

THE DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, INC.
MINUTES
BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
MAY 11, 2021

The video conference call meeting of the Board of Regents of The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. was called to order by Aaron Otto, “AA”, at 8:04 p.m. EDT on May 11, 2021.

The following members of the Board were present: Aaron Otto, “AA”; Tom Carroll, “CC”; Ronald Martin, “DD”; Miles Washburn, Retiring “AA”; Shaun Hollenbeck, Regent, Region I; Josh Klein, Regent, Region II; Grant Herrin, Regent, Region III; Mark Sexton, Regent, Region IV; Max Harper, Regent, Region V; Surah Maraboyina, Regent, Region VI; Jack Rodican, Regent, Region VII; Ben Dundas, Regent, Region VIII; Gene Dorris, Regent, Region IX.

Also present at the meeting: Jerod Breit, Executive Director; David Gault, Legal Advisor; Donald La Plante, Parliamentarian; Davis Millard, Director of Member Safety; Alex Brown, Director of Education and Leadership Programs; Cody Schrock, Regent-Elect, Region I; Kenny White, Regent-Elect, Region IX.

1. MINUTES—It was moved by Washburn, seconded by Sexton and the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2021 meeting.
2. FRATERNITY UPDATE—Brother Breit provided the following update:
 - Three new Leadership Consultants will start on June 1.
 - All new NIC policies have fines attached.
 - There will be a budget presentation ahead of the next meeting.
 - Brothers Breit and Sexton are attending the Barrister Capital Corporation meetings.
 - The virtual Emerging Leadership Academy will be August 7-8, 2021.
3. APPEAL FROM TROY STATE CHAPTER—The Board heard the appeal from the Troy State Chapter to the Level V Risk Management Commission decision. The Board heard presentations from Lawson Parker, Lang Floyd, Jeffrey McDurmont and Connor Brasell.
4. CLOSED SESSION—The Board retired into closed session at 9:13 p.m. EDT.
5. RETURN FROM CLOSED SESSION—The Board returned from closed session at 9:50 p.m. EDT.
6. DENY APPEAL—The Board voted to deny the appeal with Brothers Carroll, Dundas, Klein and Sexton voting to grant the appeal. The “AA”’s vote was not required.
7. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Klein, seconded by Hollenbeck and the motion carried with Sexton voting no to begin expulsion proceedings against Lawson Parker of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
8. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Klein, seconded by Hollenbeck and the motion carried with Dorris abstaining to begin expulsion proceedings against Tyler Jedding of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.

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9. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Hollenbeck, seconded by Martin and the motion carried with Dorris abstaining to begin expulsion proceedings against Gavin Barnes of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
10. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Klein, seconded by Hollenbeck and the motion carried with Sexton voting no and Dorris abstaining to begin expulsion proceedings against Connor Brasell of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
11. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Hollenbeck, seconded by Rodican and the motion carried with Harper and Dorris abstaining to begin expulsion proceedings against Grant Snyder of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
12. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Hollenbeck, seconded by Rodican and the motion carried with Dorris abstaining to begin expulsion proceedings against William Worthington of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming A Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
13. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Dorris, seconded by Carroll and the motion carried unanimously to begin expulsion proceedings against Jared Lott of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming a Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
14. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Dorris, seconded by Rodican and the motion carried unanimously to begin expulsion proceedings against Kenneth Amison of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming a Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
15. BEGIN EXPULSION PROCEEDINGS—It was moved by Dorris, seconded by Herrin and the motion carried unanimously to begin expulsion proceedings against Michael Amison of the Troy State Chapter for Conduct Unbecoming a Delta Chi, specifically hazing.
16. MARIBOYINA LEAVES MEETING—Brother Mariboyina left the meeting at 10:15 p.m. EDT.
17. RESOLUTION ON REVISIONS TO THE CORNERSTONE—It was moved by Rodican, seconded by Dundas and the motion carried unanimously to approve the Resolution on Revisions to the Cornerstone as proposed by Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee.

Resolution on Revisions to the Cornerstone

WHEREAS, Delta Chi Fraternity was founded on and exists today with the goals to promote friendship, develop character, advance justice, and assist in the acquisition of a sound education;

WHEREAS, Delta Chi Fraternity has a history of systemic exclusion and significant moments in time of great inclusion;

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WHEREAS, the Cornerstone is the official instructional and informational book for membership;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that by recommendation of the Delta Chi Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, that the Executive Director of the Delta Chi Fraternity is charged with providing permanent, updated text into the Cornerstone that highlights key periods of organizational history including but not limited to the revocation of the “White Clause” in Delta Chi Law at the 1954 Convention in Biloxi, Mississippi, the election of the first Black/African-American “AA” (William A.J. Williams) to a similar post of any traditionally-white fraternity in 1998, the election of the first South Asian “AA” (Ratheen Damle) to a similar post of any traditionally-white fraternity in 2010, the election of Hamilton Henderson as the first Black/African-American member of the Order of the White Carnation, and other milestones achieved by men of color, GBTQ+ members, or other men of marginalized populations within the Fraternity.

18. SET ASIDE AND UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME TAXES—It was moved by Klein, seconded by Sexton and the motion carried unanimously to approve the resolution regarding unrelated business income:

WHEREAS, The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. is classified for tax purposes by the Internal Revenue Service as a non-profit, 501 (c) (7) entity and constricted by the use of educational dollars as determined by legal evaluation of educational content relating to curriculum or educational programming; and

WHEREAS, The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. has tax liabilities on unrelated business income (investment income and royalties) that exceed the amount of educational expenses on average per year. Any additional amounts have been “set aside” in an account to be used for educational or charitable purposes only. This amount is growing to a large portion of the Fraternity assets;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Director shall evaluate the “SET ASIDE” balances, Internal Revenue Service percentages on unrelated business income and the use of that income for the benefit of The Delta Chi Fraternity, Inc. through collaboration with the Fraternity’s accountants and auditors as deemed necessary by satisfying income tax liabilities.

19. NEXT MEETING—The next meeting of the Board of Regents will be held on June 22, 2021 at 8 p.m. EDT via Zoom.
20. THANKS TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS—This will be the final meeting for Regents Shaun Hollenbeck and Gene Dorris and the Board extended thanks to both for their service.
21. CONGRATULATIONS—The Board extended its congratulations to Reggie Gavin of the Little Rock Chapter (stage name: Symone) for winning Season 13 of RuPaul’s Drag Race.

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22. ADJOURNMENT—The “AA” adjourned the meeting at 10:32 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Carroll, “CC”

Prepared by:
Donald E. LaPlante, Parliamentarian

APPROVED: JUNE 22, 2021