Alumni Inter-Greek Council

IFC Spring 2013 Report
Presentation Order:

- Executive Vice President
- Public Relations
- Social
- Treasurer
- Recruitment
- Risk Management
- Philanthropy
- Greek Senator
- Secretary
- President
Oskari Rautiainen – Executive Vice President
Bobby Fohrenbach – Treasurer

Joseph Karpie – VP Public Relations

Chris Thomas – VP Recruitment

Joe Livote – (ex) VP Social

Mack Ott – VP Philanthropy
Left: Drew Anderson – Secretary

Below: Colin Foreman – President

Far Left: John Matla

Immediate Left: Roland Judd

Both are Greek Senators

Chris Heinbokel – VP Risk Management
Executive Vice President: Greek Judicial Board

- Training was completed on Feb. 2, 2013
- Has been in full effect since
- Has seen 0 cases come through thus far
Executive Vice President: Greek Judicial Board Membership

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Improved facilitation materials to promote more efficient and productive meetings.

2 Meetings this semester:
- Reviewed the effectiveness and direction of the IFC.
- Reviewed and improved upon recruitment media materials.
Public Relations: The Polytechnic Greek Column

A reserved editorial column for Greek News used for:

- IFC, Panhel, Chapter Event announcements
- Chapter Highlights
- Green Greek and Green Spectrum promotions
- Upcoming Event Calendar
Public Relations: Website update

- Chapter information updates
- Ability to post to calendar
- *The Poly* articles for news

[ifc.union.rpi.edu](http://ifc.union.rpi.edu)
Public Relations: To-Do List

- Brochure about Greek Life for incoming students
- Continue to update website
- Increase number of Poly Articles
- Make contact with local news sources
Over 180 participants attended the Greek Women’s Hockey Night in February
Several hundred attended Greek Men’s Hockey Night in November
Over 100 attended Greek Football Tailgate in October
Social: Position Vacancy

- Joe Livote has voluntarily resigned, due to commitments to other groups, expects to be named Captain of the Men’s Varsity Cross-Country team in the Fall semester
- Election to fill position to be held May 1st
  - Several strong candidates so far from these houses:
    - ΣΑΕ
    - FIJI
    - ΠΛΦ
    - ΣΧ
Social: Future Plans

- The newly elected Social Vice President will work with the IFC and Panhel to plan and execute ‘Greek Week’ in October, 2013
- Will plan a successful Greek Men’s Hockey Night, and Greek Football Tailgate
- Create and implement other events to benefit the RPI community, specifically aimed at Greeks
- Eventually, a Union–funded subdivision of UPAC will exist to plan events intended most for Greeks
Treasurer

- Dues are low – $5 per member (counts brothers and associates) paid once a semester, without negatively impacting our goals or events
- 29 fraternities, 1151 total members. Total incoming funds for Spring 2013 = $5,755.00.
- Goal: Pursue a presentation on personal or chapter finance by an alumni or professor
Recruitment:

- IFC Recruitment Kickoff Event moved to field behind commons to increase visibility
- Sandcastle Building NRB Event changed to attract more students who are not already interested in Greek Life
- Recruitment Bylaw revisions completed
Recruitment:

- **Marketing Improvements**
  - Document with profiles of every chapter being created for use starting in Summer 2013
  - IFC will join Panhel in tabling in Commons during recruitment
  - Chapter calendars and master calendar of all chapter events posted in Union display cases starting in Fall 2013
  - Tabling for SO sessions in Summer 2013
- **NRB Event** changed to trip to indoor rock climbing facility, ‘The Edge’, in Halfmoon
Recruitment: Spring RUSH

**Spring Pledge Class '13**

204 men offered bids to the houses above 105 signed bids on Commitment Day
Risk Management:
Anti–Hazing Week

- Development of a new Standing Committee on Hazing Prevention
- Working with the Panhellenic Council VP for Member Education to start laying the groundwork for future Anti–Hazing Weeks while preparing for an event this fall
- Anticipate this year's event will be relatively small–scale
- Hope that through the formation of the Standing Committee, we will be in a good position to expand in future years.
Risk Management: Fire & Safety

- Planning two large-scale member education events for next fall: Greek Fire Safety Day and a Risk Management Summit
- These two events will be put on with collaboration from Environmental Health & Safety, Physical Facilities, and the Office of Greek Life Commons
- Currently in preliminary planning; a significant amount of preparation for these two events will take place over the remainder of the semester through the summer.
Philanthropy: Improved Community Relations
2nd Finals Week ‘IFC Charity Pasta Dinner’ held during Study Days of Finals Week

Raised over $500 for the Charities named in the poster at left
Fall Greek Service Day

- Each Region participated in a simultaneous ‘Greek Service Day’ on November 11th, 2012
- Over 175 members participated
- Prospect Park and YMCA assisted with yard work, mainly leaf raking
Timeline for Fall semester

- IFC/Panhel Blood Drive
  - Sept 11
- YWCA Clothing Drive
  - With Panhel
  - Week of Sept 23rd
- IFC/Panhel Greek Service Day
  - At YWCA
  - Sept. 27th
- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Christmas Toy Drive
- IFC Charity Pasta Dinner
Greek Senator

- Roland Judd from April ‘12 through April ‘13
- New Greek Senator is John Matla, who will serve through April ‘14
- Student Body approved ‘Item 1’, providing the InterFraternity Council with continuous voting privileges on the Student Senate
- Sigma Chi brother Charles Carletta elected 148th Grand Marshal. The last 3 of 4 GMs have been Greek!!
Secretary

- Attendance at General Body Meetings has been higher than last semester.
- Chapters are now fined $30 for missing a General Body Meeting, with one unexcused absence allowed per semester.
President: Mission Statement Revised

“The IFC exists to promote Greek Life at RPI by acting as the interface between individual Chapters with each other and with the RPI Administration. To promote and enrich the Brotherhood experience at RPI, we will offer events and opportunities to both educate potential members and facilitate inter-Chapter relations. Our total efforts will ensure a more cohesive Greek community at the individual, Chapter, and Institute levels”
President: NGLA Attendance

- Oskari and I attended the annual ‘North East Greek Leadership Association Conference’ in Hartford, CT
- ‘Excellence in Risk Management Award ’ for the Student Peer Alcohol Monitoring Program (special thanks to Steve Wood, Chris Heinbokel, and Edward Dimio)
- General theme of the conference was addressing hazing culture
President: ‘Letters for Letters’

- Goal: revive tradition of wearing letters on Thursdays
- How: On Thursdays every week, Greeks can enter a raffle to win a free set of letters by checking in with an IFC officer in the DCC Great Hall anytime from 11am–2pm
- Has met initial success, and has been steadily increasing in raffle entries
- Funded by General Body Meeting absence fines
President: Goals

- Increase Greek Population to be over 30%
- Increase the Greek GPA by 0.10
- Increase Chapter participation at IFC events
- Improve Greek spirit and Inter-chapter relations
- Improve Elections quality
Questions and Feedback Welcomed!