July 2026 Pre-Convention Board of Regents Meeting Minutes

The Delta Chi International Fraternity, Inc.
7/21/2026 8:30 AMEDT

Attendance

Present:
Members: Edwin Alarid, Patrick Alderdice, Josh Baker, Greg Caufman, Matt Gorney, Aaron Otto, Mark Sexton, Bill Tallman, Alan Udell, Darrell McTague
Guests: Dave Gault, Karl Grindel, Davis Millard, Kristen Kardas

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 8:32 a.m. (EDT) on July 21, 2026 at the Hyatt Regency in Indianapolis, Indiana

II. Welcome (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

III. Consent Agenda (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Approval of Minutes

- May 2026 Board of Regents Meeting
- June 2026 Board of Regents Meeting

May 2026 Board of Regents Meeting Minutes.pdf

June 2026 Board of Regents Meeting Minutes.pdf

B. Executive Committee Minutes

- June 4
- June 24
- July 8
- July 20

2026-06-04 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf

2026-06-24 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf

2026-07-08 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf

2026-07-20 Executive Committee Meeting (Pre-Convention) Minutes.pdf

C. Board Committee Reports

- Personnel & External Relations (Alderdice)
  - Personnel
  - Government Affairs
  - Delta Chi Foundation
- Communications & Operations (Gorney)
  - Delta Chi Law Committee (standing)

    - Vice Regent Communications
- Finance (Sexton)
    - Audit
    - Investment Advisory Committee (standing)
    - Martlet, Inc.
- Alumni Relations (McTague)
    - Alumni & Volunteer Success Task Force
    - Alumni Volunteer Pipelines
- Health & Safety (Udell)
    - Anti-Hazing Task Force
    - Insurance
- Growth & New Member Education (Tallman)
    - Growth Task Force
    - Associate Member Experience
- Member Experience (Alarid)
    - DE&I (Member Experience) Committee (standing)
    - Service Committee (standing)
    - Ritual Committee (standing)
    - Philanthropy
- Housing (Baker)
    - Barrister Capital Corporation
    - Housing Committee (standing)
- Governance (Caufman)
    - Governance Task Force
- Qualifications (Otto)
    - Qualifications Review Committee (standing)
    - Board & Vice Regent Pipeline
    - Alumni Awards
- Risk Management Commission (Hammond)

Delta Chi International President Report 2022-2026.pdf

2026-07-20 CC's Report to the Board of Regents.pdf

Delta Chi DD Biennial Report.pdf

Delta Chi IAC Report 2026.pdf

7-12-26 BoR AHTF Committee Report.pdf

7-12-26 BoR Insurance Committee Report.pdf

Southeastern Regent Report 2026.pdf

Board of Regents Committee Report DEI.pdf

2025-2026 Ritual Committee Annual Report.pdf

Board of Regents Committee Report Ritual.pdf

Delta Chi International Service Committee Report.pdf

Board of Regents Committee Report _ Service.pdf

Housing Committee Report.pdf

Board of Regents Committee Report - Governance July 2026.pdf

D. Staff Reports

- Executive Director & CEO Report
  - Alumni Engagement
  - Chapter Services
  - Communications
  - Educational Programs
  - Growth
  - Health & Safety
  - Minimum Standards ***(Removed from consent agenda)***

BOR CEO Report July 2026.pdf

AR 6.30.26.pdf

2026 Board Report Prepared By Ross Dickneite.pdf

2026 Awards Board Report 1 (1).pdf

'24-'26 V Foundation & Bracket Challenge Final Report FINAL.pdf

Board Report Comms 2026.pdf

Summer 2026 BOR Report - Member Experience.pdf

Delta Chi Executive Summary - Year 4.pdf

2026 MES Report - All Delta Chi.pdf

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July 2026 BOR Growth Report.pdf

6.30.26 RM Update.pdf

BOR Update (3).pdf

July 2026 Consent Agenda (1).pdf

E. Martlet, Inc. Appointments

- Re-appoint current members for two-year terms for 2026-2028:
  - President - Greg Hauser, OWC and Past "AA"
  - Miles Washburn, Past "AA"
  - Chuck Mancuso, OWC and Past "AA"
  - Tom Horowitz, OWC and Past "AA"
  - 2026-2028 "DD"
- Structure
  - Board serves two-year terms and are appointed by the Board of Regents
- Purpose
  - Possess ownership of the International Headquarters
  - Serve as a repository for most Fraternity assets formerly held by the Fraternity
  - Upon the dissolution of Red & Buff, Inc., assets will be received by Martlet, Inc.

F. Credentials Committee Report

- Accept accredited delegates as reported via Convention Registration
- All undergraduate chapters have accredited delegations other than the following:
    - Appalachian State
    - Bryant
    - Cornell
    - Hobart
    - Iowa State
    - Long Beach
    - Ohio State
    - Villanova
- All alumni chapters have accredited delegations other than the following:
    - Alberta
    - Boston Area
    - Cape Fear Area
    - Colorado Front Range
    - Greater Portland
    - Houston Area
    - Jacksonville (AL)
    - Las Vegas
    - Omaha
    - San Diego

G. Qualifications Review Committee Report

- The four candidates who submitted applications for "AA", "CC", or "DD" have been deemed as qualified candidates. The candidates standing for election for the 2026-2028 biennium are:
    - Mark Sexton - "AA"
    - Bill Tallman - "AA"
    - Greg Caufman - "CC"
    - John Shelby - "DD"

EC QRC Report.pdf

- Minimum Standards

Approval the Consent Agenda as amended:

Motion moved by Executive Committee and motion seconded by Executive Committee. The motion passed unanimously as amended with one abstention.

IV. Oath of Reaffirmation (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

The "AA" administered the Oath of Reaffirmation to the Board of Regents

Oath of Reaffirmation.pdf

V. Convention Review

- Review Expectations (Alderdice and Gorney)
- Review Convention Schedule (Kardas)

- Review Legislative Schedule (Grindel)
- Thursday morning Caucus Plans (Grindel)
- Thursday afternoon Caucus Plans (candidate forum) (Grindel)
- Capital Campaign Announcement

Board of Regents Talking Guide - Capital Campaign v2.pdf

VI. Reports to the Board of Regents

A. Executive Committee Reports

1. "AA" (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

- CEO Contract Renewal
  - The CEO's contract has been negotiated, reviewed, revised, reviewed and executed for another three-year term
- Delta Chi Adventures
  - PATAGONIA!
- Executive Committee Transition
  - 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning
- Awards Report - Confidential
- Ritual Initiates
  - Will be initiating two people at Ritual on Thursday of Convention

2. "CC" (Presenters: Brother Gorney)

- Vice Regent Observations
- Delta Chi Law and Governance Proposal Contributions
- Executive Committee and Board Meeting Minutes

3. "DD" (Presenters: Brother Sexton)

- FY26 End of Year Financials
- FY26 Audit Update
- Martlet Update

June 30 2026 P&L.pdf

June 30 2026 BS.pdf

June 30 2026 Cash.pdf

B. Executive Director Report (Presenters: Brother Grindel)

- IT Workgroup Update / Database Selection
  - Pricing has been vetted for multiple platforms; Decision has been made for a partner for financial and database platforms; Still finalizing pricing options and working for better options for fraternity and per chapter pricing rates
- Risk Management Assessment Updates
  - Calculator Changes
    - Significant changes to the calculator being proposed by staff; reducing number of credits and surcharges categories from 9 to 4, mostly related to chapter behavior
  - RMA Model - Base Rate
- Barrister Update
  - Looking for an Asset Manager for Barrister

1. 2026 Risk Management Assessment

   The Board reviewed option for the RMA for 2026-2027 and discussed options for the same.

   RMA '26_'27 Calculator.pdf

   RMA 26-27 Worksheet BOR.pdf

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  - Alumni Volunteer Pipelines
- Health & Safety (Udell)
  - Anti-Hazing Task Force
  - Insurance
    - Joe Keil declined to accept his appointment to the Insurance committee.
- Growth & New Member Education (Tallman)
  - Growth Task Force
  - Associate Member Experience
- Member Experience (Alarid)
  - DE&I (Member Experience) Committee (standing)
  - Service Committee (standing)
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- Qualifications (Otto)
  - Qualifications Review Committee (standing)
  - Board & Vice Regent Pipeline
  - Alumni Awards
- Risk Management Commission (Hammond)

VII. Recess

The meeting of the Board of Regents recessed at 12:15 p.m. (EDT) for lunch

VIII. Reconvene

The meeting of the Board of Regents reconvened at 1:07 p.m. (EDT)

IX. Ritual Committee - Matthew Rolland, Ritualist

Ritualist Matthew Rolland presented a report, update, and recommendations from the Committee. The Board discussed and debated each of the presented proposals.

Adoption of Committee Proposal 1: Formatting of all non-secret ceremonies :
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsDXC26ALL CEREMONIES_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee.
The motion passed unanimously

Adoption of Committee Proposal 2: AM Ceremony room set up as discussed and corrected :
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsDXC26ALL CEREMONIES_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee.
The motion passed unanimously

Adoption of Committee Proposal 3: Removing the requirement to wear white carnations at the AM Ceremony:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsDXC26ALL CEREMONIES_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee.
The motion passed unanimously

Adoption of Committee Proposal 4: Language amendment to the AM Ceremony :
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsDXC26ALL CEREMONIES_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee.
Following Board discussion, the proposal was withdrawn by the committee without a Board vote.

Adoption of Committee Proposal 11: Update to the Memorial Ceremony:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee Proposals_DXC26_ALL CEREMONIES_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. Following Board discussion, the proposal was withdrawn by the committee without a Board vote.

Advance Ritual Proposal 1 to Convention for Discussion and Adoption:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee Proposals_RITUAL_DXC26_ver2.pdf*

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. The motion passed unanimously. This proposal will be advanced to the Convention.

Adoption of Ritual Proposal 2 :
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsRITUALDXC26_ver2.pdf*. This proposal does not require Convention review or adoption.

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. The motion passed unanimously as amended.

Advance Ritual Proposal 3 to Convention for Discussion and Adoption:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsRITUALDXC26_ver2.pdf* as amended by the Board.

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. The motion passed unanimously as amended by the Board. This amended proposal will be advanced to the Convention.

Adoption of Ritual Proposal 4:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsRITUALDXC26_ver2.pdf*.

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. The motion passed unanimously. This amended proposal will be advanced to the Convention.

Adoption of Ritual Proposal 5:
The details of the proposal are set forth in *Ritual Committee ProposalsRITUALDXC26_ver2.pdf*. This proposal does not require Convention review or adoption.

Motion moved by Ritual Committee and motion seconded by Ritual Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Reconsideration of Prior Board Action Regarding Ritual Proposal 4:
Motion moved by Greg Caufman and motion seconded by Alan Udell. The motion passed unanimously.

Withdrawal of Ritual Proposal 4:
Motion moved by Greg Caufman and motion seconded by Alan Udell. The motion passed unanimously. Ritual Proposal 4 will not be advanced to the Convention.

X. Unfinished Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

There was no unfinished business before the Board

XI. New Board Business (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. Convention Honoree- Raymond F. Borelli, Illinois '58, "AA" Emeritus

Selection of Raymond F. Borelli, Illinois '58, "AA" Emeritus as the 2026 Convention Honoree:
Motion moved by Aaron Otto and motion seconded by Josh Baker. The motion passed unanimously.

B. "FF" & Parliamentarian - David Gault, Illinois State '81, General Counsel

Selection of David Gault, Illinois State '81, General Counsel as the "FF" and Parliamentarian to the 64th Convention :
Motion moved by Matt Gorney and motion seconded by Mark Sexton. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Risk Management Assessment Calculator Updates

Adoption of the proposed changes to the RMA as presented by staff:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Mark Sexton. The motion passed unanimously

D. Risk Management Assessment - Base Rate

Adoption of a $325 base rate for the 2026-2027 risk management assessment:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Mark Sexton. The motion passed unanimously

E. Distinguished Delta Chi Nominee - Jimmy Wales, Huntsville '87

Wales is the founder of Wikipedia, the online encyclopedia that has revolutionized access to knowledge worldwide and become one of the world's most visited websites in the world. Wikipedia is considered one of the most successful experiments in human history, with Wales leading the way. *TIME* magazine named Wales one of its 100 Most Influential People for transforming how knowledge is created and shared on the internet.

Approval of Jimmy Wales, Huntsville '87, as a Distinguished Delta Chi:
Motion moved by Aaron Otto and motion seconded by Alan Udell. The motion passed unanimously

Appointment of Carlton Getz to a term on the Investment Advisory Committee:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Aaron Otto. The motion passed unanimously

F. Alumni (1-IAC) & Undergraduate Committee Appointments

Standing Committee List July 2026 Proposal.xlsx.pdf

Housing Polikoff.pdf

DEI Rezin Mendez.pdf

DEI Shepard.pdf

QRC Beardsley.pdf

QRC Schniedermeyer.pdf

Ritual Young.pdf

Appointment of Joseph Beardsley (Michigan State) and Cole Schniedermer (Truman State) to the Qualifications Review Committee:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Aaron Otto. The motion passed unanimously

G. Barrister Capital Corporation Appointment

Appoint Josh Baker, Regent, as the Board of Regents Delegate

Appointment of Regent Josh Baker as the Board of Regents Delegate to Barrister Capital Corporation:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Edwin Alarid. The motion passed unanimously

H. Spring Hill Chapter - Charter Suspension

Delta Chi Spring Hill Chapter Vote to Close.pdf

Suspension of the Spring Hill Chapter charter:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Bill Tallman. The motion passed unanimously

I. Uncollectible Debt Write-Off - $39,310.52

- George Mason - $10,209.79
- Iowa - $5,151
- Hamilton - $6,754.01
- North Alabama - $4,550
- South Dakota State - $4,733.22
- Spring Hill - $7,912.50

Write off of uncollectable debt in the amount of $39,310.52:
Motion moved and motion seconded. The motion passed unanimously

J. Appoint General Counsel

The Board discussed appointment of the next General Counsel following the current General Counsel David Gault terming out of the role.

Acceptance of the Minimum Standards consent agenda item following the administrative correction:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Darrell McTague. The motion passed unanimously

Transfer of surplus from the 2025-2026 fiscal year to the risk management reserve :
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Mark Sexton. The motion passed unanimously

Adoption of technical legislative item addressing regent vacancy between July 22, 2026 and June 15, 2027 :
Motion moved by Greg Caufman and motion seconded by Matt Gorney. The motion passed unanimously

XII. 2026 Stakeholder Survey Update - Chris Woods

The Board received an update on the 2026 Stakeholder Survey from Chris Woods and discussed the same.

A. 2026 Stakeholder Survey Update

Delta Chi Stakeholder Survey Executive Summary - Final.pdf

XIII. Recess

The meeting of the Board of Regents recessed at 5:05 p.m. (EDT) until 8:30 a.m. on July 22, 2026.

XIV. Reconvene

The "AA" reconvened the meeting of the Board of Regents to Order at 8:31 a.m. (EDT) on July 22, 2026 at the Hyatt Regency in Indianapolis, Indiana

Attendance

Present:
Members: Edwin Alarid, Patrick Alderdice - "AA", Josh Baker, Greg Caufman - Regent - 9, Matt Gorney - "CC", Darrell McTague - Regent VII, Aaron Otto - Retiring "AA", Mark Sexton - "DD", Bill Tallman, Alan Udell
Guests: Dave Gault - General Counsel, Karl Grindel - Executive Director &CEO

XV. Delta Chi Foundation Update

Delta Chi Foundation President John Ziegler and Executive Director Justin Sherman presented an update to the Board about the Foundation and the Capital Campaign

XVI. Housing Committee Update

John Shelby, OWC and Housing Committee Member presented an update to the Board about the Committee's activities

A. Housing Committee Report

DXHF 2025 - 26 Report.pdf

Establishment of the 2026-2027 Housing Fund Loan Loss Reserve at $817,385.91:
Motion moved by Karl Grindel and motion seconded by Mark Sexton. The motion passed unanimously

XVII. Chartering Petitions

The Board received three Chartering Petitions from Washington, Ball State, and Illinois State and discussed the same. The Board took no action on the Petitions at this time.

Summer 2026 Chartering Petition Submissions.pdf

A. Ball State

B. Illinois State

C. Washington

XVIII. Additional New Business

A. Vice Regent Appointment

New England Subregion Vacancy

Appointment of Jack Rodican, New Haven '01, to fill the unexpired term as New England Vice Regent :
Motion moved by Aaron Otto and motion seconded by Darrell McTague. The motion passed unanimously

Appointment of Tom Sheffield, Idaho '93, to the Insurance workgroup:

Motion moved by Patrick Alderdice and motion seconded by Alan Udell. The motion passed unanimously

B. Undergraduate Committee Appointments (Continued)

No additional applications came in overnight. The request from the CEO is that the Board be mindful of the openings during conversations at Convention and encourage undergraduates to apply. Current applications can be taken up at the post-Convention Board of Regents meeting or at a Board meeting thereafter.

C. Investment Advisory Committee RFPs

The Board discussed the status of the RFPs and directed the CEO/ED to go back to the Investment Advisory Committee for its recommendations and criteria used in making the recommendations

Delta Chi Fraternity Request for Proposal - Investment Advisory Services - Index Management - 2025.pdf

RFP Response Cost Summary.pdf

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

A. The Board retired into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. (EDT) for the purpose of receiving information and advice from General Counsel that is protected by the attorney-client privilege

B. The Board returned from Executive Session at 11:20 a.m. (EDT) and resumed open session

No reportable action was taken during Executive Session

XX. Announcements (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

A. 2026-2027 Board Meeting Schedule

Currently fourth Tuesday of each month. The Board discussed possible meeting schedule moving forward with the upcoming Executive Committee elections to provide information to the EC-elect at the EC transition meeting.

B. Fall 2026 Board of Regents Retreat / Meeting

- Date: Floated dates of 10/10-10/12
- Location: TBD

C. Convention and scheduling updates

- Be prepared for caucuses
- Keep Thursday night schedule open

D. 2026-2027 Travel

- August 28-29 Indiana Chartering (TBD and Udell)
- August 30-31 NIC Meeting of Members (TBD and Grindel)

XXI. Parting thoughts from Brother Otto

XXII. Adjournment (Presenters: Brother Alderdice)

The pre-Convention meeting of the Board of Regents adjourned at 11:54 p.m. on July 22, 2026.

Matt Gorney, "CC"