



NALFO Business Meeting
 Charlotte, North Carolina
 May 4, 2007

I. Call to Order 6:26 P.M.

II. Roll Call

		Roll Call	
		5/4	
Alpha Pi Sigma	Mariela Perez	Y	
Alpha Psi Lambda	Michelle Maday	Y	
Chi Upsilon Sigma	Merie Daniel	Y	Late
Gamma Alpha Omega	Marcia Torres Ruiz	Y	
Gamma Phi Omega	Laura Soria	Y	
Gamma Zeta Alpha	Alex Pineda	Y	Late
Kappa Delta Chi	Elizet Rodriguez	N	
Lambda Alpha Upsilon	Adelso Fernandez	Y	
Lambda Pi Chi Sorority	Marilyn Nieves	Y	
Lambda Pi Upsilon	Yanira Rodriguez	Y	
Lambda Sigma Upsilon	Jairo Paredes	N	
Lambda Theta Alpha	Claudia Barrera	Y	
Lambda Theta Nu	Fina Perez	Y	
Lambda Theta Phi	Julio Marengo	Y	
Lambda Upsilon Lambda		N	
	Fernando J		
Nu Alpha Kappa	Sanchez	N	
Omega Delta Phi	Anthony Mojica	Y	Late
Omega Phi Beta	Cassandra St. Vil	Y	
Phi Iota Alpha	Alex Yepes	N	
Sigma Iota Alpha	Connie Morales	Y	
Sigma Lambda Beta	Sam Centellas	Y	
Sigma Lambda Gamma	Nellie Nevarez	Y	
Sigma Lambda Upsilon	Melodie Maldonado	Y	

Anthony Berrios recaps Charlotte highlights

Vice-Chair moves to approve October 2006 Business Meeting minutes

Corrections as follows:

- **Still missing reports and luncheon speaker**
- **Lambda Alpha Upsilon was excused from absence**

Unanimous approval

Officer Reports

Chair, Ruby Hernandez

Vice-Chair, Alejandro Rios

Western RVC, Yvonne Hernandez

-Fina discussed issue of serving NALFO needs vs. MultiCultural Greek Council needs

Midwest RVC, Veronica Rodriguez

Gamma Phi Omega request all reports be uploaded to NALFO Groups

Break 7:12

Reconvene 7:17

Second Roll Call to update delegation

Finance, Brenda Tollinchi

Gamma Phi Omega asks how revenue shortfall was taken care of.

SLB concerned about lack of group insurance. Day insurance was purchased just for this event.

Director of Recording, Raul Avila

Public Relations, Ruby Hernandez (in place of Roxanna Latifi)

-Lambda Theta Nu asks questions about what she meant by reviewing membership

Parliamentary Procedure, Vivian Gonzalez

Current nominees for:

- Chair: Yvonne Hernandez
- Vice-Chair: Alejandro Pineda, Eva Aluey, Freddy Nunez
- Finance: Brenda Tollinchi
- PR: Roxanna Latifi
- SE RVC: Sandra Fuentes
- Mid-Atlantic: Lisette Garcia
- Western RVC: Open

Will be presented for approval at next day's session

Move to adjourn by Lambda Theta Phi

Majority approval. Motion Passes.

7:57 Adjourn

Reconvene at 8:10 AM May 5, 2007

Roll Call

Committee Reports

Membership Committee, Veronica Rodriguez

- Nu Alpha Kappa in bad standing
- Fernando highlights reasoning behind not obtaining insurance at this point

SIA moves to allow Nu Alpha Kappa to have voting rights reinstated

Majority approval, 1 opposed. Motion Passes.

3 other orgs are still in bad standing, but still have voting rights:
CUS, LUL, LAU

Omega Phi beta moves to remove voting rights for CUS

2nd by KDChi

13 opposed, 3 in favor

Motion fails

Omega Phi Beta moves to remove voting rights for LUL

2nd by SLU

12 opposed, 5 in favor

Motion fails

Omega Phi Beta moves to remove voting rights for LAU

2nd by LAU

Dues have still not cleared from LAU

Insurance cert. was issued today

11 opposed, 7 favor

Motion fails

Veronica explains why orgs were in bad standing

Discussion that timelines need to be flexible on both ends
Shouldn't be too strict with dues, since dues were set after Jan. 1.

Business Meeting/AFA Committee, Ruby Hernandez

Cincinatti, OH

- Not required to attend any AFA events
- Friday evening, November 30 and Saturday, December 1
- SLB rep highly encourages more participation from orgs. Huge benefits of meeting with Greek Advisors. Fireside chats allow you to have one on one communication with them.

Future meetings

- Waiting on proposal from current Latino Greek Leadership Conference to merge
- Since Business Meeting was moved to Fall, decision to postpone convention. Instead of Convention next May, we have Latino Greek Awards banquet. Allows us to have fully prepared National Convention in May 2009.

Concerns with merging with Latino Greek Leadership Conference on timeline. Group is aware we are looking at Spring 2009 at earliest for any kind of merger, if there is one.

Alex Rios moves to postpone next official NALFO Convention to Spring 2009, but still including a Latino Greek Awards banquet in May 2008.

Majority approval, 1 opposed. Motion Passes.

Timeline for next 2 years

- November 30-December 1, 2007 Fall Business Meeting
- May 2-3 Spring Business Meeting, Location TBD

LTA moves for Roll Call

OPB 2nds

Majority approval, 2 opposed. Motion Passes.

Programming Committee, Melodie Maldonado

- NALFO Unity picnics in Chicago and LA coming up
- Necessity for more paperwork and more tracking of costs

Assessment Committee, Veronica Rodriguez

Overview of Assessment Coalition Team visits by Veronica Rodriguez

SLU: How many have been done?

Approx 10. No more this Spring

SLU: Is staff or resources going to be hired to do assessments?

No, too many visits needed.

Lambda Pi Chi: What happens after reports are completed?

Reports are distributed to schools for them to use as needed.

Lambda Pi Chi: Can you summarize some of the reports?
Veronica summarizes

Sponsorship/Finance Committee, Brenda Tollinchi

Organization feedback:

- More need for accountability
- Harsher penalties for missed meetings
- More flexibility with fines to account for extenuating circumstances
- More details on what fines for which type of meetings and not just across the board
- People should only be registered if they pay upfront
- Separate issue with registration and cost with issue of orgs not coming at all

Brenda: Ideally would want help of people with fundraising/sponsorship experience. Right now needs just dedicated people who have time.

Break 10:04

Reconvene 10:19

PROPOSALS

SLG Proposal presented by Nellie Nevarez

NALFO Board would ultimately be responsible for submitting invitations with recommendations of member orgs

Ruby entertains motion to accept proposal from Sigma Lambda Gamma for Advisory Board. SLB moves, 2nd by SLU

Omega Phi Beta: Any costs implied?
No

CSU: Where did idea come from?
From being at past meetings.

Lambda Pi Upsilon:

SLB: Good opportunity to interact with Greek Advisors

SLU: Propose that we move with making an exploratory committee to research.

Friendly amendment by SLU to create an exploratory committee to research creating this advisory board first.

Friendly amendment accepted.

LTPHi: Recommend sending to Operations Committee after Exploratory Committee finishes report.

Majority approval, 1 opposed, 1 abstain. Motion Passes.

Lambda Pi Chi moves for a Roll Call.

Unanimous approval. 10:36 A.M.

By-laws Proposal #1 (see **APPENDIX** for detailed list of proposals)

LTPHi: Feels that this would take away resources from Mid-Atlantic Region.

Vice-Chair: Need for more help in Mid-Atlantic Region

LTNu: Would like to hear from member orgs with people in NJ.

SIA and CUS: Geographically makes sense.

GPhiO

Motion fails, 13 opposed.

By-Laws Proposal #2

Vice chairs moves to accept proposal

CUS: Correct typo

Unanimous approval. Motion Passes.

By-Laws Proposal #3

ViceChair moves

- SLU concerned with making change when we might change again soon.
- SLB **change AFA National Convention to Annual Meeting.**
- Parliamentary Proc: By-Laws change all the time
- LPiChi: Concern that future members may think they need to attend AFA annual meeting.
- Director of Recording: **insert fail to attend NALFO National Business meeting**
- Gamma Phi Omega. **Insert NALFO in front of all instances of National Business meeting.**

Majority approval, 3 opposed. Motion Passes.

By-laws Proposal #4

Vice Chair moves, 2nd by SLB

- SLG: **Correction to thirty(60) to sixty(60).**
- CUS: Amend to 45 days. Not accepted.

- **Lambda Pi Chi moves to insert, “Proposals shall be distributed to member orgs 45 days before meeting”. *Out of order, not germane to proposal.***

- LTPHi: 60 days is too long. No problems before.
- Vice-Chair: Necessary to have more turn-around time.
- Alpha Psi Lambda: Time is necessary to get info, distribute to respective orgs and discuss issues.
- CUS: Concern that no details on when Board will distribute proposals to member orgs after receiving them.

Majority approval, 4 abstain, 3 oppose. Motion Passes.

Constitution Proposal # 5

Vice-Chair moves.

Unanimous approval. Motion Passes.

Constitution Proposal #6

Vice-Chair moves.

SLB: **Change National Convention to Annual meeting.**

Majority approval, 1 abstain, 2 oppose.

Constitutional Proposal # 7

Vice Chair moves.

- NAK: Parameters not defined enough.
- APL: Clarify if NBOD can vote on bylaws.
- CUS: Need more parameters to restrict who can call motions and how long.
- NAK: System already in place to take care of business.

Friendly amendment by LPiChi to insert “, but shall not include amendment to by-laws and constitution and elections.”

Friendly amendment accepted.

- SLB: This limits the scope of what we can do.
- LTPHi: Need to expand communication to other means such as internet and phone.

NAK moves to split motion into two motions.

Majority approval, 6 abstain. Motion Passes.

Vice-Chair moves to accept Change #1 on Proposal #7.

Unanimous approval. Motion Passes.

Vice-Chair moves to accept change #2 on Proposal #7.

- NAK: System already in place. Need to be specific with what we need online voting for.
- CUS: Would we be able to still do on-line voting on a specific issue if we choose at an actual business meeting.
- Chair: Yes.

Lambda Theta Phi moves to table proposal . 2nd by LUL.

Motion fails.

Call to question.

Majority not reached. Motion Fails.

Constitutional Proposal #8

Chair moves.

SLG: **Correct thirty (60) to sixty (60).**

Majority approval, 4 opposed. Motion Passes.

Move to recess.

Reconvene at 11:27 AM

Proposal for NALFO Local Council Constitution.

Vice-Chair moves to accept NALFO Local Council Constitution changes.

- Vice-Chair clarifies this only applies to ASU NALFO Local Council since their rules require we approve this.
- Alpha Psi Lambda: Is there a constitution? Might be needed.
- CUS: Constitution needed to create framework.

Majority not reached, 1 abstain. Motion fails.

SLU moves to accept Local Council By-Laws
2nd.

Gamma Alpha Omega: Insert “At Arizona State University”

Omega Phi Beta moves to table. 2nd.

Vice-Chair: Why table when it only applies to ASU.

SIA: Changes are minor to only reflect university changes.

Motion to table fails.

Call to question. 1 opposed.

Vote on proposal on ASU Local Council By-Laws.

5 abstentions, 2 opposed. Majority approval. Motion Passes.

Move to break for lunch. 11:55 AM

Reconvene at 12:55 PM

Roll Call

AFA President Presentation

Spring 2008 NALFO National Convention Location

San Diego, Houston and Dallas are choices.

Brenda Tollinchi moves to select San Diego as May 2008 .

1 Abstain, majority not reached. Motion Fails.

Chi Upsilon Sigma moves to select Houston

1 abstention, 12 opposed, 13 in favor. Motion passes.

Houston chosen as May 2008 location

Laura Soria, will serve on National Convention Committee for Houston.

Viviana moves to suspend the by-laws to allow Alex Pineda to be nominated despite still being on current National Board for GZA.
2nd by Vice Chair.

Omega Phi Beta: By-Laws are set, shouldn't be exceptions.

Gamma Zeta Alpha: Wanted to run because position was open.

Alpha Psi Lambda: If we make exception here, we'll have to make it other places.

Majority not reached. Motion fails.

Viviana moves to suspend the rules to accept Freddy Nunez and Eva Alduey's nomination for Vice-Chair.

14 opposed, 2/3 not reached. Motion fails.

Julio Marengo moves to open nominations for 10 minutes.

Director of Recording objects to the consideration.

2/3 reached. Motion fails.

Elections

Chair – Yvonne Hernandez

Lambda Pi Chi moves to elect Yvonne Hernandez as NALFO Chair.

Unanimous Approval. Motion passes.

Director of Finance – Brenda Tollinchi

Omega Phi Beta moves to elect Brenda Tollinchi as Director of Finance.

Unanimous approval. Motion passes.

Director of Public Relations – Roxanna Latifi

Unanimous approval. Motion passes.

Chi Upsilon Sigma moves to elect Roxanna Latifi as Director of Public Relations for one year term to expire at the NALFO National Business meeting in May 2008.

Unanimous approval. Motion passes.

Southeastern RVC – Sandra Fuentes

Viviana reads open letter from Sandra in place of speech.

**Gamma Alpha Omega moves to elect Sandra Fuentes as Southeastern RVC. 2nd
Lambda Theta Nu**

Unanimous approval. Motion passes.

Mid-Atlantic RVC – Lisette Garcia

Lambda Upsilon Lambda moves to elect Lisette Garcia as Mid-Atlantic RVC.

Unanimous approval. Motion passes.

Anthony goes over social plans for evening.

Omega Delta Phi moves to adjourn.

Adjourned at 3:07 P.M.

APPENDIX: North Carolina Proposals in Detailed Format

Bylaws

Proposal 1

1. The original article unchanged.

Section 3.03 Regions

- (a) Western Region shall consist of: Alaska, Washington, California, Nevada, Oregon, Arizona, Hawaii, Utah and Idaho.
- (b) Great Plains Region shall consist of: Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.
- (c) Southeastern Region shall consist of: Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida and Puerto Rico.
- (d) Midwest Region shall consist of: Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan.
- (e) Mid-Atlantic Region shall consist of: Ohio, West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania
- (f) Northeast Region shall consist of: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and New York.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

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(f) Northeast Region shall consist of: Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey and New York.

3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

This would move the state of NJ from the Mid-Atlantic Region to the Northeast region. This will allow for more collaboration of organizations in such close proximity to one another.

Proposal 2

1. The original article unchanged.

Section 7.02 National Conventions

The Board of Directors shall schedule National Conventions annually during the third or fourth quarter of the calendar year, with a time to coincide with a National Business Meeting, and location as determined by two-thirds majority of member organizations at least one National Business Meeting in advance.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

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3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Per the proposal passed in Orlando, partnering our fall business meeting with the AFA convention, it would be required to then move the national convention to a first or second quarter, instead of a third or fourth.

Proposal 3

1. The original article unchanged.

Section 7.03 National Business Meetings

The Board of Directors shall schedule National Business Meetings biannually and shall be approved by the voting membership organization. The first session of the year shall be scheduled during the first or second quarter of the calendar year, with the remaining session to be scheduled concurrent with the annual NALFO National Convention. Each member organization shall confirm the attendance of their representative with the Director of Correspondence not less than two week prior to the Business Meeting. Members who fail to attend may jeopardize their good standing.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

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The Board of Directors shall schedule NALFO National Business Meetings biannually and shall be approved by the voting membership organization. The first session of the year shall be scheduled during the first or second quarter of the calendar year concurrent with the annual NALFO National Convention, with the remaining session to be scheduled concurrent with the Association of Fraternity Advisor's Annual Meeting. Each member organization shall confirm the attendance of their representative with the Director of Recording not less than two week prior to the NALFO National Business Meeting. Members who fail to attend NALFO National Business Meeting may jeopardize their good standing.

3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Change 1: Per the proposal passed in Orlando, partnering our fall business meeting with the AFA convention, it would be required to then schedule the business meetings in accordance with the AFA annual conventions.

Change 2: This changes Director of Correspondence to Director of Recording, as we no longer have a Director of Correspondence.

Proposal 4

1. The original article unchanged.

Article VIII. Amendments

These By-laws may be amended at any National Convention by a two-thirds majority of all voting member organizations. Proposed changes to the By-laws must be submitted in writing to the Board of Directors no less than thirty (30) days before a National Business Meeting.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

Article VIII. Amendments

These By-laws may be amended at any National Business Meeting by a two-thirds majority of all voting member organizations. Proposed changes to the By-laws must be submitted in writing to the Director of Parliamentary Procedure no less than sixty (60) days before a National Business Meeting.

3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Change 1: Change National Convention to National Business Meeting to clarify language.

Change 2: Change Board of Directors to Director of Parliamentary Procedure in order for the process to be simpler and more efficient.

Change 3: Change 30 days to 60 days on proposed changes. 30 days is not an appropriate amount of time to provide a sufficient agenda to cover all proposals that may be proposed as well as speakers, presentations, etc. Going to 60 days should allow for more advanced planning on a meeting agenda.

Constitution Changes

Proposal 5

1. The original article unchanged.

Article VI. Board of Directors

The executive and administrative powers of NALFO shall be vested in the Board of Directors as outlined in Article III of the NALFO bylaws. The Board of Directors shall consist of Chair, Vice Chair, Director of Finance, Director of Correspondence, Director of Recording, Director of Parliamentary Procedure, Director of Public Relations. RVCs shall be considered part of BOD with no voting privileges.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

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3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Removed the Director of Correspondence, as we no longer have that position.

Proposal 6

1. The original article unchanged.

Section 7.01 - National Conventions of the NALFO shall take place annually during the third or fourth quarter of the calendar year, with a time to coincide with a National Business Meeting, and location as determined by two-thirds majority of member organizations at least one National Business Meeting in advance. The Board of Directors shall issue notices of the conventions not less than sixty days preceding the convention

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2. The article changed according to your proposal.

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3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Per the proposal passed in Orlando, partnering our fall business meeting with the AFA convention, it would be required to then schedule the business meetings in accordance with the AFA annual conventions. It would also require us to then move the national convention to a first or second quarter, instead of a third or fourth quarter.

Proposal 7

1. The original article unchanged.

Article IX. Voting

At the National Convention the voting body shall consist of one representative from each member organization in good standing and each member of the Board of Directors. Proxy voting will not be allowed with the exception of special meetings called by the Board of Directors.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

Article IX. Voting

At the National Business Meeting the voting body shall consist of one representative from each member organization in good standing and each member of the Board of Directors. Proxy voting will not be allowed with the exception of special meetings called by the Board of Directors. Proxy voting and special meetings can be defined as online motions and votes, **but shall not include amendment to by-laws and constitution and elections**

3. An explanation of what you want to change and why.

Change 1: Change National Convention to National Business Meeting to clarify language.

Change 2: Define proxy voting and special meetings by online motions and votes. This will allow for a clear definition of these for future business purposes.

Proposal 8

1. The original article unchanged.

Article X. Amendments

Two-thirds majority of member organizations may amend this constitution at any National Business Meeting. Proposed changes to the constitution must be submitted to the Board of Directors no less than thirty (30) days before a National Business Meeting.

2. The article changed according to your proposal.

Article X. Amendments

Two-thirds majority of member organizations may amend this constitution at any National Business Meeting. Proposed changes to the constitution must be submitted to the Director of Parliamentary Procedure no less than sixty (60) days before a National Business Meeting.

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