August 2026 Board of Regents Meeting

Minutes

The Delta Chi International Fraternity, Inc.
8/26/2026 8:00 PMEDT
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Attendance

Present:
Members: Bill Tallman, Greg Caufman, John Shelby, Josh Baker, Alan Udell, Darrell McTague, Jim Marascio, Gil Werntz, Patrick Alderdice
Guests: Karl Grindel, John Dunlap, Matthew Rolland, Alex Hart, Kristen Kardas

Absent:
Members: Edwin Alarid

I. Call to Order and Roll Call (Presenters: Brothers Tallman & Caufman)

The "AA" called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM.
The "CC" called roll and indicated a quorum is present.

II. Welcome (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

The "AA" discussed process and expectations for Board meetings moving forward.

III. Consent Agenda (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

The "AA" asked if any items needed to be removed from the Consent Agenda, and no items were noted.

A. Approval of Minutes

July 2026 Pre-Convention Board of Regents Meeting
64th International Convention (will be shared at a later meeting)
July 2026 Post-Convention Board of Regents Meeting

July 2026 Pre-Convention Board of Regents Meeting Minutes.pdf

Post-Convention (July) Board of Regents Meeting Minutes.pdf

B. Executive Committee Minutes

August 6 Executive Committee Meeting
August 21-22 Executive Committee Retreat

Executive Committee Meeting - August 6, 2026 Minutes.pdf

Executive Committee Retreat Minutes.pdf

C. Board Committee Reports

Personnel & External Relations (Tallman)

- Personnel
- Government Affairs

- Delta Chi Foundation

Governance (Caufman)

- Board Governance
- Delta Chi Law
- Area Counselor Communications

Alumni Relations (Marascio)

- Alumni Experience
- Alumni Volunteer Pipelines

Health & Safety (Udell)

- Risk Management / Anti-Hazing Task Force
- Insurance

AA Report August 2026.pdf

Board of Regents Committee Report - Governance August 2026.pdf

Alumni Relations BoR Committee Report - August 2026.pdf

8-12-26 BoR AHTF Committee Report.pdf

8-12-26 BoR Insurance Committee Report.pdf

D. Staff Reports

Executive Director & CEO Report

BOR CEO Report August 2026.pdf

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda

The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Reports to the Board of Regents

The following reports were provided.

A. Executive Committee Reports

Executive Committee reports provided by each officer.

1. "AA" (Presenters: Brother Tallman)
    - Nothing additional to report.
2. "CC" (Presenters: Brother Caufman)
    - Please provide committee reports prior to each meeting on or before the due date. Understand we had new committee chairs for this meeting.
    - Will be attending the Indiana chartering on Saturday with Alan and then the NIC Annual meeting with Karl and staff on Sunday and Monday.

- With Governance proposals passed at Convention; now shifting near-term focus to implementation. Working on new committee system implementation, Delta Chi Law review, and Area Counselor quarterly meeting planning.
- Worked on an update to the Board Operating Procedures to reflect Convention changes, which will be discussed in new business.

3. "DD" (Presenters: Brother Shelby)

- Talked to the auditors, and we are getting the process started for the year.

B. Executive Director Report (Presenters: Brother Grindel)

- Notified this evening that there was a fire at the Kennesaw State chapter house; shared house with another fraternity; everyone is safe and alternative housing is being arranged.
- Nick Lanier (Coordinator of Growth) is leaving staff.
- Marlow Hall (Executive Assistant) left staff, and Karl has been working to interview a replacement.
- Expansions are underway at Colorado and Kentucky and off to a strong start.
- General liability insurance premium information received. Likely to move forward with same deductible as last year with a slight year-over-year savings. This will be brought to the September Board meeting for a vote after the Insurance Subcommittee has reviewed.

C. Board Committee Reports

Personnel & External Relations (Tallman)

- We will vote on a candidate for General Counsel during new business.

Governance (Caufman)

- Board Governance - New committees of the Board are in effect. Walked through a briefing to educate on the new process.
- Area Counselor Communications - Quarterly meeting will occur in September. One Area Counselor position vacant for Heartland.

Finance (Shelby)

- Working with CFO form to provide read only access to financial reporting for CEO/Executive Director.

Health & Safety (Udell)

- Insurance subcommittee will be working through the insurance renewal with Favor & Company.

Housing (Baker)

- The next Barrister Capital Corporation meeting isn't currently scheduled. We will vote on a replacement for John Shelby on the Barrister Board during new business.

Qualifications (Alderdice)

- Board & Area Counselor Pipeline - Working to fill the Heartland Area Counselor position

V. Unfinished Board Business (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

There was no unfinished Board business.

VI. New Board Business (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

The following new business was brought before the Board.

A. Barrister Capital Corporation Appointment

After coordination with Barrister, the EC recommends appointing Steve Michels, Marquette '87, to the Barrister Board to fulfill the term of John Shelby ending 2030.
Steve participated in the Barrister meeting during Convention.

Appoint Barrister Board Member:

Move to appoint Steve Michels, Marquette '87, to the Barrister Board effective immediately for a partial term ending in 2030.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. Fines for Convention Non-Attendance

Adelphi (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Alberta (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Bryant (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Cornell (4 votes x $500) $2,000
Delaware (4 votes x $500) $2,000
Duquesne (5 votes x $500) $2,500
Gannon (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Hobart (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Illinois (5 votes x $500) $2,500
Iowa State (4 votes x $500) $2,000
Long Beach (4 votes x $500) $2,000
Northern Colorado (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Ohio State (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Oregon State (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Riverside (4 votes x $500) $2,000
San Diego (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Southeast Missouri (3 votes x $500) $1,500
Villanova (3 votes x $500) $1,500

Convention Fines:

Move to fine undergraduate chapters for non-attendance at Convention at $500 per vote using the list provided by IHQ.

The motion passed unanimously.

C. Michigan State Provisional Chapter - Charter Petition

Alex Hart reported on the new process for evaluating provisional chapters for chartering and on the progress of the Michigan State Provisional Chapter.
Alan noted that the weighting of categories within the assessment should be considered for the future.
Jim noted that he's always concerned with chapter size and competitiveness on campus, so he's interested in the trend for the direction they're moving in the fall. He's also be interested in

seeing comparison to campus average rather than just comparison to Delta Chi minimum standards.
Proposed chartering dates are:

1. Weekend of November 20-22
2. Weekend of December 4-6
3. Weekend of November 13-15

Michigan State Letter of Intent for Petition to Charter.pdf

Michigan State Chartering Petition for 8:26.pdf

Michigan State Provisional Chapter 2025 MYA Rubric.pdf

Michigan State Provisional Chapter 2026 COA Report.pdf

Michigan State Chartering Petition:
Move to approve the Michigan State chartering petition.

The motion passed 5-2 in favor of chartering the chapter.

D. Board Operating Procedures Update

Greg walked through proposed changes to the Board Operating Procedures to implement Delta Chi Law changes approved at Convention.
Alan pointed out that a reference to Risk Management Commission wasn't changed to Standards Commission, which was corrected.

Board of Regents Operating Procedures Draft 082126 (Track Changes).pdf

Board of Regents Operating Procedures Draft 082126 (Clean).pdf

Board Operating Procedures Approval:
Move to approve the August 2026 revisions to the Board of Regents Operating Procedures, as amended.

The motion passed unanimously.

E. Area Counselor Appointment

- There is a vacancy for the Heartland Subregion Area Counselor position.
- Patrick is working with staff to identify a candidate to fill the position.

F. Appoint General Counsel - John B. Dunlap, LSU '86

After speaking with several candidates, the EC's recommendation is to appoint John Dunlap for a 2-year term starting on October 11, 2026.

Dunlap Bio.pdf

Appointment of General Counsel:
Move to appoint John Dunlap, LSU '86, as General Counsel for a two-year term effective October 11, 2026.

The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Executive Session (Presenters: Brother Grindel, Brother Gault)

The Board moved into Executive Session at 9:10 PM for the purpose of discussing litigation updates.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:14 PM. There were no actions taken.

VIII. Announcements (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

- The Auburn chapter is currently leading recruitment numbers at 61 Associated Members.
- Other announcements noted below.

A. 2026-2027 Board Meeting Schedule

Board meetings will occur the second Thursday of each month, as follows:

- September 10 @ 8:00pm ET (virtual)
- October 9-11 (in-person)
- November 12 @ 8:00pm ET (virtual)
- December 10 @ 8:00pm ET (virtual)

B. Fall 2026 Board of Regents Retreat / Meeting

Date: October 9-11, 2026; starting at 1 PM on October 9 and departure the morning of October 11
Location: TBD (Chicago or Denver)

C. 2026-2027 Travel

August 29: Indiana Chartering (Caufman and Udell)
August 30-31: NIC Meeting of Members (Caufman and Grindel)
October 9-11: Board of Regents Retreat

IX. Adjournment (Presenters: Brother Tallman)

The "AA" adjourned the meeting at 9:22 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Greg Caufman, "CC"