Alumni Inter-Greek Council – Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Fall Meeting: October 18, 2008
Shellnut Gallery, Student Union

AIGC President Roger Grice called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Attending organizations: 20 out of 34 active organizations were in attendance (1 of 2 suspended fraternities attended). Attendance list with emails attached at end of the minutes.
Present: Acacia, Alpha Chi Rho, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Omega Epsilon, Alpha Phi, Chi Phi*, Delta Phi, Lambda Chi Alpha, FIJI, Phi Kappa Tau*, Phi Kappa Theta, Phi Mu Delta, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Delta Psi, Pi Kappa Alpha, Pi Lambda Phi, Rensselaer Society of Engineers, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Delta, Tau Epsilon Phi, Theta Chi, Theta Xi, Zeta Beta Tau, Zeta Psi
Not Present: Alpha Epsilon Pi, Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Sigma Phi, Delta Tau Delta, Lambda Upsilon Lambda, Phi Iota Alpha, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tau Kappa Epsilon*

Reports:
• IFC

• Panhellenic:

Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs: Jessica Wickiewicz and Mark Smith were in attendance. Jessica reported on

Current Suspensions: Phi Kappa Tau (not working positively), Tau Kappa Epsilon.

• Dean of Students, Mark Smith
Mark Smith talked first about the

• AIGC: Reports and Discussions ensued as reported below.

Greek Leadership Summit (Ray Lutzky, AXA):
• Successful summit. We may try to expand to have the alumni advisor tract as was done a few years ago. Looking for another keynote and more facilitators, so if interested contact Ray Lutzky (lutzkr@rpi.edu)

Housing Committee (Art Depoain, ACACIA)

Notes fro Steve Lazos
AIGC Agenda

October 18, 2008 Shellnut Gallery

• 8:30-9:00 Coffee
• 9:00-11:00 Business Meeting
• Introductions
• Report from IFC (Brian Keating) and Panhel (Karen Mack)
- Report from Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs—Dean Jessica Wickiewicz
  - See Bid Totals and OFSA Report
    - Phi Mu Delta 2 year alcohol ban
      - Must Organize Alcohol Seminar
    - Required Events: Guide to Greek Life
      - Anti-Hazing seminar
    - Required Events: One Night Play Right
      - Role-play on Sexual Assault
    - Updates to the Party Policy
- Report from Dean of Students Office—Dean Mark Smith
  - Jessica remains in the DOSO office for the time being
    - Institute Financial Problems
      - Contingency plan and hiring freeze
      - Assistant Vice President Lisa Trahan now for Student Life and FYE
  - Fall 2010 SYE
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    - See documents
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  - Status of Student Life Reorganization – Plans for filling Office of Residence Life positions
  - Status of Citizen of RPI and other Undergraduate Plan initiatives
- Report from AIGC Board
  - Your Guide to Greek Life program
    - Fraternity History and Hazing
  - Chapter foundations through RPI – Theta Chi
    - Based around Tax Reduction
    - Allows for operation through National Organizations
    - RPI no fee charges
    - Housing Fund Agreement
    - Direct Intent to use for the educational and renovation components of a chapter house
  - Own interests are important and upheld by RPI
  - RPI DTD scholarship fund through RPI
    - Benefit of “donating” to RPI
    - Pro Forma helps, RPI oversight have helped
Payment is dependent on the situation
  o Housing sub-committee – survey plea to fill out
  o Elections at Spring 2009 meeting – new participation is encouraged
- Housing Operations Issues – Financial Aid, Bursar Billing, Sophomore Housing
  o Brainstorm on Bursar Billing and Sophomore Experience – Dean Wickiewicz
  o Comments received past few months

- Underage – Drinking Task Force headed jointly by RPI Public Safety and Troy PD
  o Major Concerns Lost Educational Purpose
  o IFC work with neighbors
- Meet the new Health Center Educators – Tara Schuster & Heidi Spruce (10:30-10:45)
  o Outreach Counselor in the Health Center
  o Mental Health Promoter
  o QPR Training with many chapters-suicide Preventions, intervention and identification
  o Depression Screening Day, Alcohol Screening Day
  o Individual House Visits
  o Possible Chapter Advisor Session for information
  o Sexual Health, Nutrition, Mental Health
  o Educations Background
  o Peer Mediation and Peer Mentoring Program, TIPS Training
  o Prime for Life, alcohol Risk Reduction-Campus Wide Possibilities
- Relationship Statement Revision – Adoption Process
  o See slides
  o Make a point of keeping document alive through the alumni boards and active chapter members

- Event Management, and Social Policy
- Document Repository Discussion
  o Continually Update the AIGC Website
- Future Meetings 2009:
  o February 7, Greek Leadership Summit - Heffner Alumni House
  o April 25, Spring AIGC meeting, Awards of Excellence – Heffner Alumni House

Review Question Sheet
Fill out survey

Next meetings:
February 7 for Greek Leadership Summit
April 25 for AIGC and Awards of Excellence Reception

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.
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