



## Fall 2016 Nominated Officer Questionnaire

### INSTRUCTIONS

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Fall 2016 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than SUNDAY April 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM**. Please send this document and all supplemental materials to [president.apousc@gmail.com](mailto:president.apousc@gmail.com) and cc 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 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 PM** to [president.apousc@gmail.com](mailto:president.apousc@gmail.com). You will not be allowed to pass out additional materials or papers during your speech.

### PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Vivian Le

Year: Sophomore

Major: Biochemistry

Pledge Class (Year): Alpha Zeta, Spring 2015

**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?**

My vision for APO is to be an all-inclusive organization that is passionate about service and where everyone will feel at home and comfortable interacting with each other, regardless if he or she has joined for a week or two years. A comfortable and open environment is essential in order to foster LFS as much as possible in our members. An ideal environment means welcoming all interests without being exclusionary while sharing our common passion for LFS. If we as a chapter are able to provide an inclusive environment, members are more likely to remain and explore opportunities for service and leadership.

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

One of the biggest attractions of APO to me is our sense of friendship, even family. My goal is to increase familiarity and the sense of family between brothers, especially those who have only interacted a handful of times. By increasing familiarity among more of our brothers, it would help increase involvement and decrease the stigma that our chapter is cliquey. We have already established create many bonds with each other, but I want to create the opportunities to nurture stronger or create new bonds among other brothers that may not have existed.

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

I want to use the position to improve the chapter with other values along with friendship. For instance, I want to promote an appreciation for diversity and stimulate interests to explore new hobbies and interests. I would strive to create a more inclusive environment by appealing to more interests and passions outside of food. I also want to encourage brothers to interact with other brothers that they may not have had the opportunity to do so by creating blind dates.

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

I would move away from food oriented events while simultaneously creating convenient events, such as night campus games (i.e. Sardines, Capture the Flag, Scavenger Hunts) or a series of Netflix fellowship events for those interested in exploring new series (i.e. GoT, How to Get Away with Murder, House of Cards, etc.).

I would also move away from food events by stimulating new interest events and exploring hobbies, such as billiards, golfing, bowling, music sessions, stargazing trips, painting parties, laser tags, etc.

There could also be half-day trips to Santa Monica, Huntington, or Orange County to appeal to those with a sense of adventure (or tourism).

I would promote diversity and cultural awareness by creating cultural events such as trying Ethiopian food, cooking nights where you learn to cook certain foods such as Greek or pupusas, trips to Olvera street, etc.

To encourage more brotherhood among those that may not know each other as well, I

would set up blind dates between brothers such as study dates or coffee dates. Finally I would collaborate with other E-board members while creating events such as creating more fellowship/fundraiser events like assassins. I could also help stimulate service by creating pre-service & post-service events that could also be used for reflection.

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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.**

As Alpha Family Head, I planned several fellowship events on a smaller scale for Alpha Family to help bond Alpha family, and helped brainstorm membership events as part of the membership committee.

As Scout Assistant troop leader and patrol leader, I planned several camping trips for my scout brothers and sisters. Beyond the typical logistics for survival, each camp has a tradition of planning a two-day long series of games that have made me consider my scout siblings family for life. Moreover, planning for camping events made me very detail oriented and creative in order to plan large scale bonding events for over 60 of my scout siblings to enjoy.

As a member of Design for America, I greatly fostered my team working skills, which would be very useful for a collaborative and transparent E-board. I've also gained design thinking and creative approaches to problem solving.

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?**

Next semester, I will be involved with my academic schedule, Design for America, and a potential research position. I am free for both EBM and GBM. I have also developed efficient time management skills throughout college that will help me balance APO with my academic and other commitments. It will be especially easier since I am taking one less lab portion. I also intend to fully utilize my time over the summer to plan and research fellowship events.