

THE DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, INC.  
MINUTES  
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING  
DECEMBER 17, 2019

The telephonic conference call meeting of the Board of Regents of The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. was called to order by Aaron Otto, “AA”, at 9:05 p.m. EST on December 17, 2019.

The following members of the Board were present: Aaron Otto, “AA”; Tom Carroll, “CC”; Ronald Martin, “DD”; Miles Washburn, Retiring “AA”; Shaun Hollenbeck, Regent, Region I; Josh Klein, Regent, Region II; Grant Herrin, Regent, Region III; Mark Sexton, Regent, Region IV; Nik Kern, Regent, Region V; Justin Donnelly, Regent, Region VI; Jack Rodican, Regent, Region VII; Ben Dundas, Regent, Region VIII; Gene Dorris, Region IX Regent.

Also present at the meeting: Jerod Breit, Executive Director; Aaron Wilson, Associate Executive Director; David Gault, Legal Advisor; Donald La Plante, Parliamentarian. Other members of the staff were also present on the call.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES—It was moved by Carroll, seconded by Washburn, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the meeting of November 26, 2019.
2. BARRISTER CAPITAL CORPORATION—J. Jeffrey Broderick gave a presentation on the work of the Barrister Capital Corporation.
3. VIRGINIA TECH COLONY—It was moved by Carroll, seconded by Dorris and the motion carried unanimously to approve the chartering petition of the Virginia Tech Colony.
4. MINIMUM STANDARDS—It was moved by Rodican, seconded by Donnelly and the motion carried unanimously to adopt the recommendations in the staff report attached to these minutes.
5. UPDATES—Jerod Breit, Executive Director, and other members of the staff provided updates to the Board of Regents on their various areas of responsibility.
6. DELTA CHI LAW CHANGES—By unanimous consent, the Delta Chi Law Committee was directed to begin working on language for changes in Delta Chi Law in the following areas:
  - Associate Members voting at Chapter meetings
  - Changing the title of the Legal Advisor to General Counsel
  - Minimum Standards regarding Grade Point Average
  - Changing the Schedule of Dues
  - Limit on the length of time for an Associate Member program
  - Increase in the fine for failure to attend Regional Leadership Conferences
7. NEXT MEETING—The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be a conference call on February 11, 2020 at 9 p.m. EST.
8. ADJOURNMENT—The “AA” adjourned the meeting at 10:23 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Carroll, “CC”

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Prepared by:

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**SECTION 1 (Reconsider Previous Business):**

Reconsider Action Taken by the Board of Regents in July 2019 for chapters in violation of the Fraternity's minimum standards:

**REGION I**

**Eastern Washington (GPA)**- It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Eastern Washington Chapter and all operations effective May 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by May 31, 2020.

**REGION IV**

**Northern Colorado (GPA)**- It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Northern Colorado Chapter and all operations effective December 31, 2019, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by December 31, 2019.

**REGION V**

**Illinois (GPA)** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Illinois Chapter and all operations effective December 31, 2019, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by December 31, 2019.

**Northern Illinois (GPA)** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Northern Illinois Chapter and all operations effective December 31, 2019, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by December 31, 2019.

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**SECTION 2 (Set new deadlines for Section 1 Items):**

Reconsider Action Taken by the Board of Regents in July 2019 for chapters in violation of the Fraternity's minimum standards:

**REGION IV**

**Northern Colorado (GPA)**- It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Northern Colorado Chapter and all operations effective May 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by May 31, 2020.

**REGION V**

**Illinois (GPA)** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Illinois Chapter and all operations effective May 31 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by May 31, 2020.

**Northern Illinois (GPA)** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the Northern Illinois Chapter and all operations effective May 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by May 31, 2020.

**SECTION 3 (Set dates for groups not achieving standards):**

Recommended Action by the Board of Regents for chapters in violation of the Fraternity's minimum standards:

**Size Warning**- It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a warning status effective December 31, 2019, such status shall be elevated to probation on December 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has at least 30 initiated, or a number of initiated members equal to or higher than the average number for fraternities at that institution, whichever is less by December 31, 2020.

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**Region I**

Eastern Washington (SP19, 23 members - current size 12)\*

**Region IV**

Iowa State (SP19, 25 members - current size 35)

Northern Colorado (SP19, 25 members - current size 36)

South Dakota State (SP19, 28 members - current size 20)

**Region V**

Lake Forest (SP19, 17 members - current size 25)

Southern Illinois (SP19, 24 members - current size 26)

**Region VI**

Case Western Reserve (SP19, 19 members - current size 20)

Kettering-B (SP19, 19 members - current size 19)

**Region VII**

Hofstra (SP19, 18 members - current size 16)\*

Rhode Island (SP19, 21 members - current size 34)

Syracuse (SP19, 14 members - current size 19)\*

**Region VIII**

Embry-Riddle (SP19, 23 members - current size 43)

North Alabama (SP19, 15 members - current size 14)

North Georgia (SP19, 22 members - current size 22)

Troy State (SP19 28 members - current size 26)

**Region IX**

Gannon (SP19, 15 members - current size 7)\*

West Chester (SP19, 25 members - current size 22)\*

Wilmington (SP19, 27 members - current size 30)

USP (SP19 16 members - current size 15)\*

\* deferred recruitment campuses

**Size Probation-** It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a probation status effective December 31, 2019. Such status shall be elevated to eligible for suspension on December 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has at least 30 initiated, or a number of initiated members equal to or higher than the average number for fraternities at that institution, whichever is less by December 31, 2020.

**Region VII**

Hobart (SP19, 18 members - current size 16)

**GPA Warning -** It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a warning status effective December 31, 2019, such status shall be elevated to probation on December 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by December 31, 2020.

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**Region II**

Northern Arizona

**Region IV**

Iowa State

Northern Colorado

South Dakota State

Southeast Missouri

**Region V**

Eastern Illinois

Minnesota

**Region VI**

Kettering-B

Ohio State

**Region VII**

Hamilton

Hobart

Rutgers

**Region VIII**

Auburn

Clemson

Embry-Riddle

Florida State

Troy State

**Region IX**

Lehigh

Penn State

Radford

Wilmington

**GPA Probation** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a probation status effective December 31, 2019. Such status shall be elevated to eligible for suspension on December 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by December 31, 2020.

**Region V**

Lake Forest

**Region VIII**

Appalachian State

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**GPA Eligible for Suspension** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the following chapters and all operations effective May 31 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has cumulative combined (grades for that academic term of all chapter members combined) chapter grade point average of at or above the all-men's or all-fraternity grade point average at their host institution, but no lower than a 2.7 grade point average (on a 4 scale) if those averages are below a 2.7, by May 31, 2020.

**Region V**

Purdue

**Region VII**

Syracuse (previous 12/31/19 suspension date - compliant SP19)

**Advisor Warning** - It is the staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a warning status effective December 31, 2019, such status shall be elevated to probation on December 31, 2020, unless the "AA" finds and reports to the Board in writing that the chapter has found the appropriate advisor to fill the denoted vacancy by December 31, 2020.

**Region III**

Little Rock (ABT President, Faculty Advisor)

**Region V**

Illinois (Faculty Advisor)

Marquette (ABT President)

Minnesota (Faculty Advisor)

Southern Illinois (Faculty Advisor)

**Region VII**

Cornell (ABT President)

Rutgers (Faculty Advisor)

**Region VIII**

Florida State (Faculty Advisor)

**Region IX**

Johnstown (ABT President)

Penn State ("BB", Faculty Advisor)

William & Mary ("BB")

**Finances, Probation (120+)** - It is Staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to place the following chapters on a probation status effective December 31, 2019, During this period of time, the Chapter shall have 30 days to propose a payment plan to the Executive Committee to eliminate the debt in a time period in accordance with Delta Chi Law. If the plan proposed is not approved by the Executive Committee or the Chapter fails to submit a plan, the Executive Committee may impose its own payment plan. If at any time the Chapter reduces its debt to a point where it is in good standing as defined in Delta Chi Law, then the financial probation shall be terminated automatically.

**Region IX**

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Ferrum (\$2,224.73)  
Gannon (\$1,744.40)  
Johnstown (\$250)

**Finances, Eligible for Suspension (Payment Plan Non-Compliance)**- It is Staff's recommendation that the "AA" be directed by the Board to suspend the charter of the following chapters and all chapter operations on May 31, 2020, with the exception of regular business meetings until the chapter's debt is paid in full, the chapter agrees to a new payment plan, or the chapter returns to compliance with their current payment plan. During this period of time, the chapter will be prohibited from organizing, sponsoring, or participating in social activities, sports programs, performing the Ritual, etc. The chapter may resume all operations and the "AA" shall lift the suspension once full payment is made or the Director of Finance certifies in writing to the "AA" that the chapter has an approved payment plan and the first payment on the payment plan is made. Furthermore, the "AA" is directed to suspend the charter with the above stipulations at any time the Executive Director reports that the chapter is not current with its payment plan and to lift the suspension only when the chapter is again current with its payment plan.

**Region IV**

Northern Colorado

**Region V**

Northwestern

**Region VII**

Rhode Island

**Region VIII**

Valdosta

**Region IX**

East Stroudsburg