

Chapter/Graduate Advisor & House Corporation Board Meeting

October 4, 2011

IMU, Ohio State Room, 6:00pm

I. Introductions & Welcome

- a. Present: Alpha Epsilon Phi, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Xi Delta, Delta Upsilon, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Lambda Beta Sigma Phi Epsilon & Tau Kappa Epsilon

II. Special Guest: Vice President Tom Rocklin

- a. VP Rocklin provided a brief background on A/C for the F/S Community. Many of the A/C we see involve alcohol. The Alcohol Task Force completed their recommendations 2 years ago. He wants to see a safe, successful and exemplary community. Unfortunately, we need some “teeth” to achieve the goal...which needs both incentives and consequences.
- b. Question – Is there an appeals process for charges students receive?
 - i. Part of the proposal that the students are compiling will include some suggested appeals processes.
 - ii. If a student is not a member of the chapter at the time of the A/C or if the member is terminated by the chapter, then he would consider that not counting in the chapter’s rate.
 - iii. He is not very open to removing any charges for students that complete a diversion program. He would be willing to consider those doing diversion programs during a chapter sanctioning process.
- c. Question – How does Iowa compare to other Big 10 Universities with A/C rates?
 - i. We’re the only campus that currently collects A/C rates
 - ii. All campuses Greek communities are higher than the average student population
 - iii. He has shared the recent memo with other Big 10 VP’s. He wants to be able to provide them document to say that we are a better community than others because we are addressing this.
- d. Question – What are the dates that count for A/C rates
 - i. August 1 – December 15/31 (we have to check this close date)
 - ii. January 1 – May 20 or 31 (we have to check this close date)
- e. Question - What are the sanctions for other University students who are arrested or cited?
 - i. 1st a/c results in a meeting with the Dean’s office and will require a health evaluation from Health Iowa and mentoring for the issue
 - ii. 2nd a/c the student is no longer in good standing with the university
 - iii. 3rd a/c the student is suspended from the university
- f. Question – What evaluations of chapter education and providing safe environments is considered with sanctions?
 - i. Open to the possibility of good educational programs, however it doesn’t seem to make a difference solely on its own.
 - ii. Needs to be results oriented with programming and processes.
- g. Question - What happens with students getting arrested more than once?
 - i. Students are sent to Health Iowa and have to meet with a substance abuse counselor. They will make some recommendations and then whatever the sanctions may be by the chapter.
 - ii. We are not seeing many “2nd arrests” – they are rare. Most students seem to learn after the first one.
- h. Question – what other students are tracked?
 - i. Athletes – typically lowered as a whole (not necessarily by each sport team)
 - ii. Residence Hall Students
 - iii. International Students
 - iv. Can also track by Academic College

- v. There are not many other “clear” and easily tracking of memberships for other groups.
- i. Question - Is the requirement of the facility house director helping?
 - i. Not sure if it is helping with arrest and citation rates...but is definitely helping in other areas of the facility (maintenance, safety, etc.)
- j. Question - If the same person is arrested multiple times, how many of those charges count?
 - i. If the arrests/citations all occur on the same night (ex: PAULA and a Fake ID on the same night), then it only counts once with the chapter’s rate.
 - ii. If the same person is arrested/cited multiple times within the semester (ex: PAULA on 9/15; and Public Intox on 10/30), then we need to confirm if it still only counts once or if that is multiple counts against the chapter. We will follow up with Tom Baker and find out.
- k. Question – How do chapters receive the information about A/C’s?
 - i. Kelly Jo sends weekly e-mails to the chapter president and primary advisor. We know that some HQ’s are requesting this information. We ask that chapter advisors/presidents please manage providing this information to anyone within your organizations who need it.
 - ii. Chapters can consider looking at:
 - 1. The Daily Iowan Police Blotter - <http://www.dailyiowan.com/2011/10/06/Metro/25293.html>
 - 2. Iowa City Police Blotter - <http://www.iowa-city.org/icgov/apps/police/blotter.asp>
 - 3. Iowa Courts On-line - <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/ESAWebApp/DefaultFrame>
- l. Question - What have the A/C ratios done over the years?
 - i. After chapter structures went dry, the A/C rates went down.
 - ii. The rates will ebb from year to year depending upon enforcement.
- m. Question - Are there additional funds available for alternative alcohol-free activities for chapters/the community?
 - i. There has been over \$500,000 that has been provided for alcohol-free programming on campus. There is a lot of things already happening that chapters can take advantage of.
 - ii. There is not currently a “Greek Fund” for alcohol-free programming, but he would consider a proposal for one
 - iii. There is Late Night Funding and Coke Product Funding available to groups who are doing programming.
- n. Question - Are chapter-wide sanctions the answer for mistakes that individuals are making?
 - i. Brotherhood and sisterhood extends past just the organized events and so do the consequences.
- o. VP Rocklin wrapped by reiterating his interest and openness to ideas to combat the issues.
- p. Other comments – after VP Rocklin, there was frustration expressed that the only thing that Advisors hear from the F/S Life Staff or the Dean/VP’s Office is negative...never any positive. It was also expressed that there was frustration in “secret memos” being sent to HQ’s about these issues.
 - i. Dr. Bill Nelson addressed the concerns and explained that UI has had a long history and relationship with HQ’s...long before we all were here and it will continue long after all of us. He stated that his staff will continue to communicate with HQ’s as well as ALL stakeholder’s with our chapters and encouraged advisors/chapters to do the same.
 - ii. Others expressed gratitude in the involvement with their HQ’s as they have seen some traction with help with the issue, as a result of their involvement in the issue.

III. Community Wide Membership Numbers – Melissa

- a. Please see the attached document with these minutes.
- b. NPHC & MGC numbers have not changed since the beginning of the year, so those numbers are not yet included.

IV. Fall 2011 Dates, Programs & Events:

- a. United Way 5K – October 16, 11am – Lower City Park – register at www.uiowafsl.com
- b. Homecoming – October 16 – 22, 2011
- c. Trick or Treat with the Greeks, October 30, 2pm – 5pm
- d. Elections:
 - i. IFC – November
 - ii. PHC – November 2, 2011, 6pm, Illinois Room, IMU
 - iii. MGC – November

V. Spring 2012 Dates, Programs & Events:

- a. IFC & PHC Officer Installation – December 7, 2011 – 3:30pm, Iowa Room & Ohio State Room
- b. New Officer Transition (IFC, MGC & PHC) – December 10, 2011, 10am – 3pm, Iowa Room IMU
- c. Current Issues and Leadership in Fraternity & Sorority Life Class – Tuesdays, 3:30pm – 5:20pm
- d. Fraternity & Sorority Leadership Advance – January 20 – 21, 2012
- e. Dance Marathon – February 3 – 4, 2012
- f. AFLV/NBGLC Conference – February 9 – 12, 2012
- g. Greek Week 2012 – April 15 – 21, 2012
- h. NPHC Stroll Competition – April 21, 2012

VI. House Director's Report – none present

VII. Chapter Announcements

VIII. Next Meeting:

- a. Wednesday, November 9, 2011, Lucas Dodge Room, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

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