

Minutes from OX/BZ Alumni Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Reported by Stefan Scholl, Secretary

Meeting called to Order by Ken Marlin, President at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Ken Marlin, Ken Bachulis, John Ringlein, Stefan Scholl, Len Brunkey, Jim Harvin, Ty Damon, Gary Schlack

Absent: Tim Conroy

Guest: Wes Wicker

President's Report

- Going to set up a meeting/retreat involving BOD, All Active Chapter Members, MSU Greek Advisor Guillermo Flores, ELPD Liaison, etc. Looking at either 1/13 or 1/20 from 12-4 p.m. Len will send out email to database and try to seek attendance by alumni.
- Meeting in Ann Arbor on November 8th - Theta Chi National. Approximately 30 alumni attended. Request put out for CAB members. Disaffiliation of a number of fraternities from the U of M in order to avoid loss of Ann Arbor rental license.

Lack of Commitments by Brothers to Live in House Next Year

Motion by Jim Harvin, Seconded by Ken Bachulis: Every active needs to sign a commitment to live in the house next year to ensure that living in the house is an integral part of membership in the fraternity, per the National Bylaws.

Discussion: If any member refuses to sign such a commitment, they may face deactivation. As there are more active chapter members than rooms in the house, all active chapter members cannot live in the house. Therefore, the Alumni Corporation will establish a pecking order among those. If you are a junior or senior, and have lived in the house previously, you shouldn't have to live in the house before a first year active. Fall Term Pledges, Spring Term Pledges, People who haven't lived in the house before, People who have only lived in the house for a year. This is a fraternity, not a social club. There are rules, responsibilities and commitments. Once 34 spots in the house are filled, no one else would be compelled to live in house.

Motion Amended by Jim Harvin, seconded by Ken Bachulis to include Alumni Corp. offering assistance to break leases and paying lease break fees, if necessary, and that we will establish the pecking order and that we reserve the right to make exceptions and to cover damage deposits.

Are the members willing to live up to their commitments and abide by the Bylaws of Theta Chi Fraternity? We have to act like a Fraternity and enforce our bylaws.

Motion Passes unanimously.

Discussion regarding Ohio State Tailgate and Damage to House

Motion by Ken Bachulis, seconded by Jim Harvin, to suspend further social activities at the house for the remainder of the semester.

Discussion: Social probation for violation of House Rules, damage to the house, and for the actions recorded on video directed towards the Theta Delta Chi House, which we condemn, is appropriate.

Motion Passes unanimously.

Treasurer's Report - Previously Submitted

CAB - Mailing put out by Zach Brown from National. All of our alumni base has been invited to participate in the CAB. Will also contact other alumni within two hours of East Lansing.

Planning on putting out five different emails in the next week and a half. John Ringlein has a wonderful database which can be mined for volunteers. Chris Delusky has stepped forward to help out CAB. Efforts being made to form CAB.

Jim Harvin - Need to continue on with capital campaign and renovations as long as we continue to move forward in a positive fashion. There are bumps in the road but we have a committed group of alumni and a great board of directors and now is the time to make a contribution to ensure that Theta Chi remains on campus for the next twenty+ years.

Wes Wicker - mailing just dropped. Announcement on Facebook Page. Len Brunkey going to send out an email announcement. Ideal time to contact alumni we know now to contribute.

Wes Wicker willing to make himself available on phone calls or with personal visits to obtain commitments to contribute.

Meeting with EC this Sunday, December 2nd for counseling purposes. We want to reinforce the signing of commitments to live in the house at the house meeting. December 2nd - transition meeting with new EC and get a gauge on number of commitments which have been signed. We have to start somewhere, and the commitment to live in the house is a good first step. Will work on the dinner song later.

Motion to Approve October 10th meeting minutes made by Ken Bachulis, seconded by Len Brunkey.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Adjourn made by Jim Harvin, seconded by Len Brunkey

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Next Meeting Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. by phone.