

Phi Kappa Phi
Augusta State University Chapter (#166)
Minutes of Chapter Meeting
October 24, 2007
Allgood Hall E-151

Present: Jim Garvey, Jim Grayson (President-Elect), Amy Grigsby, Paul Harris, Pam Hayward, Jeff Heck, Miyoko Jackson, Stephanie Myers, Camilla Reid (Secretary), Deborah Richardson, Kathy Schofe (Communications Officer), Robert Smalley, Sandy Reinke, Christine Terry, Janice Williams Whiting, Ray Whiting (President), Fay Verburg, Sabina Widner.

1. President Ray Whiting called the meeting to order and presented the agenda. All members were asked to choose their committee preferences and notify either Ray or Camilla Reid.
2. The minutes of the April 24, 2007 meeting were approved after a motion by Jeff Heck and a second by Paul Harris. Appended to the April minutes was documentation that there was a special called meeting on June 6, 2007 to approve the expenditure of funds to support Immediate Past President Peggy Ruth Geren's attendance at the PKP Triennial Convention in Orlando in August 2007.
3. There was discussion of the Chapter purchasing commemorative bricks in support of the "A Building for Honor, A Building for Excellence" fund-raising campaign for the new Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi headquarters in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. A motion was made by Paul Harris, with a second by Jim Garvey that the Chapter purchase two bricks at \$250 each in honor of two members of the Augusta State Chapter: Bill Bloodworth, national President-Elect of Phi Kappa Phi, and Marya DuBose Free, one of the original faculty members who, in 1974, signed the petition to establish the Augusta State Chapter, who served for many years on the Chapter's executive committee, and then at the national level in several capacities.
4. Ray Whiting announced that while he is President of the Chapter he will give a "President's Award" to a member of the Chapter who has made recent, notable contributions to the Chapter. He said the Chapter will not be asked for funds for the award and continuation of the award will be at the discretion of subsequent Presidents. The only stipulation is that the person receiving the award should not be the Immediate Past President. The inaugural award was given to Camilla Reid.
5. Camilla Reid reported for Treasurer Pam Jackson that the Chapter's finances are in good shape with an ending cash balance on June 30, 2007 of \$4,562.02. No funds have been expended since then. The Chapter also has a \$5000 certificate of deposit with a 5.07% interest rate.
6. Ray Whiting led a discussion regarding expenditure authorizations. A motion to allow the Executive Committee to make limited authorizations was presented. The following motion was made by Paul Harris, seconded by Sandy Reinke, and passed unanimously.

Moved that the Executive Committee of the Augusta State Chapter of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi be authorized to approve un-reimbursed expenditures up to a total of \$800.00 each academic year to purchase supplies and equipment and to provide modest stipends for speakers in relation to official Phi Kappa Phi functions such as the A-Day Symposium, the Arsenal Speaker Series, the annual Student Research and Fine Arts Conference, and the annual Initiation and Banquet.

7. Kathy Schofe, Communication Officer, asked if members were receiving their E-Touch online updates from PKP headquarters; most members indicated they were. There are members who are still not receiving Chapter e-mails at pkpactive@aug.edu. Kathy suggested they make sure this address is not included in their spam filter.

8. Paul Harris reported on the successful A-Day symposium, "Nazi Race Policies," on October 12. The speakers were Dr. Yvonne Rieker, visiting professor from the University of Muenster, and Dr. Angela Bratton, ASU Department of History, Anthropology and Philosophy. He requested that he be reimbursed \$100 for the honorarium for Dr. Rieker. Jim Garvey moved with a second from Sandy Reinke that Paul be reimbursed; the motion passed.

Jim Grayson reported on the first Arsenal Lecture Series event on October 19th. The series is entitled *Learning in the 21st Century: Educational Fast Food*. The first topic was "The Five Minute University: the Value and Purpose of the University." Jim moderated; speakers were Jurgen Brauer, Wally Evans, Wendy Turner, and Ray Whiting. The next event will be November 9th on the topic "Is Education a Commodity? The Consumer Model versus Traditional Education." There will be two additional programs in the series during spring semester relating to "the perfect educational product" and "the consummate academic." All lectures will be in University Hall Room 170.

The Student Research and Fine Arts Conference will be Wednesday, March 12. Pam Hayward will send out the call for papers soon with January 25 due date. Other schools and universities in the local area and throughout the state will be sent notices in hopes that they will send observers to the conference.

9. Jana Sandarg sent a report from Nominations Committee I (Faculty & Alumni) that she has sent two calls for nominations and the Committee will met on November 6.
10. Katherine Sweeney sent a report from Nominations Committee II (Students) that student nominations cannot be made until after Fall semester grades are posted. Nominees will be selected in January.
11. Camilla Reid suggested that the Chapter consider creating the office of Student Vice-President similar to the positions that some other PKP chapters have. After discussion the following motion was made, seconded and passed.

Moved, in accordance with the Bylaws of The Augusta State University Chapter (#166) of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi Article III, Section 1, that the Chapter establish a new office to be held by students. This office will be named Student Vice President and will be filled each year by the junior initiate with the highest GPA. In case of a tie, the student with the most credit hours earned at the 3000 level or above will be appointed. Once appointed to the office, the student will remain a Student Vice President until leaving the university. Therefore, there may be more than one Student Vice President at any given time.

The responsibilities of the Student Vice President will be to: promote Phi Kappa Phi on campus to other students, present and represent the "student-side" Phi Kappa Phi when possible, participate in chapter meetings, assist in promoting the Phi Kappa Phi awards to various campus offices, to students, to faculty/staff, etc. when called upon, serve on the Executive Committee, and serve on Chapter committees.

*taken from Chapter Officer Job Descriptions at:

<http://www.phikappaphi.org/Web/Internal/ChapterOperations/Management/officerjobs.html>

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Establishment of this office will require a Bylaws revision. The motion will be sent out to all members in advance and voted on at the November 28th meeting.

An ad hoc Bylaws Committee will be needed since PKP national has a new bylaws structure coming soon. A motion to approve the establishment of a Bylaws Committee to be appointed by Ray Whiting was made by Robert Smalley, with a second by Kathy Schofe; the motion passed.

12. Jim Garvey reported that the initiation planning was on track. The banquet will be moved to 5:00 pm to allow more time for transition to the Honor Convocation. A suggestion was made

that a room in the student center be reserved to store faculty regalia, so PKP faculty members could robe immediately after the banquet and move on quickly to the Honors Convocation.

13. Tom Crute will continue as the chair of the Scholarships, Fellowships, and Awards Committee. Last year, Adam Doss, a senior in biology, received a \$5000 PKP fellowship award for attendance at the MCG School Dentistry.
14. Camilla Reid reported on the 2007 PKP Triennial Conference. Bill Bloodworth, Peggy Ruth Geren and Camilla Reid attended. President Bloodworth was elected President-Elect for a three-year term; then he will be President for a two-year term. Camilla gave a presentation on our Chapter's Student Research and Fine Arts Conference.
15. Announcements: Our chapter will be using PKP's new online enrollment program. Jeff Heck, Webmaster, has revamped our chapter's website using the new PKP template and with photographs provided by Kathy Schofe, Communications Officer. Our chapter meetings will be scheduled the 4th Wednesday of the month at noon; everyone was asked to encourage students to come to chapter meetings.
16. The next Chapter meeting will be November 28 at noon in Allgood Hall E-151.
17. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Camilla Reid, Secretary