

Meeting Minutes August 18, 2007

I. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME – 10:17 A.M.

A. Attendance

1. Voting Members in attendance: Tom Olver, president; Scott Nadeau, communications director; Robert Hempton, director; Charles Parker, director; Marty Kaiser, director; Brandyn Lawson, colony president
2. Voting Members not in attendance: Scott Sawyer, vice president; Steven Grenus, treasurer; John Coe, director
3. Others in attendance: Paul Koehn, Barbara Koehn, Dave Jablonski, Chris Saylor, Lance Prins

B. Introductions – Everyone in attendance introduced themselves

II. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT (VIA PHONE)

SCOTT SAWYER

A. 11 Scholarships were awarded

1. Two people were awarded two scholarships
2. All 11 were given out
3. Applications were better this year but not great. Many had bad grammar and one was hand-written.

III. COLONY PRESIDENT’S REPORT

BRANDYN LAWSON

A. The Colony received four awards at Convention

1. The Virginia Tech award for the most improved GPA in the Fraternity
2. The Virginia Tech award for top GPA in the region among Beta chapters
3. The Charles Henry Hardin Leadership Development Award
4. The North Dakota award (honorable mention) for newsletter excellence

B. Lawson said that Convention was the best leadership experience. He’s attended them all.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT – BUDGET DISCUSSION, RESOLUTIONS

(Budget information does not appear in the public section of the web site. Please visit http://www.epsilongamma.org/MembersOnly/eghc_financial.htm for more information)

A. Olver passed out the current working budget

1. Questions were answered
2. Adjustments were made to more accurately reflect revenues for the year

B. Discussion – Potential spending cuts

1. Initiation Incentive
2. Spending money on food for board meetings
3. Pushing back loan payment for Barn Door Furniture
4. Web hosting was paid in advance for three years in 2006

C. Discussion – Potential Revenue enhancements

1. Activities
 - a. The Seebers have volunteered to sponsor Pig Roast
 - b. Paul “Bubba” Koehn has volunteered to sponsor homecoming
 - c. Poker Tournament
 - i. Koehn will be investigating the possibility of holding a poker tournament in February 2008 as a fundraiser.
 - ii. Location: Troy Gun Club
2. Colony Parlor Fees
 - a. The EGHC budget states the Colony will pay \$50 per member not living in the house to cover utilities and maintenance.
 - b. The Colony did not budget for this fee.
 - c. Motion by Bob Hempton to charge the Colony \$550 for fall semester and \$1,050 for spring semester. Parker seconded, Motion passed.
 - d. The Colony will make arrangements to pay the fees.
3. Alumni Dues/Founders Fund/Dragon Club
 - a. Marty Kaiser believes we can raise money by asking for \$30 per alumni member.
 - b. Annual Fund solicitation will consist of a letter, invoice and return envelope.

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- c. Letter will be signed by Kaiser and Hempton
 - d. Funds raised will help cover expenses associated with the newsletter, web site and the Initiation Incentive program.
 - e. Motion by Kaiser to institute Founders Fund annual fundraiser with a budget of \$50. Lawson seconded, motion passed.
4. 2007-08 Budget Approval
 - a. Motioned by Hempton
 - b. Seconded by Kaiser
 - c. Motion passed

V. CAPITAL FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE DISCUSSION

TOM OLVER

- A. No new donations are coming in despite several mailings
- B. There will be no active fundraising through the CFI unless someone volunteers to lead the effort.
- C. Tom will continue to send reminders for existing pledges as well as gift acknowledgements.

VI. HOUSE DISCUSSION

- A. House has 11 residents first semester, 10 second semester
- B. House is not full – no budget for improvements
- C. Basement is uninhabitable
- D. EGHC will consider options for basement renovation when the financial resources become available.

VII. BOARD MEMBERSHIP/OFFICERS

- A. Increase Board membership from 9 to 12 people
 1. Moved by Bob Hempton.
 2. Seconded by Brandyn Lawson.
 3. Motion passed.
 4. Quorum will stay the same at five directors.
 5. Terms of new positions will be staggered.
- B. Appointment of Directors
 1. Olver appointed to (new) one year term
 2. Grenus appointed to (new) two year term
 3. Jon Eadie appointed to three year term
 4. Mike Wharton appointed to three year term
 5. Matt Brauer appointed to three year term
 6. Will Hilliker appointed to three year term
 7. Charles Parker's three year term ends
- C. Election of Officers for one year terms
 1. Olver elected president
 2. Sawyer elected vice president
 3. Nadeau elected communications director/secretary
 4. Treasurer position remains open

VIII. ADJOURNMENT 12:55 P.M.