

Western Illinois Chapter Delta Upsilon Fraternity Chapter Meeting Minutes Date: August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

- I. Call To Order: 6:00 PM
- **II. Roll Call:** 17 of 20 members present Absent: Roger Martin (excused), Stefan Rangel , and Andrew Suddeth (Excused),
- III. Guest Speaker: None
- IV. Approval of last meetings minutes: Approved

V. Chapter President: Sean Dowell: Sean Dowling reports that writing material is a needed at meetings. We need to work better to keep the house clean especially during recruitment season.

## VI. Executive Board Officer Reports:

- <u>VP of Membership Education</u>: Nik Breslin: Nik Breslin reports that he will have an assistant to help with the associate member program and Levi will be the assistant. The materials from international are done and we should be good to go after that.
  - <u>VP of Finance</u>: Ethan Johnson: Report was given by Chapter Advisor Dave Maguire. He reported that a detailed account of the Chapter's finances is always available and in the future we will be reporting updated financial information at each Chapter meeting.

The first meeting of the Financial Advisory Board will be Sunday, August 28, 2016 immediately following Chapter. Brother Derek Gorsuch will be chairing the meeting. Questions about payment plans should be directed to him.

• <u>VP of Recruitment</u>: Benton Winscott: Benton appreciates the people who have been to the recruitment events. The next upcoming events are:

August 23, 23 and 25 Tables in the Union from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. August 24 Dine with IFC at Thompson Hall 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM August 25 Fraternity/Sorority information Session is in Tanner Circle at 5:00 PM. August 28 House Cookout at 3:00 PM August 29 our first Open House 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM There are still shirts that need to be handed out and the price had increased \$2 more. We are going to wear DU stuff on Wednesdays! For the open houses we need people to set up the displays, pick up food and everyone to help clean up.

- <u>VP of Administration</u>: Michael Shriber: Mike reported that activities will be passed out every week to see if anyone has joined campus activities. We will also work on a Google calendar and a mail room calendar.
- <u>VP of Academic Excellence:</u> Terrence Petry: Terrence reported that the scholarship committee works with academics and Chapter scholarships we give out. Scholarship committee promotes an environment for studying. It is suggested that the house study actually become an area to study. Study hours are going to be enforced this semester. Academics Assistance program will also take into effect as well if anyone gets an early warning or needs help. Because of rush coming up, the minimum to join to you is a minimum of a GPA of 2.75 and an ACT of 20 for incoming freshmen and 2.75 GPA for transfers. Quiet hours upstairs are from Sunday to Thursday 8:00 PM to 11:00 AM. Study sessions are from Wednesday from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM.
- <u>VP of External Relations</u>: Dillon Martenson: The 5 leaders for External relations are Andrew as community service chair, Sean as the alumni chair, Levi as IFC, chair, Konrad as social and Brandon as homecoming chair. If you have any events or ideas talk to Dillon.
- <u>VP of Loss Prevention</u>: Clayton Johnsen: Clayton reported that in the next few weeks there will be information handed out on rules of the house and dos and don'ts of the university and fraternity policy.

## VII. Comments from Alumni & Advisors

- <u>Faculty Advisor:</u> Dr. Tom Cody- Dr. Cody said that the improvements by the alumni to the house are making the environment better. The Chapter should also think about having house projects over the semester to speed up the house improvement process.
- <u>Chapter Advisor:</u> Dave Maguire- Dave reported that we are now able to take credit/debit card payment locally. This is in additional to taking local cash and check payments which we will credit to your OmegaFi account.
- <u>Alumni Advisor:</u> Bruce Peterson- Bruce reported that a lot of time was spent on the house over the summer. A lot of the information was cover during the Chapter retreat last week. He pointed out that there are two sofas still sitting by the fire pit and they need to be removed. He distributed additional copies of the House Manual. This is the first time in years that everyone is receiving a copy and it explains how the house should operate. During the Chapter retreat last week we decided the direction we want the Chapter to move. If you have ideas talk to Sean or Bruce. He explained several of the items discussed at the Chapter retreat:
  - The need to have more charitable involvement and social involvement.
  - The need to work on a GSI (global service initiative).Jamaica and around the U.S.
  - The need good involvement for the haunted trail
  - More brotherhood events
  - Keeping up recruitment of more members
  - The GPA above the all men's, all fraternity and Greek average
  - The goal is to commit 15 hours of community service per semester.

He passed out a handout of selling points to convince people to join DU. You need to find new members from class, dorms and socializing!

- <u>Alumni Advisor:</u> Derek Gorsuch: Not Present
- <u>Graduate Assistant:</u> Nathan Bettenhausen: Nathan gave a background about himself and said the room condition reports need to be turned in ASAP. He said that communication is key with him and with the leadership of the fraternity.
- VIII. Committee Reports <u>IFC</u>: None <u>Fundraising</u>: None <u>Alumni</u>: None <u>Recruitment</u>: None

#### IX. Old Business: None

# X. New Business: None

XI. Good of the Fraternity: Tyler Dudek said to make sure the front door is shut behind you. Terrence said that tomorrow at 3:15 PM we are setting up the extra rooms. Matthew Vannette said that you need to be careful what you put on social media. People see what you talk about on items like Group Me, Facebook, Snapchat and other media.

## XII. Announcements: none

## XIII. Adjournment (time) – 7:18 PM