AISB Meeting
Friday August 28, 2015 7:00 PM
Pfenning Center Lafayette College
(Additional: Phone In Conference Call)

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call
   a. Alumni Attendees: Alpha Gamma Delta (Courtney DeThomas ’02), Alpha Phi (Bethany Abele ’03), Delta Delta Delta (Laura Werkheiser ’09), Delta Kappa Epsilon (Michael De Lisi ’03), Delta Upsilon (Bill Messick ’68), Phi Kappa Psi (Carson Gentry ’13)
   b. Student Attendees: IFC (Mike Mastria ’16), Panhel (Amanda Schwartz ’16)
   c. Administrator Attendees: Advisor to Fraternities & Sororities (Daniel Ayala)
   d. Guest Attendees: Delta Tau Delta (Greg Eggert ’79)
   e. Not Present: Delta Gamma (Casey Sharkey ’09), Kappa Kappa Gamma (Molly McDonald ’06), Pi Beta Phi (Kristin Anderson ’13)

III. Approval of Minutes: President, Mike De Lisi motioned for approval of past minutes. Motion passed with unanimous consent.

IV. Special Orders: Mike De Lisi motioned to modify the agenda to take up the Special Orders before Officer Reports. Motion passed with unanimous consent. Mike De Lisi motioned for Laura Werkheiser, the only candidate to express interest to Alumni Relations, to serve the remainder of the term as VP of AISB vacated by Susan Kowalenko. Motion passed with unanimous consent.

V. Officer Reports

AISB President: Mike De Lisi reported that at the request of Alumni Council the title and role of Vice President will be changed to reflect the position as Co-Chair of AISB. Laura will be handling scheduling AISB meetings moving forward. Future AISB meeting dates are:

1st Meeting - Kickoff meeting will be held the weekend before fall classes’ start each year. Next Year: August 26, 27, 28 2016
2nd Meeting – Homecoming – October 16, 17, 18 2015
3rd Meeting – Coincide with January College Trustee Board Meeting – January 29, 30, 31 2016
4th Meeting - Coincide with May College Trustee Board Meeting – May 13, 14, 15 2016
VI. Committee Reports

a. Undergraduate Council reports

Pan-Hellenic Council: Recruitment has been changed from a 4 round 6-5-4-2 process to a 3 round to a 6-4-2 requirement, and to adhere with National NPC guidelines. Recruitment occurs over a 3 day period starting Thursday September 3rd and concluding Saturday September 5th.

An appeal process has been instituted for those deemed ineligible for Sorority recruitment. The current standards are a 2.5 GPA and no disciplinary sanctions. (Appeals may be heard for Level 1 disciplinary sanctions only.)

199 women registered for sorority recruitment who meet all criteria. There are approximately 5 appeals currently.

IFC: Recruitment starts Monday August 31 and concludes Friday September 11th. Initiation must occur by October 2nd.

An appeal process has also been instituted for those deemed ineligible for Fraternity recruitment. IFC currently has a 2.65 standard, which is above the sorority standard of 2.5 and the College standard for all activities (including those beyond Greek Life) of 2.4.

160 men (including Chi Phi and DTD interest groups) registered for fraternity recruitment. 118 men (excluding Chi Phi and DTD) meet all criteria. There are approximately 16 appeals with an IFC meeting on Sunday to hear the appeals.

IFC plans an “IFC Day” for the next recruitment period. IFC will also consider shortening the men’s recruitment period to between 1 and 2 weeks.

b. Campus Life Report

Dan Ayala reported a planned change to the accreditation process to modify the schedule so that accreditation runs concurrently with the terms of undergraduate officers.

Courtney DeThomas reported that information on chapter advisors is at the top of Google search results due to accreditation results being uploaded to the College’s website.

Dan is planning to send a letter with information on fraternities and sororities to the parents of all students who registered for recruitment.
VII. Unfinished Business

Fundraising For Greek Life.

Mike De Lisi reported meeting with John Pierce (Alumni Council), Kim Spang (VP of Development) and Annette Diorio (VP of Campus Life) who were all supportive of fundraising for Greek Life. The specifics are still TBD, but a fund and club for fundraising for Greek Life should be setup and administered through the Annual Fund, under the direction of Joseph Samaritano ’91, Associate Director of Development.

Similar funds are already set up within the annual fund:

Maroon Club, Friends of Skillman Library, Friends of the Williams Center, Landis Community Outreach, College Theater Angels.

Mike reported that Kim and Annette wanted to engage the Michael Kaiser (VP of Communications) to help advertise the fund, once established, as well as the good news and positive direction overall for fraternities and sororities.

Mike reported that Annette found push back from certain chapters on the idea of using such a fund to help defray the cost of membership fees. Mike requested that each representative find their organization’s policies on financial assistance for membership fees.

VIII. New Business

a. **Recruitment:** Fraternity and Sorority Calendar confirmed, Dan to publish. Sorority Recruitment occurs over a 3 day period starting Thursday September 3rd and concluding Saturday September 5th.

Fraternity Recruitment starts Monday August 31 and concludes Friday September 11th. Initiation must occur by October 2nd.

b. **Expansion and Recognition.**

The process is now posted on the college’s website.


The College has determined that it is open to recognizing one(1) additional Fraternity this year.

The expansion (recognition) committee consists of the following individuals: Adviser to Fraternities & Sororities(Dan Ayala), Director of
Residence Life (Grace Reynolds), Interfraternity Council and Pan-Hellenic Council Presidents (Mike Mastria; Amanda Schwartz), the Presidents of each of the currently recognized fraternities and sororities on campus (9 persons), a representative from Student Government Association, a representative from the Campus Life Division, and a representative from the faculty committee on Student Life.

Both Chi Phi and DTD have met the preliminary criteria. They are now required to submit a written and oral presentation to the committee as a petition for Colony Status. This presentation will be around September 18th with a decision. The committee does not actually vote, rather they will attempt to reach consensus on which group to approve. The decision will be announced October 9th. The approved group will be considered a colony for 1 year before a review of the colony status for a decision by VP of Campus Life to become a recognized Fraternity or not.

**Sustained demand.**

KDR has asked to be re-instated. Zeta Psi is 1 year into its 5 year suspension.

c. **New Member Education:**

Dan is developing Greek 101 to improve new member education.

Dan’s office will schedule outside speakers on Hazing, Risk Management, Drugs & Alcohol.

**IX. Announcements**

Phi Kappa Psi reported a planning retreat with their collegians and alumni.

Mike De Lisi was pleased to announce the completion of the DKE house renovations. DKE is the oldest Fraternity at Lafayette College being founded in 1855. DKE is celebrating 160 years at Lafayette College this year.

**X. Next meeting:** Homecoming weekend – October 16, 17, 18 2015  Exact Day and time TBD.

**XI. Adjournment**