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Executive Meeting Minutes

12:30 p.m. Sunday, November 6, 2011
Arts 103

Attending: **Aaron McLucas**, Chapter President; **Forrest Brackbill**, Executive Vice President; **Shanna Boley**, Vice President of Programs; **Joe Knesis**, Vice President of Operations; **Roxanne Garcia**, Recording Secretary; **Susan Lyddy**, PR Secretary; **Dean Thaddeus Sampson**, Founding Chapter Advisor; **Jennifer St. Pierre**, Lancaster Advisor; **Dr. Brett Stumphy**, Lebanon co-advisor; **Wendy Brubaker**, Gettysburg co-advisor; **Patricia Collamer**, York advisor; **James Shearer**, Website Chair

Absent: **Michael Shoemaker**, Treasurer; **Dr. Yvonne Milspaw**, Chapter advisor; **Catherine Frost**, Gettysburg co-advisor; **Pamela Glindeman**, Lebanon co-advisor; **Jennifer Knee**, Chapter Assistant

- I. Opening Activities
 - A. Fellowship
 - B. President McLucas called the meeting to order at 11:55 a.m. following fellowship.

- II. Action Items
 - A. Motion to table minutes from October Executive meeting was approved.
 - B. Approval of recognitions items using membership assistance funds.
 - C. Approval of International Convention attendance:
 - 1. Aaron McLucas
 - 2. Forrest Brackbill
 - 3. Shanna Boley
 - 4. Joe Knesis
 - 5. Roxanne Garcia
 - 6. Susan Lyddy
 - 7. Michael Shoemaker
 - 8. Dean Sampson
 - 9. Jennifer St. Pierre
 - 10. Catherine Frost or Wendy Brubaker

 - D. 2011 Hallmark award discussion/nominations were as follows:
 - 1. The 2011-2012 Executive Board for the Distinguished Officer Team
 - 2. Distinguished Officers: Shanna Boley and Michael Shoemaker
 - 3. Distinguished Member: Jim Shearer

4. Paragon Award: Dr. Brett Stumphy
5. Distinguished Administrator Award: Kathy Brickner

III. Information Items

- A. Hallmark plans were discussed
 1. Strict agendas need to be set.
 2. Approval of dates and start/end times need approved beforehand.
 3. Set up editing program on WebCT or ptk.athacc.com.
- B. Spoke briefly about Honors in Action Project and College Project concerns
- C. Reports from Officers
 1. President Aaron McLucas
 - a. Thanked all officers for keeping in touch over his time away
 - b. Has more time to donate to Chapter business.
 2. Executive Vice President Forrest Brackbill
 - a. We need to work on communication issues.
 - b. Respect each other more, be aware of individual needs.
 - c. The Constitution and Bylaws are unclear.
 3. Public Relations Secretary Susan Lyddy
 - a. Attended an online chat with the Phi Theta Kappa International Officers and other Phi Theta Kappa members on ning.com. She shared information about a new scholarship called "LifeLine Completion Scholarship." This scholarship is designed to help students whose academic careers were affected by national disasters.
 - b. Regional Convention update: Secretary Lyddy will be meeting with Dr. Dan; she will also need 6-7 chapter members to volunteer to help during the event. The regional convention theme is "Celebrating Our Past, Preparing for the Future." The convention will be held February 9-12, 2012.
 4. Treasurer Michael Shoemaker by President McLucas: Total deposits for the fundraiser totaled \$7769.80.
- D. Reports from Advisors
 1. Founding Chapter Advisor Dean Thaddeus Sampson highlighted the need for speakers for spring functions.
 2. Gettysburg co-advisor Wendy Brubaker
 - a) Ladies Night Out event raised money for Spirals, Inc.
 - b) Announced that the Gettysburg campus is starting a Phi Theta Kappa scholarship.
 - c) Gettysburg will hold another prom dress sale this spring.
 - d) Introduced the new liaisons for spring, Rebekka Fields and Megan Snyders.
 3. Lancaster Advisor Jennifer St. Pierre reported that the bake sale made a profit and the proceeds will go to the United Way campaign.
 4. Lebanon advisors Pamela Glindeman/Dr. Brett Stumphy
 - a) Finished movie events
 - b) Proceeds from gender awareness events will be donated to SARK
 - c) The Lebanon campus will be hosting multiple fundraisers in the coming months including a chili and bake sale.
 - d) March 12, 2012 the Lebanon Book Club will host a book reading and signing, along with a banned book reading once a month.
 5. York Advisor Patricia Collamer requested to give her report at the General meeting.

IV. New business

- A. Membership clarification for Alpha Nu Omega: the exact date of official membership should be clearly stated in the Chapter Bylaws and Constitution.

- B. Concerns or suggestions: Patricia Collamer and Jennifer St. Pierre voiced concerns about the questions the chapter had drafted in regards the Honors in Action survey. They both reaffirmed that the questions need to be indirect and unbiased. A review of the questions was suggested.
- V. President McLucas adjourned the meeting at 2:21 p.m.