Greek Council Minutes
9/24/09
Meeting opened at 7:07pm
F '09-004
Motion to pass minutes from 9/17/09: ZPO
2nd: DOE

Alternate Senator

- Jerry met with Angela Rhoades in the library and is working on a project with her to get archives digitized in order for us to see history
- There are yearbooks from 1964-2004
- Bring ideas back next week

Community Service Coordinator

- If you signed up to serve food for family day then you need to be in Clark Field House at 2:30 pm on 9/26/09.
- Expect to be there until about 6:30pm
- ZPO is sitting in Regalia from 1-3pm on 9/26/09

Sergeant of Arms

- SFX is still fined $15 for being late to a meeting, $15 for missing a due date, $30 for missing a mandatory meeting= $60 total
- LIU is fined $30 for missing two due dates
- ZPO is fined $15 for missing a due date
- TDX is fined $15 for missing a due date and $30 for missing a mandatory meeting= $45 total

Senator

- SPB thanked everyone for coming to the activity fair, it was a great success
- NSNA is having a spaghetti dinner on 11/6/09 at the first Presbyterian church
- RHA is having a trip to Great Escape on 10/24/09, $25 per person, sign up in Russell hall
- On 9/28/09 the honor society is hosting a sidewalk chalk event, they prefer if you bring your own chalk
- Jess Miller from the book store talked about how there will be a sale on 9/26/09, 20% off SUNY Delhi apparel, starting Monday all culinary apparel will be 25% off
- You can order shirts through the bookstore for your organization, they can order from 6-600, talk to Jess Miller about it
John Ford wants to know what kind of cereal we want in Mac, the doors in Mac are being fixed, he is looking into being able to use your meals at midnight next semester, he needs four people for a pepsi/coke presentation on 10/15/09, on 10/15/09 will be Octoberfest in Mac with lots of prizes

- Fines for clubs started as of the 9/15/09 meeting
- All P.O.’s need to be in by noon on Monday’s
- If your club misses three meetings your budget will be frozen
- Greek council voted yes to taking $500 from the unrestricted fund for Chef Tom to pay for a Thanksgiving dinner for international students that cant go home
- Telemundo is on Channel 13

Secretary

- I still need rosters from SFX and LIU, if I don’t have them by next meeting you will be fined again

Treasurer

- Thanks to all of the treasurer’s that came to the treasurer meeting
- Remind finance committee members that finance committee will meet on Tuesday

Vice President

- Still needs LIU’s constitution, if it is not emailed by next meeting you will be fined again

President

- Thanks for showing support at the activity fair, it was awesome

Advisor

- Thanks for the activity fair
- Thanks to UDE for their petition for athletes but John spoke to Bob Backus and there is not school policy prohibiting athletes from pledging, so if you have athletic prospects encourage them to come to RUSH events, they are allowed to pledge!
- John had lunch with most of our advisors, encourage them to come to weekly organizational meetings as well as Greek council
- Thank your advisors every chance you get, the go out of their way to be amazing for us!
Greek of the week: Jenny and Janine from OXO, they represented the Greek community very well at the tennis tournament in Maryland this weekend. Congrats girls 😊

Old Business

- The ZPO ice carvings are almost done, if they are not finished by Sunday they will be done by Monday at the latest.
- SFX read another letter to the Greek council

Dear Greek Council,

Last meeting we brought forth the idea of our sorority Sigma Phi Xi becoming unrecognized to the Greek community. As you all know our sisterhood is not known for its size. Our past felt that becoming recognized would be best for our sorority. It was known its unity, dedication and hard work, not to mention all the friends you make. But in the past year that we have been on campus we have struggled to make ends meet.

Our sisterhood has become smaller in size and we have had a hard time recovering from it. John Huber brought forth the idea of us becoming an unrecognized organization saying that if we stayed on campus we would not be able to have a pledge class for this semester. Reason being that we needed at least a 2.25 average GPA to have a pledge class. Soon after we realized that there were more possibilities then taking ourselves off campus. We have spoken to many people in the Greek community and they have helped us realize how this community is supposed to be. They showed us the respect and kindness we needed.

Through out this process we have had to face many obstacles including dealing with higher authority. Two girls that have been interested in expanding our sisterhood have put forth effort of their own free will to help us out by wearing shirts they have made. We have been told that this was a clever idea and to keep it going. Since we have
asked for derecognition we have not actively rushed and have not put up any fliers up because we felt that we would be taking advantage of it. Today we were confronted negatively by one of the many Greek council members. In front of the library today he confronted my fellow sister where everyone could hear, asking why we were wearing these shirts. I felt that this was inappropriate and he should have taken us aside to talk to us in private. Dealing with all of this has put strain on both me and my sister. We have made the decision to derecognize ourselves. I am telling you this because I want you to feel a little bit of what we have been going through being on campus in the past few semesters. We appreciate all the hard work and help we have gotten from all of you.

Sincerely,
Sisters of Sigma Phi Xi

- Motion to table voting on this matter until next week: TKE second by DOE (Motion F’09-001)

Section 4: De-Recognition
It may be necessary to go through the process of de-recognition of an organization. This can happen in one of two ways:
A. Self-imposed De-Recognition
An organization may ask for de-recognition if
i. it feels that it is no longer a productive member of the Greek community
ii. it will not be able to meet the requirements of associate membership
Organizations that ask for de-recognition may apply for re-recognition as outlined in Article III, Section 3 at any point after they become de-recognized.
B. Administrative De-Recognition
An organization will be brought up for de-recognition if they:
ii. Fail to meet the requirements of associate membership for two (2) consecutive years
ii. Are duly sanctioned by the Greek Judicial Board
iii. Are duly sanctioned by the Office of Judicial Affairs, The Office of Student Life, or Student Activities
iv. Are found to be unproductive members of the Greek community
Organizations that are administratively de-recognized must wait two (2) academic years before applying for re-recognition as outlined in Article III, Section 3 after they become derecognized. Additionally, all sanctions must be fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Director of Greek Life before beginning the re-recognition process.

Section 5: Unrecognized Organizations
If a group of individuals are de-recognized, not granted associate recognition status through the
processes outlined in Article III, Sections 2-3, or never seek recognition, they shall be known as an unrecognized organization. They shall have no affiliation with the Greek Council, nor shall they have any of the rights, privileges, or benefits offered to recognized Greek organizations. Additionally, recognized Greeks are encouraged to limit their contact with members of these organizations to a strictly academic level, as the activities of these organizations is not monitored by Student Activities, and could be potentially harmful to the standards we as recognized Greeks strive to uphold.

New Business

- Nothing

Open Discussion

- Andrew Burns told us that there have been illegal downloads taking place and an outside agency will be coming in and pursuing and prosecuting these cases. He will keep us updated as he gets more information

Announcements

- Listen to the double C radio show Fridays at 4pm on 107.5, this week Charlie and Caitlin will be talking about pick up lines
- PiNu is collecting cans and bottles
- Mo handed out the rules for the DOE bowl-a-thon, all reps got a copy
- Don’t forget the BBQ is this Sunday at 1pm between Dubois and Gerry
- 9/30/09 UDE is having a speed rush event, talk to Sean McAllister for details
- 10/1/09 Deadliest Catch is in the field house at 7pm, make sure you have your student ID, its $5 without it

Motion to close the meeting at 7:57 pm: BKX
2nd: UDE