

**DELTA SIGMA PI**  
**NORTH CENTRAL PROVINCE**  
**Provincial Council Meeting Minutes**  
**February 13, 2010**  
**Lombard, IL**

A. Opening Ritual

B. Call the meeting to order

- Brother Briggs introduced Council Meeting Chancellor Dave Fujara, Alpha Pi and Secretary Kristian Gottman, Eta Rho

C. Roll call of the Delegates

Present and voting:

Epsilon	Zeta	Xi
Upsilon	Alpha Delta	Alpha Epsilon
Alpha Eta	Alpha Iota	Alpha Pi
Alpha Omega	Gamma Eta	Gamma Theta
Gamma Kappa	Gamma Pi	Delta Rho
Delta Tau	Epsilon Iota	Epsilon Xi
Epsilon Omicron	Epsilon Omega	Zeta Xi
Eta Mu	Eta Pi	Eta Rho
Theta Tau	Iota Lambda	Iota Sigma
Iota Chi	Kappa Sigma	Kappa Upsilon
Kappa Phi	Kappa Omega	Lambda Xi
Lambda Omicron	Mu Phi	Mu Psi
Nu Tau	Xi Chi	Pi Tau
Chicago Alumni	Milwaukee Alumni	Twin Cities Alumni
Central RVP – Hillary Burkett		Great Lakes RVP – Dennis Protasio
Great Plains RVP – Rachelle Divis		Huron RVP – Matt Carrington
North Central RVP – Jodi Schoh		North Central PVP – Amy Briggs

Present and not voting:

Delta – probation                      Beta Epsilon Mu – colony

Not Present:

Detroit Alumni                      Lincoln/Greater Nebraska Alumni

D. Change to the agenda

- Move item L3 to after D.
- Move N after L3

E. Adopt the agenda

Moved by: TC Alumni Chapter

Seconded by: Gamma Pi

Motioned passed without objection (see Addendum I)

F. Approve the minutes of the previous Council Meeting

Moved by: Eta Pi

Seconded by: Eta Rho

Motioned passed without objection

G. Review votes taken since the last meeting

None

H. Receive or distribute the report of the Provincial Vice President, including an update on National Fraternity or Leadership Foundation issues

- Report was distributed to all delegates to review.

I. Receive or distribute the reports of the Regional Vice Presidents

1. Central – Hillary Burkett

2. Great Lakes – Dennis Protasio

3. Great Plains – Rachelle Divis

4. Huron – Matt Carrington

5. North Central – Jodi Schoh

- Reports were distributed to all delegates to review. (See Addendum II)

J. Receive or distribute a Provincial Financial report

K. Receive or distribute the reports of the Provincial Committees

1. Alumni Development – Kara Lenox

2. Community Service – Teresa Schudrowitz

3. Professional Development – Courtney Fujara

4. Scholastic Development and Awards – Jason Campbell

5. Disciplinary – Amy Briggs

- Reports were distributed to all delegates to review.

- Moved: Nu Tau

- Second: Alpha Delta

- All reports accepted through motion with no objection. (See Addendum II)

L. Old Business

None

M. New Business

1. Regional boundary change legislation

Proposal 1:

Moved by: Eta Rho

Seconded by: Iota Sigma

- Brother Briggs: Matter of geography and numbers.

- Lambda Omicron: Feel that connections will be lost with other chapters they already have affiliation with. Would like to be moved to the Central Region.
- Brother Briggs: want to avoid giving Central Region 11 Chapters. Move one or the other.
- Lambda Omicron: South Dakota and Nebraska are further away.
- TC Alumni Chapter: Iowa is right on the border with 3 chapters. Could defeat motion.
  - o Call to Question: TC Alumni
  - o Motion Defeated

#### Proposal 2:

Moved by: TC Alumni Chapter

Seconded by: Theta Tau

- Brother Briggs: move Great Lakes Region
- Iota Lambda: have no connections to the Huron region. Alumni moved to Indianapolis. Want to stay in connection with them. Several of the chapters are located in Indiana, which would make it easier to coordinate events together. By moving to Central Region, could get Alumni more involved in their chapter and events.
  - o Motion to amend proposal from the Great Lakes Region to Central Region : Iota Lambda
  - o No Second, Motion not carried.
- Brother Briggs: Explanation of boundary change, not chapter movement.
  - o Motion to Table: Gamma Theta, until boundaries are established.
  - o Second: Gamma Kappa
  - o Move to revisit tabled item : Iota Lambda
  - o Second: Alpha Epsilon
- Iota Lambda : By striking not including the metropolitan area of South Bend
  - o Motion to 10 minute recess: Great Lakes RVP
  - o Second: Alpha Omega
- Open Speakers List
- Eta Rho : Moving boundary lines does not move the school. You could still plan events with the chapters and Alumni. Wouldn't affect any changes to LEAD or other conferences. Opportunity to meet more people and chapters.
- Gamma Kappa : In terms of geographical location it wouldn't
- Brother Briggs: Regional boundaries can be changed by Provincial Council. Changes would be effective July 1, 2010. Only Provincial boundary changes are made at congress.
  - o Iota Lambda: Motion to amend Proposal 2 by striking 'but not including the metropolitan Fort Wayne area'. Insert language
  - o Second: Iota Chi
- Xi Chi: point of information
- TC Alumni Chapter : request to see map of boundary changes
- Iota Lambda : explanation of map and relocation
- TC Alumni Chapter: How many Chapters would be in the region?
- Brother Briggs:
- Alpha Epsilon: asked for RVP opinion.

- Brother Briggs: This move has nothing to do personally with any chapter. We are trying to make sure that in the future this won't affect future RVP representation. There is a current lack of motivation and willingness to help
- Eta Rho : clarification on boundary changes
  - o TC Alumni Call to question of amendment
- Motion defeated to amend Proposal 2.
  - o Motion to accept Proposal 2
- Motion passed. Proposal 2 accepted. (See Addendum III)

2. Approve the 2010-2011 Provincial Budget

Moved by: Eta Pi

Seconded by: Mu Psi

Motion passed with no objection (See Addendum IV)

3. Determine 2010-2011 Provincial Community Service Options

- Delegates to choose from following options:
  - a. American Cancer Society
  - b. American Heart Association
  - c. Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International
  - d. Ronald McDonald House
- Results:
  - o American Cancer Society (including Relay for Life, Race for a Cure, Making Strides Against Breast Cancer, Great American Smokeout, etc.)

N. Legislative Review (for Grand Chapter Congress)

none

O. Determine dates and location choices for 2012 Provincial Conference and Council Meeting

1. Holiday Considerations

- President's Day – February 20

2. Historical Reference

	<u>Provincial Conference</u>	<u>Fall LEAD</u>
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## **Rankings:**

Dates-

February 10-12

February 24-26

March 2-4

Locations-

Champaign/Urbana, IL

South Bend, IN

Kalamazoo, MI

## **P. General announcements**

### **1. Review schedule of upcoming meetings and events:**

- LeaderShape
  - Boston, Massachusetts
  - July 18-23, 2010
- 2010 LEAD School
  - Sheraton Indianapolis Hotel & Suites, Indianapolis, Indiana
  - October 23, 2010
- 2011 Provincial Conference and Council Meeting
  - Sheraton, Madison, Wisconsin
  - February 11-13, 2011
- Grand Chapter Congress
  - Louisville Marriott Downtown, Louisville, Kentucky
  - August 10-14, 2011

### **2. Other chapter announcements**

- Beta Epsilon Mu: March 13, 2010 Instillation and Initiation invite to all chapters
- Brother Briggs : Congratulations to Brothers Kim and Joe Ward on their pregnancy
- Chicago Alumni Chapter: April 10 26<sup>th</sup> annual invitational volleyball tournament.
- Alpha Omega : Thurs May 20, annual hip hop dance competition 7pm
- Theta Tau : Saturday April 10<sup>th</sup> 40<sup>th</sup> chapter anniversary
- Lambda Omicron : Sat April 10<sup>th</sup> Walk a thon
- Epsilon Iota : 50<sup>th</sup> chapter anniversary coming up November 13
- Alpha Delta : March 6<sup>th</sup> Volleyball/Basketball tournament

## **Q. Adjournment**

Motion by: Alpha Pi

Seconded by : Eta Rho

Motion passed without any objections

## **R. Closing Ritual**

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- ii. Other chapter announcements

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R. Adjournment

## **ADDENDUM II**

### **North Central Province**

#### **Provincial Vice President – Amy L. Briggs**

##### *Travel Summary*

August 9-10 – Board meeting  
August 8-16 – Grand Chapter Congress  
September 16 – Alpha Iota recruiting event  
September 21 – Nu Tau Chapter meeting  
September 25 – Board meeting  
September 25-27 – Leadership Retreat  
October 17 – South Central LEAD  
October 31 – North Central LEAD  
November 7 – North Central Regional Conference  
November 7 – TCAC Founder’s Day event  
November 9 – Alpha Epsilon Founder’s Day and Alumni event  
November 16 – Dinner with Golden Council Members Karon Drewniak and Mitch & Velvet Simmons  
November 17 – Dinner with Foundation Trustee Barrett Carter  
November 21 – Alpha Epsilon Initiation  
November 30 – Nu Tau Chapter meeting  
January 21 – Epsilon Iota Chapter meeting  
January 22-24 – Board meeting  
January 29 – North Central Provincial Leadership Team meeting  
January 29-31 – Halsey Invitational VB/BB Tournament  
February 12-14 – North Central Provincial LEAD and Council meeting

##### *Planned Travel*

March 13 – Psi Chapter Reactivation  
May TBD – Volunteer Leadership Training  
June TBD – North Central Provincial Leadership Team meeting  
June TBD – Volunteer Leadership Training

##### *LEAD/Provincial/Congress attendance*

The North Central Province was well represented at Grand Chapter Congress with over 200 brothers from the Province in attendance. This representation is further highlighted by the fact that only 6 chapters did not have delegates present. The province was motivated by the lack of awards they received and has vowed to do better in the coming years.

While attendance at the Omaha LEAD was well below expected, over 250 brothers attend LEAD Schools in other Provinces. In fact, brothers from the North Central Province were present at every LEAD school this past fall and we were the only province to accomplish that feat.

As of February 3, all forty (40) collegiate chapters and the colony have at least one person registered for the Provincial LEAD and Council Meeting. Again the only province to accomplish this feat.



### *Awards*

Collegian of the Year nominations and applications continue to improve from year to year. This year, 34 out of 40 (85%) of chapter nominated a candidate and 27 out of the 34 (80%) submitted their applications. Many chapters are already planning their spring submissions and new Provincial Chair Jason Campbell will aid with communication to the chapters and education about the process. The Province should see an increase in the number of applications and the quality of the applications this spring.

### *Expansion*

The Beta Epsilon Mu colony at the University of Wisconsin-Madison submitted their petition in January and has been approved for a March 13th reactivation. Seventeen members attend the South Central LEAD in St Louis and their energy is contagious. The colony leads the way in registration for the Provincial LEAD with 25 and will undoubtedly bring their enthusiasm.

### *Committees*

Alumni Development – Kara Lenox, Chair

Community Service – Teresa Schudrowitz, Chair

Professional Development – Courtney Fujara, Chair

Awards and Scholastic Development – Jason Campbell, Chair

National Appointee to Awards and Scholastic Development – Sara Staloch

Discipline – Amy Briggs, Hillary Burkett and Jodi Schoh

### *Discipline/Behavior Issues*

There was increase in the number of incidents within the province this fall. An increased focus on risk management education will hopefully reduce the number this spring and going forward.

Please remember to review the Risk Management and Conduct policy prior to each event.

### *Volunteer Leadership Training*

New Chair Courtney Fujara and I have been working to identify locations for at least two Volunteer Leadership training sessions this coming summer. Planning has been slow this fall but will be finalized prior to the Provincial Conference so that it can be advertised. There have been numerous sessions provided over the past 4 years and we are starting to see the results as many who have attended are continuing to stay more active as alumni and now serving as committee members and District Directors.

### *General Comments*

Most of the North Central Provincial Leadership team returned to their positions after Congress. The returning members have picked up where they have left off and I continue to see their influence in the progress the chapters are making. The new members of the team are eager to prove their worth and have been working hard to maintain the expected level of excellence established in the North Central Province.

## Central Region

### Regional Vice President – Hillary Burkett

#### *Travel Summary*

September 2:	Iota Chi	Consultant Visit
September 3:	Epsilon Omega	Consultant Visit
October 1:	Alpha Pi	Pledge Meeting; RM&C Presentation
October 3:	Delta Tau	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner
October 7:	Epsilon Xi	Short Meeting with Pres & VPPE; Chapter Meeting
October 11:	Kappa Sigma	Pledge, Exec Committee and Chapter Meeting
October 16-18:	St. Louis LEAD School	
October 18:	Kappa Omega	Chapter Meeting; RM&C Presentation
October 23-25:	Pittsburgh LEAD School	
Oct. 30-Nov. 1:	Lexington LEAD School	Presenter
November 1:	Alpha Pi	Chapter Meeting
November 13:	Epsilon Omega	Initiation
November 14:	Iota Chi	Initiation
November 15:	Iota Sigma	RM&C Presentation, Reviewed Consultant Report
November 18:	Upsilon	Exec Committee Meeting; Reviewed Consultant Report
November 19:	Kappa Omega	Initiation
November 20-21:	Epsilon Xi	Alumni Dinner; Initiation
January 20:	Upsilon	Recruitment Info Night
January 26:	Upsilon	Recruitment Social Event
January 29:	NC Leadership Meeting	
February 6:	Alpha Pi	Recruitment/Pledge Selection
February 12-14:	NC Provincial LEAD	

#### *Planned Travel*

February 14:	Kappa Sigma	Exec Committee Meeting; Chapter Meeting
February 21:	Kappa Omega	Chapter Meeting
February 23:	Iota Chi	Chapter Meeting
February 28:	Alpha Pi	Pledge Proposals; Chapter Meeting

\*Delta Tau, Epsilon Xi, Epsilon Omega, Iota Sigma and Initiation Visits still to be scheduled

This fall, 7 of the 9 Central Region Chapters had the opportunity to meet with a consultant from Central Office. From those visits, new ideas are flowing and changes are being made to further the advancement of the chapters.

I am incredibly excited to report that the Central Region had 100% Attendance at Fall 2009 LEAD Schools and 100% Registration for Spring 2010 North Central Provincial LEAD. In addition to attending national events, all of the chapters are adjusting to the new CMP system and the status for the region looks good so far.

Overall, the 2009-2010 year is shaping up to be a very good year for the Central Region. Although we have had a few issues to deal with, I am pleased to say that we currently have no chapters on discipline.

Goals for the region:

- **ACHIEVE YOUR CMP TARGET**
  - For the chapters who have missed deadlines: Continue to submit the items needed for your desired level. It will help prepare your chapter for next year.
- **APPLY FOR AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS**
  - So many awards and scholarships go unrewarded each year because no one applies. Start writing your applications now so they are easy to submit at the end of the semester. [dspnet.org/awards](http://dspnet.org/awards)
- **STRIVE FOR YOUR OWN GOALS**
  - Each of you have specific goals that you are working towards and I encourage you to stay on that path. Remember that volunteer leaders and the Central Office are available to help with anything you need.

Special thanks to my district directors and awards committee. You all make my life as an RVP much easier!

## **Great Lakes Region Regional Vice President – Dennis Protasio**

### *Travel Summary*

Date	Chapter	Event
<b>August</b>		
8/31/2009	Kappa Phi	Chapter Consultation
<b>September</b>		
9/13/2009	Alpha Omega	Chapter Meeting
9/14/2009	Eta Mu	Chapter Meeting
9/16/2009	Kappa Phi	Preference Dinner/Recruitment Event
9/17/2009	Gamma Pi	Princeton Review Professional/Recruitment Event
9/20/2009	Chicago Alumni Chapter	Chapter Meeting
9/22/2009	Zeta Xi	Executive Trials
9/23/2009	Alpha Omega	Recruitment Event
9/25-9/27		Central Office Leadership Retreat
9/29/2009	Xi Chi	Meet & Greet
9/29/2009	Delta	Chapter Meeting
<b>October</b>		
10/3/2009	Milwaukee Alumni Chapter	Social Event
10/11/2009	Chicago Alumni Chapter	Annual Flag Football Game
10/16 - 10/18		St. Louis LEAD
10/19/2009	Zeta	Meet & Greet
10/28/2009	Zeta Xi	Chapter Meeting
<b>November</b>		
11/4/2009	Zeta Xi	Mongolian BBQ Fundraiser
11/5/2009	Beta Epsilon Mu	Joe Mayne Professional Event

11/7/2009	Iota Lambda Initiation	Initiation
11/8/2009	Alpha Omega	Initiation
11/21/2009	Xi Chi	Initiation

December

12/1/2009	Delta	Chapter Meeting & Elections
12/13/2009	Great Lakes Region	District Director Conference Call
12/18/2009	Chicago Alumni Chapter	Home for the Holidays

*Planned Travel*

I will be contacting each chapter in the upcoming weeks to plan out my calendar for the remainder of the academic year. Ideally I'm looking to attend an event other than a chapter meeting. I would love to actively participate in a community service, professional, recruitment, and/or anything else a chapter may have planned.

*LEAD*

Across both the St. Louis, MO LEAD and the Omaha, NB LEAD we had 100% chapter participation within the Great Lakes Region! For the North Central Provincial LEAD we have 100% chapter participation and at the time of this report 120 collegiate Brothers, 1 faculty Brother from Gamma Pi, all 11 District Directors, and 1 RVP registered! On a collegiate basis this represents a 90% increase vs. last Provincial LEAD and we represent almost 30% of the overall attendance. The Beta Epsilon Mu Colony from the University of Wisconsin – Madison had the most in attendance at the fall LEAD in St. Louis, MO and is on track to again have the most in attendance vs. the entire North Central Province. Alpha Omega, Gamma Pi, Delta, Xi Chi, and Lambda Omicron can each boast 10 or more Brothers registered!

*Collegian of the Year*

I'm proud to announce that this year marks the reverse in the downward trend of submitted Collegian of the Year applications. Over the past 5 years there has been a steady decline of COY applications. Notably, the Great Lakes Region awards committee had to review 8 applications from a low of 4. This year also marked a 5 year high of 10 nominations across the region. The ongoing goals will be to maintain this positive trend by increased communication, education, and shooting for a 1:1 ratio of nominations to applications.

*Communication*

The leadership team consisting of District Directors and the Regional Vice President has started their monthly conference calls covering a variety of topics, a sharing of challenges, and exchange of ideas. We are also proud to announce the launching of the Great Lakes Regional website at [www.dspglr.com](http://www.dspglr.com). The website features a news & articles section, two Ask columns where collegiate Brothers can ask general fraternity questions and personal finance questions, a calendar section to share chapter events, and finally an interactive forum to exchange ideas and experiences. Each District Director has been tasked with either maintaining a specific portion or getting one started. I encourage both collegiate and alumni alike to check out the site, participate, and to stay up to date with all the happenings across the region.

### *Ongoing Goals & Initiatives*

Regional Conference: I would like to hold a 1 day regional conference at the beginning of the fall term. This will be a discussion topic at our regional meeting to discuss feasibility and logistics.

Regional Initiation tentatively scheduled for Saturday November 6, 2010. Vice Presidents of Pledge Education, make sure to note this date for your strategic plans.

Alumni Outreach: We have an ongoing initiative to update and maintain contact lists for Brothers that have graduated from each of our respective chapters from the past 5 years. This will hopefully help us drive to increase alumni participation with individual chapters and retain their talents and time as alumni after graduation.

### *Announcements*

Beta Epsilon Mu's petition has been accepted and pending successful completion of their pledge education program will be installed on Saturday March 13, 2010. I highly encourage all Brothers to mark this date in their calendars and plan their attendance for this historic occasion. Details are still being finalized and will be communicated as soon as possible. Special thanks to Teresa Schudrowitz, Justin Wicks, and Kim Ward for being involved with the colony since the beginning and their continued support. Thanks to all Brothers and faculty that have shared their experiences and advice with the colony over the past year.

A deep and heartfelt thanks to all the District Directors: Jeremy Netzel, Lindsay Allen, Jerry Jasper, Alyssa Jaksa, Dan Barton, Courtney Fujara, Bojan Ilic, Jay Geerdes, Jessica Johns, Jessica Quintanilla, Teresa Schudrowitz, and Dan Kiss. You all are a key part of what we strive for as a region and none of our accomplishments thus far would have been realized if not for your support. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

To my collegiate Brothers ~ As individuals and as entire chapters, you impress me every day. I'm humbled to be working in service to you. Keep up the outstanding work! Let's all learn, network, and most of all have fun this weekend!

## **Great Plains Region**

### **Regional Vice President – Rachelle Rivis**

#### *Travel Summary*

August 12-16, 2009	Washington, D.C.	Grand Chapter Congress
August 31, 2009	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting
October 27, 2009	Wayne, NE	Eta Pi Chapter Meeting & Consultant Visit
October 29, 2009	Omaha, NE	Gamma Eta Chapter Meeting & Consultant Visit
October 30-31, 2009	Omaha, NE	North Central LEAD Conference
November 2, 2009	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting & Consultant Visit
January 29, 2010	Minneapolis, MN	Provincial Leadership Meeting
January 29-31, 2010	Minneapolis, MN	Halsey Invitational VB/BB Tournament
February 12-14, 2010	Chicago, IL	North Central Provincial Conference

*Planned Travel*

March 6, 2010                      Lincoln, NE                      Alpha Delta Spina Bifida Tourney  
\*Individual Chapter Visits TBD

*CMP*

The introduction of the new Chapter Management Program has been a challenge for a couple chapters. All chapters have are more than 42% completed, with at least 40% approved at this time. Due to transitions within individual chapters, areas that are in need of extra attention this spring include the Pledging Program and Officer Report. Congratulations to Eta Pi for leading the Great Plains with no outstanding debt, 68% completion and 66% approved to becoming an accredited chapter. Following Eta Pi, are Alpha Iota with 64% completion, Gamma Eta at 60% and Alpha Delta at 57%.

*Omaha, NE LEAD School*

Despite low registration over Halloween weekend, Omaha LEAD presented a wonderful unique opportunity. Smaller groups enabled more personal educational sessions and unlimited one-on-one mentoring for those in attendance. Thank you to those who made the weekend a success!

*Halsey Invitational VB/BB Tournament*

This year marked the 51<sup>st</sup> annual Halsey Volleyball/Basketball Tournament. The North Central and Great Plains Region gathered in Minneapolis with Alpha Epsilon hosting the event. Epsilon brought home the Great Plains big win taking 1<sup>st</sup> in the Basketball Tournament and Eta Pi took 2<sup>nd</sup> in Recreational Volleball. One of the most memorable events of the weekend, was a new twist on the previous Chant Competition at the Saturday night banquet. Chapters were asked to put together a video of their chapter and colleges with a ‘Cribs’ theme. Alpha Iota capped off the weekend by introducing us to their campus, most notably the Vin Master 3000.

*Chicago Provincial LEAD*

This spring, we’ll be gathering in Lombard to discuss some new items of business, including a possible regional boundary change. With the second highest registration of the region, 410 brothers will again be meeting in the windy city to network and take home fresh ideas. I’m excited to announce that the entire region has delegates registered for Provincial this spring! This will provide us an opportunity to evaluate ourselves individually, as a region and to work together to achieve accreditation as an entire region.

*Spring Initiation Schedule*

March 27, 2010	Lincoln, NE	Alpha Delta Initiation ( <i>strategic plan is incorrect</i> )
March 31, 2010	Vermillion, SD	Alpha Eta Initiation
April 1, 2010	Ames, IA	Mu Psi Initiation
April 9, 2010	Wayne, NE	Eta Pi Initiation
April 17, 2010	Des Moines, IA	Alpha Iota Initiation
April 17, 2010	Omaha, NE	Gamma Eta Initiation
May 1, 2010	Iowa City, IA	Epsilon Initiation ( <i>strategic plan not yet submitted</i> )

## Huron Region

### Regional Vice President – Matthew Carrington

The Huron Region energy, excitement, and pride in Delta Sigma Pi without question has again been taken to a whole new level this year and can be felt throughout the region and truly beyond. Over the last year we've accomplished and learned much, but we continue to drive forward and not rest on our past merits. Most recently, approximately 140 brothers and additional family/friends participated in a joint professional/social event at the Palace of Auburn Hills. Many recent brothers graduating have been staying involved and have helped to accelerate our momentum and keeping their lifetime commitment to Delta Sigma Pi going strongly. Congratulations to each chapter of the Huron Region for making significant strides this year and for "Raising the Bar"!!!

Risk Management/Discipline Issues – Just a reminder that we're always representing members of Delta Sigma Pi wherever we may be. One small incident can turn into major chapter PR crisis or worse....i.e. "Frat Party Leads to Drunk Driving Arrest" in your school newspaper could certainly mean the end of the relationship with your faculty and Delta Sigma Pi due to the negative publicity (and would likely lead to worse including having your charter revoked). Never hesitate to intervene with a brother that's had too much!!! And remember that no bar crawls will be tolerated and that immediate punitive action will be taken. The Delta Sigma Pi brand name means professionalism, respect, and honor. -Not drunk crawlers out in public under the Delta Sigma Pi banner. -Have fun, be smart, and keep our reputation that hundreds of thousands of brothers have helped to build!

The Huron Region Facebook Group has increased membership to 301 members from 244, and continues to be a great tool for communicating information directly to the collegiate and alumni members regarding important upcoming events and opportunities. Chapters wishing to communicate out messages to the region are may go through their chapter presidents to send out a message/event invitation using this group. Make sure new brothers know about this group and join!!!!

#### *Areas of Focus for the Region*

1) Let's Think Long-Term - We all need to be more focused on creating exciting long-term initiatives rather than only looking short-term. It's not about getting a speaker to come in for a professional event, it's about building long-term partnership with individuals and companies so that there's a very tangible value for them to come and participate with Delta Sigma Pi on a regular basis. Similarly with alumni, it's not about putting on an event where you hope a few alumni show up, it's about building an effective and fun program where they want to come back and participate immediately after graduation and keeping them involved. Alumni are often an untapped wealth of support, helping to put on professional events, giving company tours, and importantly providing potential job opportunities in an ever increasingly tight job market. We've made great progress in creating an environment where graduating alumni really want to stay involved, but we must think longer-term to put on more effective events and programs that alumni can regularly look forward to and grow each year.

2) Consistent and effective communication is a key (both in your chapter and outside your chapter). Chapters have different uses, but always think about better ways to more effectively

communicate (Google Calendars, Facebook Fan Pages (for the chapter, pledges, alumni), email distribution lists, etc.)

I want to continue to stress that it is imperative that at minimum chapters should have:

- 1) a roster with members (as well as one for pledges) including their phone number and email address that they can use to call/write other members, and that
- 2) regular reminders should be sent out with upcoming events and that those responsible for an event need to “sell” each of their events being put on and advertise them effectively to other brothers, faculty, etc..

Although an event may have been communicated in a meeting once, it is important to frequently remind everyone of events and plans (since the reality is that we’re all being bombarded with dates and information and aren’t going to be able to remember everything). Regular weekly emails after a general meeting are a great way to remind everyone what’s going on (including your chapter faculty advisors, District Directors, and Regional VP in so they can help promote your events!).

3) There are at least 10 officer positions, and chapters should expect all 10 officers (and members) to perform their duties to the best of their abilities. That mean all 10 officers have something to report every time you meet, even if it’s just a quick update on what’s coming in the future. Let’s celebrate when they do report (always feels good to get applauded!), and not when they don’t (who should get praised for not reporting anything, I’d get fired at work!). All collegiate brothers regularly take an oath to conscientiously fulfill all of their duties. As elected officers entrusted by your chapter, it is your duty and obligation to fulfill these requirements and to make a conscientious effort to be knowledgeable of what’s required of you. Officer packets provided online are concise and should be reviewed several times to know what’s expected from each position. Lack of knowledge or negligence by a single officer can have devastating effect on a chapter that hundreds and even thousands of brothers have helped to build your chapter, so it is imperative that officers in particular become fully knowledgeable of their positions and carry out their duties if they expect the chapter to progress. Officer nominees should be thoroughly questioned during elections to make sure that they know what these duties are and commit on the spot to doing so and they fully agree and commit to carry out at minimum the basic requirements (and hopefully go way beyond!). Formally have a transition meeting between old/new officers to help keep the momentum going.

4) Utilize your Faculty!!! – Our schools’ faculty can be some of our BIGGEST supporters; giving extra credit to students to attend your professional events, informing students they advise what a great organization Delta Sigma Pi is, providing letters of recommendation, and directing you towards companies/jobs they have close contacts with. Collect their email addresses from your business school’s website (or one of the admin assistants), and keep them informed. Voting on faculty awards in each semester is a great way to give recognition to the faculty, and build closer relationship between the faculty and your chapter. Initiating faculty/Dean is really easy. Simply submit the short application form to Central Office at least 3 weeks in advance for approval, and start putting your faculty to work for you!

MUCH APPRECIATION to all of the hard working individuals in our Region who are going above and beyond to help make Delta Sigma Pi live up to its potential. I can’t say thanks enough to all of the collegiate and alumni members who are giving so much of their time to help our great organization become even better. I know much of the hardest work is often put in behind



the scenes and not often recognized, but this is what leadership often entails and for your efforts I am most grateful (and I'm sure your chapters and the other chapters you help are too)!

*2010 Challenge to the Chapters:*

1) Plan NOW for the next LEAD event at the Indianapolis Sheraton Oct 23. Attending LEAD is the number one thing you can do to help yourself and your chapter take things to a whole new unimaginable level, so wouldn't you make that a key priority!? So many great things come from not just what you learn at the classes but even more so from talking and building relationships from those from other chapters to see what's working well with what they're doing. Get sponsored funding planned out, and get hotels reserved, and get everyone to Indy!

2) Vote on your "Faculty of the Year" for each major, invite them to receive their award plaque at a professional event, and invite them to be more involved with the chapter (and possibly be initiated). Those chapters that took this same challenge last year I've already seen AWESOME results....those that haven't.....what are you waiting for!? Those that already have....let's do it again!

3) Implement a well planned out annual alumni event (homecoming tailgate, golf outing, etc.). Plan early (as in fall plans by the end of the semester), communicate early (at least 3 months), and communicate effectively (chapter alumni Facebook fan page/group seems to work very effectively and is a great way to also invite alumni/see who's coming).

4) Put on higher quality, high value, and well publicized events you can brag about in an interview. Better to have fewer high quality events that you can brag about and drum up excitement, than many low quality events that bore brothers and don't add value.

6) Help put on and participate in the fall 2010 "Huron Turn On" annual fall event (to be discussed in further detail at the Huron caucus).

*Travel/Events Participated In*

- Xi – Mongolian BBQ fundraiser, Chapter Consultant visit/chapter meeting
- Chapter Consultant visit Lambda Xi
- Chapter Consultant visit/initiation Delta Rho
- Chapter Consultant visit Gamma Kappa
- Pi Tau One Year Birthday celebration (no terrible two's coming up I hope!)
- LEAD Lexington
- Annual Meeting – Jan 30 with Amy Briggs/North Central RVPs
- Epsilon Omicron – Executive Committee meeting
- Mu Phi – TBD (spring banquet maybe???)
- Lambda Xi – Chapter meeting visit
- Gamma Kappa – Initiation Banquet celebration

## **North Central Region**

### **Regional Vice President – Jodi Schoh**

#### *Travel Summary*

September 15<sup>th</sup> – Alpha Epsilon Chapter Meeting – Minneapolis, MN  
September 17<sup>th</sup> – Eta Rho Exec Dinner & Meet the Chapter Recruiting Event – LaCrosse, WI  
September 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – Volunteer Leadership Retreat – Oxford, OH  
October 1<sup>st</sup> – TCAC Meeting – Minneapolis, MN  
October 4<sup>th</sup> – Theta Tau Chapter Meeting – St. Cloud, MN  
October 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> – South Central LEAD School – St. Louis, MO  
October 24<sup>th</sup> – Kappa Upsilon Exec & Chapter Meeting – Winona, MN  
October 29<sup>th</sup> – Epsilon Iota Exec & Chapter Meeting – Mankato, MN  
October 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> – North Central LEAD School – Omaha, NE  
Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Nu Tau Chapter Meeting – St. Paul, Mn  
November 5<sup>th</sup> – TCAC Meeting – Minneapolis, MN  
November 7<sup>th</sup> – North Central Regional Conference – Minneapolis, MN  
November 9<sup>th</sup> – Alpha Epsilon Chapter Meeting & Founder’s Day Event  
November 14<sup>th</sup> – Epsilon Iota Initiation & Banquet – Mankato, MN  
November 21<sup>st</sup> – Kappa Upsilon Initiation & Banquet – Winona, MN  
November 29<sup>th</sup> – Nu Tau Chapter Meeting – St. Paul, MN  
December 11<sup>th</sup> – Eta Rho Initiation  
January 7<sup>th</sup> – TCAC Meeting, Minneapolis, MN  
January 21<sup>st</sup> – Epsilon Iota Meeting – Mankato, MN  
January 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> – Halsey VB/BB Tournament – Minneapolis, MN  
February 4<sup>th</sup> – TCAC Meeting, Minneapolis, MN

#### *Planned Summary*

February 9<sup>th</sup> – Alpha Epsilon Chapter Meeting  
February 21<sup>st</sup> – Nu Tau Executive Meeting  
February 27<sup>th</sup> – TCAC Snow tubing social  
February 28<sup>th</sup> – Theta Tau Chapter Meeting  
March 1<sup>st</sup> – Nu Tau Pledge Ceremony & Chapter Meeting  
March 21<sup>st</sup> – Kappa Upsilon Chapter Meeting  
April 1<sup>st</sup> – Eta Rho Chapter Meeting  
April 10<sup>th</sup> – Theta Tau Initiation and 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
April 24<sup>th</sup> – Alpha Epsilon Initiation  
May 1<sup>st</sup> – Nu Tau Initiation

It has been a busy and fun semester in the North Central Region. A Regional Conference was held in Minneapolis on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Over 70 brothers attended from the six chapters as well as many alumni that presented sessions throughout the day. Brothers were able to share best practices in their chapters. We ended the day with a social for Founder’s Day. Plans are already in the works for another Regional Conference in the Fall of 2010. On January 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, Alpha Epsilon hosted the Halsey Volleyball & Basketball tournament for the North Central and Great Plains region. Kudos to the chapter for putting together an excellent event!

This fall, the chapters have also been diving into the new Chapter Management Program (CMP). I am happy to report that all chapters are on track to complete the accredited level. Many of the

chapters are on their way to achieve the level of recognition or level of excellence. As we have so many outstanding chapters in the region, I challenge you all to submit applications for chapter awards this spring. The North Central Regional Awards Chair and I will be planning a visit to each of your chapters to give a presentation on the DSP Awards in hopes that we achieve a number of applications.

The region also has a new alumni chapter starting up in the Lacrosse, WI/Winona, MN area. They had about 20 brothers attended their first meeting in January, for more information you can check out their facebook page (Winona.LAXAlumniChapter). For those of your graduating this spring, I hope you consider joining an alumni chapter, being a volunteer leader, etc because Delta Sigma Pi is not just for four years but for life.

## **North Central Provincial National Alumni Development Committee**

### **Chair – Kara Lenox**

The National Alumni Development Committee is working on a variety of initiatives to increase alumni involvement in Delta Sigma Pi after graduation. One important area of focus is increasing retention and participation of newly graduated alumni brothers. We plan to improve communication to graduating seniors to alumni chapters, ease of access to membership contact information, review alumni affiliation structures, and increase outreach to alumni.

We continue to focus on understanding our alumni and their expectations. We plan to create a survey to alumni, define a value proposition, review alumni online content, and assess how to increase alumni attendance.

Finally, we continue to focus on the development of alumni chapters through assessment of communication strategies, programming, and other ways to cultivate growth and participation.

## **North Central Provincial Community Service Committee**

### **Chair – Teresa Schudrowitz**

The Provincial Community Service Committee held a book drive at the fall LEAD school. Approximately \$150 worth of books were donated to an Omaha elementary school. We will be holding a book drive again at the spring Provincial Conference. Books donated at that time will be given to a Chicago school. The national committee is working to get the word out to the chapters on Make a Difference Day and the National Blood Drive. We are also working on finding an organization to support as our national service initiative.

Nationally, we are continuing to support the National Blood Drive. Participation in Make a Difference Day in the fall was promoted.

Communication with each of the chapters is being initiated. We will be working with the chapters to encourage participation in the National Blood Drive and Make a Difference Day next fall.

We will be discussing choices for a Provincial Community Service Activity for 2010-2011. We are also looking for suggestions for activities to be held at future Provincial events to support the service project. If you have any suggestions please contact me.

## North Central Provincial Professional Development Committee

### Chair – Courtney Fujara

Throughout the rest of this biennium, the Provincial Professional Development committee is committed to continuing to work on its goal to provide volunteer leadership training to our current volunteer leaders as well as to recruit future leaders.

The provincial Professional Development Committee will be hosting several Volunteer Leadership Training in the coming months. Attendees will learn about the variety of volunteer opportunities available to collegiate and alumni and develop skills for enabling others to lead.

The Committee Chair participates in periodic conference calls with the national Professional Development Committee and assists them with their responsibilities as requested.

## North Central Provincial Scholastic Development & Awards Committee

### Chair – Jason Campbell

The province continues to have more COY nominees (based on percentage) than the nation, however we slipped below the national percentage for applications submitted. The Awards Committee had a challenge again this fall choosing a Provincial Collegian of the Year from the five qualified Regional candidates. The Committee looks forward to the end of the semester when we will have the opportunity to read many more applications for the chapter awards and to face another tough challenge in selecting the Provincial winners.

#### Collegian of the Year Numbers:

Year	Province	Chapters	Nominated	Nom %	Submitted	Sub %
2006	North Central Province	39	32	82%	24	62%
	<b>DSP Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>63%</b>
2007	North Central Province	39	35	90%	25	64%
	<b>DSP Total</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>62%</b>
2008	North Central	39	36	92%	26	67%
	<b>DSP Total</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>62%</b>
2009	North Central	40	38	95%	26	65%
	<b>DSP Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>64%</b>
2010	North Central	40	35	88%	27	68%
	<b>DSP Total</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>69%</b>

## North Central Provincial Discipline Committee

### Committee: Amy Briggs, Hillary Burkett, Jodi Schoh

No appeals have been received.

## **ADDENDUM III**

### **PROPOSAL 2 – Recommendation to North Central Provincial Council**

#### ***Submitted by:***

North Central PVP Amy Briggs, 612-819-2879, brotherbriggs@hotmail.com

#### ***Summarization of the Proposal/Recommendation:***

To change Section O. Provincial Councils, Policy 12. Provincial Boundaries, b. Great Lakes Region and d. Huron Region as follows: (Additions in **BOLD**; Deletions in ~~strickethrough~~)

**Great Lakes Region**, to comprise all collegiate and alumni chapters in northern portion of Illinois (north of US Highway 24 from the Indiana state line to US Highway 136 -- not including the metropolitan Peoria area—west to the Iowa state line); northern portion of Indiana north of US Highway 30 (~~but including the metropolitan area of Fort Wayne~~) from the Illinois to the Ohio borders **to US Highway 31 to the Michigan border (not including the metropolitan area of South Bend)**; and the southern portion of Wisconsin (south of the following: Interstate 90 at the Wisconsin/Minnesota border --not including the metropolitan La Crosse area -- east to Interstate 39 at Portage, then north to State Highway 29 (near Wausau) and east to Lake Michigan -- including the metropolitan Green Bay area).

*Active collegiate chapters:* Delta (Marquette University), Zeta (Northwestern University-Evanston), Alpha Omega (DePaul University), Gamma Pi (Loyola University-Chicago), Zeta Xi (Lewis University), Eta Mu (Northern Illinois University), ~~Iota Lambda (Indiana-Purdue-Ft. Wayne)~~, Kappa Phi (Valparaiso University), Lambda Omicron (Western Illinois University), and Xi Chi (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* Beta (Northwestern University-Chicago), Psi (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Alpha Psi (University of Chicago), Theta Xi (University of Wisconsin – Whitewater), and Theta Psi (Indiana University Northwest).

**Huron Region**, to comprise all the collegiate and alumni chapters in Michigan and northern portion of Indiana north of US Highway 30 (~~but including the metropolitan area of Fort Wayne~~) from the Illinois to the Ohio borders **to US Highway 31 to the Michigan border (including the metropolitan area of South Bend)** and Ontario.

*Active collegiate chapters:* Xi (University of Michigan) Gamma Theta (Wayne State University), Gamma Kappa (Michigan State University), Delta Rho (Ferris State University), Epsilon Omicron (Western Michigan University), **Iota Lambda (Indiana-Purdue-Ft. Wayne)**, Lambda Xi (Grand Valley State University), Mu Phi (Saginaw Valley State University), and Pi Tau (Albion College).

*Inactive Collegiate Chapters:* Theta (University of Detroit), Gamma Rho (University of Detroit), and Eta Phi (Eastern Michigan University).

***Purpose of the Proposal/Recommendation and reason(s) for its submission:***

To realign the regions in order to balance the number of chapters in each region. This will allow for better coverage and management from elected leaders.

***Recommended implementation date and logic for selecting this date:***

July 1, 2010, the start of the next fiscal year.

***\*Positive aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation:***

By balancing the number of active collegiate chapters in the regions, it will allow for better coverage from elected leaders and increase opportunities for expansion.

Geographic density and travel times were taken into account when proposing new regions

***\*Negative aspects of implementing Proposal/Recommendation:***

Chapter's loyalty to 'their' regions and 'tradition.'

***\*Provide a brief cost analysis of the Proposal/Recommendation:***

Fraternity publications (Pledge manuals, etc) and the web site would need to be updated to represent these changes. Cost of web site changes is limited to the time it takes to implement the changes.

***Proposal Adopted for North Central Provincial Council***

## ADDENDUM IV

### International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi North Central Provincial Budget

(Proposed 2010-2011 budget  
With change to Regions)

Description	Budget	
	Adopted 2009-2010	Proposed 2010-2011
North Central Provincial Vice President	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Regional Vice Presidents Travel <sup>1</sup>		
Central	\$ 1,350	\$ 1,350
Great Lakes	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Great Plains	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050
Huron	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,350
North Central	\$ 900	\$ 900
Provincial Leadership Team Meetings <sup>2</sup>	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500
Colonies	\$ 500	\$ 350
Provincial Committees	\$ 500	\$ 500
<b>TOTAL PROVINCIAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>

1. RVP Budgets funded at \$150 per each collegiate chapter.

2. Provincial Leadership Team Meeting are usually between PVP and RVPs. May include committee chairs and other volunteers.

3. Any line item budget surpluses may be reallocated at the discretion of the PVP.