

Phi Kappa Phi
Augusta State University Chapter (#166)
Minutes for Chapter Meeting
November 28, 2007 Noon
Allgood Hall E-151

Members present: Jurgen Brauer, Jim Garvey, Peggy Ruth Geren (Immediate Past-President), Jim Grayson (President-Elect), Amy Grigsby, Jeff Heck, Steve Hobbs, Pam Jackson (Treasurer), Isaac McAdams, Camilla Reid (Secretary), Sandy Reinke, Kathy Schofe (Communications Officer), Fay Verburg, Janice Williams Whiting, Ray Whiting (President).

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm by Ray Whiting. The agenda was accepted.
2. The minutes of the October 24, 2007 meeting were approved unanimously upon a motion by Sandy Reinke with a second by Isaac McAdams.
3. Pam Jackson, Treasurer, distributed copies of the required annual financial report that she filed during the summer with PKP national headquarters. She will give a more detailed report of chapter finances at the next meeting. The chapter received a memo from PKP headquarters saying 'beginning in 2008, all Phi Kappa Phi chapters with annual gross receipts of less than \$25,000 will be required to file with the IRS an annual electronic notice, Form 990-N, *Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations not Required to File Form 990 or 990-EZ.*' The Chapter's certificate of deposit will have earned \$217 by its maturity date of January 14, 2008. A motion was made by Steve Hobbs, seconded by Peggy Ruth Geren, and passed unanimously to authorize Pam to transfer the CD to a higher interest bearing CD in January. A discussion of longer range plans for these funds was suggested by Jurgen Brauer; this will be an agenda item at the January 2008 meeting.
4. Kathy Schofe, Communications Officer, reported that the Communications Committee will meet soon. She announced that she had sent out a test message to the PipeLine listserv pkpactive@aug.edu which did not require a response. She will be designing and sending out a postcard to advertise the PKP Student Research and Fine Arts Conference. She asked for the addresses of other regional PKP Chapters.

Jim Grayson reported on the Arsenal Speaker Series and the Student Research and Fine Arts Conference. The November Arsenal Speaker Series event was postponed because of the death of one of the scheduled speakers, Professor Joe Greene. The event, "Is Education a Commodity? The Consumer Model versus Traditional Education" is rescheduled for Thursday, January 24 at 2:30pm in University Hall 170. Speakers are Barbara Coleman, Dick Stracke, Tom Crute, and Walt Alexanderson. The dates for the last two Arsenal Speaker Series are tentatively set for February 14 ("The Perfect Educational Product") and March 20 ("The Perfect Professor").

Planning for the Student Research and Fine Arts Conference is progressing. The deadline for abstracts is January 25. The planning committee met on November 13. There will be a push this year for more campus-wide participation. Faculty will be encouraged to incorporate the conference in their syllabi (perhaps by the VPAA and Deans) and to give extra credit for attendance. A suggestion was made to videotape the presentations so students would have access if they were

unable to attend. Other local and regional schools will be notified and invited to attend. Sandy Reinke is coordinating student and faculty recognition initiatives to foster increased interest and participation in the symposium. She reported that President Bloodworth offered \$1000 to be used in a drawing to award ten \$100 prizes to students who participate in the conference. The Chapter voted to institute this program and to accept the funds from President Bloodworth (motion by Isaac McAdams, second by Jeff Heck). Also, faculty members who have consistently encouraged undergraduate research will receive letters of recognition from the chapter president. The Chapter also voted to give PKP honor cords to these faculty members (motion made by Isaac McAdams, second by Jeff Heck). Jim will appoint a subcommittee of the planning committee to consider who will be recognized.

6. Janice Whiting, as a member of Nominations I, reported for Jana Sandarg on the committee's recommendations for new faculty/staff and alumni members for 2008. The committee's recommendations were discussed and then passed unanimously (motion by Peggy Ruth Geren, second by Steve Hobbs). The names (four faculty and two alumnae) will be released at the time of the spring tapping.

7. Kathy Schofe reported for Katherine Sweeney that Nominations II will meet to decide on student nominees after the fall 2007 grades are posted.

8. The bylaws revision related to creating a student vice-President positions was discussed. Notice of the amendment was sent out by e-mail right after the October 24, 2007 chapter meeting. The following motion passed unanimously including two votes received by e-mail.

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, subject to his or her acceptance of the office. If the student does not accept, then the next highest-ranked student will be asked to fill the office. 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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9. Jim Garvey reported that the Initiation Committee is at work. The banquet will be in the JSAC Ballroom. The room set up and the meal price will be basically the same as last year. The initiation will start at 5:00; immediately followed by the meal. There will be a locked room (Markert) set aside for storing faculty regalia, etc. for the Honors Convocation afterwards. There will be reserved seating at the tables and ushers this year. The initiates' introductions will be cut to a minimum.

10. Announcement: Next meeting is Wednesday, January 23, 2008 Noon in Allgood E-158.

11. The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.