

retary - treasurer shifted quite smoothly from the competent shoulders of Tony Allison to those of Harold Widvey. The careful work of Allison made the process work well. The records were in good order. It took a period of time to set the new office in motion, but by building on the foundation of those who have held the position, the office has become a working reality at South Dakota State University. We have valued the positive response to those changes which we have made. We have benefited from your suggestions at improving the process. You have been kind when we have made mistakes.

II. *Computerization of Files.* Your new secretary-treasurer made a commitment to begin the computerization of the membership records of Pi Kappa Delta. The first step was to create a current records file for the active members. This was completed by June, 1986. The next step was the beginning of copying the alumni members into the computer files. By September of 1986, records as far back as 1965 had been copied into the file. In creating the format which was used to produce the chapter by chapter print outs, our system became overloaded. Chapters reported that their lists included names of people from other schools and omitted some known alumni. The problem was the result of the interaction of the massive program with the limited random access memory of our computer. We found that as areas avail-

able in the computer filled, names were transferred to the next available file. That problem is now behind us. We are beginning to copy from the members going back to 1950. Eventually, we should be able to have all alumni accessible in computer files.

III. *Forms Updated.* In order to increase the efficient interface of information on the application for membership and the application for advanced standing, new forms were created. You have used them effectively. All other forms have been restructured to reflect the current requirements of the Constitution. We have also tried to rewrite them to be gender neutral. You are also aware of the new membership cards. These were redesigned to move easily through the typewriter and to allow one membership card to be used for all orders and degrees. We wish to thank our members for their acceptance of the new forms.

IV. *Staffing.* The changes which we have made have been possible only with the help of three students, Kris Puterbaugh, Jean Wolf, and Dan West. Their work demonstrates the mature and effective contribution which our student members can provide within Pi Kappa Delta. Each of them has made a commitment of creative skills and patient endurance in moving the operation of this office from a manual process to a technology-assisted operation. Their acceptance of the *new* removed the last barriers to computerization.



V. *Membership.* As this report was presented at the convention, Pi Kappa Delta had initiated 1100 new members since the transfer of the national office to South Dakota State University. By the time all of the new memberships had been counted at the convention, the number had increased to 1200. By the end of our fiscal year, July 31, 1987, the total may reach 1300. This is a valuable increase over the pattern of the recent past. Our goal should be 2000 more members by 1989.

VI. *Financial Condition.* A full financial statement for 1986 and 1987 will be prepared for the winter edition of *The Forensic*. It will show that Pi Kappa Delta is in good financial health. The increase in dues and memberships approved in 1985 has allowed us to take the progressive steps which have modernized the National Office of Pi Kappa Delta.

VII. *Goal for the Future.* Pi Kappa Delta is a mature organization. We need to examine ways in which we can increase our leadership in forensics and throughout speech communication. The ideal of our motto—"The Art of Persuasion, Beautiful and Just"—could be rock on which we begin to rebuild a belief in ethical persuasion and communication. A permanent national office with a full-time executive office and a modest staff could mobilize the leadership which exists within this splendid society. We could become the source of ideas for improving public credibility and the public

voice advocating ethical communication. To achieve that end, we need to begin now to build a permanent endowment of sufficient size to support a permanent national office dedicated to furthering the ideals of Pi Kappa Delta. Other groups have done it. We can do it.

VII. *A Final Thank You!* Your support, your suggestions, your keeping us "on our toes" are appreciated. You are a great group of members of a Great Organization! You make me proud to hold the position of National Secretary-Treasurer.

Michael Bartanen, Chairman of the Constitution Revision Committee, presented the essential elements of changes proposed: 1. Organizational and wording changes to clarify the constitution without changing purpose or intent. 2. Changing to allow a new status of inactive chapter. 3. Adding a Purpose and Dissolution Statement to meet Internal Revenue Service requirements. Modification of existing degrees and orders of membership.

No action was provided for in the agenda of this meeting. (Complete list appears at the motion for adoption.)

President Horn called upon Carolyn Keefe, chairperson of the nominating committee, to present the candidates for the office of President-elect.

Dr. Keefe offered in nomination the three members of the National Council who became eligible to be considered for the office of Presi-



dent-Elect: Michael Bartanen, Terry Cole, and Robert Littlefield. Each candidate presented a speech stating the concerns which they would address if elected to the office and indicating their unique qualities for the consideration of the convention.

Jack Starr, Local Arrangements Chairperson, provided information to the convention relating to buildings, contest rooms, and transportation.

Robert Littlefield, Tournament Director, described elements of the tournament. He introduced the staff of the tab room: debate—Joe Cardot, Monte Koffler, Gina Lane, and Fred Sternhagen; individual events—Mike Brody, Joyce Carey, Cindy Carver, Mike Nicolai, Harry Strine III, Rita Willock, and James Zeman.

President Horn called upon Carolyn Keefe and Hal Holloway to conduct a survey of attitudes of people in forensic activities. The survey was conducted.

President Horn recognized Terry Cole, Chairperson of the Charter and Standards Committee.

Cole reported 22 new or reaffiliating chapters being chartered and presented the charters to the schools present and to province governors for those not present. These chapters received charters: Regis College, Concordia College of Nebraska, Southwest Baptist University Alumni, North Dakota Delta E. James Ubbelohde Alumni, Cameron University Alumni, Trinity University, St. Mary's University, University of Texas at San

Antonio, Angelo State University, Hillsdale College, Loras College, Marquette University, The University of Wisconsin at Madison, University of West Florida, University of Alabama at Huntsville, Cumberland College, Wofford College, Pacific University, Willamette University, and West Chester University Alumni. He then presented recommendations for placing certain chapters on probation and for revoking the charters of chapters which were no longer eligible for membership in Pi Kappa Delta.

Chairman Cole moved that the following chapters recommended for probation be placed on probation: University of Nebraska-Omaha, Coe College, Drake University, University of the Pacific, SUNY College-Brockport, Fordham University, University of Wisconsin-Platteville, Pepperdine University, California Polytechnic State University-Pomona, New Mexico State University, Louisiana College, Southwest Oklahoma State University, Incarnate Word College, Upper Iowa University, College of St. Thomas/St. Catherine, and University of Montevallo. The motion was seconded. A voice vote was called. The motion passed.

Chairman Cole moved that the following chapters recommended for revocation of charter have their charters revoked: Kansas Wesleyan University, William Penn College, Dickinson State College, Drury College, Northeast Louisiana University, Texas Lutheran



College, Olivet College, University of Dayton, Rio Grande College, University of Minnesota-Duluth, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Delta State University, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Fisk University, Montana Tech.; University of Maine-Orono, Glassboro State College, SUNY College-Geneseo, SUNY College-Plattsburg, Hunter College, Queens College, Southern Connecticut State University, United States Coast Guard Academy, Norwich University, Eastern Illinois University, Millikin University, Greenville College, and Carroll College-Wisconsin. The motion was seconded. A voice vote was called. The motion passed.

President Horn called upon R. David Ray, President-Elect and Province Coordinator, for his report.

President-Elect Ray reported on the state of the provinces and re-

viewed their activity. He reported that the province of the Upper Mississippi and the Province of the Sioux had initiated action to join together as a new province and that the National Council had approved their request. He then granted the Province of the Northern Lights its charter as a new province. The Province of the Northern Lights includes the original Province of the Upper Mississippi, and adjacent chapters from the original Province of the Illinois. Governor Joel Hefling of the Sioux and Governor Robert Ridley of the Upper Mississippi accepted the charter for the new province. Framed certificates were presented to each of the chapters of the new province.

Following brief announcements, President Horn declared the agenda completed and Session I adjourned.





# THIRTY-FIFTH PI KAPPA DELTA CONVENTION/TOURNAMENT MINUTES OF THE BUSINESS SESSIONS

University of Wisconsin-La Crosse  
March 18-21, 1987

Business Session II  
Thursday, March 19, 1987  
Mississippi Room  
9:30 a.m.

The second business session of the convention was called to order by President Gary Horn.

President Horn called upon the Nominating Committee, Carolyn Keefe, chairperson, to conduct the balloting for the office of President-elect. The three candidates—Michael Bartanen, Terry Cole, and Robert Littlefield—stood to be recognized.

Carolyn Keefe asked the secretary-treasurer to call the roll of chapters in attendance and asked that the voting delegates of each chapter come forward to receive a ballot for casting the vote.

The balloting was conducted and the Nominating Committee was directed to count the ballots and return with the vote later in the meeting.

President Horn recognized Michael Bartanen, Chairperson of the Constitution Revision Committee to present the proposed amendments of the constitution for the convention's consideration.

Printed copies of the proposed amendments were distributed.

Michael Bartanen moved that amendments labeled Proposal #1,

Proposed Change #2, and Proposed Change #3 be adopted.

PROPOSAL #1 — DOCUMENT ORGANIZATIONAL AND WORDING CHANGES. Changes designed to clarify existing provisions and make the document more internally clear and consistent.

A. CREATING OF NEW ARTICLE IV: "ADMISSION AND RETENTION OF MEMBERS AND CHAPTERS." AND NEW ARTICLE V: "DIVISIONS OF MEMBERSHIP."

Affected Articles, Sections and Subparagraphs:

300 would become 400.

301 would be deleted as redundant with other sections.

302 would become new 401

502.7 would become new 402

502.71 would become new 402.1

502.8 would become new 403

502.81 would become new 403.1

502.9 would become new 404

900 would become new 410

901 would become new 411

901.1 would become new 411.1

902 would become new 412

902.1 would become new 412.1

904 would become 413

905 would become 414

563 would become 415

Current Sections and sub-paragraphs in Article IV would be re-numbered to Sections and Sub-paragraphs beginning with 500.

#### B. RENUMBERING OF ARTICLE V TO BECOME ARTICLE III INVOLVING NUMBERING CHANGES IN SECTIONS AND SUB-PARAGRAPHS.

All sections and sub-paragraphs numbered 500-566 would take their corresponding numbers, 300-366, unless numbers are affected by other proposed changes.

#### C. REWRITE OF PARAGRAPH FOR DELETION OF UNNECESSARY LANGUAGE.

327.1 (527.1 until change approved) UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS WHO ARE PROVINCE OFFICERS MAY SERVE EITHER ONE OR TWO YEAR-TERMS AS PROVIDED FOR IN PROVINCE CONSTITUTIONS UNDER THE CONDITION THAT THEY ARE full-time, undergraduate students taking courses on campus during that term of office.

D. REWRITE SUB-PARAGRAPHS TO REFLECT EXISTING REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE CONSTITUTION. (Proposed changes as shown in capital letters.)

ed) An Undegraduate Chapter 301.1 (501.1 until change approved may be established in any recognized AND REGIONALLY ACCREDITED college or university OFFERING COURSEWORK BEYOND THE ASSOCIATE

ARTS DEGREE. (Clarifies existing requirements in effect for new chapters.) 320.2 (520.2 until changed approved) Each Alumni Chapter shall be assigned to a Province by the NATIONAL COUNCIL. (Deletes "National Secretary-Treasurer" and inserts "NATIONAL COUNCIL," making this consistent with the constitutional procedure for admitting chapters.)

#### E. REPLACING CURRENT CONSTITUTIONAL LANGUAGE WITH GENDER NEUTRAL NOUNS AND PRONOUNS.

#### PROPOSED CHANGE #2 — CREATING A NEW STATUS OF "INACTIVE CHAPTER" TO SUPPLEMENT THE EXISTING "PROBATIONARY STATUS"

302.1 (502.1 until change approved) DELETE FIRST THREE SENTENCES. The membership on May 15 shall be considered as the membership for the current year. Each chapter shall report on its membership to the National Secretary-Treasurer when called upon for such report, and upon failure to do so may be placed on probation or on INACTIVE STATUS.

Effect: Supplements existing requirements regarding "probation" in the Constitution with a new classification of "inactive status" for chapters which are currently inactive in forensics but who wish to remain associated with Pi Kappa Delta.

302.2 ANY CHAPTER HAVING FEWER THAN FIVE ACTIVE



MEMBERS FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS WILL BE CLASSIFIED AS AN INACTIVE CHAPTER AND HAVE NONE OF THE RIGHTS OF ACTIVE CHAPTERS SPECIFIED IN OTHER SECTIONS OF THE CONSTITUTIONS. A CHAPTER MAY BE RETURNED TO ACTIVE STATUS BY BRINGING THE MEMBERSHIP UP TO CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND PAYING CURRENT CHAPTER FEES.

Effect: Creates a new designation of "Inactive Status" for Chapters which do not meet the requirements for active status. This allows inactive programs to maintain their ties to PKD without being "expelled" or placed on "probation." This replaces 504 and 505.

363 (563 until change approved)  
The National Council shall have the power to place on probation, PLACE ON INACTIVE STATUS, or revoke the charter of any chapter for the flagrant violation of the constitution or for failure to carry out the duties imposed on any chapter, undergraduate or alumni, by this constitution.

Effect: Adds "inactive status" designation to the list of actions available to the National Council, as proposed in earlier sections.

PROPOSED CHANGE #3—ADDITION OF A NEW ARTICLE XII—PURPOSE AND DISSOLUTION STATEMENT. This article is required to meet the rules of

the Internal Revenue Service under which Pi Kappa Delta was granted tax-exempt status.

1200 Pi Kappa Delta is organized exclusively for educational purposes, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

1201 No part of the net earnings of Pi Kappa Delta shall inure to the benefit or, be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that Pi Kappa Delta shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article XII section 1200 hereof. No substantial part of the activities of Pi Kappa Delta shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and Pi Kappa Delta shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these sections, Pi Kappa Delta shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be car-