

Pi Chi Omega Board of Director's Meeting – October 20, 2010

Attendance:

Cisse Spragins
Jim Sargent
Debbie Logue
Clay Scherer

Vern Toblan
Jim Fredericks
Kim Kelley-Tunis

Brad Harbison
Dan Morland
Eric Smith

The meeting was called to order at 8:09 by Cisse Spragins.

The minutes of January 11, 2010 board meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Eric Smith and seconded by Debbie Logue. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

Committee Reports

Scholarship

The board discussed the contributions that have been donated by various individuals in support of two named scholarships, one for Austin Frishman and one for Bill Jackson. A current list of supporters is available from Vern. A total of \$11,200.00 has been collected for an Austin Frishman scholarship and \$300.00 for a scholarship in the name of Bill Jackson.

PCT Magazine has agreed to publish in their magazine information regarding the Pi Chi Omega named scholarships with information on how donate. This will then be turned into a .pdf for later distribution at other industry events.

The board set forth criteria for the establishment and maintenance of named scholarships. Named scholarships must meet the following criteria:

For the creation of a named scholarship for 1 year – \$5,000.00 placed in the general fund

For the creation of a named scholarship for 5 years - \$20,000.00 placed in the general fund

For the scholarship to be maintained in perpetuity, the fund must reach \$50,000.00 within 5 years of the creation of the scholarship.

There will be no silent auction this year for the convention. The organization is currently soliciting items for a silent auction at the Purdue meeting. Announcements will be made in the next newsletter as well as any e-updates.

Eric is looking at some old books from Harry Katz for use at the silent auction at Purdue.

Dan Morland and Brad Harbison suggested that PCT create an online auction for items to benefit the Pi Chi Omega scholarship fund. This could be advertised through PCT

online, in conjunction with the distribution of the e-newsletter. The goal would be to launch around the Purdue meeting.

Web Page

Eric Smith submitted a list of suggested items for inclusion on the Pi Chi Omega web page. Copies of the current newsletter, as well as back copies are currently available.

Membership

The organization has 460 total members. There are currently 72 members that have not paid their current dues, 34 members are delinquent for two years, and another 34 members are delinquent for greater than 2 years.

A nomination was made by Kim Kelley-Tunis to present to the general membership the revocation of membership status of those 34 members that are delinquent for more than 2 years, and seconded by Eric Smith. The motion was carried.

The 34 members that are two years behind on their membership will be sent a letter explaining their rights according to the membership by-laws.

Clay Scherer has recommended that all Pi Chi board members solicit those delinquent members that they see at National for their membership dues. He also suggested that the Board find ways to better communicate the benefits of membership to both delinquent and potential members.

The following people have been approved for nomination into the organization and will be voted on at the Membership Meeting:

Wayne White
Stephanie Dixon

By-Laws

Eric Smith submitted changes to the by-laws to be voted on by the general membership committee. This change creates a non-voting student Board Member. The proposed changes were submitted to the membership and the Board of Directors for review prior to the membership meeting.

Awards

A plaque is being ordered for the presentation of the Good Deeds award to David Fincannon at the Purdue Meeting.

Eric Smith and Debbie Logue to function as Co-Chairs of the Awards Committee.

Research Ideas

Jim Sargent suggested the disbanding of the Research Ideas Committee due to lack of interest and participation. Based on this recommendation, the committee has been disbanded.

Nomination Committee

Two Director's positions are up for nomination. Roland Rhodes and Dale Baker have been nominated for these positions and have accepted the nomination.

The organization would like to thank Clay Scherer and Jeff Weir for their service on the Board.

The nominations committee is made up of Gerry Wegner, Jim Sargent and Vern Toblan.

Marketing

The marketing committee is currently producing e-updates for distribution throughout the organization.

It was suggested that the organization provide white papers or position papers on topics of interest to the industry.

The organization needs to create more ways of generating interest in pi Chi Omega. A Facebook page has been created, but additional traffic is needed on the site.

Archival

Eric Smith and Kim Kelley-Tunis are going to meet in December to sort through the archived material and sort through the material for duplicates. Once the material has been sorted, the organization will then look into outsourcing the scanning and digitizing the information for archival.

Executive Director's Report

Membership continues to be a problem. The majority of Vern's time is spent contacting delinquent members regarding their past due notices.

An announcement for the 2011 Scholarships will be sent out in January. Three scholarships will be awarded. Only 14 applications were received for last year's scholarships.

Treasurer's Report

Total Revenue - \$39,706.79
Total Expenses - \$24,524.20

Net Surplus - \$15,182.59

A more detailed report is available from Vern Toblan.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Eric Smith and seconded by Cisse Spragins. The motion was accepted unanimously.

New Business

Fraternity-Endorsed Philanthropy Initiative

A single donation was provided to the organization in support of Heifer International. This donation was provided by Austin Frishman.

Long-Term Financial Goals

Eric Smith has created an outline on the Long-Term Financial Planning of the organization. This outline will be submitted to Cisse Spragins and Vern Toblan for discussion at the 2011 Purdue Board Meeting.

Housekeeping

The NPMA sponsored speaker is Jerry Hogsette, To Catch a Fly, Think Like a Fly. This presentation will be on Friday, October 22, from 10:45 to 12:00.

A motion was made by Kim Kelley-Tunis to adjourn and seconded by Eric Smith. The meeting was adjourned at 11:25.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kim Kelley-Tunis