



# November Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

The Delta Chi International Fraternity, Inc.

Nov 28, 2023 at 8:00 PM EST

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## **Attendance**

### **Present:**

Members: Patrick Alderdice, Alex Castro, Greg Cauffman, Ben Dundas, Matt Gorney, Gregory Grimes, Nik Kern, Josh Klein, Darrell McTague, Aaron Otto, Mark Sexton, Alan Udell

Guests: Annmarie Novotney (Blue & Co), Karl Grindel, Alex Hart, Seth Kardon, Davis Millard

### **Absent:**

Members: Cody Schrock

Guests: Dave Gault

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

The "AA" called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m. (EST)

#### II. Special Presentations

##### A. Audit Presentation (Presenters: Annmarie Novotney, Blue & Co.)

The Board reviewed the 2023 Audit with Annmarie Novotney

 [The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. ML DRAFT.pdf](#)

 [The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. FS DRAFT.pdf](#)

 [The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. Selected Financial Data DRAFT.pdf](#)

 [The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. CEL DRAFT.pdf](#)

##### B. Ms. Novotney leaves the call

##### C. Alex Castro joins the call

##### D. Housing Fund Proposal - The Proposal has been rescinded. No presentation and no action required. (Presenters: John Shelby, OWC, Housing Committee Member)

Review proposal from the Housing Fund

\*\*This matter was removed from the agenda following some additional developments on this issue. No action was taken by the Board on this item. \*\*

#### III. Approval of Minutes (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

October 2023 Minutes Need Approval

A modification is noted that the October Board of Regents Meeting Minutes need to be modified to reflect the Board's re-taking up of the alumni chapter issue and approving the Chartering Petition with the name of the Virginia Blue Ridge Area Alumni Chapter.

 [October Board of Regents Meeting Minutes \(1\).pdf](#)

**Approval of the October Board minutes as amended:**

Motion moved by Greg Cauffman and motion seconded by Darrell McTague. The Board unanimously approved the minutes as amended.

IV. Reports to the Board of Regents

A. Executive Committee Reports

1. "AA" (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

- Alumni & Volunteer Success Task Force
  - Charge and recommendations for task force members sent to chair Jon Sattler
- Centennial Events
  - Kansas
  - Illinois
  - Iowa State
  - All three went well.
- Favor & Co. Meeting Observations
  - The "AA" gave a general overview of the recent trip to this meeting in London.

2. "CC" (Presenters: Brother Gorney)

Executive Committee Minutes  
Chartering Petitions: Arizona and Creighton

 [2023-10-18 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

 [2023-11-15 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

3. "DD" (Presenters: Brother Sexton)

- Audit
  - Thank you to the audit committee members
- Barrister Capital Corporation Update
  - Brief discussion of some recent issues at the Eastern Washington chapter RE: housing; Brother Broderick has worked hard on this matter
  - Adding Brother Shelby to the Barrister Board has been substantially positive

B. Executive Director Report (Presenters: Brother Grindel)

- Recruitment/Membership Update
  - 1,472 AMs
  - About 230 behind stated fall goal; Working on plans for the spring to try to make some of this up
  - Comparatively to prior years, we have remained consistent with average recruitment per chapter.
  - Review of inactivations
  - Initiations are occurring
  - Additional chartering petitions expected

- Loyola and Rowan groups will be closing
- Conduct updates
  - Jacksonville State; sent staff for a membership review; a few individuals were removed but appears there is a good group moving forward
  - Northern Arizona; temporary suspension in place; investigation ongoing
  - UNLV; chosen not to recruit and all but formally surrendered their charter; attempting to get them to surrender their charter voluntarily otherwise the revocation will have to come before the Board and Convention
- National House Corporation and tax statuses
  - Contracted with Fraternal Law to get status reinstated
  - 8 subordinates also lost status that cannot be regained
  - Offered those organizations assistance to gain independent status
- RLA Update
  - Registrations at 49 undergrads registered; 2 alumni registered
  - 68 Dale Carnegie Scholars confirmed with another 50 declared
  - Working through officer elections right now to get registration information to new officers
  - Staff is working on this and is asking for assistance from the Regents to follow up with their chapters
    - Information about registrations will be provided to Regents on Mondays and Thursdays
  - Board members are requested to arrive by Thursday at 7 p.m. for RLAs
  - Discussion of the language or attendance requirements
  - Still working on filling last facilitator vacancies
- Capitol Hill Visits
  - Send nominations to Karl
- Convention 2024 Update
  - Our selected hotel recently opted to undergo full renovation in 2024; Hosting Convention there is no longer an option
  - Two options
    - 1) JW Marriott Turnberry; Will honor our rate and contract but this is not on the beach and does have a waterpark; Site visit being conducted 11/29/2023 to determine if this will work
    - 2) Mutual cancellation clause invocation; We would be paid \$51,000 and would have to begin search for a new property
    - Preference is the JW Marriott option if that works out; The Executive Director will provide an update as this matter moves forward

## C. Adhoc Committees

### 1. Governance Task Force (Presenters: Brother Gorney, Brother Cauffman)

The Committee has had recent meetings and is in a good place heading into the scheduled Board work session next week.

The Committee is asking that each Board member provide names of two undergraduate members and two active support alumni members who would be good for a focus group.

### 2. Anti-Hazing Task Force (Presenters: Brother Sexton)

Committee has been meetings.

Looking to add 4-5 more undergraduate members to get feedback on potential changes

3. Growth Task Force (Presenters: Brother Grimes)

This task force has not had a chance to meeting and is looking to put something together soon

D. Standing Committees

1. Housing (Presenters: Brother Dundas)

There was no report at this time.

2. Delta Chi Law (Presenters: Brother Gault)

There was no report at this time.

3. Ritual (Presenters: Brother McTague)

The committee has recently met. Looking at some language changes for the AM ceremony. Brother Matthew Rolland, Ritualist, was also present to provide additional information to this report.

4. Service (Presenters: Brother Kern)

The committee is working on short term goals for resources to help chapters and some longer term goals regarding a service related event at convention, other larger service related events, and a possible national service partner. Committee will be meeting again after RLA.

5. Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (Presenters: Brother Schrock)

There was no report at this time.

6. Investment Advisory (Presenters: Brother Castro)

There was no report at this time.

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

- 1890 Scholarship applications have been received
- DCEF recently approved its budget
- Lauren is no longer working for the Foundation and the search is on for a new Development Director
- Fee structure changes; Already reduced CSA donation fees down one percent from 4 to 3
- DCEF winter board meeting 2/1/24-2/4/24 in Atlanta

V. Unfinished Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

There was no unfinished board business

VI. New Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Approve Audit

**Approval of the 2023 Audit:**

Motion moved by Mark Sexton and motion seconded by Ben Dundas. The Board unanimously approved the 2023 audit

B. Reverse RLC Attendance Fine and Minimum Standards RLC Attendance

- Hobart
  - A technical issue prevented Hobart's attendance at the 2023 RLC from being recorded. It was confirmed that the chapter did attend.

**Reversal of Hobart's RLC attendance fine:**

Motion moved by Darrell McTague and motion seconded by Josh Klein. The Board passed the motion unanimously

C. Chartering Petitions

1. Creighton

 [Creighton University Chartering Petition Email.pdf](#)

 [Creighton Delta Chi Intent to Charter.pdf](#)

 [Creighton Chartering Standards Overall Rating Summary.docx](#)

**Approval of Arizona's Chartering Petition:**

Motion moved by Matt Gorney and motion seconded by Gregory Grimes. The Board unanimously decided to approve Creighton's Chartering petition.

2. Arizona

 [University of Arizona Chartering Petition Email.pdf](#)

 [Cover Letter University of Arizona.pdf](#)

 [Arizona Chartering Standards Overall Rating Summary.docx](#)

**Approval of Arizona's Chartering Petition:**

Motion moved by Matt Gorney and motion seconded by Josh Klein. The Board unanimously decided to approve Arizona's Chartering petition.

VII. Executive Session

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:58 p.m. (EST) for the purpose of receiving a limited litigation update.

VIII. Return from Executive Session

The Board returned from Executive Session at 10:01 p.m. (EST). No action was taken during the Executive Session.

IX. Announcements (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Next Board Meeting (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

- Upcoming Board work sessions
  - December 5 at 7:00 p.m. ET (Governance)
  - December 10 at 8:00 p.m. ET (RLA)
- December 19 at 8:00pm ET
  - This meeting has been cancelled.
- **Spring 2024 Proposed Meeting Times**
  - January 4 at 8:00 p.m. ET (RLA Work Session - if necessary)
  - January 23 at 8:00 p.m. ET
  - February 27 at 8:00 p.m. ET
  - March 26 at 8:00 p.m. ET
  - April 23 at 8:00 p.m. ET
  - May 28 at 8:00 p.m. ET
  - June 25 at 8:00 p.m. ET

X. Adjournment

The "AA" adjourned the meeting at 10:07 p.m. (EST)