

**Phi Kappa Phi**  
**Augusta State University Chapter (#166)**  
**Minutes of Chapter Meeting**  
**January 23, 2008 Noon Allgood Hall, E-158**

**Members:** Ray Whiting (President), Jim Grayson (President Elect), Camilla Reid (Secretary), Pam Jackson (Treasurer), Kathy Schofe (Communications Officer), Bill Bloodworth, Nancy Childers, Jim Garvey, Amy Grigsby, Pam Hayward, Jeff Heck, Miyoko Jackson, Isaac McAdams, Charlotte Price, Sandy Reinke, Deborah Richardson, Katherine Sweeney, Fay Verburg, Sabina Widner, Wes Zamzow.

Meeting called to order by Ray Whiting at 12:03 pm.

Minutes of Chapter meeting of November 28, 2007 were approved.

Pam Jackson presented a detailed 2006-2007 Annual Financial Report which showed where chapter revenues were received and expended. The ending cash balance on June 30, 2007 was \$4,562.02 in checking. Concerning the certificate of deposit, on a motion by Sandy Reinke, seconded by Sabina Widner, the Chapter approved the roll-over of the **entire** amount of the certificate (which matured on January 14) **including interest** to another certificate of deposit at the best rate Pam Jackson can find. Upon a motion by Jim Garvey, seconded by Sandy Reinke, the chapter tabled the discussion Jurgen Brauer had previously suggested regarding earmarking the interest on the certificate of deposit for specific programs, such as a scholarship or book award.

Kathy Schofe reported that the Communications Committee (herself, Jim Garvey, Jeff Heck, and Fay Verburg) had met. She distributed a handout, "Starting an e-newsletter for Phi Kappa Phi" which outlined the purpose, format and editorial format. The purpose would be to increase the visibility of the Chapter especially to students, to enhance communications with members, to recognize achievements of members, and to provide a forum for scholarly research and thought. The newsletter would be published monthly except in the summer (one issue). There was discussion of the features suggested and some additional ideas from the members present. Kathy also said that since Ray Whiting and Jim Grayson had already sent a memo/announcement about the annual Student Research & Fine Arts Conference to regional Phi Kappa Phi officers and local educational administrators, she would not be sending a postcard to them.

Jim Grayson reminded everyone about the next Arsenal Speaker event in the *Is Education a Commodity?* Series is *Consumer Model vs. Traditional Education* on Thursday, January 24, at 2:30 p.m. in 170 University Hall. Prior to the discussion a short video clip of various ASU student responses related to the topic will be shown. The February 14th symposium on "The Perfect Product: Defining the Educated Person" will be in UH170 at 2:30 pm. The March 20th event on "The Perfect Professor: Defining the Consummate Academic" will also be in UH170 at 2:30pm.

Jim Grayson noted that Pam Hayward had sent out a final notice that the abstracts for the Student Research & Fine Arts Conference are due to him and Paul Harris by January 25. After the abstracts are reviewed for acceptance, the committee will meet on February 7 to

find topical relationships and divide the presentations into sessions for the conference on March 14.

Katherine Sweeney, chair of the Student Nominations Committee, presented the names of the 2008 nominee for discussion and vote. Katherine answered several questions regarding the GPA cutoffs and criteria for selection. There were also questions by Isaac McAdams, Miyoko Jackson and others about the procedures for selecting graduate students. To address these concerns, Ray Whiting appointed an ad hoc committee to look at the Chapter's requirements for selecting graduate student nominees in respect of chapter and national guidelines. Sandy Reinke, Miyoko Jackson and Sabina Widner agreed to be on the committee. There was a discussion about three nominees for whom official transcripts were unavailable due to an administrative error. On a motion by Isaac McAdams, seconded by Sandy Reinke, the chapter members voted to provisionally add these students to the list of nominees, pending receipt of their official undergraduate transcripts by February 1. Ray will communicate this to the appropriate dean. The chapter then voted upon a motion by Pam Hayward, seconded by Fay Verburg, to accept the student nominations for 2008. Camilla Reid recruited members to conduct the tapping on Wednesday-Thursday, January 30-31.

Jim Garvey indicated the initiation and banquet plans were on track. There was general agreement that the introductions must be shorter. Camilla Reid will take care of this. Pam Jackson reminded chapter members to consider providing \$16.00 sponsorships for students' initiation banquet meals.

Kathy Schofe reported that the chapter had received a \$50 award from Phi Kappa Phi headquarters to advertise the PKP Fellowship in the student newspaper.

The next Chapter meeting is Wednesday, February 27 at noon in Allgood Hall E-158.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.