



2022 District Conference Minutes



2022 ILLINOIS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 4TH & 5TH 2022

FRIDAY BUSINESS SESSION

Friday, November 4, 2022

Chapter	Attendance
Theta	Absent
Tau	Absent
Alpha Mu	Absent
Beta Eta	Absent
Xi Lambda	Present
Delta Epsilon Lambda	Present
Zeta Xi Lambda	Present
Theta Mu Lambda	Present
Epsilon Kappa	Present
Epsilon Phi	Present
Zeta Nu	Present
Eta Eta	Present
Eta Tau	Present
Theta Omicron	Present
Iota Pi	Present
Mu Mu	Absent
Nu Delta	Present
Nu Epsilon	Present
Nu Rho	Present
Iota Delta Lambda	Present
Kappa Pi Lambda	Present
Kappa Chi Lambda	Present
Mu Alpha Lambda	Present
Mu Delta Lambda	Present
Mu Kappa Lambda	Absent
Mu Mu Lambda	Present
Mu Chi Lambda	Present
Nu Psi Lambda	Present



Rho Zeta Lambda	Present
Omicron Xi	Present
Pi Sigma	
Upsilon Xi	Present
Phi Nu	Present



Presiding: Bro. Alex Sherley, Epsilon Kappa

1. Introduction by Bro. Quincy B. Banks, District Executive Director
 - a. Introduced: Bro. Blake E. Sartin, Regional Assistant Vice President
 - b. Introduced Bro. Ronald D. Stovall, Midwestern Regional Vice President
 - c. Introduction: Bro. James Elam, Assistant District Director
 - d. Introduced Bro. Franklin Stacy Jr., District Director
2. Call to Order 1:54pm : Bro. Franklin Stacy Jr., District Director
3. Opening Prayer: Bro. Rev. L Bernard Jakes, District Chaplain
4. Alpha Spirit: Bro. John “Apple” Lane
 - a. Poem – Bro. Harold Johnson recited “House of Alpha”
 - b. Encouraged brothers to attend Midwestern Regional Conference in Ohio
5. Approval of Agenda – Bro. Quincy B. Banks, District Executive Director
 - a. Motion to accept the minutes – Bro. Terry Saul, Mu Chi Lambda
 - b. Second to motion – Bro. Rufus Jackson Iota Delta Lambda
 - c. Unreadiness –
 - i. Bro. Quincy Banks, Mu Mu Lambda, District Executive Director – addition of the election commit report
 - ii. Point of Order – Sasha Douyon, Theta Mu Lambda , agenda must be amended before the motion takes place.
 - iii. Bro. Christopher Weinum, Rho Zeta Lambda – amendment was not made.
 - d. Motion to accept agenda with amendments - Bro. Terry Saul, Mu Chi Lambda
 - i. Seconded: Bro. Rufus Jackson, Iota Delta Lambda
 - e. Motion passes, agenda approved
6. Welcome
7. District Director – Bro. Franklin Stacy Jr, District Director
 - a. Appreciated seeing the brothers of the district
 - b. Shifted agenda so that brothers can fellowship and connect
 - c. Thanked the host chapter
8. Assistant District Director – Bro. James Elam, Assistant District Director
 - a. Welcomed the brothers to the conference



- b. Encouraged brothers to fellowship and connect
- 9. Host Chapter Presidents – Bro. Devin Foster, Epsilon Kappa and Bro. Reggie Birris, Kappa Pi Lambda
 - a. Bro. Devin Foster – Welcomed the brothers to the conference
 - b. Bro. Reggie Burris – Welcomed the brothers to the conference
- 10. Chapter Roll Call, Rules & Credentials, 2021 Conference Minutes – Bro. Frank Miller, District Secretary
 - a. Motion to accept the minutes – Bro. Steve Minter, Xi Lambda
 - b. Second to motion – Bro. William Campbell, Zeta Xi Lambda
 - c. Unreadiness – None
 - d. Motion passes, Rules & Credentials approved
 - e. Personal Privilege- Question about non delegate seconding a motion
 - i. Clarification given
- 11. 2021 Financial Review – Bro. Wonderful Watson, District Finance Team
 - a. Report is for period ending: May 31, 2022
 - b. Financial figures disclosed
 - c. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc is a 501 c7
 - d. Discussed the details of an audit report
 - e. Report for informational purposes only
- 12. Financial Report – Bro. Carl Puckett, Sr, District Treasurer
 - a. Report is for the period: September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022
 - b. Financial figures disclosed
 - c. Motion to approve the report:
 - d. Second: Bro. Steve Minter, Xi Lambda
 - e. Unreadiness
 - i. Bro. David Griggs, Xi Lambda – inquired about a capital reserve
 - f. Motion passes
- 13. Executive Director Report – Bro. Quincy Banks, District Executive Director
 - a. Expressed appreciation for brothers of Illinois
 - b. Summarized happenings in the district
 - c. Summaries for the Area Directors:
 - i. 100% of areas in good standing
 - ii. 100% of areas have a plan
 - iii. 75% of alumni chapter will execute IMDP



- d. Summary for March for Babies Report:
 - i. Appreciation for Bro. Anthony Sartin, March of Babies Representative
 - ii. District of Illinois has participant from 7 alum and 2 college chapters:
Totals presented
 - e. Summary of Reclamation and Re-engagement Report:
 - i. Recognized Bro. Robert Watkins, Jr
 - ii. 79 brothers reclaimed in Illinois
 - f. Summary of Historian Report:
 - i. Recognized Bro. Smoot for the innovative ideas with the Chicago History of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Tour.
 - ii. Plans to rename street on 44th and King Drive to “Alpha Phi Alpha Way”
 - iii. District history books is for sale
 - g. Thanked brothers for support and trying new things during his term
 - h. Report submitted for information purposes only
14. Election Committee Report: Bro. Arthur Cotman, Rho Zeta Lambda
- a. Reviewed the rules with the body
 - b. Nominations for Assistant District Director
 - i. Bro. Charon Pettis nominated Theodore Fisher, Theta Omicron
 - ii. Motion to cast one ballot, motion accepted
 - c. Motion to close nominations for Assistant District Director
 - i. Bro. Ali, Xi Lambda, properly seconded
 - d. Point of Order: Bro. Sasha Douyon, Theta Mu Lambda – Inquired about the vote for nomination present on the floor.
 - i. Bro. Christopher Wienum, Rho Zeta Lambda, clarified the election rules
 - e. Bro. Christopher Wienum, Rho Zeta Lambda, moved, to accept election rules as read
 - i. Bro. Sasha Douyon, Theta Mu Lambda, properly seconded
 - ii. Motion passes
 - iii. Bro. Theodore Fisher, Theta Omicron accepts the nomination
 - f. Nominations for District Director
 - i. Bro. Michael Riley, Kappa Pi Lambda nominates Bro. Alvin Doss Jr.
 - Bro. Richard Doss, Theta Mu Lambda, properly seconded
 - ii. Bro. James Brooks, Theta Mu Lambda nominates Bro. Michael C. Williams
 - Bro. Criter, Mu Mu Lambda, seconded
 - Bro. Richard Hodge, Theta Mu Lambda, seconded
 - iii. Bro. L. Bernard Jakes, Mu Mu Lambda, nominates Bro. Leonard C. McKinnis
 - Bro. Ali, seconded



- Bro. Brad Bolter, Iota Delta Lambda, seconded
 - iv. Motion to close nominations, properly seconded
 - g. Bro. Alvin Doss, Delta Epsilon Lambda accepts nomination
 - h. Bro. Michael Williams, Theta Mu Lambda accepts nomination
 - i. Bro. Leonard McKinnis, Zeta Xi Lambda accepts nomination
- 15. Moved to begin Candidate Forum
- 16. Adjournment for the day: 3:56pm



SATURDAY BUSINESS SESSION

Saturday, November 5, 2022

Presiding: Bro. Quincy B. Banks, District Executive Director

1. Alpha Spirit - Bro. John "Apple" Lane, Xi Lambda
 - a. Recognized Eta Eta Chapter for 50th anniversary and Current College Present
 - b. Recognized Eta Tau Chapter for 50th anniversary and Current College President
 - c. Recognized Alpha Mu for 100th year, Current College President, Bro. Michael Blake, and Bro. Marcus Payne
 - d. Recognized Bro. Frank Stacy, District Director for his great work during his term ("Love, support, and protect the brand").
 - e. Song – "I'm so glad to be an Alpha man"
 - f. Encouraged brother to attend the Midwest Regional Convention in March 2023
2. Election Committee – Bro. Quincy Bank, District Executive Director
 - a. The next District Director will be announced at the evening gala
3. Midwestern Regional Assistant Vice President - Bro. Blake Sartin
 - a. Thanked the host chapters for their work in planning the District Convention
 - b. College brothers discussed way to bring attention to the organization on their campuses through events
 - Events/Fundraisers: Pie an Alpha
 - Promotion for events: Social Media
 - Protocol for social events: Insurance policy and protocol
 - Chapter success to empower brothers to do transcendent work
 - c. Continue to empower the college brothers
 - d. Recognized Bro. Demetrius Davidson of Glassdoor to empower college brothers to take advantage of the opportunity presented
 - e. The need to empower and encourage college brothers. Recognized Bro. Alex Sherley for taking on presiding officer duty in the first business meeting.
 - f. Special Recognition:
 - i. Alpha Mu Chapter for 100th anniversary
 - ii. Epsilon Kappa Chapter for 60th anniversary
 - iii. Eta Eta Chapter for 50th anniversary
 - iv. Eta Tau Chapter for 50th anniversary
 - v. Midwestern Regional Leadership Team
 - vi. Bro. Jordon Donald



- vii. Bro. Troy Davis
 - viii. Bro. Anthony Sartin, for making him the man
 - ix. Iota Delta Lambda Chapter for their influence
 - x. Bro. Theodore Fisher
 - xi. Bro. James Elam
 - xii. Bro. Quincy Banks, District Executive Director
 - xiii. Bro. Frank Stacy Jr., District Director
 - xiv. Bro. Ronald Stovall, Midwest Regional Vice President
 - xv. All of the other brothers not mentioned
 - g. Encouraged brothers to continue to hold alpha high and serve together
4. Election Committee – Bro. Arthur Cotman
- a. No run off is needed
 - b. Expressed gratitude for allow him to serve as Election Chair
5. Midwest Regional Vice President – Bro. Ronald Stovall
- a. Acknowledged Bro. Frank Stacy and Bro. Quincy Banks
 - b. Acknowledged Bro. James Elam
 - c. Board of Directors met to solidify strategic plan:
 - i. Focus Areas: Brotherhood, Fraternal Engagement, Leadership, Service and Advocacy, and Professional Success
 - ii. Approved constitution and current by laws for fraternity. No structural changes were made
 - d. Regionally, the strategic plan included:
 - i. Modifying Regional Convention to include virtual components
 - ii. 3,800 consistently active brothers in the region. The goal is 5000- active brothers
 - iii. Alpha Phi Alpha Charitable Foundation is doing well.
 - iv. Continuing to create strategic partnerships
 - NARAB
 - Notre Dame University, scholarships for MBA program for brothers
 - Rottweiler Nation, helping with campus recruitment
 - ACLU, help institution to make racism a public health crisis
 - e. Registration is open for Midwestern Regional Convention
 - i. Looking to break attendance record this year
 - ii. New leadership will be elected
 - iii. 97th General Convention in July 2023, Dallas, TX
 - Be present at this convention
 - f. Deadline for Fraternal fees is coming



- i. Encouraged brothers to pay these fees to remain active
 - g. Tasked alumni chapters to have 70% of brothers active within chapters
 - i. Reclaim some of the brothers in the inactive list
 - ii. Remove the inactive brothers from the roll
 - h. Thanked the brothers of the District of Illinois
- 6. Assistant District Director Report – Bro. James Elam, Assistant District Director
 - a. Report is for informational purposes only
 - b. Encouraged college brothers to get involved in Alpha outside of college chapters
 - c. Special Recognition to district staff
- 7. District Director Report – Bro. Franklin Stacy Jr., District Director
 - a. The District of Illinois is as strong as it has ever been
 - b. Acknowledgments:
 - i. Midwestern Regional Vice President Candidates
 - ii. Bro. Wardell Glass, candidate for General Comptroller
 - c. The Accomplishments of District
 - i. Advocated for the reactivation of Iota Pi chapter
 - ii. Advocated the reinstatement of some college brothers
 - iii. Recognized Bro. Marcus Payne for helping charter two new chapters: Phi Nu and Phi Rho chapters
 - iv. Recognized Bro. Sasha Douyon, a brotherly resolution has been made with the Illinois Alpha Phi Alpha Charitable Foundation
 - v. Recognized Bro. Anibal Vegas, for the help in the implementation of the Power of Seven Fundraiser
 - vi. Launching a new fundraiser, “Pledge Your Year Fundraiser”
 - vii. Bro. Quincy Banks, created the logos and graphics for the district. Also, started the SO IL paraphernalia and Alumni Brother Professional Profile
 - viii. Recognized Bro. Henry Carpenter and Bro. Demetrius Davison for corporate sponsorship
 - ix. Recognized of Bro. Jeff O. for corporate sponsorship
 - x. Recognized of Bro. Wonderful Watson for financial auditing services for the district
 - xi. Recognized Bro. Ronald D. Stovall for allowing the districts to receive some of the proceeds from the collected regional fees.
 - xii. Recognized the District Conference Team, reconstructed the conference for more time for fellowship and time for preparation
 - xiii. The District offered a payment plan for college brothers.



- xiv. All IMDP applications were reviewed before submission to ensure candidate did not have any issues. Recognized Bro. Jeremy Harmon for his assistance
 - xv. Recognized Alpha Mu chapter for 100th anniversary celebration
 - d. The Challenges of the District
 - i. The Global Pandemic - the work of Alpha continued. Alpha Day at the Capital, First Virtual District Conference, IMDP continued
 - e. Recognized the three candidates for District Director
 - f. These are unprecedented times and it is Alpha's responsibility to step up and take action.
 - g. Will work with District Director Elect to fight problems that plague our community
 - h. To college brothers, "Alpha cannot exist without you. But must understand that there are strength in numbers"
 - i. To alumni brothers, "You are the strength of Alpha. Continue to bring wisdom to your chapters"
 - j. Recognized Bro. Benny Johnson
 - k. Recognized the District Staff
 - l. Recognized the brothers of Eta Eta chapter
 - m. Recognized the brothers of Kappa Pi Lambda chapter
 - n. Recognized Bro. James Elam
 - o. Recognized Bro. Quincy Banks
 - p. Recognized all brothers of the District
 - q. Discussed his beginnings with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Eta Eta Chapter, Kappa Pi Lambda, service under other District Directors, the college brother that encourage him to run for Illinois District Director.
 - r. Expressed love for the brothers of the District.
 - s. Requested brothers to please keep Bro. Warren Moore and Bro. George Reaves in our prayers.
8. Rules & Credentials – Bro. Jeffery McCarther, District Conference Chair
- a. Every college brother voted for the first time in 16 years.
 - b. Every alumni brother voted this year
 - c. 94 delegates/ 22 college brothers and 72 alumni
 - d. For informational purposes only
9. Alpha Illinois Leadership Foundation Report – Bro. Anibal Vega, District Foundation Chair
- a. Gave the purpose of the foundation



- b. Bro. Wonderful Watson: Financial figures disclosed for informational purposes only
- c. Working to be a tax exempt entity
- d. The foundation is not certified under the State of Illinois to be eligible for grants
- e. All license plate funds will go to this foundation
- f. Support was given to various chapters and brothers' needs.
- g. Chapter must contact Bro. Vega to learn the process for requesting funds.
- h. Questions:
 - Bro. Michal Williams ,Theta Mu Lambda - inquired about the amount received per license plate
 - Bro. Steve Minter – inquired about the voting members of the foundation
- i. A copy of the Memorandum of Understanding was signed and given to the District Director.

10. Omega Service Recognition – Bro. Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes, District Chaplain

11. Benediction – Bro. Rev. Dr. L. Bernard Jakes

12. Adjournment - 3:11pm

- a. Motion to adjourn: Bro. Steve Minter, Xi Lambda
- b. Properly seconded, Bro. Rufus Jackson, Iota Delta Lambda

Submitted by,
Bro. Frank Miller
Illinois District Secretary
Theta Mu Lambda



Rules & Credentials



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Illinois District Conference

November 1, 2023

Committee on Rules and Credential Report

MEMORANDUM

TO: Brother Leonard C. McKinnis, Ph.D., Illinois District Director

Brother Yaree Wilson, Illinois Assistant District Director

District Officers

Brothers of the Great District of Illinois

FROM: Brother David E. Griggs II, Chairman, Committee on Rules and Credentials

RE: Committee on Rules and Credentials Report

This report is respectfully submitted:

1. All Chapter financial obligations to the Illinois District, the Midwestern Region and General Headquarters must be current before any delegates are certified.
2. Chapters are responsible for having their Delegates appropriately register at least four



(4) days prior to the District Conference. The District Executive Director shall have a complete listing of all eligible Chapters with eligible delegates prior to the beginning of the District Conference.

3. The Conference and meetings shall be governed according to the Robert's Rules of Order, except that in the matter of debate, each speaker shall be limited to not more than two (2) minutes. Additional time may be granted at the discretion of the District Director or Presiding Officer.

4. One-fourth (1/4) of the registered delegates shall constitute a "Quorum," as provided in the Constitution and By-laws of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Article II Section 9 (9.1)).

5. Business/Alpha attire is required for all business sessions. For clarity, this is defined as dark or conservative suit, long sleeve dress shirt, a conservative tie, socks, and black dress shoes. A blazer with the appropriate pants combination, preferably Alpha Blazer, is an acceptable alternate attire selection.

6. The District Director shall be an "Ex-Officio" member of all committees.

7. Only Delegates are allowed to vote on any voting matter and participate in any elections.

8. A list of Eligible Voters, certified by the Committee on Rules and Credentials, shall constitute the Official Voting Personnel of the Conference.

9. There shall be at least one (1) Sergeant-at-Arms to maintain order.

10. At the opening of business session, the Committee on Rules and Credentials shall report to the Assembly.

11. Any Brother recognized by the Chair or Presiding Officer shall give His Name and Chapter Identification, before being allowed to address the Assembly.



12. All Registered Brother shall have all rights and privileges of Delegates, including the right to address the assembly, raise points of order, state any unreadiness, and take other parliamentary action inherent in a deliberative body – but they shall not have the right to vote.

13. In a schedule session, the necessity of a “Quorum” shall apply at the initiation of the session or the incidence of legislation.

14. All matters pertaining to distribution of funds or other matters of finance shall be referred to the District Treasurer or other proper entity prior to extend discussion and/or voting by the Illinois District Conference.

15. There shall be no verbal reports given by District Officers or Committee Chairmen.

16. Time – not exceed four (4) minutes – shall be given to District Officers and Committee Chairmen for emphasis, summaries, and recommendations of their reports.

17. The Conference shall not entertain for discussion at the time of its presentation anymatter by a visitor or member of the Conference which in the course of Conference procedure can be considered by an existing or established committee.

18. Smoking and Alcohol consumption is strictly prohibited within the Business Sessions.

19. Inappropriate language (verbal or written) may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including removal from the Conference.

Fraternally Submitted,

Brother David E. Griggs II, Chairman



Committee on Racial, Social & Economic Justice



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
District of Illinois

District Commission Racial, Social, and Economic Justice

Topic: District Report

Commission Members: Chair Michael Gaines, Robert Dixon, Kenneth Page, Willie Mack, Drake Materre, Markayle Tolliver

A commission on racial, social, and economic injustice would work on addressing a wide range of issues related to systemic disparities and discrimination. Some of the key areas it might focus on include: **Criminal Justice Reform, Education Equity, Economic Equity, Healthcare Disparities, Housing Equity, Voting Rights and more.**

The commission on these issues would aim to bring together experts, activists, policymakers, and community representatives to develop comprehensive strategies for promoting equity and justice in society. Its work would involve research, public hearings, community engagement, and advocacy for policy changes for its members and communities.

Recent Activities:

Virtual Panel on Affirmative Action and Supreme Court

Kouri Marshall - Guest Facilitator

August 6, 2023, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Panel will include Illinois State Senator of 17th District Elgie Sims, Salifu Habib Student at University of Illinois, Ken Page of ALCU of Central Illinois, and Western University Broad Member Doug Shaw

The Panel discuss that African Americans, like many minority communities, have expressed concerns about the possibility of the Supreme Court overturning affirmative action policies in university admissions. Affirmative action has historically been seen as a tool to address past and ongoing racial disparities by promoting diversity and equal opportunity. Some of the key concerns include:

Impact on Access to Higher Education: Concerns that the elimination of affirmative action may limit access to higher education for African American students, making it more difficult for them to gain admission to competitive colleges and universities.



Reduced Campus Diversity: The removal of affirmative action could lead to less diverse student bodies, which many believe is essential for a well-rounded educational experience and for preparing students for a diverse workforce and society.

Perpetuation of Inequality: There is concern that without affirmative action, the historical and systemic disadvantages faced by African Americans may be perpetuated, hindering progress towards racial equality.

Narrowing Opportunities: African Americans worry that the elimination of affirmative action may limit their opportunities to break cycles of poverty and inequality, as higher education often serves as a pathway to better economic prospects.

Ensuring Meritocracy: In the other side of the debate, some argue that affirmative action may be seen as inconsistent with a purely merit-based approach to university admissions, and they believe it should be eliminated to ensure fairness.

It's important to note that the issue of affirmative action is highly debated, and there are varying perspectives on its effectiveness and legality. The Supreme Court has made significant rulings on this matter in the past, and future decisions may continue to shape the policies regarding affirmative action in university admissions.

The New Partnership:

Commission is creating new partnerships for advocacy which is crucial for several reasons to Amplifying Impact: By collaborating with other organizations, advocacy efforts can reach a broader audience, garner more support, and have a larger impact on the issues at hand. Diverse Expertise: Partnering with organizations that have different areas of expertise can bring fresh perspectives and innovative solutions to complex problems. Resource Sharing: Partnerships can lead to resource sharing, such as funding, manpower, data, and technology, making advocacy campaigns more effective. Building Coalitions: Forming coalitions can unite various groups with a shared mission, creating a stronger and more influential collective voice. Legislative Influence: Partnerships can enhance an organization's ability to influence policy and legislative changes by pooling resources and expertise.

- Natural Path Nutrition Inc.
- Westside Branch, NAACP
- Black Alliance of Colleges and Employers
- Latino Caucus Foundation
- ALCU

In summary, partnerships are essential for advocacy as they enable organizations to be more effective, reach a broader audience, and address complex issues with a united front.



District Commission Racial, Social, and Economic Justice District Convention Public Open Reception

Kouri Marshall - Guest Facilitator

November 2, 2023, 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Topic: Voting Crisis

Panel will include Speaker of the House of Representative Honorable Emanuel Chris Welch, Illinois State Senator of 17th District Honorable Elgie Sims, Jacalyn Ramdin Community Partner, Yaree Wilson Student at Eastern Illinois University.

This Panel will be with Political Leaders and Activist.

- Summary: Voting crises among African Americans in the United States have been a concern for many years. How we address some of the key concerns include:
 1. Voter Suppression: African Americans have historically faced voter suppression efforts, such as restrictive voter ID laws, gerrymandering, and purging of voter rolls, which can disproportionately affect their ability to vote.
 2. Limited Access to Polling Places: Insufficient polling places in predominantly African American neighborhoods can result in long lines and discouragement to vote.
 3. Disenfranchisement of Formerly Incarcerated Individuals: Felony disenfranchisement laws in some states disproportionately impact African-Americans, limiting their ability to vote even after serving their sentences.
 4. Voter ID Laws: Stricter voter ID requirements can create barriers for those who may not have the necessary identification documents.
 5. Voter Intimidation: Reports of voter intimidation, particularly in minority communities, can discourage people from voting.
 6. Discrimination and Unequal Treatment: African Americans have reported instances of discrimination and unequal treatment at the polls, which can deter them from



participating in the electoral process.

7. Lack of Representation: African Americans may feel that their concerns are not adequately represented by elected officials, leading to lower voter turnout.

8. Disinformation and Suppression Campaigns: Disinformation campaigns can target African American communities, spreading false information and potentially discouraging them from voting.

9. Socioeconomic Barriers: Socioeconomic factors, such as lack of access to transportation or time off work, can create barriers to voting for African Americans.

10. Systemic Racism: The overarching concern is the presence of systemic racism that continues to affect various aspects of African Americans' lives, including their ability to exercise their voting rights.

Efforts are ongoing to address these concerns and protect the voting rights of African Americans, including legislative changes, awareness campaigns, and legal challenges to discriminatory practices.

Trainings in Development

- Illinois Grant Accountability and Transparency Act
- Fiscal Training for Brother and College
- ALCU Chapter Development
- Latino Partnership



COMMITTEE ON NEW MEMBER DEVELOPMENT

New Member Development
Committee Report
District Conference 2023

Brother Doug Shaw, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

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Greetings Brothers! It is my pleasure to introduce the New Member Development Process in the District of Illinois.

Purpose:

After the IMDP process, many chapters had no formal process for initial engagement of new members and maintaining their involvement in chapter activities. It would benefit the chapter, the Fraternity, and the new Brothers, to maximize Neophyte engagement.

The purpose of this committee is to introduce a structured multi-point chapter-level program to bring new members into Alpha Phi Alpha in the District of Illinois. The program tracks:



1. Chapter Participation: Neophytes should be encouraged to attend at least 9 of 12 chapter meetings their first year in the Fraternity. This keeps the new Brothers in the loop on chapter business and fellowship. They also learn how to be Alpha Men by observing and interacting with Brothers of all stages in their Alpha tenure.

Note: Neophytes must also complete IMDP certification training.

2. Mentoring/Succession Planning: Each Neophyte should either:

a. Choose a mentor within the chapter to job shadow a leadership role. This job shadowing would be light (as to not burden the Brother in the mentor role), and would consist of discussions on their Alpha role, what it involves, how much time they spend in it, reports, etc.

b. Join (or be assigned to) a committee.

3. Sponsor Development: To further integrate Neophytes into the chapter, Kappa Pi Lambda should add structure and guidelines for Sponsors. The chapter should provide Sponsor training, forms and talking points for the following:

a. Pre-IMDP: When the membership application is pulled, the Sponsor can train the Interested Candidate on Alpha poems, Greek alphabet, and possibly other public information. This information will be condensed into a pamphlet (cleared by IMDP Regional Trainer and Chapter President).

b. Have (at minimum) 4 touchpoints with their IMDP Sponsor during the Neophyte year. These quarterly touchpoints could be a phone call, lunch, etc. The Sponsor should encourage the new Brother on chapter meeting attendance, and general involvement.

c. Discuss annual chapter events and operations, committees, and leadership roles (the Chapter President can provide a list of elected and appointed roles). Discuss the roles and functions of the Golden Torch Foundation vs. Kappa Pi Lambda, why they are separate, and how they complement each other.

d. Get to know who the new Brother is outside of Alpha Phi Alpha (family, career, volunteerism, continuing educational goals...), and make sure he knows who you are.

4. Neophyte Project: The new Brothers should choose their own project to develop and



present to the chapter within their first 12 months. This project is open-ended to allow for creativity (a new program proposal, improvements on current programming, fundraising opportunities, volunteerism, collaborations with other chapters/organizations, etc.). The purpose of the project is to continue cohesiveness of the Neophytes as a line, and to provide an opportunity to add value to chapter operations.

5. District Training: Training for this program will be offered at the District Conference, and through subsequent online training sessions.

Committee has completed:

We have assembled the committee, with appointees from each chapter, and training/rollout is occurring now.

Deliverables over the next year:

1. Conduct training for chapter New Member Development Committee appointees.
2. Collect data from the chapters who complete IMDP and run the New Member Development program.
3. Refine and improve the process based on the committee's (and Sponsors'/Mentors'/Neophytes') feedback.

Fraternally,

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This concludes my report. Your continuous support and active participation are vital as we embark on this transformative journey.



ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT



District Election Criteria

This report details the election procedures that will govern Illinois District elections at the 2023 District Conference:

1. Nominations for the Assistant District Director will occur first. Once nominations are closed for Assistant

Director, nominations will be open for District Director.

2. Those seeking to nominate a candidate for either Assistant District Director or District Director must first be recognized by the presiding officer.

3. Nominations must be seconded.

4. After the nomination has been seconded, a Nominating Speech should be made and should not exceed three (3) minutes.

5. A supporting speech, not to exceed two (2) minutes, can follow.

6. A second supporting speech, also not to exceed one (1) minute, can follow.

7. With no more nominations, a motion to close nominations must be made.

8. This motion must be seconded.

9. This motion must be voted on by eligible delegates ONLY.

10. Names of candidates that have been properly motioned and seconded will appear on a ballot given during the election process.

11. Only those Chapters registered as of the beginning of the District Conference on Saturday November 5, 2023 will be eligible to vote if they are:

a. In Good Standing on the District & Regional levels.

b. Have at least one Delegate certified as of the close of Saturday's registration.

12. Any delegate seeking to vote for the positions must be certified by the Chairman of the Rules & Credentials at the beginning of the District Conference.



13. Alumni & College Brothers are eligible to vote for both Assistant District Director & District Director.
14. Only Registered Delegates are allowed to use the polling system.
15. Registered Delegates will receive a ballot for both Assistant District Director & District Director.
16. The Brother must mark only ONE choice for each position.
17. Once done voting, his ballot will be tabulated.
18. A Conference report will be presented at the end of the District Conference.
19. In order to be elected, successful candidate must obtain 51% of the voting Delegates to have their name forwarded to the Midwestern Regional Vice-President.
20. If no candidate achieves the 51% threshold. A runoff will be held for the top two candidates. A simple majority of the runoff votes will be deemed the winner.



Brothers of the Illinois District,

The following Brother is certified to be a candidate for the nomination and election to the Office of Illinois District Director of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.:

Dr. Leonard McKinnis. [Mu Mu, Zeta Xi Lambda]

The following Brothers are certified to be a candidate for the nomination and election for the Office of Illinois Assistant District Director of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.:

Andre Council [Beta Eta]
Jeremiah Johnson [Epsilon Phi]
Justin Royal [Epsilon Kappa]
Jabali Maatuka [Iota Pi]

These Brothers are certified in accordance with the Illinois District of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Constitution and By-Laws, and the Protocol and Procedure for the Certification, Nomination and Election of Officers. Candidate forums will be held at the district conventions. Please refer to the Illinois District Constitution for the Certification, Nomination and Election of Officers for the guidelines that candidates and Brothers are expected to follow.

Fraternally,

Arthur R. Cotman

Brother Arthur R. Cotman
Illinois Election Committee Chair
Beta Kappa '89/ Rho Zeta Lambda



Health & Wellness Committee Report

Director of Health & Wellness, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.,

Illinois District



Greetings esteemed members,

Purpose: The Health & Wellness Committee is committed to fostering an environment that prioritizes and enhances the holistic well-being of all members within the IL District of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.

Scope:

This committee will oversee, recommend, and implement programs, activities, and initiatives that nurture nine key areas of life: Physical, Social, Emotional, Spiritual, Cultural, Financial, Occupational, Environmental, and Intellectual.

Key Responsibilities:

1. **Data Collection & Analysis:** Partner with organizations such as Alt Med Data LLC to collect, analyze, and interpret data, offering insights into the District's collective health and well-being strengths and areas of improvement.
2. **Program Development:** Design and launch targeted programs and activities based on data-driven insights to address specific areas of need.
3. **Education & Advocacy:** Promote awareness about the importance of holistic well-being, creating opportunities for members to learn about and engage with topics that impact their health and wellness.
4. **Collaboration & Partnership:** Seek collaborations with external entities,



sponsors, and partners to enhance the committee's reach and impact.

5. Continuous Evaluation: Regularly assess the effectiveness of the programs and initiatives rolled out, making necessary adjustments to align with the evolving needs of the district's members.

Expected Outcomes:

- An increase in the overall well-being scores of the members across the nine key areas of life.
- Successful establishment and implementation of coping mechanisms, stress management strategies, and thriving initiatives.
- Enhanced value proposition for the IL District, making it attractive for potential sponsors and collaborators.

Commitment: Members of this committee are expected to attend regular meetings, actively participate in program development, data analysis, and other relevant activities, and serve as ambassadors of health and wellness within their respective chapters and the broader fraternity community.

Duration: The committee will function year-round with the flexibility to introduce sub-committees or task forces for specific initiatives or programs as needed.



Next Steps:

1. Committee Formation: I am actively searching for dedicated members to join the Health & Wellness Committee. I encourage those passionate about the radiant enhancement of this division to step forward. I plan on circulating a district-wide email as an invitation. Please reach out directly to express your interest. Upon finalizing our committee members, I will schedule our inaugural meeting.

2. Upcoming Meeting & Data Collection: Our first meeting will focus on the valuable data collected during the District Convention. We are partnering with Alt Med Data LLC to gather live data, aiming to provide a holistic understanding of our district's collective strengths and weaknesses regarding our health and overall well-being.

3. Breakout Session – "Alpha ProtoQOL": We've planned a dedicated session titled, "Alpha ProtoQOL: A call to Black Men's Comprehensive Well-Being." Here, we will deliberate on the data findings, engage in meaningful conversations, and discuss the formulation of a data-driven plan for 2024. Our objective is to amplify our district members' quality of life by focusing on three identified target areas.



4. Holistic Well-being Vision: Our overarching aim is to uplift the overall well-being of every member across nine pivotal life areas: Physical, Social, Emotional, Spiritual, Cultural, Financial, Occupational, Environmental, and Intellectual. Recognizing the interplay of these dimensions in overall well-being, we will concentrate on fostering coping mechanisms, stress management strategies, and initiatives that promote thriving. This holistic approach not only enhances the individual lives of our members but also augments the collective value of the IL District.

5. Data & Partnership Opportunities: Our meticulously gathered and analyzed data will serve as a beacon for potential sponsors and future collaborators. It exemplifies our commitment to progress and offers an attractive proposition for those seeking partnerships rooted in purpose and vision.

Attached Action Plan:

Along with this report, I've included an attached action plan for this committee. This plan, designed with precision and foresight, is submitted for your review and feedback. I encourage each of you to go through it and provide your valuable insights as we move forward.

This concludes my report. Your continuous support and active participation are vital as we embark on this transformative journey.



Phase 1: Research & Planning (Months 1-2)

Assessment: Conduct a thorough needs assessment via surveys and interviews among fraternity members to identify health priorities and concerns.

Data Analysis: Compile and analyze health data and risk factors specific to African-American men to inform the program's focus areas.

Legal Compliance: Research state and federal regulations concerning wellness programs to ensure compliance.

Objectives and Goals: Define SMART objectives and key performance indicators

(KPIs).

Budgeting: Create a detailed budget outlining expected costs and potential funding sources.

Phase 2: Design & Development (Months 3-4)

Program Components: Develop activities, interventions, and initiatives addressing identified needs. Activities include fitness classes, mental health seminars, nutrition counseling, etc.

Resource Allocation: Identify and secure resources needed, including trainers, speakers, and venues.



Partnerships: Seek partnerships with local health organizations, clinics, or experts to offer added value to the program.

Communication Strategy: Create a multi-channel communication plan to raise awareness and engagement.

Phase 3: Pilot Testing (Month 5)

Soft Launch: Pilot test critical components with a smaller group of fraternity members.

Feedback Collection: Solicit feedback from participants and stakeholders.

Adjustments: Make any necessary adjustments to the program based on feedback.

Phase 4: Full Implementation (Months 6-7)

Launch: Roll out the fully developed program to the entire district.

Monitoring: Set up regular checkpoints for data collection and participant feedback.

Engagement: Utilize your communication strategy to maintain participant engagement and update members on program activities.



Phase 5: Review & Improvement (Months 8-9)

Data Analysis: Gather all data and feedback to assess the program's success based on your initial KPIs.

Improvements: Make adjustments and refinements to the program as needed.

Member Testimonials: Collect testimonials and success stories for marketing and gaining additional program support.

Phase 6: Scaling & Future Planning (Months 10-11)

Expansion: If the program is successful at the district level, prepare a proposal for scaling it to a regional or national level.

Final Report: Produce a comprehensive report outlining the program's success, impact, and recommendations for future initiatives.

Dr. Glenn T. Miller

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Executive Director Report

District Conference 2023

Brother Montgomery Don Proffit, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

Chapter Compliance:

General Organization –

14/18 (78%) of College Chapters are in good standing.

13/14 (93%) of Alumni Chapters are in good standing.

27/32 (84%) of all Chapters within the District are in good standing.

There are a few Chapters that still need to update their Roster

Midwestern Region –

100% of the Chapter within the District are in good standing for the remainder of 2023.

District –

15/18 (83%) of College Chapters are in good standing.

12/14 (86%) of the Alumni Chapters are in good standing.

27/32 (84%) of all Chapters within the District are in good standing.



Chapter Compliance continued:

- A few chapters still need to update their rosters
- Please remember that in order to participate with IMDP in the Spring, you must send your complete delegate strength to the Regional Convention in Milwaukee in April.

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Grievance and Discipline Committee Report

District Conference 2023

Bro Herb Roach, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

Greetings esteemed members,

The purpose of the Grievance and Discipline Committee is to maintain a fair and just environment within the District of Illinois, ensuring that members adhere to the fraternity's rules, policies, and standards of conduct. The committee's primary role is to address grievances, investigate misconduct, and recommend appropriate disciplinary actions when necessary.

Key Responsibilities: (In-depth explanation provided at end of report)

1. Grievance Handling
2. Investigation
3. Disciplinary recommendation
4. Due Process
5. Confidentiality
6. Reporting
7. Education and Prevention

Members:

Dionte Durham (District Attorney)

Dejon Mitchell (Co-Chair)

Dr. Melvin Hinton

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Next committee meeting:

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We meet on a as needed bases.



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THE BROTHER'S KEEPER & CHAPLAIN'S COMMITTEE

District Conference 2023

Bro. Rev. Gregory L. Payton, Chaplain Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

Greetings esteemed members,

Purpose: The purpose of this committee is to serve & support the Brotherhood of the District so the Brotherhood can effectively serve the district of Illinois.

Scope: This joint committee will be led by the District Chaplain, Bro. Rev. Gregory L. Payton
We will meet on the Second Monday of every month on Zoom starting in January 2024.

Key Responsibilities:

- This committee will take the lead in conducting Omega Services for College Brothers or Brothers who are Illinois Residents who do not belong to an Alumni Chapter.
- We will assist the Chapter Chaplains with Omega Services of Brothers who belong to an alumni chapter on an as needed basis upon request from the Chapter Chaplain & President.
- Bereavement Support – making sure next of kin, parents, spouses, or loved ones of deceased brothers are contacted immediately and timelier as well as making sure resolutions are presented at funerals as needed, flowers for deceased Alpha wives and widows of deceased Brothers, offering letter of condolences, and Sending Cards as needed.
- Debrief meetings after major events.
- Wellness Checks (checking on brothers by phone and/or in person).
- Communication & Prayer Requests will be shared with the Brotherhood on a more consistent basis on the district & chapter level.
- Hospital Visits (on the chapter level) as needed.

Additional Actions

- We encourage Brothers to work with Senior Brothers in their respective chapters to act in the role of a case manager by attending doctor appointments with senior brothers or taking brothers to their doctor's appointment.
- Making sure Brothers have their meds.



- We will also do Grocery outreach for the senior brother (on a chapter level).
- We will provide Peer support among the brothers on a district and chapter level (as needed). This aspect of the committee will be reviewed further.
- Chaplain Chats (specific topics such as Grief, Loneliness, Aging, etc.) will be conducted with the District Brotherhood on a quarterly basis.
- Remembrance Sessions (Quarterly) – remembering brothers that have entered Omega Chapter throughout the year. This will be similar to what we do at the conventions and conferences.

Expected Outcomes:

- The District Chaplain encourages Chapter Chaplains to have committees of this type at the chapter level.
- The district committee will serve as a model for the Brother's Keeper/Chaplain Committee on the chapter level should that chapter choose to have this type of committee.

Commitment:

As the appointed chair of this joint committee, I am committed to working with the members of this committee in order to achieve the goals that have been set over next 3 to 4 years in my role as District Chaplain.

Duration:

March 2023 to the end of the current District Director's leadership term.

Action Steps:

The District Chaplain will appoint a college brother & two alumni brothers to serve as assistant Chaplains. The District Chaplain will recruit chaplains, clergy, and any interested brothers from each Alumni & College chapter in the district.

I AM GRACIOUSLY ASKING FOR A COMMITMENT FROM EACH ALUMNI CHAPTER CHAPLAIN.

Please contact me via email or by phone as soon as possible.

The District Chaplain is going to host an Omega Service workshop in February of 2024 to go over procedure, protocol, and to share information regarding the importance of Omega Services. This committee will try to carry out some of the Fraternity's Brother's Keeper initiatives by getting information directives from the General Organization.

Next committee meeting:



January 8, 2024

This concludes my report. Your continuous support and active participation are vital as we embark on this transformative journey.

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Strategic Planning Committee Report

District Conference 2023

Farrad Ali, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

Greetings Esteemed Members,

Purpose: The objectives of the District of Illinois Strategic Planning Committee are to better align the district with the strategic plan of the general organization along with targeting measurable improvements within the district.

Scope: To provide planning, discussion, and guidance for the District of Illinois Leadership, College, and Alumni Chapters with the goal to strengthen the district.

Key Responsibilities:

1. To collaborate with district leadership, district committees, and the district chapters to review past performance and introduce new strategies to improve future performance.
2. To recommend goals and objectives for the district based on research to enhance the performance of the district in key performance areas.

Expected Outcomes:

- To firmly establish a 100% "In Good Standing" status for all college chapters within the District of Illinois. Each college chapter will have 7 or more active members by November 2025. Emphasis will be placed on IMDP and College/Alumni community service to better acclimate future college chapter



candidates to the deeds and benefits of membership in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

- To improve the college to alumni chapter matriculation process by more actively engaging college brothers, career mentoring, and local demographic support. Recommendations will be made on Alumni chapter dues college graduate discounts. A concrete goal is to lead the region and fraternity in college-to-alumni chapter matriculation by number and percentage.
- To recommend strategies and tactics to improve the revenue for the District of Illinois. Current revenue is primarily based on taxation. Other sources of revenue and value add will be developed.
- To lead the Midwestern Region in brotherhood retention and reclamation. A framework for chapters to manage their active and reactivated brothers will be developed and training will be provided. Best practices will be developed in collaboration with college and alumni chapters.
- To encourage Alumni chapters to leverage charitable foundations to establish home bases for their chapter and community operations. At present, the District of Illinois has two Alumni chapters that operate facilities. The goal is to have chapter facilities in all regions within the District of Illinois.
- To lead the region in other measurable fraternal metrics, such as, number of IMDP Certified/Risk Management Certified Brothers, and the volume of Special Events Checklists (SECs) submitted for public fraternal events.

Commitment:

The Strategic Planning Committee will require at least one member from every college and alumni chapter within the District of Illinois. The Strategic Planning Committee will meet monthly on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Each chapter should appoint a member to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Duration:



Each meeting is expected to last for 1-2hrs (7pm to 9pm). Meetings will be recorded via Zoom and made available for review.

Action Steps

Topic A: College Chapter Support – Seven (7) or more active members

Topic B: District of Illinois additional revenue sources (merchandise, events, etc.)

Topic C: Reclamation and Retention Improvements (10% minimum)

Topic D: Chapter Foundations for facilities acquisition (conduct workshops and provide support)

Next committee meeting:

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

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Treasury Report

District Conference 2023

Curtis Childress, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Illinois District

Greetings esteemed members,

Purpose: This report will indicate the financial status of the District of Illinois.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Collect the District of Illinois Delegate Taxes from all 31 Chapters (\$4K)
 - a. Delegate Fees emailed August 2023, Due Sept 30th (Late Fees 2024)
 - i. 78% of College Chapters paid
 - ii. 93% of Alumni Chapters paid
 - b. Alpha MX Chapter Contact Information must be current
2. Collect any IMDP Fees (Neo Fees for example)
3. Manage Financial Obligations for the District of Illinois



Illinois District Financial Summary

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity - District of Illinois

Statement of Financial Position

As of September 29, 2023

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Money Market - Chase	5,705.41
Operating Checking Acct - Chase	5,216.54
Time and Place Acct - Chase	45,423.87
Total Bank Accounts	\$56,345.82
Total Current Assets	\$56,345.82
TOTAL ASSETS	\$56,345.82
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Foundation Funds	0.00
Online Purchases	0.00
Total Foundation Funds	0.00
Regional Fees Collected	0.00
Reserve for Regional Competition	1,600.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$1,600.00
Total Current Liabilities	\$1,600.00
Total Liabilities	\$1,600.00
Equity	
Opening Balance Equity	15,501.55
Retained Earnings	29,627.28
Net Revenue	9,616.99
Total Equity	\$54,745.82
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$56,345.82



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity - District of Illinois

Statement of Activity
May 1 - September 29, 2023

	TOTAL
Revenue	
College Bro 2023 Sponsorship	1,000.00
Discounts/Refunds Given	204.92
District Taxes	550.00
Dividends and Interest	0.24
Illinois District Conference 2022	2,083.04
Registration	
District Conf 2023	18,976.10
Total Registration	18,976.10
Total Revenue	\$22,814.30
GROSS PROFIT	\$22,814.30
Expenditures	
Advertising & Marketing	500.85
Banquet-Food Service-Catering	5,000.00
Day at the Capital/Food	1,640.09
District 2023 Gifts	2,455.52
District Administration	325.90
General Convention Fee	400.00
Office Supplies & Software	150.00
Printing - Report book/Programs	425.00
Travel	
Hotel	876.00
Total Travel	876.00
Trophies/Plaques/Souvenirs	500.00
Total Expenditures	\$12,273.36
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$10,540.94
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In Conclusion

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Area Director Reports

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Area Director Chapter

2001

Alumni Chapters in your area

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Chi Lambda

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Mu Alpha Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Chi Lambda

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Mu Alpha Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbres.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi (6)

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

10

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

6

How many new brothers were initiated in your area since the last District Conference?

3

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi

Initiation 3 new Brothers

10th Annual Arrogant Paradise

Barbershop Talk- Discussion on various on campus and mental health

Bro. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day March

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi

Homecoming Edition

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Chi Lambda
Successful project alpha event, continuing youth mentorship collaborations, update of chapter Constitution and bylaws, Launching of chapter website, successful, Bro Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, brunch event , welcoming, six new Brothers to the house and completing successful chapter fundraising project resulting in over \$14,000 being raised.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Mu Alpha Lambda
Dr. Randall Hodges Charitable Golf Outing. The chapter voted to (re)name our annual golf outing in honor our departed brother. Brother Dr. Randall

Hodges was an advocate for equitable education. MAL rented out a movie theater to host The Little Mermaid and Black Panther 2 for the community. These events were also a fundraisers for our MLK scholarship event. MAL provided over \$10,000 scholarships to 5 high school seniors in the Rockford community. The MAL Oratorical event was attended by political officials, media, and community partners. MAL is preparing for our 20th year MLK scholarships in January 2024. MAL continues to partner with DeKalb, Illinois School board to help provide mentorship for youth of color.

5. MAL reclaimed 5 brothers

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in your area since the last District Conference.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi
Bro. Nesean Smith crowned Northern Illinois University Homecoming King 2023

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Chi Lambda
Bro. Philip Kelly - Remarkable health comeback from Stiff Person Syndrome, not being able to walk, to now walking, driving and most importantly working.

Bro. Dr. Perry Benson Jr. has been an exemplary, sacrificial, and humble servant-leader who has continued to be an active Alpha and leader who promotes brotherhood, camaraderie, and encourages unity among and throughout the community. He energizes, encourages, and motivates others through sincere thoughtfulness and progressive action. Brother Benson has served our fraternity and chapter as Director of Educational Activities and Chaplain for the National Pan-Hellenic Council of Lake County. Brother Dr. Benson has Co-Chair of our past three Project Alpha Programs.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Mu Alpha Lambda
MAL is proud to announce since our last District Conference, MAL has 3 brothers that received their Doctorate Degrees.

A. Brother Dr. Jason Goode

B. Brother Dr. David Seymour

C. Brother Dr. Christopher Mitchell

2. Brother Markus Brooks received his law degree from Northern Illinois University and moved to Seattle to take a job as a prosecutor. Brother Brooks passed

What are your area goals for the next year?

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Epsilon Phi
Greater community outreach, mentoring, Project Alpha, scholarships

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Kappa Chi Lambda
Continue to reclaim inactive Brothers in our area. Build a stronger brotherhood within Area 1 cluster. Support our college Brothers.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Mu Alpha Lambda
MAL's goal for next year is to focus on building Brotherhood & Reclamation, while securing more scholarships for high school seniors.

his bar exam.

3. Brother David Seymour was elected to the DeKalb, Illinois School District School Board

4. Brother Anibal Vega was appointed to serve as the District of Illinois Deputy District Director

Brother Kevin Thornton, retired and has now founded a Church that he Pastors.

6. Brother Torrance Ford passed his Realtor national exam and currently successfully working in that space.

7. Brother Corey Dixon ran a competitive & powerful campaign for the position of Mayor in Elgin, Illinois.

8. Brother Robert Edwards & Brother Marvin Dixon participated in the annual Walk to end Alzheimer's. Many brothers in our chapter have made strides in their fields, personal life and in Alpha.

Area Director Reports

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Area Director Chapter

Nu Psi Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

1

College Chapters in Your Area

1

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

No

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

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Eta Tau (5)

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

1

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

2

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

9

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Nu Psi Lambda successfully brought in 6 new members through the IMDP process and Eta Tau added 3. We successfully completed all of the mandated fraternity programs.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

N/a

What are your area goals for the next year?

Bro. James Love, also known by DJ Love, immediate past president of Nu Psi Lambda, won the best DJ services for "Readers Choice Awards Bloomington/Normal".

He was also recognized as a "20 under 40 Leaders of Distinction" award recipient.

Area Director Reports

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Area Director Chapter

Xi Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Xi Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Nu Rho

Theta

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Xi Lambda Leadership Retreat

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

Yes

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Nu Rho

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

24

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

6

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

33 brother were initiated since our last District Conference, 24 new Xi Lambda brother, 4 Nu Rho brothers, and 5 Theta brothers.

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

The brothers of Nu Rho brothers held a Phreshman Orientation Event on the campus of DePaul University where they fellowshipped with their peers, encouraged incoming freshman to get to know the staff and faculty, while conversing with new students about how to navigate academics and social life, while adhering to the rigors of college life. THETA has participated in two tabling events at UIC and Loyola showcasing Greek life to the general student body and allowing them the opportunity to introduce themselves to the Brothers.

Further, members of THETA chapter, both current and alumni, attended the solidarity summit at the University of Notre Dame's Mendoza College of Business. Brothers learned more about Masters, Specialty Masters, and MBA programs being offered in partnership with our Fraternity.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Nu Rho brother Mohammad Yousuf completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Finance. Nu Rho and Xi Lambda Brother Hector Torres completed his Bachelors in Business Management

What are your area goals for the next year?

Goals for next year! To be in good standing with Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., to increase the membership in each College chapter above 7, and all our college brothers are looking to move forward in achieving the goals of academic excellence and graduating with high honors, and becoming

Information Systems and is now working on his M.B.A. at Northwestern University , Nu Rho and Xi Lambda Brother Keith Norwood Accomplished completion of his Masters Degree From Notre Dame, while Nu Rho and Xi Lambda brother Kris Carter will be completing his Masters Degree from University of Chicago this fall. Brother Jordan Sweet, a Spring '23 initiate of THETA chapter. Has been appointed Director of Social Media for the District of Illinois. While Brother AJ Williams, of Theta, has stepped up to co-chair the awards committee at Districts with intentions to do so at Regionals as well.

members of the illustrious Xi Lambda Chapter.
Thank you Brothers!

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Rho Zeta Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Rho Zeta Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Nu Epsilon

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Rho Zeta Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Nu Epsilon; currently no members

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

0

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

0

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

0

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Rho Zeta Lambda Alpha Quest Youth Mentoring Program continues to move the meter with an enrollment of over 20+ young men culminating with execution of our 2nd Annual Year End Banquet were several mentees were awarded scholarship.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Brother Montgomery Profitt was selected and now serves as Executed Director for the District of Illinois! Brother Arthur Cotman was selected to serve as District Elections Chair.

What are your area goals for the next year?

The goal for Area 11 is to reignite a more sustainable Nu Epsilon Chapter seated at Lewis University. We have continued to engage the administration and plan to host an informational at the end of the October.

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Area Director Chapter

Mu Chi Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Kappa Pi Lambda and Mu Chi Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Eta Eta and Epsilon Kappa

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Kappa Pi Lambda and Mu Chi Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Eta Eta

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

6

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

0

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

11

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Our District Director was named RVP

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Bro. Shabazz was elected to the Macomb City Council

What are your area goals for the next year?

To have all the chapters complete all 4 programs and have at least one Alumni and one College chapter compete for Chapter of the Year

Area Director Reports

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Area Director Chapter

Mu Delta Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Mu Delta Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Theta Omicron

Upsilon Xi

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Mu Delta Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Theta Omicron

Upsilon Xi

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

2

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

2

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

3

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

None

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

None

What are your area goals for the next year?

Host Alpha Day at the Capitol.

Bi-annual Juneteenth Gala.

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Area Director Chapter

Mu Kappa Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Mu Kappa Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Beta Eta

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Both Mu Kappa Lambda and Beta Eta

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Beta Eta- 4 members

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

2

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

1

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

11

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Conducted the 50th annual Miss Eboness pageant, Increase in community engagement and opportunities, provided scholarships to high school students, Hosted the biggest "Back Pack" drive in the area which was highlighted in the news.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Dr. Jeff Burgin completed a fellowship designed to foster qualities of a chancellor or president of a university. Steven Gear completed PhD program. Kevin Turner and Matthew Wilson started their masters program.

What are your area goals for the next year?

Continue to reclaim brothers in the area, increase revenue and fundraising opportunities, increase Beta Eta membership, continue to engage the community, and pilot a mentoring program

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Area Director Chapter

Theta Mu Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Theta Mu Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Nu Delta

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Theta Mu Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

Yes

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Currently there are 5 Brothers in Nu Delta. The are 5 Candidates scheduled to complete IMDP on October 28.

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

13 Brothers have been reclaimed.

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

2 Nu Delta Brothers joined with Alumni Chapters.

How many new brothers were initated in your area since the last District Conference?

16 Alumni Brothers 5 College Brothers

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Nu Delta:

Street named in honor of Chapter

Hosted Christmas Toy giveaway

Conducted Alpha this summer and fall

Hosted a College Brothers step show with multiple chapters

Will host the NPHC step show

Theta Mu Lambda:

Hosted Thanksgiving Turkeys and Dinners at Three sites

Assisted with Angel Tree Christmas Presents Deliveries

Initiated the Alphas for Soles Program (Sock giveaway program)

Mentoring Program very active in Community Outreach

Students taken on two College tours

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Brother Glass elected as General Controller

What are your area goals for the next year?

To improve our relationship with our College Chapter and run for the Wesley Award.

To establish an Chapter at Governor State University.

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Area Director Chapter

Delta Epsilon Lambda

Alumni Chapters in your area

Delta Epsilon Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Iota Pi

Did any Chapter in your Area have an annual retreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Delta Epsilon Lambda held a summer retreat during the month of August 2023.

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

Yes

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbers.

N/A

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

5 reclaimed for Delta Epsilon Lambda

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chapter in your area since the last District conference?

zero

How many new brothers were initiated in your area since the last District Conference?

6 new brothers were initiated in the Spring 2023 for Iota Pi and 3 for Delta Epsilon Lambda

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Iota Pi Chapter brought back their annual Atlanta MLK bus trip. They had over 50 students participate. Delta Epsilon Lambda held a very successful canned food drive that raised over \$1,000 worth of goods that were donated to a local church. The chapter's facility is a polling place and we opened the doors for the community to vote in our facility. Our 501c3 foundation has received \$80,000 in grants since last District conference.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in your area since the last District Conference.

Brother Maatuka (Iota Pi) became President of Black Student Union. Brother Perry (Iota Pi) became President of Collegiate100. Iota Pi had 3 brothers graduate since last District Conference. Delta Epsilon Lambda had 2 brothers get married. We had 3 brothers get promotions within the military. A brother in the chapter owns funeral home and recently added a crematory business next to his funeral home.

What are your area goals for the next year?

Iota Pi plans to raise their chapter GPA and increase their fundraising. Delta Epsilon Lambda plans to continue investment in the community. Build a relationship with the Urban League. Increase our reclamation and retention efforts. Collaborate with the 501c3 to increase revenue and improvements to the facility. Have at least 2 membership development sessions with the brotherhood on topics such as etiquette and understanding constitution and by-laws. Increase partnership with the local college chapter.

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Zeta Xi Lambda

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Zeta Xi Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Tau

Zeta Nu

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Zeta Xi Lambda

Tau

Zeta Nu

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

Yes

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbes.

Tau and ZN will have people graduating in December which will decrease their numbers below 7.

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

4

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

3

How many new brothers were initiated in your area since the last District Conference?

8

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

5 Brothers graduated from the collegiate level(both undergraduate and graduate).

Area 7 will be hosting the 2024 District Conference in Champaign along with Tau and Zeta Nu.

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Bro. Jamal Maatuka won the Building Economic Wealth Award at the 2023 Pink Panache.

Bro. Studamire won Graduate Student of the Year.

Bro. Drake Materre won Graduating Student of the Year.

Bro. Weatherspoon received the GEM Fellowship.

Bro Darius White became part of the Central Illinois Business 40 Under 40.

Bro Dr. Smith published his book entitled "Food,

What are your area goals for the next year?

The goals for the area are:

To strengthen the bonds amongst brothers.

Increase the number of reclaimed brothers for the area.

Have more brothers on community boards holding positions.

Travel to another city for our annual retreat(s).

Power, Politics."

Bro Dr. McKinnis published his book entitled "The Black Coptic Church: Race and Imaginaiton in a New Religion"

Bro. Turner. was crowned Prince of Homecoming 2023 at Eastern Illinois University.

Bro. Trimble won was crowned King of Homecoming 2023 at Eastern Illinois University

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Bro Habib participated in a District wide virtual panel on Affirmative Action

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Area Director Chapter

Iota Delta Lambda

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Iota Delta Lambda

College Chapters in Your Area

Alpha Mu
Omicron Xi
Phi Nu
Phi Rho

Did any Chpter in your Area have an annual reattreat? If so, please identify those chapters.

Iota Delta Lambda

Do the college chapters in your area all have at least seven members as of November 2, 2023

No

Chapters at Risk: Please identify college chapters that do not have at least seven members, and their current numbess.

Alpha Mu
Omicron Xi
Phi Nu
Phi Rho

How many Brothers were reclaimed in your area since the last District Conference?

5

How many College Men matriculated to an Alumni Chpater in your area since the last District conference?

2

How many new brothers were initiated in your area since the last District Conference?

Javonti Mordigan (Phi Rho), Antoine Shelton (Phi Nu)

Please identify any significant accomplishments in your area since the last conference.

Area 4 - Leadership Meeting w/ District Director
Alphja Mu - Centennial Celebration
IDL - Alpha Towers - Holiday Bag drop-off, Easter Egg Hunt
Area 4 - Hosted 2022 CACAC Founder's Day
IDL - Infinite Hope Scholarship Gala
Phi Nu - "Know Your Rights" discussion forum
Omicron Xi - MLK Basketball tailgate

Please identify any significant personal accomplishments of Brothers in youre since the last District Conference.

Brother Dekevious Wilson became member of Forbes Black
Brother Donte Cleaves became owner/operator of McDonald's, ATL, GA
Brother Anthony Carr excepts position at University of Illinois

What are your area goals for the next year?

Our goal for next year is to increase college chapter membership and strengthen college chapter programs in Area 4.