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Proceedings of the Twenty-fourth Biennial Convention of Pi Kappa Delta

Pacific Lutheran University Tacoma, Washington April 11-16, 1965

MINUTES OF THE FIRST BUSINESS MEETING

The 24th Biennial Convention was called to order by President Roy Murphy at 8 p.m., April 11, 1965 in Eastvold Chapel Auditorium. One hundred twenty-five chapters answered to roll call. (The final attendance figures indicated one or more delegates from 133 chapters and a total attendance, including officials and visitors, of more than 700.

The invocation was given by Richard Olson, student delegate from North Dakota State College. Greetings were extended by Mark Lee, Whitworth College, Governor of the Host Province, by President Robert Mortvedt of Pacific Lutheran University, a member of the Famous 50, who was introduced by Theodore O. H. Karl, by Michael Cullom representing the student body and by Linda Grill on behalf of the Washington Epsilon Chapter. The response was given by Immediate Past President Raymond Yeager of Bowling Green State University.

Announcements were made pertaining to Convention contests, special programs and activities by:

Raymond Yeager, Convention Chairman

Paul Steen, General Arrangements Chairman

Warren Derbidge, student member of the Council from Idaho State University

Ruth Ellis, student member of the Council from Pacific Lutheran University

Harold Larson, Province Coordinator

L. A. Lawrence, Editor of THE FOR-ENSIC

Theodore O. H. Karl, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Revision

D. J. Nabors, Contest Chairman

Georgia Bowman, Chairman of the Charter Committee and President Roy Murphy presented charters to the following three re-activated chapters:

Rocky Mountain College, Billings,

Montana

East Texas State College, Commerce, Texas

Panhandle A & M College, Goodwell, Oklahoma

and to the following fifteen new chapters:

Southern Colorado State College, Pueblo, Colorado

California State Polytechnic College, Pomona, California

Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tennessee

Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

California State College, California, Pennsylvania

Norwich University, Northfield, Vermont

Clarion State College, Clarion, Pennsylvania

New Mexico State University, University Park, New Mexico

Detroit Institute of Technology, Detroit, Michigan

Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa

Youngstown University, Youngstown, Ohio

Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas

Wisconsin State University, Superior, Wisconsin

Moorhead State College, Moorhead, Minnesota

Stout State University, Menomonie, Wisconsin

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE SECOND BUSINESS MEETING

The second business meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m. Monday, April 12, 1965. Paul Steen made announcements concerning the convention directory, the convention photograph and reservation procedures for the return trip.

William N. Corbin of Idaho State University was introduced as the Conven-

tion Parliamentarian.

The following students were appointed to serve as sergeants at arms:

Becky Boynton, Bowling Green State University

Sandy Ellingson, Pacific Lutheran University

Jack Hanson, North Dakota State College

Shirley Hyde, Phillips University Frank Lundberg, Idaho State University

Mike Wilson, Chico State College Professor Clara Lee, Chairman of the Nominations Committee presented instructions for balloting. The four eligible candidates for the offices of President and Vice-President, Georgia Bowman, William Jewell College, Theodore O. H. Karl, Pacific Lutheran University, Harold Larson, Carroll College (Wisc.), and D. J. Nabors, East Central State College were introduced. Ballots were distributed upon roll call.

Raymond Yeager, Chairman of the National Council Special Committee on a Scholastic Requirement for the Degree of Special Distinction presented the Committee report. The report summarized the study made by Pi Kappa Delta relative to scholastic requirements over the past twelve years. It pointed out the desirability of creating a new degree which would require a member to have an academic standing in the upper 35% of his college class. It was also

pointed out that the recommendation was in agreement with the recommendation of the Fact-Finding Committee on Scholastic Requirements for Membership which had been appointed by the President following the 1963 Convention. Other members of the Council Special Committee were Georgia Bowman and Harold Larson. The report was received upon a vote by the assembly.

Theodore O. H. Karl, Chairman of the Constitution Revision Committee, moved amendment No. 1, that Article XI of the Constitution be amended by adding Section 2 which shall read, "Unless an amendment incorporates its own effective date, it shall be effective on August 1, following its adoption". Motion seconded and carried.

Chairman Karl moved amendment No. 2 to Article V, Division C, Section 2, paragraph 3 by inserting, after the words, "except that if more than five candidates are nominated, a second election shall be held among the five highest-ranking candidates". Motion seconded. A substitute amendment (No. 1 under Proposed Constitutional Revisions, page 12 of the January, 1965 FORENSIC) was made and seconded to strike these two sentences in Article V, Division C, Section 2, Paragraph 3; "Each chapter shall vote for three candidates. The three candidates with the highest number of votes shall be deemed elected to the National Council", and insert the following: "If only five persons are nominated, each chapter shall vote on a preferential ballot for all five candidates. The three candidates with the highest ranking shall be deemed elected to the National Council. If more than five persons are nominated, each chapter shall vote for five candidates in preferential order, ranking all others sixth; and a second election shall be held among the five highest-ranking candidates, the voting to be on a preferential basis. In case of a tie vote which would affect the number of persons on the Council, as determined by the Constitution, Division C, paragraph 1. an election shall be held on a preferential ballot to determine the selection for the Council from among the

tied candidates."

William N. Corbin, Chairman of the Invitations Committee, announced that schools desiring to host the Convention in 1967 should turn in invitations to the Committee.

Theodore O. H. Karl announced that Senator Henry Jackson would be the featured speaker on Thursday afternoon.

The Nominating Committee reported that the following had been elected:

President—Georgia Bowman, William Jewell College

Vice-President—Theodore O. H. Karl, Pacific Lutheran University

The meeting was recessed to convene

at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday.

The recessed meeting was called to order at 4:20 p.m. Tuesday. Announcements were made by Paul Steen and John Monsma. The substitute motion was opened for discussion. John Burt, Illinois Wesleyan University, moved to amend by adding the words, "This amendment shall take effect immediately upon adoption". Motion seconded and carried, Jerome Radwin, Idaho State University, moved to limit debate to three minutes per speaker, a maximum time of eighteen minutes and speakers alternating sides". Motion seconded and carried. Substitute amendment was carried. Amendment carried.

MINUTES OF THE THIRD BUSINESS MEETING

The third business meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. Tuesday, April 13, 1965. Professor Clara Lee explained the procedure for election of members to the Council and reviewed the criteria for the selection of candidates. The following names were submitted by the Committee:

James Grissinger, Otterbein College Jack Howe, University of Arizona Harold Larson, Carroll College (Wisc.)

D. J. Nabors, East Central State College

H. Francis Short, Kansas State College (Pittsburg)

Additional nominees from the floor were:

William DeMougeot, North Texas State University

Mark Lee, Whitworth College

John Monsma, Northern Michigan University

John Monsma was granted permission to withdraw his name.

On roll call, ballots were distributed for election of Council members.

The report of the National Secretary-Treasurer was presented. With 133 chapters from 29 states this is the sixth largest of the Conventions in number of chapters and with a total of over seven hundred delegates and guests it is the fifth largest in number of participants. Total yearly memberships are now consistently over a thousand. The total number of chapters is 227. (This was reduced to 224 when three charters were revoked later in the Convention). Only 17 chapters have not sent in applications for new members in the past two years. Most of these chapters are experiencing the temporary loss of a sponsor. With the steadily increasing number of chapters and the growth in individual memberships the financial status of the organization remains good. If services are to be expanded and if Pi Kappa Delta is to assume larger responsibilities in this era of rapid change and forensic development, we will need a larger number of dues paying members and/or an increase in the amount of dues. This is a time of expanding programs and Pi Kappa Delta has accepted the challenge of change as indicated by the recommendations which are coming before the delegates at this Convention.

Student member of the Council, Warren Derbidge reported on the Student Meeting held Monday evening. Three reports were presented by the fact-finding committees appointed by the President at the direction of the 1963 Convention. Roy D. Mahaffey, Linfield College, reported on the Philosophy of Pi Kappa Delta, Edna Sorber, Wisconsin State University, Whitewater, reported on a study of Council Representation. The Committee recommended that representation be kept as it is now stated in the Constitution. John Randolph, Westminster College, reported on Scholastic Requirements for Membership, It was noted that the recommendations of the fact-finding committee and the recommendations of the Council Committee on Scholastic Requirements were in agreement and would find expression in a proposed amendment to the Constitution at a later meeting. Resolutions approved by the students assembled were to the effect that a change should be made in the extempore speaking rule requiring all students to be present throughout the contest and that the policy of selecting a team as a single winner in any of the debate divisions be condemned. The report was received.

Chairman Karl of the Constitutional Revision Committee proposed amendment No. 3 that in Article IV, Division B, Section 1 in the third line, strike the word "or", insert a comma and after the comma following "Extemporaneous Speaking" add "Oral Interpretation." Motion seconded.

The Nominating Committee reported that the five ranking candidates for Council on the first ballot were: James Grissinger, Jack Howe, Harold Larson, D. J. Nabors, and H. Francis Short.

The meeting was recessed at 6:00 p.m. to meet at 10:15 p.m. the same evening.

The recessed meeting was called to order at 10:25 p.m. A quorum was established. A vote was taken on the amendment before the assembly at the time of recess. Motion lost. Frank Alusow, MacMurray College, moved "That it be recommended to the Provinces that Oral Interpretation should be included as a contest activity in the next Provincial tournaments and, at the discretion of the National Council, be included in the next National Tournament." Motion seconded and carried.

Frank Alusow moved "That a committee be appointed to examine pertinent parts of the Constitutional with a view to including oral interpretation as

a special Order. Motion seconded. The motion was withdrawn with the understanding that a recommendation of broader scope concerning review of the Constitution would be presented later by the Evaluation Committee.

On roll call, ballots were distributed for the second election to choose three Council members.

Amendment No. 4 to the Constitution was presented by Chairman Karl. It was moved to strike "seven" and insert "ten" in Article V. Division A. Section 6, Paragraph 1, line 3. Motion seconded and carried. It was also moved to strike the phrase "except General Chapter members" in lines 2 and 3 of the same paragraph. Seconded and carried. It was moved to strike the last sentence of paragraph 2, Section 6 above which now reads, "The initiation fee in the General Chapter shall be \$10.00." Motion seconded and carried. THE MEMBERSHIP FEE BECOMES \$10.00 ON AUGUST 1, 1965.

Amendment No. 5 was presented by Chairman Karl. It was moved that in Article V, Division B, Section 2, (a) paragraph 1, line 2. Insert the words "Lieutenant Governor" after the word "Governor", and (b) paragraph 1, line 12. Delete the last sentence of the paragraph and substitute "The Provincial Governors and Secretary-Treasurer shall be faculty members, and the Lieutenth Governors shall be students." and, (c) paragraph 3. Insert a new paragraph after paragraph 3: "The Lieutenant-Governor shall act as a co-ordinator between students and the Province and National organizations, bring to the attention of the Governor and/or the National Council matters of special concern to the collegiate members and in turn communicate administrative policies to them. The Lieutenant-Governor shall also assist the Governor in the planning of Province tournaments." Motion seconded and carried. (Motion reconsidered and referred to fourth business meeting).

Amendment No. 6 was presented by Chairman Karl to strike the word "Transference" in Article V, Division A, Section 11, line 1 and insert the word "Transfer." Motion seconded and carried.

The Nominating Committee reported the following persons elected to the Na-

tional Council:

James Grissinger, Otterbein College Harold Larson, Carroll College (Wisc.)

H. Francis Short, Kansas State Col-

lege (Pittsburg)

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH BUSINESS MEETING

Following the address by Senator Henry Jackson at 2:40 p.m. Thursday, April 15, 1965, the meeting was called to order at 3:20 p.m. A personal privilege was granted Jack Howe for the presentation of a prepared statement answering a question concerning a philosophy of competitive speech activities which had been raised at the previous meeting.

Student member of the Council Ruth Ellis moved "That we limit debate on all main motions at this meeting to 3 minutes per speaker, with a 20 minute maximum and speakers alternating sides." Motion seconded and carried.

Chairman Karl moved amendment No. 7 that in Article IV, Division C, a new section (5) be added as follows: "Degree of Highest Distinction. Eligibility for the Degree of Highest Distinction shall be determined as follows: (a) Orders of Oratory and Debate. The candidate shall have participated for at least three college years, shall be eligible for the Degree of Special Distinction, and shall have an academic standing in the upper thirty-five percent of his class. (b) Order of Instruction. The candidate shall have instructed or directed at least five members of the degree of Highest Distinction." That in Article IV, Division C, the present section (5) will become section (6). That in Article IV, in the first sentence strike out "four" and insert "five" before the word "degrees". That in Article IV, Division C, in the first sentence, add "(5) Degree

of Highest Distinction". Motion seconded and carried. It was noted in regard to the official key, an additional amendment would be necessary after consultation with the Balfour Company on the design.

Amendment No. 8 was moved by Chairman Karl that in Article V, Division C, Section 2, there be added after (e), "(f) Historian. The Historian shall be nominated by the National Council, approved by the National Convention, and shall serve for a term of ten (10) years. The Historian shall be an honorary, non-voting member of the Council. He shall be archivist and recorder of the history." Motion seconded. It was moved and seconded to amend by adding, "This office shall be in effect immediately." Amendment carried. Motion carried.

Sherod Collins moved to reconsider amendment No. 5 pertaining to students holding the office of Lieutenant-Governor in the Provinces. Motion seconded and carried. Tom Fernandez, Monmouth College, moved "to refer the motion to a committee to be appointed by the President for the purpose of considering the inclusion of a student officer in the Provincial structure—said committee to report at the next National Convention." Motion seconded and carried.

Student member of the Council, Warren Derbidge, reported that at the final student meeting of the 1965 Convention on Thursday morning, the students voted 70 to 43 to recommend to the National Council and to the General Business Meeting that cross-examination debate be continued as a form of debate at future Pi Kappa Delta Conventions. He also reported that in regard to the championship division, the students voted 72 to 64 to suggest that at the 1966 Province meetings consideration given to the value of declaring a single winner in any particular division and that recommendations be presented to the National Council.

Georgia Bowman, Chairman of the Charter Committee, presented the following report of the Committee:

Since the Convention of 1963, peti-

tions have been received from twentytwo institutions. These have been processed and twenty have been accepted for membership. Much of the credit for this surge in applications is attributable to the interest and cooperation of the various Province Governors.

According to the Constitution, a chapter which fails to attend two successive National Conventions shall be placed on probation, and chapters which fail to meet their obligations to the national organization shall be dropped from membership. After investigation of such chapters and consultation with the respective Province Governors, the charter committee submits the following recommendations:

That the following charters be re-

voked:

Spring Hill College, Spring Hill, Alabama Gamma

University of Louisville, Louisville, Kentucky Epsilon

Northeast Oklahoma State, Tallequah. Oklahoma Lambda

That the following chapters be continued on probation:

Alabama College, Montevallo, Ala-

bama Beta Southeast Louisiana College, Ham-

mond, Louisiana Zeta Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas

Mu

Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas Xi

University of Maine, Orono, Maine

Lenoir Rhyne, Hickory, North Carolina Delta

East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee Gamma Texas A&I College, Kingsville, Texas

Nu

That the following chapters be placed on probation:

Pasadena College, Pasadena, California Theta

U.C.L.A., Los Angeles, California Epsilon

Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois Nu

The Principia, Elsah, Illinois Rho Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana Alpha Centre College, Danville, Kentucky Beta

Louisiana Polytechnic Institute, Ruston, Louisiana Delta

McNeese State College, Lake Charles, Louisiana Eta

Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Michigan Alpha

Tarkio College, Tarkio, Missouri Mu Doane College, Crete, Nebraska Gamma

Southeast Oklahoma State, Durant, Oklahoma Theta

Carson Newman College, Jerfferson City, Tennessee Epsilon

Morris Harvey College, Charleston,

West Virginia Gamma

That the following chapters be removed from probation:

Chico State College, Chico, California Iota

Fresno State College, Fresno, California Nu

Loyola University, Los Angeles, California Xi

Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois Beta Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa Mu

Northwest Louisiana State, Natchitoches, Louisiana Epsilon

Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Missouri Xi

Portland State College, Portland, Oregon Gamma

David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tennessee Theta

Mary Hardin-Baylor College, Belton, Texas Epsilon

West Texas State University, Canvon. Texas Omega

The chairman wishes to express appreciation to the governors for their cooperation, to the other members of the committee, C. L. Nystrom, Wheaton College; James Grissinger, Otterbein College; Jack Howe, University of Arizona; and Robert Capel, Stephen F. Austin University; and to L. E. Norton, for prompt assistance in providing materials and records.

Georgia Bowman, Chairman April 16, 1965

The report was accepted.

Donald Graham, Chairman of the Convention Evaluation Committee, presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

I. General

A. This committee commends all those whose interests in Pi Kappa Delta —have resulted in suggestions to this committee. All suggestions have received careful consideration and if some are not found in this report it is not because they lacked merit but because other considerations—such as scheduling or consistency with other areas prevented their inclusion. This committee hastens to suggest that this report should not be regarded as the final evaluation of this convention, and that further recommendations should be forwarded to the National Council Members directly or considered at the next Province Meetings.

B. The Committee commends the selection of Pacific Lutheran University for this meeting and recommends to the National Council that the factors of geographic and/or cultural attraction be considered in selecting future national

meeting sites.

C. This Committee endorses the idea of student meetings. The Committee believes the National Council should continue in every feasible way to encourage ideas and opinions from the student

delegation.

D. The Committee feels that a great opportunity for scholarly research is made available from the raw data gathered in the various events. We would encourage the National Council to seek ways in which these data may be made available to qualified people interested in research activities so these conventions can provide not only learning experiences for students, but can be used for an even broader educational purpose.

II. Convention Organization

This Committee:

A. Approves the identification of schools by number in all divisions of debate as an aid to pairings by the contest committees.

- B. Commends the practice of publication of this identification.
- C. Commends the four day tournament.
- D. Recommends that the agendas of business meetings be published in the Key and that as much as possible of the preliminary information and announcements be made available in printed form rather than through oral communica-

E. Recommends contest committee appointments be made for two conventions in staggered order to permit a continuation of experience.

F. Recommends that contest committee appointments reflect the wide experience of directors of established tournaments so that their experience will insure the best possible operation of the tournament. In this regard, Province Governors might make the names of such tournament directors available to the National Council as a matter of continuing policy.

G. Notes that the matter of sweep-stakes computation has been a matter of concern to many at this Convention—with specific reference to the Open Division. We believe that refinements need to be instituted though we recognize the complexity of the problem. The written suggestions we have received will be forwarded to the National Council and this committee invites all members of this Convention to send further suggestions to the National Council members directly.

III. Scheduling

This Committee:

A. Recommends that business meetings be scheduled at times to permit the fullest possible discussion by all concerned.

B. Recommends that when extemporaneous speaking and oratory occur simultaneously, these be scheduled for late afternoon or evening to coincide with the increased availability of local judges.

C. Recommends that Province Meetings be scheduled earlier in the Convention in order to permit Provinces to consider Convention business in advance.

Hopefully, such pre-consideration might facilitate the disposition of business.

D. Recommends that consideration given to varying judging assignments for all coaches; division and contest. This, it is believed, would facilitate assignments and broaden judging experience.

E. Recommends that contest chairmen be advised of the identification of schools by Province rather than by state. This would facilitate interprovincial pairings. The specific recommendation received to implement this policy will be forwarded to the national Secretary-Treasurer.

F. Recommends that committee meetings be scheduled for time and place

only in the convention.

G. Re-stresses the recommendation of the 1963 Evaluation Committee—that early emphasis be given to the fact that all members of Pi Kappa Delta have the right and responsibility to participate in the business of the Convention, students as well as faculty, non-voting as well as voting delegates.

IV. Contests

A. Debate

Assuming retention of the current rules governing debate, the first paragraph of the contest rules regarding debate should be rewritten specifically stating that mixed teams may be entered only in the open division; however, the Committee recommends that the Council consider the advisability of amending the rules to permit the entry of mixed teams in the men's division.

2. The Committee recommends that the open division of debate be retained, and that for the next convention cross examination debate be continued.

3. The Committee suggests that the cross examination format be revised to lengthen the periods of cross examination

4. The Committee recommends that the open division be employed occasionally to permit experimental debate forms at the national tournament. For example, several suggestions were received that a combination of cross examination and direct clash debate be

tried. We believe there is merit in the idea, and we encourage similar experimentation at the Province level which can provide guidance for the National Council.

5. The Committee suggests that National Council restudy the matter of declaring a championship team in the open division. It is the feeling of this Committee that such a championship is inadvisable, however, we urge a more thorough evaluation than the short time of this convention will permit. We recommend, therefore, that the matter be referred to the Provinces and that the recommendations of the Provinces be supplied to the National Council following the Province Conventions next year.

6. We recommend that at the next national convention sets of printed time

cards be made available.

B. Oratory

1. The Committee approves the general ballot in oratory. However, the small slip of paper containing the rating scale should be discontinued. We suggest that in addition to the regular ballot, each judge be provided with a blank sheet of paper and instructed to provide a signed written critique of each performance.

2. We commend the practice of requiring all speakers to be in attendance in the room in which the contest is being held throughout the entire round. We believe this is sound educational process and entirely consistent with the

purposes of Pi Kappa Delta.

C. Discussion

1. The Committee feels that the scheduling of discussion simultaneously with debate contributes to a higher quality of discussion contest and that the practice should be continued.

2. The Chairman of the Contest in Discussion has recommended, and the Committee agrees, that the heading on the ballot entitled: "Knowledge and Application of Discussion Techniques and Knowledge and Use of Subject Materials" be subdivided into two categories in which separate ratings should be provided by the judges. The first category would read: "Knowledge and Applica-

tion of Discussion Techniques," the second, "Knowledge and Use of Subject Materials."

3. The method of evaluating discussion is apparently working well. A suggestion was received that the procedure be published in the **Forensic** so that other people might consider it for adoption at other tournaments.

D. Extemporaneous Speaking

1. While the Committee realizes that a shortened tournament produces scheduling problems, we recommend that every effort be made to avoid a situation in which speakers are required to miss a meal to participate in this or any other event.

2. Regarding the student resolution suggesting staggered drawing in extemporaneous and condemning the requirement to remain in the room throughout the contest, there is divided opinion. We agree that no advantage should be provided anyone in the contest. However, a preliminary survey of the results of this tournament does not support the idea that any advantage is to be obtained as a function of speaking position. Superior extemporaneous speakers tended to be rated superior in whatever speaking position they were assigned, and low-rated speakers tended to be rated low regardless of their speaking position. We recommend (1) that the correlation between speaker position and speaker rating be carefully studied from the evidence provided by this tournament, and (2) that the results of this study be made available to the National Council, and that if an advantage at a statistically significant level occurs, the policy of staggered drawing be reinstated in extemporaneous speaking.

3. The Committee urges that the rule governing maximum number of entrants in a section be strictly adhered to.

4. The Committee believes that the practice of requiring all speakers to remain in the room in which the contest is being held until the final speech has been delivered is a sound educational practice and should be continued.

V. Final Recommendation

This Committee respectfully recommends that:

A. The National Council provide a new and more accurate designation for the Past Presidents organization than is now utilized.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Goodwin, Southeast Missouri State College

Donald L. Graham, Northwestern State College, Chairman

The report was received.

Raymond Yeager moved that D. J. Nabors be elected to the office of Historian. Motion seconded and carried.

William De Mougeot, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented the following report:

and carried.

Report of the Resolutions Committee

Whereas, the 24th Biennial National Convention of Pi Kappa Delta has been assembled on the campus of Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington, during the period of April 11-15, and

Whereas, the success of any convention depends upon the cooperative effort

of many individuals,

Therefore, be it here resolved that this convention of Pi Kappa Delta express its sincere appreciation and thanks:

To President Robert Mortvedt and the administration of Pacific Lutheran University for their warm hospitality and for the fine facilities that have been made available to us for all the aspects of this convention.

To Professor T. O. H. Karl, Mr. Paul Steen, and the other members of the Department of Speech, who have worked so long and so well to assure the successful operation of this convention and tournament.

To Mrs. Karl for providing diversion for the wives and female coaches.

To the students of Pacific Lutheran University who loaned us their rooms and to the many who stayed through their vacation period to assist in the many services essential to the welfare of convention participants.

To the entire staff of the College Union Building, who, by the quality of the food and the pleasantness with which they served us, made the many hours spent in that building high among the experiences we will remember with

pleasure.

To the members of the Washington Epsilon chapter of Pi Kappa Delta for their many hours of devotion to the needs of this organization, knowing that their only compensation would be the irritation of the few, the pity of those of us who have hosted similar events, and the heartfelt gratitude of all.

To the Province of the Northwest, for its financial support, the judges it provided far beyond convention requirements, and for the administrative personnel made available to convention and tournament officials.

To the convention and tournament chairmen of committees, for the fulfill-

ment of their specific tasks.

To John Monsma, of Northern Michigan University, whose untiring efforts in arranging the special train from Chicago made it possible for many to attend the convention who would otherwise have found it much more difficult. It is worthy of note that about 40% of the total convention attendance arrived on that train.

To Dr. Marie Robinson, because by far the best talent connected with Talent Night was her ability to put together a fine show in spite of innumerable

complications.

To Senator Henry Jackson, for sharing with us his valuable time in order to present an address that was a high-

light of the convention.

To the many citizens and faculty members who, by contributing over 300 hours of their time to judging various events, solved many of the problems of the tournament committees.

And be it further resolved that the National President shall provide copies of this resolution to all persons who properly should be notified of our ap-

preciation.

The Resolutions Committee reports its endorsement of a resolution submitted by John M. Burt of Illinois Wesleyan University which reads as follows:

Whereas, the national constitution of Pi Kappa Delta has not been completely studied and revised since 1955, and Whereas, a proliferation of amendments, customs, and proposals suggests a need for something more than what can be accomplished during a short convention,

Therefore, be it resolved that the National President be authorized to appoint an ad hoc committee of five, no more than two of whom shall be members of the National Council, which shall be charged with presenting to the 1967 national convention a revised constitution, with the following additional instructions:

- 1. The committee shall present to the province governors in time for consideration at the 1966 province conventions their proposed revisions.
- 2. The committee shall receive from the provinces their comments and suggestions and shall prepare a final document in time for publication in the January, 1967, issue of the Forensic embodying their recommendations for a revised constitution.
- 3. The committee is instructed to give particular attention to possible changes in **events** to be considered in determining eligibility, and in **minimum standard proficiency** for eligibility.

Whereas, the committee feels that the resolution presented by the California Institute of Technology chapter is based on a misunderstanding of the procedure by which the National Questions Committee operates, the Resolutions Committee reports unfavorably, by a vote of 5-0, on that resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
William R. De Mougeot, Chairman
Kenneth G. Wilkens
Ted R. Jackson
Carol Patton
William H. Waysman

The report was received. That part of the report enclosed in brackets was presented as a motion by John Burt. Illinois

Wesleyan University. Motion seconded James A. Ross, Baldwin-Wallace College reported for William N. Corbin, Chairman of the Conventions Invitations Committee as follows:

The Committee met and considered the applications of several colleges and