

Pi Chi Omega Membership Meeting – January 12, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 by Cisse Spraggins.

Cisse Spraggins introduced the 2010 Board of Directors and the Committee Chairs.

The minutes of the October 28, 2009 membership meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Lizbe Knotte and seconded by Frank Andorka. The minutes were accepted unanimously.

Committee Reports

Scholarship

The letters to submit applications are being sent out to the Universities by the end of January and are to be returned by the end of March. A flier announcing the scholarship was also posted at the 2009 ESA meeting in Indianapolis. The organization is looking to provide three, \$2000.00 scholarships to qualified applicants. The information regarding the Pi Chi Omega scholarship will also be available on the web site. Last year there were only 13 applications for this same scholarship.

The organization would like to thank Dan Bohrer, Rockwell Labs, for the creation of the flier that is being used to announce the Pi Chi Scholarship.

Gerry Wegner has generously donated another clock for use at the silent auction at Purdue. The proceeds for the clock will be donated to the scholarship fund.

Cisse requested items for use in a silent auction at the 2010 NPMA Conference and the 2011 Purdue Conference. Anyone wishing to donate items should contact either Vern or Cisse.

The scholarship committee consists of Terry Whitworth, Janet Kintz-Early and Pat Hottel.

Web Page

JT Eaton is kindly hosting the Pi Chi Omega web page. Vern will be continuing to post additional information on the web page.

Membership

The Membership committee consists of Clay Sherer, Greg Bauman and Rick Cooper.

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

Ron Harrison - Active

Tim Craft – Associate A
Glen Ramsey - Student

A motion to accept the above applicants was made by Bob Dold and seconded by Mike Goldstein and accepted unanimously.

By-Laws

Eric Smith is currently working on reviewing the by-laws. Any changes to the by-laws must be submitted to the membership 90 –days prior to a vote. There is no set timeframe for these revisions.

Kim Kelley-Tunis made a motion to add a non-voting student member to the Pi Chi Omega Board of Directors. This was seconded by Eric Smith and voted on unanimously. Eric Smith will revise the by-laws accordingly.

Awards

The Good Deeds Award will be presented to David Fincannon at the Hawaii meeting.

The committee consists of Frank Andorka and Shep Sheperdigian.

Research Ideas

A total of five research ideas were submitted at the 2009 NPMA Conference. The suggestions included research on Bed Bugs, Yellowjackets, and Rodenticides. A box for the submission of research ideas will also be available at the display booth for the Purdue Conference.

The research ideas will be provided to all universities that have applicants for the Pi Chi Omega Scholarship.

Nomination Committee

There are no nominations at his time.

Two Director's position will be up for nomination at the 2010 NPMA meeting in Hawaii.

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

Marketing

Dan Bohrer will be setting up a Facebook Fan page to assist in marketing of the Organization. Kim Kelley-Tunis will help him in posting updates for marketing purposes. Rockwell will continue to sponsor and send out the e-updates to those that have subscribed. There will also be a link between the e-update and the Facebook page.

Dan Bohrer will be making revisions to the Pi Chi Omega Scholarship flier for submission to the industry magazines.

The organization will create slides for use in member's presentations to aid in the marketing of the organization. These slides will be available through the e-update and for download from the web site.

The marketing committee is being headed up by Cisse Spraggins.

Archival

Eric Smith is going through the archived material and sorting 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.

Eric Smith is working on completing the 50-year history project. A more detailed progress will be provided at the 2010 NPMA meeting.

Executive Director's Report

Vern Toblan acknowledged both Purdue University and NPMA on their assistance to the organization. Vern also acknowledged both PCT and PMP Magazines for their assistance in publishing the Pi Chi Omega Newsletters.

The organization currently has 468 total members, both student and active. There needs to be an organizational push to increase the number of new members joining the organization. Vern would like to encourage all active members to begin a recruiting more individuals to join the membership.

There are currently 47 members that are delinquent at least 2 years on their dues and 64 that are delinquent in this year's dues. Those that are delinquent for more than two years will have their names published in the newsletter and their membership revoked. Clay Sherer will be contacting all delinquent members to determine their desire to remain with the organization.

Vern will be posting the membership roster on the website. This roster will be password protected and the password to access this will be sent out in an e-update.

Vern Toblan will be adding info to the newsletter soliciting information of job postings.

Treasurer's Report

Income - \$26,165.30

Balance - \$17,714.74

Scholarship - \$7254.00

A more detailed Financial Report is available from Vern Toblan.

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

New Business

Named Scholarship

Pat Hottel proposed that a scholarship be created in honor of an individual. There has been a verbal commitment from at least one company to donate \$5000 annually to the organization for administration of this scholarship. In addition, many individuals have verbally committed to contribute to this scholarship fund.

This committee will be chaired by Cisse Spraggins, Vern Toblan and Eric Smith.

Vern Toblan will submit a note of acknowledgement, in the newsletter, to those members that have made individual donations to the scholarship fund.

Fraternity-Endorsed Philanthropy Initiative

Cisse Spraggins made a request to all members to donate money, through Pi Chi Omega, to Heifer International. These monies will be earmarked for domestic based projects through the Heifer.

A separate line will be added to the dues statement for all those members that would like to make any donations with their annual dues payment.

Housekeeping

The next Pi Chi Omega meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2010 NPMA meeting in Hawaii.

A motion was made by Linda Mason to adjourn and seconded by Frank Andorka. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.