to continuing the promotion of Alpha Sigma Phi's values of silence, charity, purity, honor and patriotism.

Finances are great

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Financial Record

As a colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, we understand that in order to be valuable and contributing men to society that we must maintain organized and adequate financial records and operations.

Fall 2006 Budget

Beginning Balance			\$2,050.00
Revenue:		Expected	Total
Chapter Dues Number of Brothers Number of New Members	24 	Due Amount \$100.00	\$2,400.00
Fundraising Money		\$500.00	\$500.00
Total Revenue:			\$2,900.00
Expenses:		Allocated	Expended
Brotherhood Committee Constitution Committee Editor (Advertising) Fundraising Intramural Philanthropy Scholarship Social		\$25.00 \$10.00 \$10.00 \$50.00 \$25.00 \$100.00 \$10.00	\$50 \$28.71
Major Events: Masquerade Ball Recruitment Week		\$100.00 \$25.00	\$100.00
Contingency Fund Insurance Payment		\$250.00 \$2,000.00	\$185.00 \$2,431.50
Total Expenses:		\$2,642.50	\$2,795.21
Beginning Balance: Total revenue Total Expenses Ending Balance		\$2,050.00 \$2,900.00 \$2,154.97	\$2,795.21

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Financial Record

Spring 2007 Budget

Beginning Balance			\$2,154.09
Revenue:		Expected	Total
Chapter Dues Number of Brothers Number of New Members	18 10	Due Amount \$50.00 or \$75.00 	\$950.00
Donations Fundraising Money		\$1,000.00	\$40.00 <u>\$1,024.28</u>
Total Revenue:			\$2,014.28
Expenses:		Allocated	Expended
Brotherhood Committee Constitution Committee Editor (Advertising) Fundraising Intramural Philanthropy Scholarship Social		\$25.00 \$10.00 \$10.00 \$50.00 \$25.00 \$100.00 \$10.00 \$37.50	\$126.00 \$23.95 \$98.42 \$74.48 \$9.00 \$28.71
Major Events Jam 4 Man		\$100.00	N/A
Miscellaneous Expenses		\$50.00	\$50.00
Total Expenses:		<u>\$1,167.50</u>	<u>\$1,313.85</u>
Beginning Balance: Total Revenue Total Expenses Ending Balance		\$2,154.09 \$2,014.28 <u>\$2,854.52</u>	\$1,313.85

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Biographies

William Joel Ernst, IV

Position: Brother

Hometown: Richmond, VA Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): History and Sociology

Cumulative GPA: 2.69 Fall 2006 GPA: 3.75

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Extracurriculars: Residence Life Resident Advisor, Theatre

Maxmilian T. Ward Position: Brother

Hometown: Virginia Beach, VA Class Standing: Freshman

Major(s): Undecided Cumulative GPA: 2.875 Fall 2006 GPA: 2.875

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Extracurriculars: Outdoor Recreation

Zachary David Bowen
Position: President

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Joshua Vincent Justice

Position: Brother Hometown: Wise, VA Class Standing: Senior Cumulative GPA: 3.992 Fall 2006 GPA: 4.0

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Extracurriculars: Housing and Residence Life, Up Til' Dawn, NRHH President, Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society, Darden Society

John Bryan Wright IV

Position: Brother

Hometown: Newport News, VA

Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): Administration of Justice

Cumulative GPA: 3.156 **Fall 2006 GPA:** 3.438

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Extracurriculars: Campus Judicial Board, Jazz Band, and Wind Ensemble

Sean Thomas Murphy Position: Secretary

Hometown: Newport News. VA

Class Standing: Junior

Major(s): History

Cumulative GPA: 2.725 **Fall 2006 GPA:** 2.869

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Extracurriculars: Student Government elections committee

John Matthew Kaylor Position: Brother

Hometown: Roanoke, VA Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): Administration of Justice

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Extracurriculars: Campus Judicial Board, Concert Band

Donovan Logan Mabe

Position: Brother

Hometown: Appalachia, VA **Class Standing:** Junior

Major(s): Biology and Physics

Cumulative GPA: 3.933 Fall 2006 GPA: 4.0

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Extracurriculars: Tutor

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Cumulative GPA: 2.271 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.271

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Timothy Michael Matney

Position: Marshall

Hometown: Grundy, VA Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): History

Cumulative GPA: 2.340 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.092

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Extracurriculars: National Residence Hall Honorary, Residence Hall

Association, Multicultural Alliance, Highland Players

Stephen Lynn Orange

Position: Treasurer Hometown: Montvale, VA

Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): Accounting and Business Administration

Cumulative GPA: 3.481 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.325

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Extracurriculars: SGA Elections Commissioner

Inmar Romero
Position: Brother

Hometown: Woodbridge, VA Class Standing: Freshmen

Major(s): Political Science/ Foreign Study Concentration in Spanish

Cumulative GPA: 3.61 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.61

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Extracurriculars: Multicultural Alliance, International Affairs Association

Jared Weston Stallard

Position: Brother

Hometown: Coeburn, VA Class Standing: Senior Major(s): Political Science Cumulative GPA: 2.933 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.750

E-mail Address: jrodstallard@gmail.com Extracurriculars: Young Democrats

Justin Lacy Necessary

Position: Brother Hometown: Wise, VA Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): History and Philosophy

Cumulative GPA: 2.508 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.575

E-mail Address: drnizzle06@yahoo.com Extracurriculars: Young Democrats

James Flick

Position: Brother

Hometown: Bristol, TN

Class Standing: Sophomore

Major(s): History

Cumulative GPA: 2.540 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.540

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Michael Christian Archer

Position: Brother

Hometown: Great Falls, VA Class Standing: Sophomore Major(s): Communications Cumulative GPA: 2.281 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.306

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Tucker Clayton Stapleton
Position: Vice-President
Hometown: Roanoke, VA
Class Standing: Junior
Major(s): Computer Science
Cumulative GPA: 2.722
Spring 2006 GPA: 2.740

E-mail Address: tcs9n@uvawise.edu

Extracurriculars: Housing and Residence Life Resident Advisor, Order of

Omega, Interfraternity Council Treasurer.

Peter Henning Julius Lloyd Kuich

Position: Brother

Hometown: Hamburg, Germany

Class Standing: Junior

Major(s): Biology and Chemistry

Cumulative GPA: 3.937 Spring 2006 GPA: 4.0

E-mail Address: phk6q@uvawise.edu Extracurriculars: UVA-Wise Tennis Team

David Strauss
Position: Brother

Hometown: Annandale, VA Class Standing: Senior

Major(s): Theatre

Cumulative GPA: 2.506 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.908

E-mail Address: dss6c@uvawise.edu Extracurriculars: Highland Players

Justin Tyler Wilson

Position: Recruitment and New Member Educator

Hometown: Danville, VA Class Standing: Sophomore

Major(s): Nursing

Cumulative GPA: 2.815 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.106

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Extracurriculars: Highland Players

David Compton

Position: Philanthropy Chair Hometown: Gate City, VA Class Standing: Senior Major(s): Chemistry Cumulative GPA: 3.059 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.523

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Extracurriculars: Housing and Residence Life Resident Advisor, Residence Hall

Association Vice-President, Intramurals, National Residence Hall Honorary member, Non-voting member of UVA-Wise Board, Baptist Campus Ministries,

Alpha Zeta Sigma Xi

Paul Matthew Trgovac

Position: Brother

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Major(s): Theatre

Cumulative GPA: 2.335 Spring 2006 GPA: 2.340

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Extracurriculars: Housing and Residence Life, Sexual Orientation Alliance

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Kemper Scott Edwards

Position: Fundraising Chair Hometown: Clinchco, VA Class Standing: Junior Major(s): Sociology Cumulative GPA: 2.732 Fall 2006 GPA: 2.750

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Extracurriculars: Ameri-Corps

Aaron Joseph Helbert

Position: Brother

Hometown: Castlewood, VA

Class Standing: Junior Major(s): Chemistry Cumulative GPA: 3.586

Spring 2006 GPA: 2.969

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Delmer Clifton Dotson, Jr. Position: Member-at-Large Hometown: Bristol, VA Class Standing: Junior Major(s): Accounting Cumulative GPA: 3.300 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.300

E-mail Address: dcd3r@uvawise.edu Extracurriculars: Phi Beta Lambda

Jonah Adkins
Position: Brother

Hometown: Galax, VA Class Standing: Junior

Major(s): Computer Science and Theatre

Cumulative GPA: 3.893 Spring 2006 GPA: 3.681

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Extracurriculars: Sexual Orientation Alliance, Theatre, Rainbow Cacus

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Alumni Roster

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UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Short Term Goals

As a rising organization on the campus of the University of Virginia's College at Wise, we have established several short term goals to gear us towards the future. These goals will enable us *to better the man*, while establishing ourselves as a premier chapter on campus.

- 1. To excel in all scholastic areas
- 2. To mature into a united brotherhood devoted to enriching the lives of its members both academically and emotionally
- 3. To increase membership perpetuating the longevity of the organization
- 4. To instill a positive and lasting impact throughout the community
- 5. To foster a brotherhood that is both fiscally responsible and financially secure
- 6. To create an environment that will allow brothers to fully accept the responsibilities passed onto them

Goal 1: To Excel in All Scholastic Areas

<u>Goal 1a:</u> In order to develop a brotherhood of reputable academic ability, it is necessary to secure those men who understand the importance of dedicating their time to their studies.

<u>Goal1b:</u> Setup and execute a system that requires all brothers to be held accountable for scholarly performance

Goal1c: Require all those brothers who do not possess the minimum required GPA to meet regularly with the Scholarship Director

<u>Goal1d:</u> Provide recognition of those individuals achieving scholastic excellence through certificates and awards

Short Term Goals (cont.)

Goal 2:

To mature into a united brotherhood devoted to enriching the lives of its members both academically and emotionally

<u>Goal 2a:</u> By instituting tight bonds between members, the brotherhood will flourish with gentlemen who can communicate with one another in a respectable manner.

Goal 2b: Planning a regularly scheduled forum for all brothers to attend and alleviate all negative influences in the fraternity and stress the positives. This will help quell any possible tension among individuals.

<u>Goal 2c:</u> The introduction of the membership to influential faculty and staff on campus will increase the opportunities each member will have in his future.

<u>Goal 2d:</u> Each semester a workshop will be planned that will teach the brothers how to network with one another as well as prominent members of society. This quality among the members will aid them not only during their college life but throughout their career.

Goal 3: To increase membership perpetuating the longevity of the organization

Goal 3a: Each semester the fraternity will incorporate new members that have the potential to contribute to the current and future stability of the "ole gal".

Goal 3b: Emphasizing the importance of recruitment as a year long process and that each brother should always be on the lookout for Alpha Sig caliber men.

Goal 3c: A primary method of year long recruitment is to launch recurring meet and greets to introduce ourselves to prospective members.

Goal 3d: Once we accept new brothers, a process of integration will begin to help each new member acclimate to the new responsibilities and dedication expected of them.

Short Term Goals (cont.)

Goal 4: To instill a positive and lasting impact throughout the community

<u>Goal 4a:</u> By providing service to local charitable organizations, we can establish lasting relationships that will benefit others as well as provide the brotherhood with a location to continually conduct philanthropic events.

<u>Goal 4b:</u> The importance of community service will be instilled into the members and ample opportunity will be given to them to dedicate themselves to the community.

Goal 4c: Annual charity events for the national philanthropy, Canines Companions for Independence, will be held to raise funds by the members of the colony at UVA-Wise.

<u>Goal 4d:</u> Each member will do his part to exemplify the values of Alpha Sigma Phi in his daily life. In doing so, each brother instill a positive lasting impression for all to see.

Goal 5: To foster a brotherhood that is both fiscally responsible and financially secure

<u>Goal 5a:</u> In order for an organization to endure, the practice of fiscal responsibility will be taught to each member.

<u>Goal 5b:</u> To acquire funds, the Fundraising Committee will be responsible to accomplishing a quota decided at the onset of each semester.

Goal 5c: Detailed records of all financial transactions related to the fraternity shall be managed with all due care. This also applies to all payments made and received by national headquarters.

Goal 6: To create an environment that will allow brothers to fully accept the responsibilities passed onto them

Goal 6a: To train brothers to be able to step in and take over the responsibilities of any brother in a leadership role to ensure the continuation of the brotherhood.

Goal 6b: To create a local leadership manual to better train the incoming leaders on what they should expect.

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Long Term Goals

Goal 1: To remain a diverse and varied group of men

<u>Goal 1a:</u> By being comprised of gentlemen from various cultural, social, and ethnic backgrounds, the brotherhood can grow from each individual's diverse knowledge and perception of all types of societal interaction.

Goal 1b: Diversity within the brotherhood teaches acceptance and openmindedness to prevent a stagnation and insipidness within the organization

Goal 1c: An organization that truly stays unique continues to draw attention and respect from a varied student body that becomes more diverse with each passing year.

Goal 2: To cultivate a strong alumni board

<u>Goal 2a:</u> By culminating a stable board of alumni, a brotherhood can maintain the experience, knowledge, and traditions that help support the organization as it grows.

Goal 2b: A board of alumni ensures that when a brother graduates and moves on that his leadership and character do not leave with him.

<u>Goal 2c</u>: The pool of alumni will be encouraged to keep a continued presence within the organization in order to ensure that the concerns and opinions of the alumni are addressed.

Goal 3: To carry on the tradition of being the most respectable and reputable gentlemen inhabiting the campus

<u>Goal 3a:</u> The legacy of Alpha Sigma Phi is carried on by each new member class, a new member class comprised by men of the same caliber that guarantees Alpha Sigma Phi will remain in its proper place of respect on the campus.

<u>Goal 3b:</u> The current and future outstanding group of brothers will strive to stay admired and respected by the faculty and staff of the campus.

<u>Goal 3c:</u> The goal of respectability on the campus is only half of this long term goal, the other half being to preserve and further support the image of a service fraternity to the community.

Letters of Support

Russell Necessary, Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management & Advisor

Jeff S. Howard, Dean of Students

Jimmy Byers, Fraternity Consultant

April 26, 2007

Dear Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity:

It is with much excitement that The University of Virginia's College at Wise and our Office of Greek Life, Inter-Greek Council, and our newly formed Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils welcome the chartering of your colony on our campus.

We welcome your expansion at our College and are very supportive and appreciative of the contributions which your group brings to Greek Life and to UVa-Wise. Our invitation comes with the full and unanimous support of our Inter-Greek Council and member fraternities and sororities: Alpha Sigma Tau, Delta Sigma Theta, Theta Phi Alpha, Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Phi, Pi Lambda Phi and Phi Sigma Sigma) as well as the support of the entire Division of Student Affairs.

We look forward to your organization becoming a part of our rich history and tradition. Please contact us with any questions or if we can be of any assistance. We look forward to "Welcoming you to Wise!" in the near future.

Sincerely,

Jeff Howard Dean of Students



THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA'S

COLLEGE AT WISE

April 26, 2007

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of support for Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. I have been affiliated with this group of young men for the past four years. In that time I have been impressed with the level of maturity displayed by each member and the incredible enthusiasm they have for growth at the University of Virginia's College at Wise. When the membership approached me about becoming their activities advisor I was at first skeptical because they were new and I did not much about Alpha Sigma Phi, but I must say that all of my concerns were for naught. These are upstanding young men and genuinely care about what they do and what they stand for I am extremely proud to be associated with them and hope to be for many years to come

I give Alpha Sigma Phi my highest recommendation and support.

Sincerely yours,
Richard Galyan

Richard Galyean

Director of Bands

Instructor of Music

Activities Advisor Alpha Sigma Phi

The University of Virginia's College at Wise

UVA-Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Constitution

PREAMBLE

For the better accomplishment of the objects and purposes of Alpha Sigma Phi, a fraternity established by Louis Manigault, Stephen Ormsby Rhea, and Horace Spangler Weiser, of honored memory, at Yale College on December 6, 1845, and organized as a corporation under the laws of the State of New York, in order to uphold the objects and purposes of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, and to assist the members of this organization, The University of Virginia's College at Wise, the following constitution is adopted in order to perpetuate, nurture, and uphold the values of moral integrity, scholarship, patriotism, diversity, charity, and leadership not only in its members but within the UVA-Wise community.

ARTICLE I: Name and Mission

Section A.

The name of this organization shall formally be known as University of Virginia's College at Wise Alpha Sigma Phi Colony. For the purposes of recognition and prestige, we shall informally be known as Alpha Sigma Phi.

Section B.

The Mission of the UVA-Wise Alpha Sigma Phi Colony is to be men of integrity who forever strive to perpetuate a brotherhood which exemplifies the moral, ethical, and academic standards of the community as a whole.

ARTICLE II: Supremacy Clause

Section A.

All policies, procedures, and regulations set forth by the National Convention, unequivocally become enacted by UVA-Wise Alpha Sigma Phi Colony; therefore, the National Constitution shall be implemented but not listed in this document.

Section B.

This document serves to supplement the procedures, policies, and regulations set forth by the Grand Council of Alpha Sigma Phi, Inc.

ARTICLE III: Government

Section A. Constitution and By-Laws

Title I. The government of this organization shall reside in the constitution and bylaws of: Alpha Sigma Phi, Inc., this document, the Prudential Committee of this organization, Inter-Greek Council Policies and Risk Management Guidelines, Student Government Association Policies, The University of Virginia's College at Wise, The Commonwealth of Virginia, and The United States of America.

Title II. Except as provided in Article III, Section A, Title I, this Constitution shall be the fundamental law of this organization. The Constitution, By-laws, rituals,

policies, procedures, and regulations shall be interpreted by the constituted authorities and enacted immediately thereafter.

Title III. The by-laws shall specifically define the activities of our organization not otherwise mentioned in the constitution.

Title IV. The Constitution, By-laws, policies, procedures, regulations of a general nature may be viewed by the public, whereas, the Ritual, formal ceremony of induction, bid session and matters of secret nature concerning this organization, shall remain strictly esoteric.

Title V. The Prudential committee shall deal with violations of governing constitutions in accordance with the by-laws of this organization.

Section B. Judicial Board

Title I. In cases dealing with misconduct and, but not limited to, infringements upon the entities listed in the Article III, Section A. the Judicial Board shall Investigate the matter, Interpret the evidence, make a judgment, and issue sanctions.

Title II. The Judicial Board Shall be composed of:

- a. Chairman (Vice President)
- b. (2) Members at Large
- a. PMALs will serve as the prosecution and defense.
- b. The defendant will select which PMAL will represent him.
- c. Jury (Risk Management Chair, IGC Judicial Rep, and one member elected by the general membership).
- d. The Recording Secretary should take notes on the trial.
- e. The Sergeant at Arms should police the proceedings.
- f. A recommended structure for judicial proceedings is listed in the bylaws of this document. The chairman may deviate from this list however he sees fit.

Title III. Absences during Judicial Proceedings

- a. If for some reason any member of the Judicial Board cannot attend the proceedings, that member will be replaced at the discretion of the chair.
- b. If the chair is the defendant then the President will serve as chair for the duration of that trial.

Title IV. Sanctions

The Judicial Board is responsible for imposing sanctions that may only be appealed to the Prudential Committee.

Section C. Legislation

Title I. The prudential council serves as ex-officio members of the general membership. The only person who does not ordinarily vote in general meetings is

the president. In the case of a 50%/50% tie the president will cast the tie breaking vote.

Title II. Quorum for all general meetings is fifty percent of the active membership roster plus one. At least fifty percent plus one, of the quorum must vote in the affirmative to ratify legislation.

Title III. Recall Vote. Under extreme circumstances, the members of the prudential council are empowered to call for a recall vote, which takes priority over all business on the table at that time.

Section D. Administration

Title I. The administrative officers and committee structure shall be in accordance to the Chapters Officers Guide. The duties and responsibilities not listed in the Chapters Officers Guide are defined in the By-Laws.

Title II. The Prudential Committee shall consist of:

- a. Chairman (Vice President)
- b. President
- c. Treasurer
- d. (2) Members at Large

Title III. The Prudential Committee is in charge of enforcing all governing constitutions.

Section D. Advisors

The Grand Chapter Advisor(s) and Alumni Advisor shall reserve only the rights as outlined in their manuals.

ARTICLE IV: Financial

Section A. Management

The management of all financial responsibilities and monetary expenditures shall reside in the authority of the Prudential Committee as approved by the General Membership.

Section B. Dues

The amount of semester dues shall be a subjective number; moreover, the Prudential Committee shall set forth on a semi-annual basis in which any dues or changes in dues are subject to the General Membership approval.

Section C. Payment

The payment of dues, fines, or fraternity fees, is due at a date decided upon by the general membership. If the active member is unable to relinquish such debt, a signed "contract of payment" must be arranged through the Prudential Committee before the due date.

Section D. Collection

The collection of all chapter revenue shall be the sole responsibility of the Treasurer or duly authorized active member(s) as deemed necessary by the Prudential Committee.

Section E. Non-payment

If a member falls behind in payments to the organization that member shall be served with a "No Voice, No Vote" sanction. After one month or the end of the semester (whichever comes first) that member shall be placed on temporary suspension until the account is up to date.

ARTICLE V: Amendment Clause

Section A. Amending The Constitution or By-laws

The Constitution and Bylaws of the UVA-Wise Alpha Sigma Phi Colony may be amended in the following way:

- 1. First, an amendment has to be brought before the prudential committee by the member proposing it.
- 2. Second, the prudential committee will determine the legitimacy of the amendment by means of a two-thirds majority vote.
- 3. If passed the amendment will be presented to the general membership at the next general meeting.
- 4. If the amendment receives a three-fourths majority vote in the affirmative the amendment will take affect at the appropriate time, at the discretion of the prudential committee.

Section B. Overruling The Prudential Committee

If the prudential committee denies the request to bring the proposal before the membership, then the member proposing it is allowed to state the amendment to the membership at the next meeting. A three-fourths majority is required to bring the amendment up for a vote.

By-Laws of the University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity

PREAMBLE

These By-laws are the statutes for the government of The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony of Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity, enacted in conjunction with the Constitution of The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony to more fully define the powers, duties, and functions which are authorized there under

ARTICLE I. OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

Section A. Duties and Responsibilities

- 1. Officers and Committee Chairmen shall perform the duties of their respective positions as set forth by Alpha Sigma Phi Officer and Committee Chairman Manual and the respective Alpha Sigma Phi officer manuals and guidelines. Should an officers' position not be described, that officer will accept the responsibilities bestowed upon him by the President, the Prudential Committee, and/or the general membership and shall abide by the general rules and laws applicable to any officer of the brotherhood.
- 2. Each officer and committee chairman shall be responsible for formulating a budget for each semester, if necessary, and submitting it to the Treasurer at a time of his discretion.

Section B. Hierarchy

- 1. HSP President
- 2. HJP Vice President
- 3. HE Treasurer
- 4. HS Secretary
- 5. HCS Corresponding Secretary
- 6. HM Marshal
- 7. HC Sergeant-at-Arms
- 8. HA Scholarship Director
- 9. HR Editor
- 10. HP Alumni Director

Section C. Requirements

- 1. Any nominee for or holding an H-Office must have a 2.5/4.0 cumulative Grade Point Average.
- 2. Nominee for President, Vice President, or Marshal must be initiated for a minimum of two semesters.
- 3. Nominee for President, Vice President, or Marshal must have at least 60 hours of credit.

- 4. Nominee for any other H-Office must be initiated for a minimum of one semester and have at least 30 hours of credit.
- 5. Nominee for any H-Office must be able to fulfill the requirements of the position in their entirety.

Section D. Impeachment

Impeachment or reinstatement of any H-officer can only occur through the Prudential Committee or a two-thirds (2/3) majority of quorum during a chapter meeting.

Section E. Standing Committees

- 1. Prudential Committee
- 2. Recruitment Committee
- 3. Service / Philanthropy Committee
- 4. Brotherhood Development Committee
- 5. New Member Education Committee
- 6. Social Committee
- 7. Public Relations Committee
- 8. Risk Management Committee

Section F. Ad-Hoc Committees

Ad-hoc committees can be appointed by the Prudential Committee and shall operate as long as deemed necessary by the Prudential Committee. The ad-hoc committee is subject to follow the rules and regulations established by Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity National Headquarters, the Inter-Greek Council, and The University of Virginia's College at Wise.

ARTICLE II. PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

Section A.

The Prudential Committee shall operate in accordance to all policies and responsibilities outlined in the Alpha Sigma Phi Chapter Officer & Committee Chairman Manual.

Section B.

The Prudential Committee shall consist of the members as outlined in Article III, Section D.2 of The University of Virginia's College at Wise Alpha Sigma Phi Colony Constitution.

Section C.

The election of the two Prudential Members at Large (hereafter referred to as PMAL) representatives shall be by the general membership. The two members

must be considered from the pool of active members that are non-H officers; however, all committee chairmen may be nominated.

Section D. Meetings

- 1. All Prudential Committee meetings shall be chaired by the Vice-President. In the absence of the Vice-President, the President shall serve as Chairman.
- 2. The Prudential Committee shall meet once a week during the school year and should communicate as necessary over the summer.
- 3. All Prudential Committee meetings shall be open for the attendance by an alumnus or active brother. The Prudential Committee has the right to change any open meeting to a closed executive meeting at their discretion, and any brother in attendance shall recognize a no voice / no vote policy.

Section E. Voting

- 1. Every member of the Prudential Committee shall have one vote (totaling 5).
- 2. Affirmation on an item of business requires a majority vote of four (4).
- 3. A majority vote of three (3) automatically falls the item of business due to lack of support.

Section F. Procedures for a Recall Vote

- 1. During a general meeting a vote takes place.
- 2. A Prudential committee member moves for a Recall.
- 3. Immediately the Prudential committee votes on the Recall. If 50% +1 Prudential Committee Member votes in favor of the Recall the matter is postponed until the next Prudential Council Meeting, unless time is of the essence. In a matter where time is of the essence (i.e. Where the event being voted upon would pass between the meeting and the next prudential council meeting and the subsequent general meeting) then the prudential council shall convene at its discretion
- 4. The Chairman announces whether the matter will be postponed or not. If the matter is to be postponed, the chairman addresses the membership to consult with the Members at Large to have them address any concerns that the members may have, or they may appear at the Prudential committee meeting themselves to speak.
- 5. At the Prudential committee Meeting the matter will be discussed and voted upon again. While general members are welcome to appear and discuss their concerns with the committee, recall voting in the Prudential committee meeting will be a closed session. If the Recall is affirmed, the decision would be reopened to the general membership. If not, then the previous decision concerning the motion in question stands.
- 6. If the motion carries, at the next general membership meeting the matter will be re-opened to the members, and require an 80% vote to override the recall. If an 80% consensus is not reached then the motion fails, and the recall stands.

Article III. Judicial Proceedings

Section A. Trial

The judicial proceedings should run as follows, keeping in mind that the chairman may deviate from this structure as he sees fit.

- 1. Prosecution opening statement
- 2. Defense opening statement
- 3. Prosecution presents evidence
- 4. Defense presents evidence
- 5. Defense closing statement
- 6. Prosecution closing statement

Section B. Evidence

1. The chair shall determine the appropriateness of all evidence set before the jury and a time frame in which all evidence must be shared with both sides.

ARTICLE IV. ELECTIONS

Section A. Quorum

A quorum of two thirds (2/3) of the qualified voting members is required to hold an election.

Section B. Vote Counts

The Secretary shall be the duly authorized member to tally all votes.

Section C. Timing

Elections shall be held every school year by a 2-week process as follows:

- 1. Nominations by the second full week in April.
- 2. Speeches and elections by the third full week in April.

Section D. Voting

All officers and committee chairman should be elected by a secret vote on a school year basis by the following process:

- 1. A nominee must be elected by 50% plus one of the voting brothers.
- 2. If there are more than two nominees, a first vote will be taken.
- 3. If one of the nominees receives 50% plus one of the vote on the first ballot, he will be consider the victor for the position.
- 4. If none of the nominees receive 50% plus one majority on the first ballot, a run-off election will be held between the two nominees receiving the highest vote totals in the first round of voting.

- 5. If the second ballot ends in a tie, the standing President will cast the deciding vote. If the standing President is one of the candidates, then the Grand Chapter Advisor will break the tie.
- 6. No member is allowed to hold more than one (1) H-Office or one (1) Committee Chairman.

ARTICLE V. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Requirements

- 1. Be a male student at The University of Virginia's College at Wise.
- 2. Not affiliated with another Greek social/general fraternity.
- 3. Maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.3/4.0 or The University of Virginia's College at Wise Inter-Greek Council requirement, whichever is higher.
- 4. All members must maintain the standards established by the Colony, Alpha Sigma Phi National Headquarters, the Inter-Greek Council, and The University of Virginia's College at Wise regarding education and scholarship.

Section B. New Members

- 1. To receive a bid for membership a prospective member must meet all requirements of Article IV, Section A.
- 2. Pledgeship shall be attained through an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of qualified members of The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony along with the following provisions:
- a. At least 50% plus one of the membership must be present to hold a voting session.
- b. Bids by proxy must be given directly to the Marshal prior to the voting session.
- c. No abstentions for new member voting are permitted.
- d. Prospective members will be voted on individually.
- e. The Marshall shall count the ballots and shall report to the membership whether or not a bid will be extended to the prospective member.

Section C. Initiation

- 1. Approval of a new member for initiation requires an affirmative four-fifths (4/5) majority vote of all qualified members.
- 2. Initiation into The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony requires a 2.3/4.0 minimum cumulative GPA to be determined by the grade report from the semester immediately preceding initiation.

ARTICLE VI. FINANCIAL

Section A.

All finances shall be handled by the Treasurer, under the guidance of the Prudential Committee and a Finance Committee formed under the provisions of Article I, Section F.

Section B.

The Treasurer, under provisions of Article I, Section A.2, shall request individual budgets from each committee chairman by the 12th week of the prior semester.

Section C.

The Treasurer shall present the proposed budget for the following semester to the chapter for approval no less than three weeks prior to the end of the current semester.

Section D.

All money not used at the end of a given semester shall be placed in the savings fund of the fraternity.

ARTICLE VII. DUES

Section A. Special Assessments

Under such circumstances that a member may have difficulty paying the full amount of dues at one time, that member may opt to accept an alternative payment plan provided by the Prudential Committee, which will extend a maximum period of the current semester.

Section B.

Should a member be unable to pay the full amount of dues, even with respect to the Special Assessments Clause, within the same semester the individual will be suspended from all chapter activities and functions for a maximum of one year.

Section C.

Should a person whose membership has been suspended due to financial difficulties wish to rejoin the membership, he must repay all his outstanding debts to the brotherhood, be approved for re-admittance or for release of suspension by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership, and apologize in person to the entire brotherhood.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS

Section A. Amendments

Any member or group of members of The University of Virginia's College at Wise Colony may propose an amendment to the By-laws in the following manner:

- 1. The proposed amendment must be presented in written form to the Prudential Committee then to the membership at the following general business meeting.
- 2. During the general business meeting following the proposal, the members must vote concerning the proposed amendment.
- 3. Discussion of the proposed amendment must be allowed, both at the time of presentation and immediately before the vote.
- 4. If the nature of the proposed amendment necessitates a vote during the chapter meeting at which the amendment is introduced, only then and after three-fourths (3/4) of the members qualified to vote agree thereto, the vote concerning the proposed amendment may be taken during the same chapter meeting.
- 5. Approval of an amendment to the By-laws requires an affirmative two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of qualified members.
- 6. Upon passing by an affirmative vote, an amendment shall immediately become part of the By-laws and document modifications necessary to make the amendment part of the Constitution shall be made.
- 7. Formatting changes and typographical error corrections may be made to the By-laws by a simple-majority vote of the Prudential Committee.

ARTICLE IX. UPHOLDING THE BY-LAWS

Section A.

All members of this brotherhood shall do their utmost to uphold the justness and the integrity of each of these by-laws, and to obey them to the best of their ability.

Section B.

It shall be the duty of each brother to report to the Prudential Committee any violation of these by-laws by a fellow member. Responsibility falls upon each member to act in the manner that is best for the brotherhood, namely insuring that his fellow brothers do not disrespect the laws and traditions which have been set by the brotherhood both within these By-laws and as decided upon by the membership.

Group Picture

