



Spring 2013 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: **Joshua Man**

Year: Junior (Spring 2014)

Major: Biological Sciences B.A., Human Development and Aging B.S.

Pledge Class (Year): Phi (Fall 2010)

Please mark which elected position(s) you are running for with an X:

- ☐ President
- ☐ Pledgemaster
- ☐ VP of Service
- ☐ VP of Membership

- ☐ VP of Fellowship
- ☒ VP of Finance
- ☐ VP of Communications
- ☐ Fundraising Chair

PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is your vision for APO?

In the two years I have been a brother of APO, I have seen our chapter grow so much in terms of our membership, relationship with the community, and visibility on campus. I envision for APO to grow even further in its reputation as not only USC's but LA's premier service fraternity through our OWN large and unprecedented philanthropies that truly reach out to the four fields of service. I feel APO has the numbers, resources, and potential to build multiple relationships and philanthropies to serve a larger substrate of people and address the needs around LA and beyond. Aside from philanthropy, I hope that for the future of APO, the core values of leadership, friendship, and service are always balanced in maintaining an active body and the sole basis for which we induct the next pledge class. Overall, if we continue to develop these core virtues, I believe we are well on our way to seeing this vision become actions in the next semesters to come, and I hope to be strongly involved behind our progress.

2. Why do you want the position(s) you are running for?

Considering VP of Finance is definitely a different direction than I had planned but is one I embrace as a challenge and a responsibility I'd like to take for the chapter. The idea to run came about in the last two semesters when we dealt with a variety of issues in regards to chapter funds including financial strain due to lack of expected funding. Thus, my first goal as VP of Finance is to develop the position to play a more active, regulatory role in chapter finances. This means sharing my experience in applying for funding with the Funding Chair and appropriate E-board positions, working together to agree on a proposed budget per event and presenting a strong case

before USG or other sponsors. Along with this, I want to usher a mentality of conservatism that can only be done by opening up communication regarding financial decisions before they are acted upon during EBM discussion. It benefits our E-board as a whole when everyone is able to give their advice and agree on a given financial action. Third, I want to restructure the chapter budget in a way that reflects the purpose of the fraternity by reallocating funds in a way that increases the spending power of the philanthropy budget. Especially with Yard Sale in the spring, I want to give the future philanthropy co-chairs what I didn't have: extra spending flexibility and the guidance of someone who has done it before. Lastly, I want to maintain the stable system we have developed across the board for future semesters by upholding the work of past VPs of Finance and keeping the chapter sustainable.

Feel free to view my proposed budget for the Spring 2013 semester at <http://tinyurl.com/joshmanapobudget>. It details the overall budget, the budget breakdown per position, and the dues breakdown per position.

3. What are your goals for the position(s)?
 - A. Restructure the chapter budget in a way that reflects the core purposes of the fraternity.
 - With special consideration for philanthropy
 - Distinguish a budget for Rush instead of combining with the other positions
 - Proposed budget: <http://tinyurl.com/joshmanapobudget>
 - B. Implement the driver compensation proposal in Spring 2013.
 - Provides that an additional amount be added to semesterly dues in order to create a transportation budget for compensating drivers at the end of the semester.
 - C. Encourage the President and VP of Finance to assist the Funding Chair and to oversee the USG/URSC funding application process to ensure accuracy and timeliness.
 - D. Earlier firm deadlines for semesterly dues
 - Solve issue of associates at deliberations
 - Avoid having to track down non-payers at the end of the semester
 - Checkpoints: speed dating/deliberations, retreat, DTA, invite, initiation, and GBMs
 - E. Sustainable payment plan options defined in the by-laws or officially in writing
 - F. Create workshops for the betterment of the chapter (at retreat)
 - How to apply for funding

4. What new ideas can you bring to the position and organization as a whole? Please provide examples.

Member retention – I view member retention as one of our highest priorities as it affects not only the present for our chapter but also our sustainability and future. It is discouraging for new pledges to see the declining level of active involvement, but at the same time, the E-board has a responsibility to give reasons for actives to remain “active” and stay involved. Some ways to raise the incentive for active membership are to:

- 1) Lower the cost of active dues complimented with stronger, outside fundraising.
- 2) Allow more opportunities to play a role in event planning in addition to new events to be excited about, especially with regards to philanthropy.
- 3) Active appreciation events
- 4) Develop the role of VP of Membership to encompass these ideas and incentivize the family point competition by announcing the standings every week at GBM.

Interchapter – Allowing in my budget more money for the IC Chair to create more opportunities for IC Service. I strongly feel that we can solve the issue of “chapter isolation” and encourage interchapter bonding through the most purposeful, shared medium: service.

Philanthropy/Rush – Being a continuing support for the future philanthropy and rush co-chairs, especially in regards to funding, the USC Community Yard Sale, and indoctrinating the speed dating and deliberations procedures developed this semester.

Executive Committee – Encourage conversation and discussion of every decision being made during EBM. Everyone can benefit from this modified version of “checks and balances” so that EBMs become a purposeful meeting of shared advice and discussion. As VP of Finance, I would also like to develop the position to be more involved in the financial decisions before they are decided as well.

5. What relevant experience, if any, have you had working in committees or other organizations for the position(s) you are running for? Please be specific.

Maintaining a budget is truly second nature to me. As a college student on a limited income, I have kept a constant tabulation of my costs and earnings with a strong sense of conservatism. My approach towards finances in general has been developed and proven with years of records from being a treasurer of the National Honors Society and other organizations in high school.

My past two semesters on E-board have been a challenging yet rewarding experience in learning the multifaceted nature of event planning. Although I am proud of the new improvements my co-chairs Vincent, Vanessa, and I were able to bring to philanthropy (KEDS, RFL Benefit Concert, Community Yard Sale) and this past rush, I am most proud of our attention to detail with regards to our multiple-line budgets. Through lots of communication and research, we were able to go well within budget and still deliver a very service-centered rush that ended with the most focused speed dating and deliberations in all the semesters I’ve been in APO/ With regards to philanthropy, we took on the impossible with three major events in one semester. We met our limited budget given to the new position with determination: Linda and I were able to get full funding for both the benefit concert venue and Mindy’s Alumni Dinner, releasing the strain on our overall chapter budget. We made an aggressive campaign to publicize the Yard Sale through our website and PR efforts. Because of the large increase in interest and participation of both buyers and sellers, we were able to receive the monetary support from the USC Volunteer Center and various sponsors.

I believe this is the direction APO should be heading in: making something out of nothing. It is our collective responsibility to continue to develop APO’s scope of service throughout our campus and our LA community. As our name gains the reputation and expectation of this kind of service, we will earn the trust of sponsors like USG, making our possibilities limitless.

One of my first goals as VP of Finance would be to increase the budget for philanthropy from the current \$400 to \$1,000. To put this in perspective, a mere 6% decrease in the pledge master and special events budget is equal to an astounding 150% increase in the philanthropy budget. In addition, I plan to play a strong role with the Funding Chair to present a strong case for the funds we need throughout the year to ease the financial strain caused by the recent minor fallouts in expected funding.

6. What other time commitments will you have next semester (i.e. Other student organizations, work, research, etc.)? How do you plan to balance APO executive board duties with those commitments?

At the Health Science Campus, I volunteer at the County hospital and conduct research at the HSC sixteen hours per week. I tutor several students throughout the week as well as on Tuesday nights at Kid City with my high school senior mentee. I am a health site coordinator for CHIP. Aside from weekly hour-long EBMs, I host a health site on Olympic and Flower on the second Saturday of each month.

From my past experiences on E-board, I have learned how to allocate my time appropriately while maintaining schoolwork, research, volunteering, and my responsibilities to APO. It was during

the spring semester last year that I really learned to manage all my priorities while trying to develop philanthropy and Yard Sale with Vincent as the co-chairs. In this past semester, I have been taking 20 units in addition to 20+ hours per week conducting research at the Norris Hospital and participating in the DEM LAC+USC program at HSC. Thus, I hope I have proven in these past semesters that I am able to fulfill my responsibilities to APO while maintaining a high quality of work in my other academic or extracurricular endeavors.

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, Los Angeles, CA

May 2014

Dornsife College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences Bachelor of Arts in Biological Sciences

Leonard Davis School of Gerontology

Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Aging

- USC Presidential Scholar
- Dornsife College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences Dean's List 2010, 2011, 2012
- Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society (ALD Spring 2012 Scholarship Recipient) Inducted Spring 2011
- Sigma Phi Omega Honors Society Fall 2012
- Alpha Phi Omega, Alpha Kappa Chapter (National Service Co-ed Fraternity) ϕ Pledge Class, Fall 2010

RESEARCH/WORK EXPERIENCE

USC KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (NORRIS TOPPING TOWER), Los Angeles, CA

August 2012 – Present

- Researched under the guidance of Dr. Peter Laird, Dr. KwangHo Lee, and Dr. Shirley Oghamian of the USC Epigenome Center
- Working on developing a genetic switch between the EF1 α promoter and the luciferase gene

PRIVATE TUTORING

August 2009 – Present

- Developed own curriculum to prepare high school students for the PSAT
- Currently tutoring over four undergraduates in general chemistry, biology, and organic chemistry

USC KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (MUDD MEMORIAL BLDG), Los Angeles, CA

June - August 2009, January - May 2011

- Accepted to the USC Edmondson Summer Fellowship under mentors Dr. Rayudu Gopalakrishna and Dr. Usha Gundimeda.
- Research concerning the potentiation of neurites from PC12 cancer cells by adding NGF and EGCG polyphenols from green tea.
- Publications: Gopalakrishna R, Schiffman J, Man J, Lei L, Wu A, Gundimeda U. Curcumin potentiates the cancer-preventive actions of selenium by inactivating selenoprotein thioredoxin reductase in prostate cancer cells. *American Association for Cancer Research*. 2009.

MUSIC GIGS (*Quartet Leader, Cellist*)

September 2007 – June 2010

- Hired through the school music program. Organized our own quartet to play at weddings, banquets, city meetings, etc.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

LOS ANGELES COUNTY USC MEDICAL CENTER – DEPT. OF EMERGENCY MEDICINE, Los Angeles, CA

August 2012 - Present

- Completed over 120 hours in the Department of Emergency Medicine volunteer program.

COMMUNITY HEALTH INVOLVEMENT PROJECT, Los Angeles, CA

Fall 2011 – Present

- Providing free health screenings and health seminars to underprivileged communities in the greater Los Angeles area
- Villa Flores (1010 Development Corporation affordable housing) Health Site Coordinator (2012-2013)

ALPHA PHI OMEGA, Los Angeles, CA

Fall 2010 – present

- Nationally renown co-ed service fraternity associated with the Boy Scouts of America, serving the USC/LA community
- Rush Chair (Fall 2012): planned a three-week service-driven program featuring the needs of Los Angeles to ultimately induct a new pledge class that shares the fraternity's passion for service
- Philanthropy Chair (Spring 2012): raised over \$360 for the American Cancer Society; inspired early interest in science for low-income youth through Kids Explore and Discover SC; connected students across campus with the USC Community Yard Sale

GLOBAL MEDICAL BRIGADES, San Lorenzo, Valle, Honduras

Spring 2012

- Brought over 40 large suitcases full of collected medicine and worked closely alongside physicians, dentists, and pharmacists to see close to 1,000 patients in very impoverished coastal communities in the department (state) of Valle, Honduras

VA LONG BEACH MEDICAL CENTER, Long Beach, CA

July 2011 – September 2011

- Worked in the dermatology clinic checking in patients, reading physician consults, making appointments, etc.
- Shadowed Chief of Dermatology Dr. Frank Dann in cases such as eczema, psoriasis, basal/squamous cell carcinoma, and melanoma

YOUTH SCIENCE CENTER, Workman Elementary School, 16000 Workman St. La Puente, CA 91744

June 2011 – August 2011

- Taught middle school students summer school classes in The Human Body Systems, Science Olympiad, and Magnetism
- Purpose of program is to promote students' early interest in the sciences. Enhanced communication skills to lead a classroom

BALDWIN GARDENS NURSING CENTER, Temple City, CA

2005 - 2010

- Gained exposure since the 7th grade to the nuances of geriatric healthcare; inspired the pursuit to study gerontology at USC

CERTIFICATIONS

- Emergency Medical Technician - Basic (UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine - Center for Prehospital Care) January 28, 2012
- American Heart Association CPR BLS for Health Care Providers December 15, 2011

REFERENCES

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| • Dr. Rayudu Gopalakrishna | Tel: (323) 442-1770 | Email: rgopalak@usc.edu |
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| • Anne Hawthorne | Tel: (310) 339-2542 | Email: annehawthorne@gmail.com |
| • Alpha Phi Omega | www.apousc.org, www.apousc.org/yardsale, www.apousc.org/fallrush.php | |
| • Community Health Involvement Project | www.chipcommunity.org | |

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