Shengmin Xiao

DEAR FELLOW BROTHERS,

My name is Shengmin Xiao, and I am honored to have this opportunity to run for Finance VP. I pledged not long ago during my first semester on the Berkeley campus. Confused and startled by the clubs shoving flyers aggressively into my face, I found myself holding on to an APhiO flyer and began attending rush events. Although very uncertain of joining at first, I was captivated by the friendly rushees (Charles and Anu), welcoming sponsoree (Audrey), and hilarious APhiO brothers (Melissa). After battling through various obstacles which included (almost giving up) locating the Ritual room in the maze-like, hideous Evans Hall and joining an "innocent" family which I thought I would dislike at first, I eventually grew to like APhiO and especially the Animal Family.

In the end, I can proudly declare myself... a Frat Bro.

The support and friendships I have received through my short time here led me to where I am and motivated me to take on roles with more responsibility. I want to experience a role that is not only challenging but also has room for improvement, thus I chose to run for FVP, a role brothers are reluctant to take on. As Finance VP, my vision is to increase APhiO's finance through different means while simultaneously increasing chapter involvement.

PLATFORM

REPORTING AND TRANSPARENCY

A role of the Finance VP is very important and extents to many areas such as financial reporting, writing grants, communication with Cal Dining, organizing fundraisers,, processing reimbursements, and holding meetings with the organization advisor. However, not many people seems to know the responsibility of the FVP or the financial situation of APhiO. I want to have clear financial reports during ExComm meetings, financial briefs of profits during CM's, and having roles that allow the pledge and active body to have a better understanding of what goes on and how they can contribute.

MAINTAINING PROFIT

An important part of being FVP includes maintaining the profits of the organization. This would be through maintaining a good relationship with the ASUC and Cal Dining. Grants from ASUC and concessions from Cal Dining help sustain many activities of APhiO, and I will do so for the latter through my vision of the concession chairs. I hope to organize at least once major fundraiser aside from concessions per semester, such as Mr. and Mrs. APhiO in the spring semester.

GENERAL CHAIRING IMPROVEMENTS

I want to improve the roles of concession chairs. There seems to be a stigma of what responsibilities concession chairs have which deter a lot of potential candidates from taking on the role. The changes I want to make would be to either decrease the chairing requirement to 2 concessions or create a concession committee. I believe doing so would yield better results than to have higher amount of concession requirements but less chairs. Since the goal is to have enough people to attend concessions, the solution should be geared towards promoting this.

PLEDGE INVOLVEMENT

Although other ExComm positions have committees that allow pledges to join, the Finance VP does not. I want to begin with making a concession buddy system that is similar to the service buddy and fellowship buddy system. Since I plan on recruiting more people as concession chairs, I want to pair concession chairs with pledges, i.e. 1 chair would have 3-4 pledges depending on the number of pledges, and the pledge-chair pair with the most concessions would get a prize at banquet.

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[SPRING 2017]

MMC (MILLICENT-MORRIS-CHANEY)

Committees **Finance Committee**

> Roll Call Committee **Stylus Committee** Film Committee

Awards GG Pledge Maniac CM5

> Fellowship Buddy Award CM5 Fellowship Buddy Award CM6

Pledge Oak

Stats 47 Service Hours

57 Fellowships

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DP (DALE PENNEY)

Committees Finance VP Assistant

> Roll Call Chair Stylus Chair

Hotspot Committee

Family Big for Marijuana

32+ service hours Stats

13+ fellowships