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# **MINUTES of Alpha Phi Omega**

Meeting date: Saturday, February 11, 2012

Call to order: A <u>CAPS</u> meeting of the <u>Alpha Phi Omega</u>, <u>Iota Phi Chapter</u> was held in <u>Giedt Hall Room 1001</u>, <u>University of California</u>, <u>Davis</u> on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>February 11</u>, <u>2012</u>. The meeting convened at 12:00, President Aaron Manley presiding, and <u>Clara Sze & Stephanie Ang</u>, secretary.

### **Members in attendance:**

PRESIDENT: Aaron Manley

SERVICE: Lisa Christensen(L) & Christina So(L)

MEMBERSHIP: Justin Ahn

FELLOWSHIP: Michelle Li & Fanny Wong FINANCE: David Hoang (L) & Victoria Chang

PLEDGE PARENTS: Kimberly

RECORDING SECS: Clara Sze (L) & Stephanie Ang CORRESPONDING SECS: Diana Chan & Minh Le (L)

PRESS SECS: Rich La & Jenny Liang

ALUMNI SECS: Nicholas Sordello & Alan Chu SAAs: Tommy Hoang & Timothy Mascarinas

Naomi Luong
Chloe Grinberg
David Upton
Kristina Mae
Brandon Le
Krizia Haag
Wilson Moy
Andy Nguyen
Andrew Jacobs

## Members not in attendance:

MEMBERSHIP: Kevin Luu PLEDGE PARENTS: Vince Yan

SAA: Karena Shum

## Officers' reports:

PRESIDENT: Aaron Manley (3:15PM - 3:25PM)

1. Maintain the keeping of binders

SERVICE: Christina So & Lisa Christensen (3:25PM - 3:35PM)

1. Encourage others to chair by telling them that it is important

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- 2. Convince people that surveys are really helpful & should be done MEMBERSHIP: Kevin Luu & Justin Ahn (3:35PM 3:46PM)
  - 1. No writing paper needed for leadership credit
  - 2. Changed wildcard to 10 hours instead because 20 hours for a wildcard may be a bit too much but up for the chapter's digression
  - 3. Member boat & Fellowboat = no difference in credit wise
  - 4. Memberboat actives only

FELLOWSHIP: Michelle Li & Fanny Wong (3:46PM – 3:50PM)

FINANCE: David Hoang & Victoria Chang (3:50PM - 3:55PM)

1. Dining Services not Sodexho anymore

PLEDGE PARENTS: Kimberly Nelson & Vince Yan (3:55PM – 4:10PM)

- 1. Encourage more meetings of plexcomm
- 2. Excomm Interviews Orally with signatures instead of writing
- 3. Dinner with Mom/Pops Kim's place or anywhere
- 4. Pledge Retreat 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of spring quarter
  - a. Different version of PPW will be at retreat instead of a separate weekend
- 5. Can Plexcomm elections moved to pledge meetings instead of actives?
  - a. Will consider but believe that pledges need the courage/leadership experience of standing in front of the whole active body and their own pledge brothers.
- 6. Is there Pledge & Active requirements not lining up?
  - a. Will communicate with membership on that
- 7. Robert's Rules not mandatory anymore but may still be subject to grilling
- 8. Prefer to have a realistic cap just for protection

RECORDING SECRETARIES: Clara Sze & Stephanie Ang (4:10 PM – 4:13PM)

CORRESPONDING SECS: Diana Chan & Minh Le (4:13PM – 4:20PM)

- 1. Having IC Highlights pictures & articles to promote our events
- 2. Suggest mingling to break cliques
- 3. Rides incentives to encourage drivers
- 4. People who go home for the weekend can go to an IC event

PRESS SECS: Rich La & Jenny Liang (4:20PM - 4:26 PM)

- 1. Advertise Local newspapers, online articles
- 2. Service Shirt no Greek letters so that pledges can wear it
- 3. Key chains small but noticeable

ALUMNI SECS: Nicholas Sordello & Alan Chu (4:26PM – 4:30)

- 1. Alumni Blog will be brought back
- 2. Sashes Compiling a list of whoever is graduating

SAAs: Tommy Hoang, Karena Shum, Timothy Mascarinas (4:30PM – 4:34PM)

1. Don't do drugs

#### FEEDBACK ON LAST TERM

1. Pledges

- a. Trainers grading quizzes was hard because the points were different for incorrect answers for different parts
  - i. Better communication between trainers and PP
- b. Possibility of passing back quizzes to pledges for the wildcard
- c. PPW more effective near the end of the term that at pledge retreat due to the symbolism of "crossing" the planks together
- d. Grilling
- i. ending very late hard to deal with for activation the next morning
- ii. More emphasis on "what" to dress warm for too vague to know
- e. More time being a "neo-phyte" one week? Necessary?
  - i. If one week occurs, have "so you're a active what?" during that week

#### 2. Actives

- a. Wildcard for 10 or 20 hours?
  - a. Creates an incentive to push to double and not for the wildcard
- b. Point system for active reqs?
  - a. Different things worth different points (Kappa Sigma)
    - i. Only certain things are required, others are on points
    - ii. Pros
      - 1. Widens out what the wildcards are
    - iii. Cons
      - 1. Keeps the actives looking back on previous term requirements and using them as a comparison
- c. How will you break cliques at IC events?
  - Be role models and go up to IC brothers with a pledge and start the initiative to talk to them
- d. Is it fair to keep 2 wildcards for IC events for pledge and 1 for active?
  - a. Actives
    - i. We will go to more if we want to, self-motivation is key.
    - ii. Is it good to put IC events and fundraisers at the same level?
  - b. Pledges
    - i. Keep at 2 because it will make them less inclined to use the wildcards to fulfill requirements
    - ii. Unfair to the pledges
  - c. Active body at CAPS were leaning more towards keeping it at 2 for pledges
- 3. Chapter Operations
  - a. Fundraisers weren't enough
    - a. Asked pledges to come up with own finance events but they did not know how
      - i. General guidance on how to find fundraisers
    - b. If not allowed to state that we are from APO, how would we contact businesses
  - b. Pledge Regs

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- a. Challenging but definitely do-able
- b. More guidance from actives on certain issues
  - i. EX. Event with trainers/sponsors
  - ii. EX. Leadership credits unclear
- c. Pledge Group Meeting
  - a. Would be helpful to go over each requirement individually and give advice on which to do early and what would be hard to accomplish in the end
  - b. Encourage pledges to ask questions at that group meeting and then address it to the whole pledge class if information is vital
    - i. Purpose of group = not be afraid to ask questions
  - c. Spring goes very fast so teach trainees how to track etc.
- d. Pledge Trainer Requirements
  - a. Same Requirements AND
  - b. Host a pledge round table or active now considered required comm. credit
    - i. Calendar Sign up in the beginning on which day they can host
- e. Hazing/Risk Management
  - a. Feels well informed about it

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:03PM.

Clara Sze & Stephanie Ang
Secretary
Alpha Phi Omega

Date of approval