

Senenmut Alumni Association Of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity, Inc. Annual Meeting Minutes



Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: May 07, 2016

Meeting Time: 2:00 pm EST

Meeting Location: UB South Campus Crosby Hall back lawn

Call to Order: Brother Margaret Scaglione motions to call the meeting to order at 2:19 pm EST. Seconded by Brother Nahshon Jagroop.

Roll Call: (Those present at the meeting)

- **President**
 - Brother Margaret Scaglione
- **Vice President**
 - Not Present
- **Secretary**
 - Brother Justina Zifchock
- **Director at Large**
 - Not Present
- **Treasurer**
 - Brother Alex Wiedemer
- **Communications Director**
 - Brother Nahshon Jagroop
- **Active Chapter Liaison**
 - Brother William VanDeusen
- **Other**
 - Brother Chris D'Ambrosia
 - Brother Phoebe Bruce
 - Brother Eric Chambers
 - Brother Bo-Ashley Brindley
 - Brother Kyle Vliet (via Conference Call)

Officer Reports:

- **President**
 - None.
- **Vice President**
 - None.
- **Secretary**
 - None.
- **Director at Large**
 - None.
- **Treasurer**
 - Brother Alex Wiedemer is currently collecting dues for those who have not paid. New members you can either pay online using paypal or by check or cash to the treasurer in person or by mail.
 - Dues are not collected by calendar year; they cover a member from annual meeting to annual meeting.
 - We currently have \$562.46 in our account and we are officially debt free
 - Taxes were given an extension, they will be sent through on Monday May 9, 2016
 - Brother Margaret Scaglione asks are we tax exempt? Brother Alex Wiedemer responds that he thinks we are only not for profit, not tax exempt but he will have to confirm. Brother Margaret states that her brother is interested in assisting the association in gaining tax exempt status.

Committee Reports

- **Communications Director**
 - None.
- **Active Chapter Liaison**
 - Brunch went decently well, there were a few issues with food allergies and Brother William VanDeusen suggests that the chapter liaison gather that information before planning the semesterly Alumni Association Sponsored brunch.
 - Aldi was closed this morning before ritual and therefor the usual \$50 budgeted food cost was exceeded to \$80 shopping at tops, Brother William VanDeusen has receipt to give to Brother Alex Wiedemer for reimbursement.
- **Webmaster**
 - Voting is now working on the website, however it was not up and running in time to use for this year's elections.

Old Business:

- Convention update, Brother Chris D'Ambrosia attended as our delegate this year, One topic in particular was quite controversial between the delegates, please see second quarter EBoard minutes for more details or contact him directly.
- Voting: positions up for election are Vice President and Treasurer
 - Vice President: Brother Nahshon Jagroop and Brother Frank Bayerbach
 - Voting in favor of Brother Nahshon Jagroop
 - Treasurer: Brother Chris D'Ambrosia
 - Unopposed in favor of Brother Chris D'Ambrosia
 - Nominations for next year's positions are due by the 1st quarterly EBoard Meeting
 - Positions up for election are President, Secretary, and Director at Large
 - All nominations can be sent to the EBoard at: senenmutalumniassociation@gmail.com

New Business:

- As a collective this year's annual meeting has decided to move next year's annual meeting to 'white rose' weekend February 11, 2017.
 - The Alumni Association will coordinate with the local Active Chapter to plan and organize an "Alumni Weekend" including the Annual meeting and a white rose event among other TBD events.
- The Annual meeting date will be decided one year in advance at the previous year's annual meeting in order to give members the ability to influence the date and ample time to plan.
- Next year's convention delegate will be voted on at the next annual meeting, The Alumni Association will cover the cost of registration and transportation will be covered by the delegate.
 - Nominations can be sent to the EBoard at senenmutalumniassociation@gmail.com
- Senenmut Chapter and Alumni Association Brotherhood Camping Weekend
 - Advertise via social media
 - Shooting for sometime this summer 2016
 - If anyone in Buffalo is interested in planning please contact Brother Chris D'Ambrosia or Brother Nahshon Jagroop (they will be heading up planning)
- How do we bridge the gap between alumni association members and recent college graduates?
 - Often newly graduated members are sitting for 9 months or more without participating
 - They are invited to the annual meeting
 - New graduates should sign up on the webpage

- Potential for hosting summer events and inviting the new graduates
- As soon as you are signed up on the website, accepted as a member by the EBoard, and are actively paying dues you will be informed of all the events the alumni association does
- If you have outstanding dues you will not be accepted as a member of the alumni association
- Members are accepted by a majority vote within the EBoard
- Goals:
 - Communicate with each other and plan smaller more frequent events for local alumni
 - Re-activate and update the local alumni group-me for notifications of groups of brothers hanging out and event happenings
 - Be more diligent in updating the website, and social media, use the official email to add events to our google calendar and send invites
- Newsletter- we need to get out a local newsletter to update our members on what has been happening in the past year with our members and the association.
- Alumni Summit- Is anyone of our members interested in going?
 - What are the dates?

Suggestions for betterment of the fraternity/informal discussion:

- The Domition Alumni Association has discussed being stuck in a “rut” recently that they have attributed to miscommunication and lack of communication within the association and the association EBoard. Let us learn from this and reach out more. Any one of our members is welcome and encouraged to propose events etc. do not be afraid to do something and do not wait for EBoard to plan everything.

Adjournment: Brother Margaret Scaglione motions to close the closed meeting at 3:11 pm EST. seconded by Brother Eric Chambers.