

Alpha Theta Chi Chapter of Chi Phi Fraternity
Reorganization Committee Meeting
October 17, 2004

Members Present: Ron Niederhaus, Seth Schuchman and Frank Uryasz.

Guests: Craig Lennon, Brandon Curtis and Scott Svatos.

1. Introductions. Members of the Chi Phi Reorganization Committee introduced themselves to the undergraduate members and provided a personal history including why they continue to be involved in Chi Phi.
2. Membership. Craig, Brandon and Scott introduced themselves and provided a short personal history including why they decided to pledge Chi Phi. Craig noted that Brian Hernandez and Jeremy Stack-Ellsworth had also pledged but were not able to be in attendance.
3. Chapter activities.
 - a. Craig noted that the members eat together on Monday nights and then hold meetings after dinner. Craig is having each member write a personal development plan. The Chapter sold 200 Live Strong Bracelets and it has ordered more to sell. Members and prospective members will be participating in a challenge-course program through UNL next month. They continue to work on recruitment and volunteer for Meals on Wheels.
 - b. The members need alumni assistance with communicating and teaching Fraternity traditions. The committee agreed that Brian Tenclinger's visit from Chi Phi National would provide an opportunity to learn about Greek history and that the Activation Weekend in January would provide time to teach about Alpha Theta Chi and its traditions.
 - c. Activation was scheduled for the weekend of January 16, 2005. [Note: The event was rescheduled at the undergraduates' request to January 23, 2005.]
 - d. Frank Uryasz asked Craig to obtain bios on all members for an alumni mailing to be sent in early 2005.
4. Space. Craig noted that the members do not need meeting space this year but the committee noted the need for space in the future must be addressed.

5. Finances.

- a. The members are working on a dues structure and are personally funding their events as they occur. They have developed a budget for 2004/05:

Administrative	\$ 50
Social	300
Recruitment	600
Educational program	<u>450</u>

TOTAL \$1,400

- b. Frank Uryasz reminded the group that the Reorganization Committee had agreed to underwrite the cost of pledging and activation for the first 15 members. This is a \$9,000 commitment. Frank will be soliciting funds through an alumni mailing in early 2005.

Scott Svatos and Brandon Curtis left the meeting.

6. Activation.

- a. Craig noted that the Chapter would manage the next pinning ceremony before the end of first semester and that he hoped for two to three new members. There would be approximately eight men ready for activation second semester.
- b. The group agreed to hold a one-day activation on Sunday January 16, 2005, (subsequently changed to January 23, 2005) that would consist of a Grand Lecture and Alumni Panel. Seth will ask Joe Binge to manage the ceremony and will try to procure a site such as the Masonic Lodge.
7. Chapter advisor. The committee thanked Craig Lennon for the wonderful job he was doing leading the group as Chapter advisor. Discussion ensued on planning for Craig's departure after he completes his Master's degree in May 2005. Craig said he would know by March what his future plans were.
8. Chi Phi Club of Nebraska. Frank will discuss with Dave Schaaf where we stand with registration of the Chi Phi Club of Nebraska.
9. Next meeting. The committee will meet by telephone conference call November 21, 2004.