



# January Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

The Delta Chi International Fraternity, Inc.

Jan 28, 2024 at 7:00 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, Cody Schrock, Mark Sexton, Alan Udell

Guests: Dave Gault, Karl Grindel

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

The "AA" called the meeting of the Board of Regents to Order at 7:03 p.m. (EDT)

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

November 2023 Minutes Need Approval

 [November Board of Regents Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

#### **Approval of the November 2023 Board minutes:**

Motion moved by Greg Cauffman and motion seconded by Nik Kern. The Board approved the motion unanimously

### III. Reports to the Board of Regents

#### A. Executive Committee Reports

##### 1. "AA" (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

- Thank you for adjusting the time of the meeting
- RLA Comments
  - Thank you to staff for its execution at the RLA
  - Good some good, constructive feedback
  - Will be looking at some changes based on what we learned
- Oakes Mediation
  - Participants flying on Monday morning for the mediation on Tuesday
- DCEF Winter Meeting
  - "AA", Executive Director and Retiring "AA" attending this meeting in Atlanta
  - Will be updating the Foundation regarding the legal opinions as to the educational/noneducational percentages for RLA and Dale Carnegie to assist in submitting a grant proposal

##### 2. "CC" (Presenters: Brother Gorney)

- RLA Comments

- Recent Executive Committee Minutes provided for Board review

### 3. "DD" (Presenters: Brother Sexton)

- RLA Comments
- Barrister Capital Corporation
  - It would be helpful to find ways to connect the services Barrister provides with chapters needing such services regarding housing. As a request to the regents, as you speak to chapters, Housing Corps and ABTs, let them know that Barrister is there to assist and can be contacted

## B. Executive Director Report (Presenters: Brother Grindel)

- Beginning of the Spring Semester update
  - Northern Arizona investigation is occurring
    - Fraternity staff has been onsite to conduct investigation
    - The University hired outside counsel for its investigation
  - Currently at 14 signed bids after one week at South Carolina
    - Staff on site
  - 7 bids extended at Coastal Carolina in its first week
  - Spring recruitment numbers beginning to come in
- Chartering Updates
  - Villanova packet submitted; should be before the Board soon
  - Looking for Quinnipiac's application as well
- Convention 2024 Update
  - Should be finalizing the hotel change and additional information soon
- Kourtnee Jones hired as the Director of Services and came highly recommended
  - The "AA" confirmed that Kourtnee's experience and background will greatly benefit the Fraternity's efforts. It was also noted that no Delta Chi members applied for this open position.
- RLA Debrief
  - More than 600 total students participated
  - 89 Dale Carnegie Scholars in 2024
    - Up from 61 last year
    - 9 began program but were not able to finish for uncontrollable reasons such as weather; We are working with Dale Carnegie to provide an opportunity for these members to complete the course
    - RLA motion passed for all 9 regions for 2025
  - RLA debrief information provided in advance of meeting
  - Overall extremely pleased with how RLA year 1 went; Four simultaneous programs has a high level of difficulty
  - There will be changes for RLA 2025
  - Regents need to submit their reports from the RLA per Delta Chi Law
  - Region V passed an additional resolution that the Regent V Regent presented to the Board

## C. Adhoc Committees

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

- Thank you for the presentations at RLAs. Has helped focus the path forward.
- Task Force meeting next week to further discuss

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

- Any feedback from RLA presentation
- Task Force will be hosting listening sessions as previously announced

### 3. Growth Task Force

There is no report from this Task Force. The "AA" will report at the next meeting on the appointment of a new chair.

### 4. Alumni & Volunteer Success Task Force

This task force met last week

## D. Standing Committees

### 1. Housing (Presenters: Brother Dundas)

There was no report from this Committee

### 2. Delta Chi Law (Presenters: Brother Gault)

There is a lot on the committee's plate. Looking to have some information in front of the Board by late February or early March

### 3. Ritual (Presenters: Brother McTague)

There was no update from this Committee

### 4. Service (Presenters: Brother Kern)

There was no update from this Committee

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

There was no update from this Committee

### 6. Investment Advisory (Presenters: Brother Castro)

There was no update from this Committee

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

There was no additional update from beyond what the "AA" presented about the upcoming midyear Board meeting

## IV. Unfinished Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

There was no unfinished business before the Board

## V. New Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

### A. RLA Fines

- PROPOSED
  - Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VII, VIII
    - None for these Regions
  - Region VI
    - Denison – 3 Votes x \$200 = \$600
    - Michigan – 4 Votes x \$200 = \$800
  - Region IX
    - Penn State – 4 Votes x \$200 = \$800

**Issuance of fines for 2024 RLA attendance as prescribed by Delta Chi Law:**

- Region VI
  - Denison – 3 Votes x \$200 = \$600
  - Michigan – 4 Votes x \$200 = \$800
- Region IX
  - Penn State – 4 Votes x \$200 = \$800

Motion moved by Nik Kern and motion seconded by Greg Cauffman. The Motion passed unanimously

B. Board Approval - Nik Kern to remain Regent while living outside Region VI

Delta Chi Law authorizes the Board to allow a Regent to remain in his role through the end of his term if he moves out of his Region and has less than 6 months left in his term. Brother Kern qualifies under this provision and has expressed his desire to complete his term which ends June 15, 2024.

**Authorization of Brother Kern to remain as Regent for Region VI despite having moved out of the region:**

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

VI. Executive Session

The Board retired to executive session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing legal matters and receiving advice from the Legal Advisor protected by the attorney-client privilege

VII. Return from Executive Session

The Board returned to open session at 9:25 p.m. (EDT). No reportable action was taken in executive session.

VIII. Announcements (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Next Board Meeting (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

- **Spring 2024 Proposed Meeting Times**
  - February 27 8:00pm ET
  - March 26 8:00pm ET
  - April 23 8:00pm ET
  - May 28 8:00pm ET
  - June 25 8:00pm ET
- The "AA" also sought the opinion of the Board regarding possibly reducing the frequency of Board meetings

B. Spring Travel as of Jan 23

Oakes Mediation Jan 29-31 - Patrick and Karl  
DCEF Meeting (Atlanta) Feb 2-3 - Patrick and Karl

Arizona Chartering Feb. 17 – Patrick and Mark  
Mississippi State 60th Anniversary March 1-3 – Ben Dundas, Regent  
EC Meeting in Miami March 27-29  
Creighton Chartering April 6 – Matt  
Duquesne 30th Anniversary April 12-14 – Greg Caufman, Regent  
NIC Capitol Hill visits April 8-11 – Karl and Matt

**IX. Adjournment**

The "AA" adjourned the meeting of the Board at 9:31 p.m. (EDT)