

May Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

The Delta Chi International Fraternity, Inc. May 23, 2023 at 8:00 PM EDT

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Attendance

Present:

Members: Patrick Alderdice, Greg Caufman, Ben Dundas, Matt Gorney, Gregory Grimes, Max Harper, Grant Herrin, Nik Kern, Josh Klein, Aaron Otto, Jack Rodican, Cody Schrock, Mark Sexton

Guests: Alex Castro, Regent Elect, Alan Udell, Regent Elect, Dave Gault, Karl Grindel, Don LaPlante, Davis Millard

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call (Presenters: Brothers Alderdice and Gorney)

 The "AA" called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m. (EDT)
- II. Approval of Minutes (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

April 2023 Minutes Need Approval

Approval of April 2023 Minutes:

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Motion moved by Jack Rodican and motion seconded by Gregory Grimes. The Board unanimously passed the motion.

- III. Reports to the Board of Regents (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)
 - A. Executive Committee Reports
 - 1. "AA" (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

The "AA" provided a report to the Board
Highpoint Chartering date is September 16
Villanova and Creighton will also likely charter this fall
Check calendars for a potential Board retreat Oct. 22-25. Looking at using the same
place in Park City, Utah, as in 2022. Early week days are less expensive, which is why
we are looking at a weekday event. Please check calendars and let the "CC" know if
there will be any issues attending.

2. "CC" (Presenters: Brother Gorney)

The "CC" provided a report to the Board. Centennial celebration dates are October 22 for Illinois, Iowa State, and Kansas

3. "DD" (Presenters: Brother Sexton)

The "DD" provided a report to the Board.

The 2022 990 tax filing was discussed and the "DD" requested the Board approve what has been filed. Typically the 990 is approved by the Board prior to filing, but an anomaly in timing has it being presented for approval after filing for this year only. The "DD" discussed initial discussions are being had toward preparation of the 2023 budget.

a. Approve 2022 990

Approval of 2022 990 tax form:

Motion moved by Jack Rodican and motion seconded by Grant Herrin. The Board unanimously approved the 2022 990 tax form.

B. Executive Director Report (Presenters: Brother Grindel)

The Executive Director provided a report to the Board addressing the following topics:

- Recent staff promotions of Davis Millard to Associate ED and Heather Lockwood to Chief Marketing and Experience Officer
- There have been five other recent hires
- The Fraternity has shown a 3 percent year-over-year growth in undergraduate manpower from the 2021-22 to 2022-23 school years
- Recruitment for Spring 2023 was about 200 people short
- There were 870 members who reported as inactive
- The Alaska provisional chapter will cease operation. The members have been informed and understand the situation
- The inaugural class of Dale Carnegie scholars have completed their coursework. A virtual graduation ceremony will be June 7, 2023, via Zoom.
- An update regarding Barrister Capital Corporation was provided. Notably, the recent loan closed on May 16, 2023, and assets are transferring to UBT. Brother Galbreth resigned his position on the Barrister Board in accordance with the relevant bylaws. The Board of Regents will make an appointment to fill the vacancy.
- An update regarding Martlet was provided
- The Fraternity's gift to the DCEF will be made by the end of the Fraternity's fiscal year
- An update regarding our partnership with the V Foundation was provided. Our request
 to focus funds on pediatric cancer research has been approved. The Fraternity's
 Service Committee will take a look at how we can emphasize this new focus.
- C. Ad-Hoc Committee Reports (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)
 - Region Realignment Committee (Presenters: Brother Kern)
 No report was given.
 - Board Governance Commitee (Presenters: Brother Gorney)
 The committee has been meeting and is developing a proposal for possible changes
- D. Standing Committee Reports (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)
 - 1. Housing Committee (Presenters: Brother Dundas)

The Committee has received a request for a loan from the Texas Tech Chapter and will be voting on it.

2. Law Committee (Presenters: Brothers Gault and LaPlante)

There was no report from this committee.

3. Ritual Commitee (Presenters: Brother Schrock)

There was no report from this committee.

4. Service Committee (Presenters: Brother Harper)

There was no report from this committee.

5. DEI Committee (Presenters: Brother Rodican)

There was no report from this committee.

6. Delta Chi Educational Foundation Update (Presenters: Brother Otto)

The Retiring "AA" provided an update regarding the Foundation's activities.

IV. Unfinished Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

The Board had no unfinished business.

V. New Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Chico Chapter Appeal (Presenters: Steven Earle, "A", Ramix Bakhtary, "D", Niloy Chatterjee, ABT President)

Undergraduate members of the Chico Chapter and chapter support alumni appeared before the Board to appeal the Level 6 Risk Management sanction imposed by the Risk Management Commission (RMC). Appearing were Steven Earle, Ramiz Bakhtary, Tony Ursina, and Niloy Chaterjee.

Following a review of the matter and action by the RMC presented by the Associate Executive Director, the chapter members presented an appeal asking the Board to overturn the Level 6 sanction and return the matter to the RMC. Having heard the appeal and asked questions of the undergraduates, the Chico attendees were thanked for their time and dismissed from the call to allow the Board to deliberate.

VI. Executive Session (Presenters: Brother Alderdice, Brother Grindel)

The Board retired to Executive Session at 8:20 p.m. (EDT) for the purpose of receiving information from Legal Counsel.

VII. Return from Executive Session

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:54 (EDT). The following actions were taken during the Executive Session:

- 1. Moved by Sexton and seconded by Gorney to postpone voting on the Chico Chapter appeal until the June meeting of the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Moved by Grindel and seconded by Gorney to extend the temporary suspension of the Chico Chapter for an additional 60 days. The motion passed unanimously.

VIII. Gavel Pass and Retiring Regent Recognition

Brothers Herrin, Harper and Rodican were offered an opportunity to address the Board in their final meeting as the regents. The Board expressed its thanks and sincere appreciation for the service of all three as regent.

IX. Announcements (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Next Board Meeting (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

June 20 at 8:00pm Eastern
July 27-30 Tri-Board Meeting, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

X. Adjournment

The meeting of the Board was adjourned at 10:03 p.m. (EDT)