



Fall 2015 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Fall 2015 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than FRIDAY APRIL 24TH at 5:00PM**. Please send this document and all supplemental materials to president.apousc@gmail.com and webmaster.apousc@gmail.com.

Election Day: Candidates for President and Pledgemaster will have three minutes to give their speeches. Candidates for all other positions will have two minutes.

You may present one slide per position you run for at the time of your speech. Slides are due by **SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH at 11:59pm** to president.apousc@gmail.com. You will not be allowed to pass out additional materials or papers during your speech.

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Kiansiong Tey

Year: Junior

Major: Psychology, Philosophy

Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Epsilon (Fall 2014)

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

☐ IC Chair

PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is your vision for APO?

I envisioned APO to be an organization that serves its people, community, nation and college not just for the sake of doing so, but with a sense of purpose and vision. My wish is for APO to win awards – best service organization and more – but more importantly, it will bring people together in the name of service and friendship and develop them into leaders of the future.

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

VP Membership – I see so much untapped potential for this position. VP membership should play a bigger role in shaping the culture for the organization and I want to be a part of that process.

VP Service – Service is an integral part of my life and I want to be able to inculcate that in as many people as I can.

VP Finance – Money is the reason why we can carry out events and I think it's important for an adequate distribution of resources to the different categories of events in the pursuit of the said goals for APO. I want to help ensure this process goes as smoothly as possible.

3. What are your goals for the position(s)?

VP Membership – Reaching out to every member – active/associate/inactive/brothers abroad – and encourage them to be more active in the chapter. Improve the feedback system and letting members know that their feedbacks, whether good or bad, are very much appreciated. Above all, provide more opportunities for autonomy and people to take charge

VP Service – Encourage more people to do service, and each individual to do more service, but more importantly, do meaningful service. More than simply completing tasks at service events, I want to help people discover their purpose in doing so. Rather than coming with a whole lot of new events, I wish to engage everyone more in the current service events – doing more for Monday Night Mission/Kid City – and finding events that help people discover the impact of their service. Also, I will work on providing members with opportunities to start their own service projects.

VP Finance – Ensure that the budget is as detailed as possible and that more people in APO actually bother about the budget before we approve it. I also hope to make the process of managing the funds more efficient – collecting money on time and allocating the funds promptly. Lastly, have majority of our fundraisers to focus on the people outside of our chapter.

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

VP Membership/Service – I think imbuing a sense of purpose into what we do (emphasizing on it) is one of the most crucial thing I want to bring to the chapter. Be it being active (in all sorts of events) or being service-oriented, I want to remind people why there are here in the first place. More importantly, I wish to implement or put in place certain practices that might not be effective in the short-term but will help build the culture that will influence the future generations. It is also a shift from focusing on extrinsic motivation to intrinsic motivation. Specifically, I'm bringing in the idea that we should focus on the smaller things (reaching out to everyone, having discussions about meaning of events, do shell-outs more often whenever we see positive behaviors; implement active brother of the week etc)

VP Finance – I want to encourage everyone to be more interested in the budget by providing them with more opportunities to understand the importance, regardless of whether they are initially interested or otherwise. Expand fundraising to include even more innovative ones and sourcing outside of our chapter and of USC – movie fundraisers etc.

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.

I'm currently the Director of Events for Singapore Student Association. I plan and coordinate events that help gel students from Singapore together. When it comes to creating events, I try to balance between having fun and ensuring that the Singapore culture is perpetuated. Event-planning is definitely a skill that I have gained the time I have been with SSA. Some of the events I have planned for SSA has been rather

successful with more than 50 attendees and they are expanding their reach even more. Other than that, I think it's also about sustaining the Singapore culture (our accents, food preferences, interest area) despite being in a different environment here. We get together and play games that only Singaporeans would know, do things only Singaporeans would understand. As such, being on SSA Eboard has also been a good learning opportunity for me - seeing how I can actually bond people together through simple things like having games or creating opportunities for bonding to happen.

Moreover, I would think my experience as the founder of the volleyball alumni team (for my high school) back in Singapore has endowed in me a kind of visionary perspective. I learnt to strike the balance between ideals and reality when it comes to deciding on the future of the team while meeting a lot of obstacles on the way. Being idealistic is important because it allows us to have dreams to work toward to but being realistic helps to turn those dreams into goals and fulfill them.

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?

Other than my campus cruiser job, Singapore Student Association Eboard and rock climbing, I have no other commitments at the moment. However, I should emphasize that APO Eboard duties will be my priority amongst these other commitments and I will devote time to it, more so than the others. As I have been balancing multiple commitments with a heavy academic workload for the past few semesters, I'm unlikely to have issues managing my time with APO. Moreover, I have less commitments next semester.