

APO/DPO National Meeting Minutes, March 7, 2008, SETC, Chattanooga, TN

I. Alpha Psi Omega and Delta Psi Omega members were welcomed

A. President Teresa Choate introduced herself, Vice-president Frankie Day, web master Joel Lord, and Region 4 Representative John Bald.

B. It was noted that Dr. Bret Jones, National Business Manager, was unable to leave his home state of Oklahoma due to inclement weather.

C. Prof. James Fisher, former National Business Manager, was welcomed to the front to stand in for Dr. Jones.

II. Joe Norton, of Broadway Cares, was invited to the front. He thanked Alpha Psi Omega as a whole and individual chapters for their support of his organization. He left fund raising materials for chapter members.

III. Each chapter introduced themselves, noting their city and state, their college/university, and their chapter

IV. Everyone was reminded that dues have increased to \$30 (still one time only, and for life)

V. APO/DPO Scholarships

A. It was noted that the two annual awards have been increased from \$500 to \$750.

B. Membership was encouraged to apply for these scholarships in the future as we seldom have more than three applicants.

C. The 2008 scholarship winners were announced and portions of their essays were read.

1. Christina Madison, Omicron Delta Chapter Shenandoah University,
Winchester, VA

2. David Spirakes, Tau Kappa Chapter, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK

D. The deadline for application for 2009 was noted as January 15, 2009

VI. The National Hazing Policy was read. Chapters were encouraged to check their individual college/university and state regulations concerning pledging and initiation and to follow them.

VII. Report by web master, Joel Lord

A. Site improvements include the following

1. Ability to view the Playbill on line

2. New formatting to be up shortly

B. Recent requests from membership

1. It has been suggested that membership be able to post video clips and pictures of chapters' activities.
 - a. It was noted that chapters should not violate copyright restrictions if this becomes available.
2. It was requested that the entire National Constitution be put on the web site.
 - a. This item was added to the agenda of the Executive Meeting to be held later the same evening.

C. We've entered late 20th century; all your pictures must now be submitted on line for the *Playbill* (see web site for details)

VIII. A Q & A ensued with questions concerning traditions, service opportunities, fund raising, re-activation, etc.

IX. Refreshments and networking concluded the 2008 National Meeting of Alpha Psi Omega and Delta Psi Omega