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**Fall**

**Spring 2014 Nominated Officer Questionnaire**

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please attach your **current résumé** and **Spring 2013 schedule** (class, work, other extracurricular activities).

This questionnaire is due **no later than** **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH at 5:00PM.** Please send this document and all supplemental materials to [president.apousc@gmail.com](mailto:president.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 28TH at 11:59pm** 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: Stephanie Chen

Year: Junior

Major: Biological Sciences

Pledge Class (Year): Psi class (Fall 2011)

**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

[X] IC Chair

**PART II: SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS**

1. What is your vision for APO?

I think that right now APO is definitely an organization that people see as one they want to be part of because we really do give back to our surrounding community in more ways than most community service organizations on campus. While we’re doing well in terms of providing service to the surrounding community, and while I would like to us to continue to grow in that area, I think I would like to see us focus more on having a larger campus impact. Not necessarily increasing our presence in numbers, but having something (or even a few things) service related that people automatically associate only with us. I’d also really like to see APO continue to shape each of us that become active as opposed to only seeing pledging as the most important aspect every semester. I think that would not only really help each of us individually, but also maintain a more cohesive and involved active body.

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

For the past two semesters I have been to as many IC events as I could make because I am always open to meet new people especially from other schools because I know that our chapter is very different from other IC chapters. I think I am capable of bringing the same kind of enthusiasm to our actives and even more importantly, our pledges. I really want to make sure none of our chapter misses out on the amazing opportunity of forming new connections and taking advantage of meeting the great people out there who are just as dedicated to service and who seek to fully embody our cardinal principles alongside our chapter.

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

I didn’t used to realize how important the interchapter aspect of APO was, and I know that a lot of members still don’t. I always see a lot of active brothers and pledges stand around with only people from our own chapter when we’re with IC’s. We’ve made a lot of progress in emphasizing IC importance, but as IC chair, I would really like to continue to encourage our brothers to be more proactive in getting to know and creating lasting relationships with our interchapter brothers. For the past two semesters, Chelsea and Josh have done a great job increasing our chapter’s presence to other chapters, and I would like to have more input from our active body as to what everyone would like to see our chapter do. I think visiting other chapters’ GBMs should be a last resort rather than the way most of our members complete IC requirements.

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

One of the ideas that I thought would be appropriate is an IC challenge day hosted by AK. Brothers attending the event would be split into small groups so that there would be an equal number of AK and IC actives. Each group would be given a list of tasks to complete and race to complete tasks provided, and there would be some sort of small reward for the first three groups to complete the list. I think when people in small groups work towards a common goal, it helps develop potential friendships and connections. I would also like to work with alumni liaisons from both our chapter and other chapters to coordinate an IC/Alumni event. I think it would expose each chapter’s members to opportunities and insights beyond their own school’s alumni experiences. While this is something we’ve never really explored, I think it could be something to start working towards regardless of whether it can be accomplished this semester.

1. 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 think my experience with Colleges Against Cancer and JEP in the past will help me in IC chair responsibilities. The most difficult part of creating IC events is finding the time to communicate, plan and collaborate with other IC chairs since everyone has different schedules, but in both CAC and JEP, I made sure I did my best to accommodate others’ schedules to find the time every week to meet and work on funding applications and budgeting and come up with new ideas for lesson plans, respectively. I think this directly correlates to IC chair responsibilities because while every chapter has their own events and availabilities, I hope to make sure both our chapter and other chapters we have events with will be able to compromise create fun IC opportunities for everyone.

1. 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?

As of next semester, I will still have my internship and job, but their times are set in my schedule so that they won’t interfere with my studying or obligations as an executive board member.

***Don’t forget to attach your résumé and schedule.***

Thank you for taking the time to complete the Elected Board Questionnaire. Please be sure to send in your election slide(s) no later than Sunday, April 28th at 11:59PM. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact [president.apousc@gmail.com](mailto:president.apousc@gmail.com).

Good luck! ☺