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National Convention Minutes

1. The National Convention of Alpha Chi met April 5-7, 2018, at the Hilton Portland Downtown in Portland, Oregon, with the theme of Our Green Planet. Chapter delegations began checking in at AX Central in the Grand Ballroom Foyer starting at 3 p.m., Thursday, April 5. From 3-6 p.m., the Pavilion Ballroom was open for delegates to set up their research and creativity posters for the forum to be held later that evening. A meeting for presentation moderators and judges was held at 5:30 p.m. During this meeting Director of Operations Lara Noah described the procedures that would be followed for student presentations.

2. The first main event of this convention was the Our Green Planet opening banquet from 6:30-8 p.m., in the Grand Ballroom. Dr. Kathi Vosevich, National Council Vice President, welcomed delegates to Portland and to the convention. Ms. Kayla Zuniga, National Council Region III Student Representative, gave a general preview of the convention and gave specific instructions regarding the poster presentations which were to occur later that evening. Ms. Ana Yanes-Garcia, National Council Region I Student Representative, gave announcements regarding the talent show, Friday morning breakfast, and networking for graduate students and alumni members. She also invited attendees to direct any questions to Alpha Chi Central. Dr. Jackie Kegley, National Council Member, read a tribute to the keynote speaker that had been written by former National Council Vice President Bill Clemente. The speaker was Jeff VanderMeer, author of the New York Times best-selling Southern Reach trilogy. He spoke about themes in his novels, his own travels, and climate change. At the end of Mr. VanderMeer’s speech, Dr. Lori Mills, National Council Secretary, invited delegates to come to the floor microphones and ask questions of Mr. VanderMeer. Following the banquet, Mr. VanderMeer signed copies of his books in the Grand Ballroom Foyer.

3. The 2018 Research and Creativity Forum/Student Presentations Session I was held in the Pavilion Ballroom from 8:30-10 p.m. Academic posters in multiple fields, original visual art presentations, and collaborative project posters were on display. During the forum, presentation judges perused posters in their disciplines at 10-minute intervals, while other delegates viewed posters and talked with presenters throughout the forum.

4. Activities for Friday, April 6, began with the second session of student presentations (13 concurrent sessions of three or four papers each) from 8-9:20 a.m. AX Central was open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Research and creativity posters were on display in the Pavilion Ballroom from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Following Student Presentations Session II, regional breakfast meetings were held from 9:30-10:20 a.m. These meetings provided opportunities for networking among delegates from the same regions. Chapters also received regional convention grant forms used to offset their travel costs at these meetings. At even-numbered regional meetings (Regions II, IV, and VI) new student representatives to the National Council were elected. Some regions also elected new regional officers.

5. At 10:30 a.m., all delegates convened in Grand Ballroom I for regional election results and constitutional voting. During this session, Ms. Noah announced the winners of regional elections for student representatives to the National Council. These individuals were Addison Schwamb, from Oklahoma Christian University, Region II; Crystal Padilla, from Lindenwood University, Region IV; and Andre Greco, from Saint Vincent College, Region VI.

Dr. David Jones, National Council President, then presented several amendments to Alpha Chi’s Constitution. These amendments had been suggested by the Constitution Committee of the National Council, approved by the National Council, and sent to chapters 30 days before this convention. Each chapter in attendance had been given voting cards for one sponsor delegate and one student delegate. Dr. Jones invited individuals to come to the floor microphones in the ballroom with questions. All suggested amendments were approved. The amendments are these (italics denote new language to the Constitution; strikethroughs denote deletions):

- Add a Section 5 to Article V (National Council) of the Constitution. This amendment seeks to make explicit the procedures to be followed when a National Council sponsor member is no longer employed at an Alpha Chi institution (a requirement for election). It will read as follows:

  “Section 5. If a sponsor member of National Council ceases to be employed at a member institution,
  a. The member may choose to resign from the National Council;
  b. A member who is willing and able to carry out the responsibilities outlined in Section 3 may request to serve until the end of their term; or
  c. The president, with the support of the Executive Committee, may request that the member agree to serve until the end of their term. Requests for a sponsor member who is no longer employed at a member institution to serve until the end of their term shall be submitted to the entire National Council for approval.”

- Make a change in the statement regarding who is eligible to serve as officers of the National Council. Due to the length of student terms and the nature and extent of officer responsibilities, it is impractical for students to serve in those offices. Thus, the change in the first sentence of Article VI (National Officers) Section 1 is as follows:

  “The officers of the Society shall be elected by the National Council from its membership sponsor members and shall consist of a president, a vice president, and a secretary.”

- Modify Article IX (New Chapters), Section 2 to bring the Constitution into conformity with the 2017 policy adopted by the National Council that only non-profit institutions are eligible for chartering as chapters. Section 2 will now state:

  “Charters for chapters may be granted only to non-profit institutions or divisions of institutions whose work is primarily academic in nature and for which baccalaureate degrees are conferred.”

- Modify Article X (Individual Membership), Section 2 a. to allow the invitation of recent graduates to membership in Alpha Chi. Some chapters choose to have one final opportunity to invite new members from among recent graduates, and this change authorizes them to do so if they choose. Section 2 a. will now state:

  “Membership shall be restricted to undergraduate students who are of junior or senior standing. In addition, at the discretion of the local sponsor, a chapter may issue invitations to recent alumni who qualified for membership at the time of graduation with the baccalaureate degree.”
• Amend Article X (Individual Membership) Section 3 a. to clarify that students pursuing doctoral degrees can become graduate members of Alpha Chi. Section 3 a. will now state:
  Membership shall be restricted to graduate students enrolled in master or doctoral programs who have completed not fewer than fifteen semester hours of graduate credit.
• Delete sections about active alumni membership, since this program was deactivated in 2014. This results in the following deletions:
  Article X (Individual Membership), Section 5. Active Alumni Membership. Members who are no longer at an institution with a chapter of Alpha Chi may attain active alumni status upon payment of an annual fee, as provided in Article XII.
  Article XII (Fees), Section 3. The annual fee for active alumni members shall be fixed by the National Council.
• Add sections to Article XIV (Local Chapter Organization) to describe the process of inactive chapters being deleted from the roster of Alpha Chi chapters and being returned to active status. The new sections will read as follows:
  “Section 5. During their annual meeting, the National Executive Committee shall review the status of chapters that did not induct members during the previous year. After two years of inactivity, the executive director shall contact the institution to discuss the status of the chapter. After three years of inactivity, the National Executive Committee may recommend that the National Council place the chapter on inactive status.
  Section 6. Inactive chapters that name a new sponsor and submit plans for inducting new members may be returned to active status by majority vote of the National Council.”
• Delete Article XV (Area Alumni Chapter Organization), which is no longer relevant, given that there are no active chapters at this point. Subsequent articles will be renumbered to reflect this deletion.

ARTICLE XV Area Alumni Chapter Organization
  Section 1. An alumni chapter of Alpha Chi may be organized in any area (city, county, or group of counties) by a group of active alumni members. It shall be known as an area alumni chapter of Alpha Chi and shall take the name of the area in which it is established.
  Section 2. Permission to organize an area alumni chapter shall be secured from the National Council in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article IX.

In addition to these amendments to the Constitution, the Constitution Committee of the National Council also recommended several amendments to the Bylaws. Given that amendments to the Bylaws do not require a vote by the entire organization, these amendments are being discussed and acted upon by the National Council in their meetings that occur at this convention.

6. The third session of student presentations (13 concurrent sessions of three or four papers each) was then held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. Brown’s Graduation Supplies & Awards Company, official Alpha Chi supplier, displayed Alpha Chi items and convention memorabilia during regular convention hours. Following student presentations, delegates were free to enjoy the rest of the day sightseeing in Portland. At 10 p.m., “Alpha Chi’s Got Talent!” took place in Skyline I and II, where delegates enjoyed a variety of performances.
7. Saturday, April 7, began at 6:45 a.m., with Dr. Graziana Ramsden, sponsor of the Alpha Chi chapter at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, leading an optional beginner-level yoga class in Skyline I. From 8:00-9:20 a.m., a fourth round of student presentations (13 concurrent sessions with two to four papers each) was held. At 9:30 a.m., delegates fixed their plates at a light breakfast bar to be taken to regional meetings until 10:20 a.m. Each region was free to conduct business meetings, if needed, or to use the time for announcing regional scholarship winners or doing informal networking.
8. At 10:30 a.m., convention delegates participated in one-hour chapter-strengthening sessions led by various chapters and Council members. Chapters who led these sessions received a $100 stipend. There were eight concurrent sessions, all on different topics designed to help chapters function more effectively. Delegates were on their own for lunch from 11:40 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. The fifth round of student presentations was held from 1:30-2:30 p.m., which consisted of 12 concurrent sessions of two or three papers each. This was followed by the sixth and final session of student presentations from 2:40-4 p.m. This session consisted of 11 sections of two to four papers each.
9. The final event of the 2017 convention was the Alpha Chi 2018 Awards Gala, held from 5-7:30 p.m., in Grand Ballroom I. Dr. Kathi Vosevich, National Council Vice President, welcomed delegates to the gala. As delegates were finishing dinner, Dr. Bonita Cade, National Council Member, recognized chapter sponsors who received service pins at this convention for reaching special milestones of service. Receiving a 10-year recognition pin this year was Dr. Bob Mahan, Milligan College and National Council member. Receiving a 15-year pin this year was Dr. June Hobbs, Gardner-Webb University and National Council member. Celebrating 16 years is Dr. Jeanne Tunks from University of North Texas. Receiving a 20-year service pin this year was Dr. David Jones, Westminster College (MO) and National Council President.

10. Mr. Elliott Collins and Dr. June Hobbs of the National Council then presented five individuals with the Distinguished Service Award, which is a marble clock engraved with an Alpha Chi plate. This award recognizes individuals whose service to Alpha Chi has been the most influential. The majority of the recipients are current or very recent faculty sponsors recommended by their regional officers. The five recipients were: Dr. Kip Wheeler, from Carson Newman University, the Tennessee Delta chapter (Region III); Dr. Craig Rogers, from Campbellsville University, the Kentucky Lambda chapter (Region V); Dr. James Clarke, from Long Island University, Brooklyn, the New York Sigma chapter (Region VI); Mr. Joshua Chicko, from Pace University, the New York Lambda chapter (Region VI); and Dr. Jeffrey Barnes, from California Baptist University, the California Beta chapter (Region VII).
11. Dr. Trisha Yarbrough, executive director of Alpha Chi, introduced herself and explained the history of Alpha Chi’s Distinguished Alumni Award. She then invited Dr. Blake Janutolo, 37-year chapter sponsor from Anderson University (Indiana) and former National Council member to introduce this year’s Distinguished Alumnus and banquet speaker, Dr. John Pistole. Dr. Pistole, currently the president of Anderson University, previously served for 26 years in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. His service there led to his nomination by President Obama to be Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration. In his address, “Leadership: Challenges and Opportunities,” Dr. Pistole shared many experiences and lessons he has learned in his distinguished career. Dr. Jones then presented Dr. Pistole with the Distinguished Alumni Award.

12. Following a 15-minute intermission, Ethan Veit, National Council member, awarded two faculty members with an Outstanding Chapter Sponsor Award. This award has been given since 2007, and two sponsors are chosen each year because of their dedication to their students, to the chapter, and to Alpha Chi in general. This year’s recipients are: Ms. Breanna Naegeli, sponsor of the Alpha Chi chapter at Grand Canyon University, and Dr. Kip Wheeler, sponsor of the chapter at Carson Newman University. Each recipient received a $200 cash award to use as they wish.

13. Dr. Lori Mills, secretary of the National Council and chair of the Scholarship Committee, announced the 2018 winners of the Gaston Scholarships, winners and alternates of the Nolle Scholarships, recipients of the Sledge Fellowships, winners and alternates of the Benedict Fellowships, and winners and alternates of the Pryor Fellowships. These awards will be sent to the recipients in the fall, upon verification of their full-time enrollment.

- The recipients of the $3,000 Edwin W. Gaston Scholarship for full-time undergraduate study in the fall of 2018 are Evan Banks from Missouri Western University and Daniel Glenn from Christopher Newport University. The recipients of the $2,000 Alfred H. Nolle Scholarship for full-time undergraduate study in the fall of 2018 are (alphabetically): Shannon Clark, Waldorf University; Christopher P. Eli, Jr., Bloomfield College; Taylor Jackson, California State University, Bakersfield; Carolyn Janecek, Westminster College; Alexander McNamara, Southern Methodist University; Kelsi Oldham, University of Texas at Tyler; Logan Owens, Abilene Christian University; Casey Phelps, University of New England; David Thompson, Shorter University; and Emily VanderBent, Huntington University.

- Alternates for the Nolle Scholarship were (in order): (1) Morgan Beougher, Kansas Wesleyan University; (2) Carrie Blowe, Chowan University; (3) Alyssa Daubschmidt, University of New England; (4) Jordyn MacDonald, Wartburg College; and (5) Gabrielle Hargrove, University of Arkansas at Monticello.

- The recipients of the $4,000 Robert W. Sledge Fellowship full-time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2018 were Abigail Hawthorne from Southern Methodist University and Callie Kanthack from University of Montana Western. The recipients of the $3,000 H.Y. Benedict Fellowship for full- time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2018 were (alphabetically): Alfredo Bonilla Aguilar, Angelo State University; Alisha Escobedo, Columbia College; Danielle Fincham, The University of Texas at El Paso; Yash Gandhi, Westernmost University; Amelia Gayle, Lyon College; Mallory Moore, Gardner-Webb University; Mark Pernik, Austin College; Caroline Peterson, Roanoke College; Kathleen Springer, Bridgewater College; and Cho Fai Wong, Fresno Pacific University.

- Alternates for the Benedict Fellowship were (in order): (1) Cynntanna Hawkins, Ouachita Baptist University; (2) Dustin Connis, Hawaii Pacific University; (3) Savannah Weeks, Abilene Christian University; (4) Rachel Bacon, Ouachita Baptist University; and (5) Cody Ray Milner, Oklahoma Christian University.

- The recipient of the $6,000 Joseph E. Pryor Fellowship for a student in a doctoral program who has completed at least two years of study was Aura Ankita Mishra, who is a student at Purdue University and was inducted at the University of Indianapolis. The alternate was Emily Heiston, who is a student at the University of Virginia and was inducted at Shenandoah University. The recipient of the $4,000 Joseph E. Pryor Fellowship for a student in the first or second year of graduate study was Sofia Sedergren, who is a student at the City University of New York and was inducted at Greensboro College. The alternate was Michelle Dufault, who is a student at, and was inducted at, the University of New England.

14. Dr. Bob Mahan and Prof. Suzi Pundt, both National Council members, announced the student presenters chosen to receive $100 Convention Presentation Prizes endowed to honor those with strong ties to Alpha Chi. The winners came forward as their titles and names were announced. The recipients for 2018 were:

- The Walden S. Freeman Prize in American History - Brian Whetstone, Hastings College
- The Ellen Millsaps Prize in American Literature - Hannah Ray, Gardner-Webb University
- The Avery Grenfell Church Prize in Anthropology and Sociology - Victoria Cannon, Carson-Newman University
- The Johnny and Frances Williams and Alexander Bendazzi Prize in Arts: Performance and Research - Samantha Shamard, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- The Robert Blake Prize in British Literature - Logan Owens, Abilene Christian University
- The Gayle Webb White Prize in Business Administration - Colton Taylor, Fresno Pacific University
- The Joseph E. and Bessie Mae Pryor Prize in Chemistry - Jordan Trant, Lyon College
- The Brown’s Graduation Prize in Communication - Mallory Gruben, Hastings College
- The Floyd Tesmer and Strayer University Prize in Computer Science and Engineering - Daryl Bagley, Harding University
- The Thelma Hall Prize in Creative Writing - Diana Humble, Waldorf University
- The Patricia A. Williams Prize in Education: Pedagogy - Sarah Grace Moxley, Gardner-Webb University
- The Patricia A. Williams Prize in Education: Research and Scholarship - Megan McCalmon, Abilene Christian University
- The Milton L. and Avery Grenfell Church Prize in Environmental Science - Ashley Hastings, Univ. of Mary Hardin-Baylor
- The Jeanette Wieser Prize in Exercise Science and Nutrition - Gabrielle Cortese, Gardner-Webb University
The Kathryn Hoyle Bradley Prize in Health Sciences - Brittnie Smithley, Texas Lutheran University
The Joseph E. and Bessie Mae Pryor Prize in Mathematics - Joseph Babcanec, Robert Morris University
The Bonnie Revelle Prize in Molecular and Cellular Biology - Caleb Reagor, Lipscomb University
The Blake and Trish Janutolo Prize in Organismal and Ecological Biology - Cassandra Barlogio, Univ. of North Carolina at Pembroke
The Floyd and Rosana Tesmer and D.C. Gamma Prize in Original Visual Art - Gabriela Marrama, Grand Canyon Univ.
The Clark Youngblood Prize in Philosophy and World Religion - Harley Burgess, Gardner-Webb University
The Jim Kirby Prize in Physics, Geology, and Astronomy - Michael Ramsey, Long Island University, Brooklyn
The Political Science and Economics Prize - Mackenzie Sanderson, Abilene Christian University
The Mary Waterstreet Prize in Psychology - Samuel Klein, Northeastern Illinois University
The second Mary Waterstreet Prize in Psychology - Natalia Hernandez, Erskine College
The Patricia Graham Prize in World History - Savannah Weeks, Abilene Christian University
The Bill Short Prize in World Literature - Emily Eidson, Gardner-Webb University
The Dennis M. Organ Prize for the top presentation by a Graduate Student or Alumni Member - Lori Acosta, Univ. of Texas at Tyler

Dr. Yarbrough came forward to announce the Nationwide Insurance Collaborative Student Research Competition winner. She introduced a Nationwide Insurance agent from Portland, who assisted in presenting the awards. The focus of the 2017-18 competition was Climate Change and the Future. Dr. Yarbrough asked members of the 10 collaborative teams in this year’s competition to stand and be recognized for their time and effort working together across multiple academic disciplines. Due to the number of teams in this year’s competition, two prizes were given. The $5,000 First Place Collaborative Research Prize was awarded to the research team from Gardner-Webb University, whose project was titled: “The Psychology of Oceanic Climate Change.” Team members were Tyler Hemingway, Damian Hutchins, Hope Still, and Kelsi Williams. This team will receive a check for $5,000 to be divided as the team and chapter see fit. The $2,500 Second Place Collaborative Research Prize was awarded to the research team from Lyon College, whose project was titled: “Presence vs. Perception: Analyzing the Relationship Between the Presence and Public Perception of Climate Change by State.” Team members were Marisa Ayers, Hannah Templin, Madison Kate McGraw, Samantha Westcott, and Latricia Miller. This team will receive a check for $2,500 to be divided as the team and chapter see fit.

Dr. Vosevich announced that the 2019 Collaborative Student Research Competition topic has already been chosen and is Lines of Identity, Polarizing Perspectives, and Civil Discourse. At this time, Dr. Vosevich also thanked delegates for their participation in signing hundreds of postcards to be delivered to individuals who receive meals from Meals on Wheels of Portland.

President Jones then made the presentation of the President’s Cup for Outstanding Chapter. This is Alpha Chi’s most prestigious chapter honor and has been awarded since 1987 to recognize chapters’ vitality and significant service to their members, their campuses, and their surrounding community. Dr. Jones recognized delegations whose chapters have won the President’s Cup in the past, including: Brescia University, Carson Newman University, Goldey-Beacom College, Huntington University, East Central University, Lyon College, Long Island University, Brooklyn, and the 2017 winner, Abilene Christian University. Dr. Jones then presented the 2018 President’s Cup for Outstanding Chapter to the Georgia Theta chapter from Shorter University which had present several student delegates and Dr. Kathi Vosevich to accept the award. In addition to a trophy the Outstanding Chapter will get to keep, the Georgia Theta chapter will also receive a $200 honorarium.

Ms. Noah concluded the convention by expressing appreciation for this year’s moderators and judges, the two memorable keynote speakers, National Council members, chapter-strengthening session facilitators, student presenters, the Alpha Chi convention staff, and the staff of the Hilton Portland Downtown. Ms. Noah encouraged everyone to mark their calendars for the next national convention in Cleveland, Ohio, April 4-6, 2019, and for the March 2020 convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She invited delegates to send to the national office their suggestions for future speakers, convention sites, and events for future conventions. Finally, Ms. Noah reminded delegates to make scholarship effective for good and wished everyone safe travel home.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Lori Mills
National Council Secretary
National Council Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome and Plenary One Call to Order. Dr. David Jones, president of the National Council, convened the first plenary of the Alpha Chi National Council at 8:31 a.m., Thursday, April 5, 2018, in Galleria I at the Hilton Portland Downtown in Portland, Oregon. Dr. Jones welcomed everyone to Portland and to the hotel. Members present were: David Jones, Ana Yanes-Garcia, June Hobbs, Bob Mahan, Elliott Collins, Owolabi Tiamiyu, Kathi Vosevich, Robert Carpenter, Bill Potter, Lori Mills, Bonita Cade, Kayla Zuniga, Ken LaSota, Agashi Nwogbaga, Jackie Kegley, Suzi Pundt, Teddi Deka, Ethan Veit, Craig Rogers, Karl Havlak, and Zack Merhavy. National office staff present were Trisha Yarbrough and Lara Noah. Council member not present was Jace Bradshaw.

2. Approval of Agenda. Dr. Jones presented the agenda for the four plenary sessions and explained that students who are ending their terms should attend plenary sessions up through Plenary Three, to help acclimate the new student representatives to their positions. Mr. Potter moved to approve the agenda. Dr. Mahan seconded. Motion passed.

3. Installation of New Council Member and New National Vice President. Dr. Jones installed Dr. Owolabi Tiamiyu as a new member of the National Council and installed Dr. Kathi Vosevich as the new Vice President of the National Council. Both of these individuals are completing the terms vacated by other individuals. Dr. Tiamiyu replaced Dr. Tonia Compton, who left her previous faculty position at Columbia College to pursue other opportunities. Since she is no longer at an Alpha Chi-affiliated institution, she was not eligible to complete her term on the Council. Dr. Tiamiyu was appointed as her replacement, given that she had been nominated for a National Council position in 2017. Dr. Vosevich replaced Dr. Bill Clemente, who has retired from his sponsor role and will be retiring from Peru State College at the end of the 2017-2018 academic year. Following Dr. Clemente’s resignation, Dr. Jones solicited nominations from National Council members for the position of Vice President. Dr. Vosevich was among those who were nominated for this position, and she won election in an email vote of the National Council conducted in Fall 2017.

4. Preliminary Convention Report. Dr. Vosevich reported that at least 15 students are signed up for the Alpha Chi’s Got Talent event. She also stated that delegates are welcome to sign greeting cards that will be delivered to recipients of Meals on Wheels in Portland. These, along with care bags from the chapter at Lindenwood University, will be delivered to Meals on Wheels on Friday. The collaborative research project for the 2019 convention will be Lines of Identity, Polarizing Perspectives, and Civil Discourse. There are approximately 420 delegates registered for the convention, which is a bit above the projections for the number of delegates we expected for Portland. Dr. Jones briefly went over the logistics for the opening banquet.

5. President’s Report. Dr. Jones discussed changes among the makeup of the National Council, including the resignations of Dr. Tonia Compton and Dr. Bill Clemente. He informed the Council that Dr. Tim Lindblom, editor of Alpha Chi’s online journal Aletheia, was planning to attend the convention as editor, but was unable to attend due to extensive damage at his institution from an F-3 tornado.

   A. Dr. Jones thanked committee chair Dr. LaSota for his committee’s work on Awards & Honors and thanked committee chair Mr. Potter for the work of the Constitution Committee. This committee identified proposed amendments, sent them for approval to the council, and then those were sent one month in advance of the convention to all chapters. Dr. Jones stated that the council will address amendments to the bylaws in Plenary Three.

   B. Dr. Jones stated that Alpha Chi has not added any new chapters this year. There has been a great deal of work done by VisionPoint and the national office staff has worked in conjunction with VisionPoint staff to update the Alpha Chi website and work on overall marketing.

   C. Dr. Jones reported that he visited the national office in November 2017 and came away very impressed with how the national office staff run Alpha Chi operations. Plans are underway to move the national office to Little Rock as early as summer 2018.

   D. Dr. Jones reported that Alpha Chi is moving into a period of transition. The Council will discuss this in much more detail in further plenary sessions and in executive session.

Mr. Carpenter moved to accept the report. Dr. Potter seconded. Motion approved.

6. Executive Director’s Report. Dr. Yarbrough asked National Council members to refer to the report that she emailed the National Council on April 4. She also referred to her 2017 year-end report that she emailed the National Council in January 2018.

   A. Dr. Yarbrough states that membership numbers rebounded in 2017 and increased from 2016. She asked that we consider using “multiple touches” to increase acceptance rates, as VisionPoint has suggested. The hope is that these touches will be easier to accomplish with the new induction management system.

   B. Dr. Yarbrough states that Alpha Chi passed the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS) audit. ACHS audits each honor society every three years by evaluating the society’s practices.

   C. Dr. Yarbrough and Katie Holmes hosted a reception at the National Collegiate Honors Council (NCHC) Annual Conference in November 2017 in Atlanta. Dr. Yarbrough was on a panel discussing the benefits of honor societies and their collaboration with honors programs. Dr. Yarbrough believes that Alpha Chi should continue to take part in the NCHC annual conference.

   D. Dr. Yarbrough and Ms. Noah also attended the ACHS convention in February 2018 in Albuquerque, where they learned about audits, tax issues, working with FERPA, long-range planning, and collaborated with other college honor societies.

   E. Dr. Yarbrough also discussed Alpha Lambda Delta (a freshman honor society) and whether Alpha Chi would want to establish a formal partnership with that organization on the campuses where Alpha Lambda Delta and Alpha Chi both exist. Then, perhaps the two organizations could help each other “pave the way” on campuses where only one of the two organizations exists. Ms. Noah said that she had already been in touch with ALD’s executive director and would be following up this summer/fall.

F. Mr. Potter moved to accept the report. Dr. LaSota seconded. Motion passed.

7. Archivist’s Report. Dr. Howard Smolleck, Alpha Chi archivist, is not at this convention. Dr. Yarbrough summarized information she obtained in recent email correspondence with Dr. Smolleck. He intends to visit the archives later in spring 2018. Dr.
Smolleck is primarily focused on the Alpha Chi centennial in 2022. He wants to encourage each chapter to put together historical information from their chapter on a flash drive. Dr. Smolleck will send a formal report after he visits the archives this spring.

Related to the archives, Dr. Jones stated that the centennial committee will be meeting at this convention. He has been in correspondence with Dr. Al Clark, an Alpha Chi sponsor and former national council member. Dr. Clark has worked on oral histories in the past and has offered to meet with the Centennial Planning Committee about perhaps including oral histories as part of the celebration of Alpha Chi’s centennial.

Dr. LaSota moved to accept the archivist’s report. Mr. Carpenter seconded. Motion passed.

8. Committees. The work of the National Council is expedited through preliminary deliberations conducted by small groups of Council members. These committees, some of which are constitutional and some of which are created as needed, have already been announced and have been doing their work throughout the year. They are reported here for the record. Chairpersons are indicated by asterisks. Executive Committee members are often appointed as ex-officio, non-voting liaisons to certain committees.


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Ad Hoc Committees:
 Centennial Planning—Chair (Open)*, Robert Carpenter, David Jones, Bob Mahan;
 Constitution—Bill Potter*, Bonita Cade, Ana Yanes-Garcia;
 Convention Presentations—Suzi Pundt*, Elliot Collins, Teddi Deka, Agashi Nwogbaga, Ana Yanes-Garcia, and;
 Publications: Kathi Vosevich*, Jace Bradshaw, Robert Carpenter, Jackie Kegley, Bill Potter.

9. Plenary One Adjournment. Although Plenary One was scheduled to end at 10 a.m., all agenda items were accomplished. Thus, Mr. Potter moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 a.m. Dr. Mahan seconded. Motion passed.

10. Plenary Two Call to Order. Dr. Jones convened Plenary Two at 2:50 p.m., April 5, in the Atrium Ballroom. He informed the Council that the Audit and Finance Committee report would be moved to Plenary Four. Also, the Convention Presentations Committee will report in Plenary Four.

11. Scholarship Committee Report. Dr. Mills reported that the Scholarship Committee met on Tuesday, April 3, and Wednesday, April 4, to continue reviewing the applications of 61 Gaston/Nolle Scholarship, 59 Sledge/Benedict Fellowship, and 27 Pryor Fellowship applicants. Committee members began reading the submissions before arriving at the convention, and then finished reading and conferred with other committee members to arrive at a consensus regarding the winners in their category.

The recipients of the $3,000 Edwin W. Gaston Scholarship for full-time undergraduate study in the fall of 2018 are Evan Banks from Missouri Western University and Daniel Glenn from Christopher Newport University. The recipients of the $2,000 Alfred H. Nolle Scholarship for full-time undergraduate study in the fall of 2018 are (alphabetically): Shannon Clark, Waldorf University; Christopher P. Eli, Jr., Bloomfield College; Taylor Jackson, California State University, Bakersfield; Carolyn Janecek, Westminster College; Alexander McNamara, Southern Methodist University; Kelsi Oldham, University of Texas at Tyler; Logan Owens, Abilene Christian University; Casey Phelps, University of New England; David Thompson, Shorter University; and Emily VanderBent, Huntington University.

Alternates for the Nolle Scholarship were (in order): (1) Morgan Beougher, Kansas Wesleyan University; (2) Carrie Blow, Chowan University; (3) Alyssa Daubenschmidt, University of New England; (4) Jordyn MacDonald, Wartburg College; and (5) Gabrielle Hargrove, University of Arkansas at Monticello.

The recipients of the $4,000 Robert W. Sledge Fellowship full-time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2018 were Abigail Hawthorne from Southern Methodist University and Callie Kanthack from University of Montana Western. The recipients of the $3,000 H.Y. Benedict Fellowship for full-time graduate or professional study in the fall of 2018 were (alphabetically): Alfredo Bonilla Aguilar, Angelo State University; Alisha Escobedo, Columbia College; Danielle Fincham, The University of Texas at El Paso; Yash Gandhi, Southwestern University; Amelia Gayle, Lyon College; Mallory Moore, Gardner-Webb University; Mark Pernik, Austin College; Caroline Peterson, Roanoke College; Kathleen Springer, Bridgewater College; and Cho Fai Wong, Fresno Pacific University.

Alternates for the Benedict Fellowship were (in order): (1) Cynntanna Hawkins, Ouachita Baptist University; (2) Dustin Connis, Hawaii Pacific University; (3) Savannah Weeks, Abilene Christian University; (4) Rachel Bacon, Ouachita Baptist University; and (5) Cody Ray Milner, Oklahoma Christian University.

The recipient of the $6,000 Joseph E. Pryor Fellowship for a student in a doctoral program who has completed at least two years of study was Aura Ankita Mishra, who is a student at Purdue University and was inducted at the University of Indianapolis. The alternate was Emily Heiston, who is a student at the University of Virginia and was inducted at Shenandoah University. The recipient of the $4,000 Joseph E. Pryor Fellowship for a student in the first or second year of graduate study was Sofia Sedergren, who is a student at the City University of New York and was inducted at Greensboro College. The alternate was Michelle Dufault, who is a student at, and was inducted at, the University of New England.

Mr. Potter moved to accept the report; Dr. Kegley seconded. Motion passed.

12. Discussion of Executive Director Position. Dr. Jones informed the council that the Executive Committee had met at lunch earlier on this date about transitions that will be taking place within Alpha Chi. Dr. Yarbrough informed the Executive Committee that she will step down as executive director at the end of her contract year at the end of June 2018, due to health reasons. Dr. Jones says that the council needs to think about how to move forward in light of this. Some questions that need to be considered are: What will the
short-term transition look like, since we only have three months before Dr. Yarbrough’s contract ends? Another question is what the job
description for the next executive director will look like. When the previous executive director resigned, the council made a decision
that the executive director position would be ¼ time. We can continue this model or we could scale back that position and bolster the
national office staff instead. Another consideration is whether the executive director would be located in the national office, or whether
the person could work remotely. Finally, the council needs to consider what the search process will look like. When the previous
executive director retired, we advertised nationally and interviewed several individuals. We can start discussions about this during this
plenary session and talk about these further during Plenary Four. A question was raised regarding whether it would be a problem to go
for several months without an executive director. Dr. Yarbrough also clarified that she believed that a ¼-time executive director could
be paired with a new position of a communications director, who could handle social media duties, work on production of *Aletheia*, etc.
The point was made that asking an executive director to be in the office would only work if that person were ¼-time or full-time.

13. **Executive Session.** Dr. Cade asked that Ms. Noah be brought back into the room to perhaps shed more light on the challenges
that face the national office and what the national office staff needs from an executive director. Ms. Noah explained that she does not
think there should be a rush to put a new director in place, since the national office staff works very well together. She is concerned
about having an executive director work remotely, due to the lack of accountability that such an arrangement involves. She thinks that
it would be advisable ultimately to have an executive director in place but thinks that the council should be deliberate in considering
what that job description should look like. Ms. Noah thinks that it might be good to hire an executive director with association
management/business background, but also with nonprofit and/or academic experience. Someone with this kind of experience would
probably be a good fit for a ½- or full-time position. If the council chose a ¼-time model, someone who is a faculty member who had
release time might be a better fit. Dr. Jones stated that the council will return to these issues in Plenary Four.

14. **Plenary Two Adjournment.** Dr. Nwogbaga moved to adjourn Plenary Two at 3:44 p.m. Mr. Potter seconded. Motion passed.

15. **National Council Dinner.** The National Council and guests went to South Park Seafood for dinner at 5:15 p.m., on Friday,
April 6. Following dinner, the National Council walked back to the hotel to prepare for Plenary Three.

16. **Plenary Three Call to Order.** Dr. Jones convened Plenary Three in the Atrium Ballroom at 7:51 p.m. on Friday, April 6.

17. **Installation of New Council Members.** Dr. Jones welcomed new student representatives Addison Schwamb (Region II student
representative, Oklahoma Christian University), Crystal Padilla (Region IV student representative, Lindenwood University) and Ande
Greco (Region VI student representative, Saint Vincent College). Dr. Jones had them come forward and introduce themselves and
officially installed them as members of the National Council. Dr. Karl Havlak (Region I) and Dr. Craig Rogers (Region V) were also
re-elected to their positions on the National Council by virtue of being elected as their regions’ secretary-treasurers. Dr. Jones called
Ethan Veit (outgoing Region IV student representative) and Robert Carpenter (outgoing Region VI student representative) forward to
receive certificates thanking them for their service. They attended Plenary Three in order to help acclimate the new student representatives
to their roles.

18. **Awards & Honors Committee Report.** Dr. LaSota brought, on behalf of the committee, the following action items to the Council
for approval: a) Nominated six individuals for honorary membership: These individuals are: Dr. Benny Ferguson, Vice President
for Academic Affairs, Young Harris College, nominated by the Georgia Xi chapter at Young Harris College; Dr. Elliott Hirshman,
President of Stevenson University, nominated by the Maryland Epsilon chapter at Stevenson University; Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Provost
at Post University, nominated by the Connecticut Gamma chapter at Post University; Dr. Joseph Jones, President of Fresno Pacific
University, nominated by the California Zeta chapter at Fresno Pacific University; Dr. Kerry McKeever, Dean of the College at Rindge
at Franklin Pierce University, nominated by the New Hampshire Zeta chapter at Franklin Pierce University; and Dr. Stephen White,
Dean at Roger Williams University, nominated by the Rhode Island Alpha chapter at Roger Williams University. Motion passed. b)
Chose two individuals from four nominees as outstanding sponsors: Dr. Kip Wheeler, Carson Newman University; and Ms. Breanna
Naegeli, Grand Canyon University. Motion passed. c) Chose a distinguished alumnus from two nominees: Dr. U. Shivraj Sohur, who
was nominated by the Texas Alpha Iota chapter at Angelo State University (ASU). Dr. Sohur is a 1992 ASU graduate and was inducted
into the Texas Alpha Iota chapter in 1990. He works in the Neuroscience Division of Pfizer’s Internal Medicine Research Unit. He is
also a faculty member at Harvard Medical School and a part-time attending neurologist in the Division of Movement Disorders at
Massachusetts General Hospital, where he cares for patients with Parkinson’s disease and related disorders. Dr. Sohur helps conduct
clinical trials geared toward developing medicines for neurological disorders. Motion passed. d) Chose a President’s Cup award winner
from five nominations: Shorter University. Motion passed.

The committee also made three recommendations: 1) add to the criteria for notable and star chapter awards the item, nomination of
an individual for honorary membership (such that the Notable Chapter Award would now require meeting 5 out of 7 criteria, rather than
5 out of 6 criteria, and the Star Chapter would require meeting 6 out of 7 criteria, rather than meeting 6 out of 6 criteria), 2) adjust the
criteria for honorary membership such that individuals other than traditional academics might be honored, and 3) include on the chapter
report the question asking whether the chapter collaborates or interacts with the freshman population on their campus. Recommendation
1: Some discussion suggested that the cost may be prohibitive, but committee members responded that this is not a new requirement,
but an optional component. Dr. Nwogbaga moved to accept this recommendation; Ms. Zuniga seconded. Motion passed.

Recommendation 2: Mr. Potter moved to refer this recommendation to the Membership Committee; Ms. Greco seconded. Motion passed
with one vote against. Recommendation 3: Some discussion ensued regarding whether this actually needed to be voted on. Ms. Noah
indicated that the questions on this report change over time. This item regarding contact with freshmen/sophomores will be added to the
chapter report. Ms. Padilla moved to accept the committee report. Mr. Potter seconded. Motion passed.

19. **Chapter Development Committee Report.** Dr. Hobbs stated that eight chapter-strengthening sessions will be held at this
convention. Assessment forms will be distributed following the sessions to evaluate them and also to get new ideas for additional
chapter-strengthening sessions. The committee also discussed leadership training and potentially placing training material on the Alpha
Chi website. Dr. Hobbs asked that membership of Council committees be finalized sooner, so that this committee could begin its work
sooner. Dr. Jones agreed to work toward finalizing committee membership sooner. Dr. Rogers moved to accept the report; Ms. Yanes-
Garcia seconded. Motion passed.
20. Strategic Planning Committee Report. Dr. Cade reported on the activities of this committee and stated that the committee discussed potential contact with Alpha Lambda Delta (an honor society that recognizes academic excellence in the first year at a college or university) and emphasized the benefits that such contact could have for Alpha Chi. The committee suggests that the National Council: 1) make a formal decision regarding whether to support the initiative to collaborate with Alpha Lambda Delta, 2) determine the extent to which such an initiative requires additional staffing or funding at the national office, 3) make a formal request for VisionPoint to determine “best practices” in developing a campus chapter of a freshman honor society, 4) commit to “building an awareness” of this collaboration, and 5) in one to two years, develop a concrete plan and target goals for implementing this initiative for collaboration based on a survey of the progress related to building this awareness. Council members discussed this potential collaboration and were generally favorable regarding it. A concern was raised as to whether it is wise to enter into such a relationship when it is unclear what the executive director position will entail, whether there will be any additional new office staff, etc. However, there was some agreement that chapters be encouraged to reach out to freshmen and sophomores on their own campuses. Dr. LaSota moved to accept the report; Ms. Schwamb seconded. Motion passed.

21. Membership Committee Report. Dr. Havlak reported for this committee and suggested some additional items that the committee believes should be included on the application for a chapter charter. Also, the committee suggests that each new chapter is mentored by a national council member for two or three years. Some individuals suggested that perhaps the additional questions are perhaps too strict and too laborious. Dr. Havlak emphasized that these are just recommendations. Ms. Zuniga moved to accept the report; Dr. LaSota seconded. Motion passed. Dr. Havlak will work with the national office to update the charter application form.

22. Centennial Planning Committee Report. Dr. Mahan reported that the Centennial Planning Committee perhaps should be a subcommittee of the convention committee since much of the centennial revolves around the 2022 convention. Dr. Al Clark met with this committee to discuss oral histories. He is willing to create some guidelines and recommendations for chapters in regard to collecting oral histories. The committee will continue to work with Dr. Clark. Dr. Nwogbaga moved to accept the report; Dr. Kegley seconded. Motion passed.

23. Publications Committee Report. There have been 174 submissions to Aletheia and 47 articles published thus far. He would like to close the current issue on May 4th. There has been some difficulty in regard to getting Manuscript Editors and Authors to respond. Dr. Lindblom has assembled an editorial review board that initially screens manuscripts before sending them to Manuscript Editors. Dr. Lindblom also proposes that the Editor position be split into two positions: Dr. Lindblom would continue to serve as the editor for submissions in social sciences and sciences, while another person would serve as editor for arts and humanities submissions. This would involve splitting the current stipend among the two editors. Motion is to create a second editor for Aletheia, with half the stipend to go to Dr. Lindblom and half to go to another individual who would serve as an editor for arts and humanities. Motion passed. The committee suggests that a job description for humanities editor be drafted and posted as soon as possible. Ms. Padilla moved to accept this report; Dr. Mahan seconded. Motion passed.

24. Constitution Committee Report/Discussion of Proposed Changes to Bylaws. The Constitution Committee conducted their business by email during the fall and early spring. They asked the National Council membership, Executive Committee, Executive Director, and Director of Operations about issues with both the constitution and bylaws that needed to be addressed, assigned each issue to a committee member for draft revisions, discussed each submission, and then compiled a set of proposed amendments. The committee submitted proposed constitutional amendments to the Executive Committee in late February for their review. Subsequently, as required by the constitution, amendments to the constitution were submitted first to the National Council, which approved them in March, and then emailed to all chapters 30 days before this convention. These amendments are being voted on by all delegates at this convention. However, amendments to the bylaws are not required to be approved by all delegates. Thus, the National Council discussed each of the proposed bylaw amendments.

The first proposed amendment is to add Bylaw 1.d. “Election of at-large sponsor members shall be by majority of the ballots cast. The tally of votes cast in each round shall be recorded in the Minutes of the National Convention and may be announced on the convention floor.” Dr. Nwogbaga suggested that the tally of votes not be made public record. Dr. Cade made a friendly amendment that the tally of votes cast in each round shall be recorded and kept in the national office. Dr. Mahan seconded. Motion passed to add Bylaw 1.d. with one vote against.

The next proposed amendment is adding Bylaw 2.d., which lists the current standing committees of the National Council and renumbers the former Bylaw 2.d. as 2.e. Motion passed.

The next amendment is to add a new Bylaw 3, which is “Responsibilities of National Council Members.” This section identifies not only responsibilities, but also how a situation might be handled if National Council members do not fulfill their responsibilities. Dr. LaSota offered a friendly amendment to 3.g. to change “non-participation” to “participation” and also to strike the words “and allow another to serve in that capacity” from the last sentence of Bylaw 3. This amendment was accepted. Concerns were expressed about the situation in which the problem with participation is with the chair. Mr. Potter offered to add Bylaw 3.h. “If a member has a concern regarding the chair of their committee, they should speak to the President directly.” Dr. LaSota moved to add 3.h., Dr. Vosevich seconded. Motion passed. Motion passed to accept Bylaw 3.

25. Plenary Three Adjournment. Dr. LaSota moved to adjourn Plenary Three at 9:54 p.m.; Ms. Greco seconded. Motion passed.

26. Plenary Four Call to Order. Dr. Jones called Plenary Four to order at 7:35 p.m. on Saturday, April 7.

27. Recognition of National Office Staff. Dr. Jones complimented Ms. Noah on organizing the gala and congratulated her again on her nearly 25 years of service with Alpha Chi. Dr. Jones also thanked Dr. Yarbrough for everything she has done for Alpha Chi as she prepares to resign from her position at the end of June 2018. She requested no announcement of her resignation during the national convention. Dr. Jones gave her a card that was signed by all the members of the National Council as well as a signed copy of Annihilation, a book by Jeff VanderMeer (keynote speaker at this convention), and a gift certificate to Helmer’s Haberdasher. The Council stood and applauded in appreciation.

28. Discussion of Proposed Changes to Bylaws. The Council returned to discussing Amendments to the Bylaws. The next amendment is the addition of a new Bylaw 5, Vacancies among At-Large Members of the National Council. This reads: “5. Vacancies
among At-Large Members of the National Council. a. When a vacancy occurs among at-large members of the National Council, the National Executive Committee shall nominate one or more eligible persons to the National Council, and the National Council shall elect a replacement by majority vote. b. If during the election of sponsor members at the most recent National Convention, one or more nominees received a majority of the ballots cast but fewer than those elected to the National Council, and if those individuals remain eligible for election and are agreeable, their names shall be included among those submitted to the National Council for filling the vacancy.” There was no discussion about this amendment. Motion passed.

The next amendment was to strike completely Bylaw 8. Active Alumni Program Membership, since there is no longer an active alumni program. There was no discussion on this amendment. Motion passed.

The next amendment has to do with Bylaw 11 F. A new word “Normally” was added at the beginning of the first sentence, and the word “voting” was added before the term “student delegate” in the first sentence. The second sentence was struck, which says: “Other officers in addition to those specified may be chosen as local needs indicate.” A new sentence was added, “However, the number and titles of officers may be adjusted as local needs indicate, provided that there are at least two student officers.” Discussion occurred regarding whether we should continue to allow a significant number of Alpha Chi chapters to continue not to elect officers, but no conclusion was reached. Motion passed.

The final amendment is to strike current Bylaw 11, Area Alumni Chapter Organization, since we no longer have area alumni chapters. No discussion. Motion passed.

Dr. Jones suggested that we no longer need a Constitution Committee at this time, given that we have just completed an extensive revision of the Constitution.

29. Nomination for At-Large Members of the National Council. Dr. Jones stated that a slate of nominees for National Council At-Large Members for 2019-2023 needs to be developed. Dr. Hobbs, Dr. Mills, Mr. Potter, and Dr. Tiamiyu will all be finishing their terms as at-large members of the National Council in 2019. Dr. Mills will be finishing her third term, so she is ineligible for re-election. The other three members are eligible for re-election. Dr. Nwogbaga nominated Dr. Hobbs, Mr. Potter, and Dr. Tiamiyu. Mr. Potter declined the nomination, since he plans to retire in June 2018. Ms. Pundt nominated Dr. Christine Pappas. Dr. Deka nominated Dr. Lynda Leavitt. Mr. Collins nominated Dr. Linda Cowan. Mr. Merhavy nominated Ms. Breanna Naegeli. Dr. Vosevich nominated Dr. Kip Wheeler. Dr. Cade nominated Dr. James Clark. Dr. Deka nominated Dr. Steve Hoekstra. Other nominations will be sought from the membership as a whole.

30. Audit & Finance Committee Report. The Audit & Finance Committee reviewed the report of the auditing firm Miller and Rose, Certified Public Accountants, and accepted their report of the 2017 records. For some time now, the Committee has been interested in soliciting additional bids for auditing firms. This effort has been delayed, initially due to the move of the national office from Harding University to a free-standing building in Searcy, and then due to the planned move of the national office to Little Rock, potentially in summer of 2018. Once the move to Little Rock has taken place, Ms. Noah will solicit bids for firms to audit the financial statements for the next year, and potentially even to provide monthly statements and possibly even take care of payroll. Having the auditing firm taking care of those bookkeeping responsibilities or hiring someone part-time or outsourcing those tasks are all options, given that there is no accountant or tax professional on staff. After bids from an auditing firm are solicited, the Audit & Finance Committee will review the bids and choose a firm to conduct the audit of 2018 records.

It appears that there will not be a major increase in monthly expenses for the national office to operate in Little Rock as opposed to Searcy. Ms. Noah would like to lease a commercial space for one year, to see how well the space meets the society’s needs before entering into a longer-term agreement. The $40,000 that had been set aside as a contingency fund for the move of the national office can be used to take care of additional expenses.

Currently Alpha Chi has approximately $157,000 in a checking account and $40,000 in a contingency fund. The expenses of this convention will be more than what is currently in the checking account, and by August, we will spend around $70,000 on scholarships. Thus, we may need to draw down the permissible 5% amount from the endowment fund’s fiscal year 2017 value right after this convention. We have made the draws for past fiscal years and a special $100,000 draw from the endowment in October 2017.

The signed scope of marketing work with VisionPoint for 2018 is approximately $63,000, divided into 12 monthly installments. This included the new website design and its coordination with the current member management system. Another $137,000 was invested to create a new invitation/member management system with additional features suggested by both VisionPoint and the Director of Operations. Alpha Chi will own this new system outright. The VisionPoint investment for Year 3 has yet to be determined but should be less than the spend in these first two years.

The committee also suggests that the amounts for the national housing grant and the national travel grant for the national convention remain the same for 2018. Dr. Vosevich moved to accept the report; Ms. Yanes-Garcia seconded. Motion passed.

31. Regional Secretary-Treasurer Reports. Regional Secretary-Treasurers reported on the events occurring in their regions and at the regional meetings. Their reports will appear in the minutes of the business meeting of each region. Dr. Nwogbaga moved to accept these reports. Ms. Schwamb seconded. Motion passed.

32. Final Convention Committee Report. Dr. Vosevich thanked everyone for participating in the Meals on Wheels project. She mentioned several plans that the committee is starting to work on for the Cleveland convention. Ms. Padilla moved to accept the report; Mr. Collins seconded. Motion passed.

33. New Business. Dr. Jones temporarily asked Dr. Vosevich to leave the room. He reminded the committee that Dr. Tim Lindblom had requested that another editor of Aletheia be added. Dr. Lindblom has actually requested that Dr. Vosevich be appointed the co-editor, who would work along with Dr. Lindblom. Dr. LaSota moved that Dr. Vosevich be hired as co-editor; Ms. Zuniga seconded. Some discussion suggested that perhaps a search should be opened up to others, especially in the interest of transparency. Dr. LaSota rescinded his motion. Dr. Cade moved that Dr. Vosevich be named the interim co-editor for a period not to exceed one year, during which time an open search for a co-editor be conducted. Dr. Nwogbaga seconded. Motion passed.

Dr. Deka suggested that it is time to review our rituals for induction. She believes that the process needs to be updated, perhaps including a briefer ceremony or a lengthier ceremony or not involving candles, etc. She is suggesting that the executive committee
compose an ad hoc committee to address Alpha Chi rituals and give this committee a specific charge; Mr. Potter seconded. Dr. Deka, Dr. Mahan, Dr. Kegley, and Ms. Potter all volunteered that they would be willing to serve on the rituals committee.

34. **Break.** The National Council took a group photo and took a brief break at 9:08 p.m., and reconvened at 9:19 p.m.

35. **Executive Session.** National office staff salaries were discussed. Dr. Cade moved to increase all national office staff salaries by 4%; Dr. Hobbs seconded. Discussion involved what the actual staff salaries were. Motion passed with one abstention.

Ms. Zuniga moved that in subsequent years, the National Council set up policies to evaluate the office staff and their salary needs before considering possible raises. Dr. Cade offered a friendly amendment that we need to know the individual salaries of the national office staff, the cost of living increase that is suggested by the government, etc. A request was made that the audit and finance committee look more closely at staff salaries and cost of living increases and provide this information to the National Council each year. Ms. Zuniga rescinded her motion. Mr. Potter asked that the Audit & Finance committee give an interim report in January 2019 with the pieces of information that have been requested, to see if all the requested information has been included.

Dr. Jones told the National Council that he wanted to recuse himself from further discussion regarding the executive director position, since he believes this would be a conflict of interest, given that he may apply for the position. Dr. Vosevich then presided over the meeting. Dr. Hobbs proposed appointing an ad hoc committee to consider issues facing the organization now that Dr. Yarbrough is resigning. Concern was raised regarding waiting to decide these issues, as opposed to discussing them during this meeting. Dr. Mills agreed to cover interim executive director responsibilities as laid out in responsibilities of the secretary in the bylaws.

Dr. Hobbs moved that an ad hoc committee be appointed to craft a job description for the executive director and initiate a search process, with the assumption that the position will be a full-time, on-site director. Dr. Hobbs suggested that Mr. Potter chair this committee. Others who agreed to be on the committee include Dr. Havlak, Mr. Merhavy, Dr. Mills, Ms. Padilla, and Dr. Tiamiyu. Dr. Cade offered a friendly amendment to have a preliminary report by May 30. Dr. Kegley seconded. Motion passed.

36. **Plenary Four Adjournment.** Ms. Yanes-Garcia moved to adjourn at 10:18 p.m.; Ms. Zuniga seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Lori Mills
National Council Secretary
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

1. The Executive Committee (Dr. David Jones, president; Dr. Kathi Vosevich, vice president; and Dr. Lori Mills, secretary) along with Director of Operations Lara Noah met in Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday, July 5, 2018. The group met for dinner at 6 p.m., at The Burnham restaurant in the Cleveland Downtown Hilton, the location for the 2019 Alpha Chi National Convention. The group then reconvened Friday, July 6, at 8 a.m., in the Cleveland Now Boardroom to begin their business meeting.

2. Convention and National Council Meeting Minutes: The National Council Meeting and the National Convention minutes had already been sent to the Executive Committee for comment. The committee approved both sets of minutes. They will be emailed to the entire National Council for comment and approval.

3. Convention
   A. Recap of 2018 Portland convention: Ms. Noah reported that general feedback was favorable regarding the convention. Many people liked the longer time frame of 5 minutes for travel between presentations. Many delegates participated in the service project of writing postcards to individuals who receive Meals on Wheels in the greater Portland area. Individuals enjoyed the location and the schedule of the convention. Attendance at Portland was roughly 420, which was slightly less than our average convention attendance of about 450.
   B. Planning for 2019 Cleveland convention: The hotel rooms have two queen beds and the room rate will be $169 across the board. Ms. Noah reported that there are 13 good-sized meeting rooms for presentations. It may be possible to have 5 minutes between presentations again next year. Ms. Noah said it might be possible for the research and creativity posters to be left up during the entire convention. The Convention Committee has discussed several different possibilities for a service project, including a Reading is Fundamental initiative and bringing therapy dogs to the convention. The committee will finalize this soon. The committee is working to secure a keynote speaker. This individual would either speak at the Thursday night opening banquet or at a general session on Friday morning. A distinguished alumnus speaker, Dr. U. Shivraj Sohur, has already been secured to speak at the closing gala. Dr. Sohur is a neurologist specializing in the treatment of Parkinson’s Disease and related disorders. There may be a sponsor track during the chapter-strengthening sessions as well. If Alpha Chi contracts with VisionPoint for another year, VisionPoint representatives will be asked to report at the National Council meeting. The Convention Committee will also discuss whether to do a social event on Friday night. This time has been reserved for Alpha Chi’s Got Talent, but the committee will brainstorm other options or whether to leave the evening free for sightseeing in Cleveland. The committee also might offer an optional event during free time on Friday, such as walking tours for an extra fee.
   C. Planning for 2020 Albuquerque convention: The director of operations has signed a contract with the Hyatt Regency Albuquerque. The dates for this convention are March 19-21, 2020.
   D. Future Conventions: Ms. Noah is considering a few cities, including Birmingham and Pittsburgh. Both cities have reasonable room rates.

4. National Council
   A. 2018-19 Committee Membership: Dr. Jones had emailed the Executive Committee a list of tentative committee assignments that he generated following National Council members sending their committee preferences to him. The Executive Committee reviewed these assignments and revised committee membership as needed. The committee took a break at 11 a.m., to have a walking tour of meeting spaces and lunch with Tyler Ganssley, a convention services manager at the Hilton. The group reconvened their meeting at 12:45 p.m. The committee agreed to discontinue the Convention Presentations Ad Hoc Committee at this time. Committee assignments will be emailed to National Council members soon.
      i. Charges to committees: The Awards and Honors Committee needs to give a rationale regarding their choice for the President’s Cup winner. The Chapter Development Committee will be asked to work with the national office staff to develop two to three sponsor track workshops that would be held during the chapter-strengthening sessions. The Membership Committee needs to finish a new charter application form and discuss further a new chapter mentorship program that would perhaps be in place until the chapter attends their first convention. New chapter mentors could be drawn from our pool of regional officers. The Centennial Committee needs to work on compiling oral histories, under the leadership of current Alpha Chi sponsor and former National Council member Al Clark. This committee also needs to consider how to ensure that these histories are included in Alpha Chi’s archives. The Publications Committee needs to consider any new ideas to include in the biannual Alpha Chi Newsletter. The Rituals Committee will thoroughly review Alpha Chi’s Manual of Rituals and suggest revisions.
      B. Training: Executive Committee members discussed that there needs to be more consistent training for new council members regarding what their roles are, what the council does, and how it ideally functions. The committee noted that some National Council members have not submitted their conflict of interest statements. Dr. Jones will remind individuals to submit these. David Jones agreed to look over our current board training materials to see if they could be improved.
      C. Elections of at-large faculty and regional student representatives: Student representatives in Regions I, III, V, and VII, and four at-large faculty council members will be elected at the 2019 convention. Of the individuals who have been nominated thus far for the at-large council positions, four individuals so far have agreed to stand for election,
two individuals have declined the nomination, and three individuals have not yet responded. The national office will email chapter sponsors to inform them of the opportunity to stand for election for the at-large positions. Regions will be encouraged to notify students of the opportunity to serve as student representatives. Nominations will be accepted in advance, but regions can determine whether they want to take nominations from the floor.

D. Elections of National Council officers: Elections will be held in 2019 for the council’s three executive officers. Only Dr. Mills (Council Secretary) will be leaving the council, as she has served three consecutive at-large terms. Nominations for 2019-23 president, vice president, and secretary will be taken during the Friday night plenary in 2019 and the voting done in the final plenary on Saturday. To ensure continuity and give new officers the chance to acclimate to their roles, the current national officers will continue their roles until the meeting’s adjournment.

5. Marketing Plans: Alpha Chi has contracted with VisionPoint through 2018, but the National Council will need to vote on whether to continue this relationship in 2019. The committee agreed that no permanent decisions should be made regarding marketing until an executive director begins. Currently the national office is asking VisionPoint to help Alpha Chi plan an approach for the fall NCHC conference, continue improving the website, generate and post on social media, and help create a few more print pieces.

6. Financial Issues
   A. Current state of finances: We have already taken out the allowable 5% of the endowment from 2017 into operations to pay for the 2018 convention. National office moving costs were approximately $10,000. The Director of Operations suggested, and the Executive Committee agreed, that the $40,000 that had been put in a contingency fund for a national office move/purchase will be put into operations and that savings account closed. There is currently approximately $30,000 in the checking account. Ms. Noah reminded the committee that there is a $120,000 treasury note that comes due in February 2019. That amount will also be put into operations.
   B. Financial planning: Ms. Noah submitted a written report listing significant tasks that she has completed since the April 2018 convention as well as noteworthy pending tasks. Alpha Chi’s contract with Browns’ Graduation Supplies and Awards concluded in May 2018 but will continue on a month to month basis for now. Ms. Noah will create a request for proposals for merchandise fulfillment companies by year’s end.

7. Executive Director Search Process: The Search Committee is actively working. The close date for applications has passed, and the search committee will review applications and have a conference call shortly to narrow the list to those applicants who will be interviewed.

8. Aletheia and other publications/website: Dr. Vosevich reported that the Aletheia editors have been working on clarifying language regarding manuscript editors and reviewers. Dr. Vosevich has recruited several additional manuscript editors.

9. This concluded the business of the Executive Committee. Dr. Jones adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Lori Mills
National Council Secretary
Award Recipients & Donor Honor Roll

Scholarship & Fellowship Nominees & Recipients

Edwin W. Gaston, Jr., and Alfred H. Nolle Scholarship Nominees
(stipends for senior year of undergraduate study)

* Nolle recipient  A alternate
*D declined award   *A from alternate to recipient
*G Gaston recipient

Angela Argos, Grand Canyon University
*G Evan Banks, Missouri Western State University
A Morgan Beougher, Kansas Wesleyan University
A Carrie Blowe, Chowan University
    Therasia Brautigam, Westminster College
    Kimberly Brewer, Park University
    Matthew Buckery, Goldey-Beacom College
* Shannon Clark, Waldorf University
    Kimberly Cockman, University of North Carolina at Pembroke
    Amanda Condon, Arkansas Tech University
A Alyssa Daubenschmidt, University of New England
A Megan DeBrabander, Adrian College
* Christopher P. Eli, Jr., Bloomfield College
    Bethany Geary, Mount Ida College
*G Daniel Glenn, Christopher Newport University
    Blanca Gonzalez Barillas, University of North Texas
    Heidi Gundy, Westminster College
    Troy Hall, Mars Hill University
A Gabrielle Hargrove, University of Arkansas at Monticello
    Katherine Harrell, Milligan College
    Moritz Hoerner, Lincoln Memorial University
    Diana Humble, Waldorf University
* Taylor Jackson, California State University, Bakersfield
* Carolyn Janecek, Westminster College
    Steven Johnson, Florida College
    Caitlyn Keery, The College at Brockport, SUNY
A Jordyn MacDonald, Wartburg College
    Michaela Maertz, The College at Brockport
    Lorenza Marcais, Institute of American Indian Arts
    Kourtney McCarthy, Mars Hill University
    Josiah McGee, Union University
* Alexander McNamara, Southern Methodist University
    Kaitlyn McSweeney, Franklin Pierce University
    Noah Merritt, Lipscomb University
    Idriya Moore, Young Harris College
    Sarah Grace Moxley, Gardner-Webb University
    Kimberley Ndlovu, Missouri Valley College
    Caroline Neal, Lipscomb University
    Ryan Oates, Brescia University
* Kelsi Oldham, The University of Texas at Tyler
* Logan Owens, Abilene Christian University
* Demetria Owens, Missouri Western State University
* Casey Phelps, University of New England
    Jennifer Ren, Houston Baptist University
    Karrie Rosemann, Lindenwood University
    Rebecca Sain, Harding University
    David Segarra Rius, Lincoln Memorial University
Kristen Shepard, Anderson University
Pamela Smith, Mount Ida College
Megan Southerland, Tusculum College
Carly Spotts-Falzone, Hastings College
* David Thompson, Shorter University
  Sean Timmons, Chowan University
  Endurance Toro, Missouri Valley College
  Eric Townsend, Trine University
  Miriam Turner, Belmont University
  Ashley Van Dusen, The University of Texas at Tyler
* Emily VanderBent, Huntington University
  Cara Williams, Milligan College
  Ana Yanes-Garcia, Texas State University
  Louisa Zsohar, University of North Texas

Robert W. Sledge, and H.Y. Benedict Fellowship Nominees
(stipends for the first year of graduate or professional study)

* Benedict recipient  A alternate
*D declined award  *A from alternate to recipient
*S Sledge recipient

Savannah Alexander, University of Indianapolis
Rhoda Anderson, Fresno Pacific University
Joseph Babcanec, Robert Morris University
A Rachel Bacon, Ouachita Baptist University
  Darryl Bagley, Harding University
  Andrew Boge, Hastings College
  Katherine Bollinger, Christian Brothers University
* Alfredo Bonilla Aguilar, Angelo State University
  Yafa Borukhova, Long Island University Brooklyn
  Brianna Brooks, Kansas Wesleyan University
  Sierra Carter, Accepted to the University of St. Andrews, Scotland (Fall 2018)
  Mary Caum, Shorter University
  Si Ning Chan, Westminster College
  Rachel Childers, Southeastern Oklahoma State University
  Alicia Christine, Lee University
  Austin Collins, Catawba College
A Dustin Connis, Hawaii Pacific University
  Amelia Ebbsmeyer, Central Methodist University
* Alisha Escobedo, N/A - awaiting responses from grad schools
  Manuela Figueroa-Casas, Southwestern University
* Danielle Fincham, The University of Texas at El Paso
  Elissa Fink, Christopher Newport University
  Stormie Franks, Huntington University
* Yash Gandhi, Southwestern University
  Natalie Garbarino, Bridgewater College
* Amelia Gayle, Lyon College
  Maria Genduso, Freed-Hardeman University
  Elizabeth Gitto, Carson-Newman University
  Ande Greco, St. Vincent College
  Allyson Gregory, East Central University
  Krista Harrell, Belmont University
  Sloan Hastings, Florida College
  Ashley Hastings, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor
*A Cyntanna Hawkins, Ouachita Baptist University
*S Abigail Hawthorne, Southern Methodist University
  Dusking Henard, Carson-Newman University
  Alanah Hosford, Oklahoma City University
*S Callie Kanthack, University of Montana Western
Joseph E. Pryor Graduate Fellowship Nominees
(stipends to graduate student members or active alumni at the time of application)

D Doctoral recipient ($6,000)  A Alternate
M Master’s recipient ($4,000)

Ahndria Ablett, East Central University
Katherine Avery, Cornell University
Mikkaela Bailey, Clemson University
Erin Connor, University of Indianapolis
Michael Cook, Westminster College
Shakia Davis, Abilene Christian University
Sebastian Del Corral Winder, University of Indianapolis

A Michelle Dufault, University of New England
Zahra Ghaffari, Texas State University
Jennifer Gray, Southern Methodist University
Giselle Greenidge, University of North Texas

A Emily Heiston, The University of Virginia
Ami Houston, Abilene Christian University
Eric Johnson, Goldey-Beacom College
Rebecca Johnston, Texas State University
Emily March, Abilene Christian University

D Aura Ankita Mishra, Purdue University
Jamal Myrick, Azusa Pacific University
Laura Salter, New York University

M Sofia Sedergren, The Graduate Center, University of New York
Brittnie Smithley, Texas Lutheran University
Heather Teran-Hernandez, Texas Technical University Health Sciences Center
Kristen Tritt, Azusa Pacific University
Nicole West, Abilene Christian University
Nicholas Wiltshire, Texas A&M - Texarcana
Haley Zeier, University of Central Missouri
Amin Ziaefifar, Southern Methodist University
2016-17 Star Chapter Award Recipients
(announced during 2018 regional meetings)

**Region I**
Abilene Christian University, Texas Psi
Texas Lutheran University, Texas Alpha Delta
Texas State University, Texas Iota
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas Beta
University of Texas at El Paso, Texas Alpha Beta
Wayland Baptist University, Texas Alpha Eta

**Region II**
East Central University, Oklahoma Gamma
Harding University, Arkansas Eta
Lyon College, Arkansas Iota
Oklahoma Christian University, Oklahoma Epsilon
Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma Eta
Ouachita Baptist University, Arkansas Beta
Southern Methodist University, Texas Alpha Omega
Texas A&M University - Texarkana, Texas Beta Alpha
University of Arkansas at Monticello, Arkansas Zeta
University of North Texas, Texas Eta
University of Texas at Tyler, Texas Alpha Xi

**Region III**
Bluefield College, Virginia Kappa
Carson-Newman University, Tennessee Delta
Catawba College, North Carolina Omicron
Chowan University, North Carolina Phi
Christian Brothers University, Tennessee Theta
Florida College, Florida Xi
Gardner-Webb University, North Carolina Zeta
Milligan College, Tennessee Nu
Reinhardt University, Georgia Mu
Shorter University, Georgia Theta
University of North Carolina at Pembroke, North Carolina Kappa

**Region IV**
Cottey College, Missouri Tau
Hastings College, Nebraska Alpha
Kansas Wesleyan University, Kansas Delta
Lindenwood University, Missouri Pi
Missouri Valley College, Missouri Sigma
Missouri Western State University, Missouri Lambda
Westminster College, Missouri Delta

**Region V**
Anderson University, Indiana Alpha
Brescia University, Kentucky Delta
Campbellsville University, Kentucky Lambda
Huntington University, Indiana Beta
Indiana Institute of Technology, Indiana Lambda

**Region VI**
Goldey-Beacom College, Delaware Beta
Long Island University, Brooklyn, New York Sigma
Robert Morris University, Pennsylvania Epsilon
Roger Williams University, Rhode Island Alpha
Thiel College, Pennsylvania Theta

**Region VII**
California Baptist University, California Beta
California State University, Bakersfield, California Iota
Fresno Pacific University, California Zeta
Hawai‘i Pacific University, Hawai‘i Beta

2016-17 Notable Chapter Award Recipients

Angelo State University, Texas Alpha Iota
Grand Canyon University, Arizona Alpha
Harris-Stowe State University, Missouri Zeta
Lipscomb University, Tennessee Kappa
Martin Methodist College, Tennessee Xi
Tennessee Wesleyan College, Tennessee Gamma
West Liberty University, West Virginia Epsilon

2017 Donor Honor Roll

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James D. Bishop
Lisa Mizzell
Walden Freeman
Bonnie Revelle

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Region I Report

Minutes

1. **Call to order (Session I):** Jodi Pilgrim, Region I President, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. on April 6th in Galleria I of the downtown Portland Hilton Hotel. A roll call of chapters found the following chapters present at the meeting: Abilene Christian University, Angelo State University, Institute of American Indian Art, McMurry University, Texas Lutheran University, Texas State University, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, University of Texas at El Paso, University of Texas at San Antonio, and Wayland Baptist University.

2. **Treasurer’s Report:** Karl Havlak, Region I Secretary-Treasurer, circulated copies of the report showing Region I had total assets of $150,748.49 as of 12-31-2017. Total cost to Region I for the 2017 National Convention (including scholarships) was $25,899.94. Karl Havlak indicated that he will seek more conservative investments to ensure the stability of the treasury account. It is estimated that the region will be able to maintain funds until at least the 2024 convention.

3. **Elections:** Elections for regional offices were held. Patricia Williams from Texas State University was elected president, Rebekah Crowe from Wayland Baptist University was elected vice president, and Karl Havlak from Angelo State University was elected secretary-treasurer.

4. **Regional Mingling:** President Jodi Pilgrim had the regional delegates participate in a paper snowball fight that led to individual discussions and introductions of all student delegates present.

5. Jodi Pilgrim adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

6. **Call to order (Session II):** Jodi Pilgrim, President, called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. on April 7th in Galleria I of the downtown Portland Hilton Hotel. Officers were introduced, sponsors were asked to stand, and students were recognized for attending the convention.

7. **Scholarship Winners:** Winners of the six $500 Region I Scholarships were announced.

8. **Star Chapter and Notable Chapter Recipients:** Jodi Pilgrim recognized all Star Chapter recipients from Region I: Abilene Christian University, Texas Lutheran University, Texas State University, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, University of Texas at El Paso, and Wayland Baptist University. Angelo State University was recognized as a Notable Chapter recipient.

9. **Presidential Cup:** Karl Havlak explained the President’s Cup competition and encouraged chapters to seek nomination to participate in next year’s competition. Texas State University chapter was nominated to represent Region I in the 2018 President’s Cup competition if they do not win the award for the current year.

10. **Region I Student Representative:** Ana Yanis-Garcia, Region I student representative to the national council, gave a brief overview of her position and encouraged students and sponsors to consider a good student leader to replace her at next year’s convention.

11. **Table Discussions:** Jodi Pilgrim asked chapters to mingle with other chapters as they discussed chapter activities. Each table reported one item of interest to the whole group after the discussions.

12. Jodi Pilgrim adjourned the meeting at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl Havlak
Region I Secretary-Treasurer

Financial Statement—Region I

*Year Ending 31 December 2017*

Balance on Hand January 1, 2017

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Receipts

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Region II Report

Minutes

1. Welcome - Dr. Carol Strong, Vice-President of Region II, called the meetings to order on April 6th and 7th, 2018 during the National Convention of Alpha Chi, meeting in Portland, Oregon at the Hilton Portland Downtown Hotel.
2. Chapter Roll Call (Suzanne Pundt, Region II Secretary/Treasurer) – The following 12 chapters (and approximately 75 individuals) attended the 2018 National Convention:
   - East Central University
   - Harding University
   - Lyon College
   - Oklahoma Christian University
   - Oklahoma City University
   - Ouachita Baptist University
   - Southeastern Oklahoma State University
   - Southern Methodist University
   - Texas A&M University - Texarkana
   - University of Arkansas at Monticello
   - University of North Texas
   - University of Texas at Tyler
3. Approval of the 2017 Minutes – The minutes from the 2017 Region II Business meeting held in Louisville, Kentucky were distributed (along with the Financial Report) prior to the convention by email, and during the business meeting; approved unanimously.
4. Treasurer’s Report
   The 2017 financial report for Region II was accepted unanimously as submitted.
5. Star Chapter Awards - twelve chapters from Region II received the award for 2016-17:
   - East Central University, Oklahoma Gamma (Christine Pappas)
   - Harding University, Arkansas Eta (Sarah McGaha)
   - Lyon College, Arkansas Iota (Nikki Yonts)
6. Committee Reports

- **Outstanding Chapter Nominees** – The 2019 Competitors will be
  - Lyon College (Brian Hunt)
  - Ouachita Baptist University (Myra Houser)
  - University of North Texas (Jeanne Tunks)
- **Audit Committee** (Kate Stewart, Myra Houser, and Jeanne Tunks) examined the financial records of Region II and found them to be in good order. They recommended acceptance of the Financial (Treasurer’s) Report as submitted.
- **Gaston Scholarship Committee** (Christine Pappas, Sarah McGaha, and Anthony Stancampiano) recommended that Carrie Hill from Ouachita Baptist University be awarded the 2018-19 Region II Scholarship. Jordan Trant from Lyon College is the first alternate.
- **Pryor Fellowship Committee** (Sean Butler, John Harrison, and Brandon Quaid) recommended that Allanah Hosford from Oklahoma City University be awarded the 2018-19 Region II Fellowship. Hannah Templin from Lyon College is the first alternate.
- **Nominating Committee** – (Suzanne Pundt, Carol Strong) 2018-2020 Region II Officers:
  - President – Carol Strong, University of Arkansas at Monticello
  - Vice-President – Thomas Miles, University of North Texas

7. Old Business

- A summary of the regional procedure changes initiated two years ago are as follows:
  - Regional rebates would be discontinued immediately.
  - Regions would continue paying travel reimbursements and scholarships until their funds ran out.
  - The National Council would then raise travel reimbursements to offset the reimbursements paid previously at the regional level; amount to be determined by the Audit and Finance committee of the National Council.
  - Regional scholarships would also be paid in an amount to be determined by the Audit and Finance committee of the National Council.
- Procedure for determining Region II nominees for the Outstanding Chapter Award each year:
  - When more than two chapters express an interest in competing, a committee will be appointed at the convention which will be made up of three faculty sponsors from chapters that are not competing. Annual reports from the three most current years will be sent to the committee members via the regional president and secretary/treasurer, and the committee will then choose the two regional nominees. This process should be completed by August 1 of each year to allow the nominees the full fall semester for activity planning.

8. New Business

- **Region II Student Representative Jace Bradshaw’s Report** – Jace was unable to attend the 2018 convention because of another commitment.
- **Election of the 2018-2020 Student Representative to the National Council** – Addison Schwamb from Oklahoma Christian University was elected to represent Region II for a two year term from a field of four excellent candidates.
- Region II President Lori Hensley was unable to attend the convention because of the tornado that struck her campus, causing a tremendous amount of damage. The region has agreed to pay her expenses for the convention, to allow her to finish her term. Her expenses (non-refundable) are as follows: Airfare $863.60, Registration $83.83
- The Region discussed the recommendation put forward by the Constitution Committee regarding a broadening of the requirements for Honorary membership. The consensus was that giving a membership to a nonacademic is a valuable addition, but that it should be designated as being different from the recognition given to an academic in some way.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Pundt
Region II Secretary-Treasurer
Financial Statement—Region II
For year ending 31 December 2017

Balance on Hand, 1 January 2017
- Regions Bank Checking Account 18,689.90
- ING Direct Savings 11,644.00
Total Beginning Balance $30,333.90

Receipts
- National Dues Rebate NA
- Interest -ING Direct Savings 46.58
Total Receipts $46.58

Disbursements
- National Convention-Chapter Reimbursements 8,100.00
- Gaston and Pryor Awards 2,200.00
Total Disbursements ($10,300.00)

Assets at 31 December 2017
- Regions Bank Checking Account 8,389.90
- ING Business Savings 11,690.58
Total Assets $20,080.48

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Pundt
Region II Secretary-Treasurer

Region III Report

Minutes

1. John McLaughlin opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 6, 2018 in Galleria Room 1.
2. The secretary’s report on the minutes of 2017 were accepted with no changes.
3. Treasurer report: Secretary/Treasurer Mahan presented the 2017 cash and mutual fund investment for 2017. In addition to the presented statements, Mahan also noted several mutual funds were liquidated to pay for Region III subsidies and scholarships for 2016. There were no questions from those attending.
4. Nominations for vice president: Only one nomination from the floor was received. Tony Jones from Milligan College (Tennessee Nu) was approved by acclamation. McLaughlin congratulated Tony. Note: Kathi Vosevich will assume the president’s position once this convention ends.
5. McLaughlin congratulated Kathi for her new position on the National Council of Alpha Chi.
6. Vice President Vosevich encouraged those attending to fill out cards of encouragement for the Meals on Wheels community project.
7. McLaughlin noted the President’s Cup winner will be presented tomorrow night; one chapter nominated for every 20 chapters. He then read the criteria and Region III was allowed up to three chapter nominations. McLaughlin asked for sponsors to meet with him after the meeting, if interested.
8. Vice President Vosevich spoke about AX’s publication, Aletheia, expressing the need for editors, manuscript reviewers and student submissions.
9. President McLaughlin asked the graduating students to stand and talk about their future plans, JM wished all the graduates the best.
10. President McLaughlin adjourned meeting at 10:07 am
11. Call to order (Session II): Minutes of Saturday April 7, 2018.
12. President McLaughlin opened the meeting at 9:33 Saturday.
13. Kathi Vosevich announced the 2018 Region III Scholarship winners.
14. President McLaughlin announced, discussed, and moved the use of a rubric (same as national council), and added item with letter of intent: m/s/a 23 for, 0 against.
15. McLaughlin reminded Region III about applying for the Presidents Cup, and Alethia involvements.
16. Mahan said he would attach the rubric to the scholarship rules form/doc.
17. McLaughlin adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am

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**Financial Statement—Region III**

*For year ending 31 December 2017*

**Balance on Hand, 1 January 2017**

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**Receipts**

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**Disbursements**

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<td><strong>Total Earnings</strong></td>
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**Balance on Hand December 31, 2017**

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<td>Mutual Fund Accounts Cashed In</td>
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<td>Remaining Mutual Funds Increase in Value</td>
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**Total Net Worth December 31, 2017**

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**Note 1 - Listing of Individual Mutual Fund Account Balances**

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<td>Ivy Limited Term BD C</td>
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Janus Perkins Mid Cap Value C 2,938.50 2,981.37
MFS International Value C 13,991.04 17,254.88
Oppenheimer Developing Markets C 4,731.81 6,330.31
Pimco Total Return C 8,721.33 0.00
Sentinel Small Co C 1,605.10 0.00
Teton (Gamco) Westwood Mighty Mites C 4,129.70 5,478.70
T Rowe Price Eqi-Inc 5,146.66 4,797.69

Total $75,188.21 $57,701.93

Note 2 – Other Information

- During 2017, three investment accounts (Ivy Limited Term BD C, Pimco Total Return C, and Sentinel Small Co C) were liquidated in order to meet the AX Region III 2017 chapter subsidies and scholarship awards. In addition, a portion of the American Century Eqi Inc A was also sold. The proceeds from the liquidated funds totaled $25,006.41.
- At the end of 2017, the Region III account was composed of 12.67% cash and 87.33% high-quality Morningstar 5-star rated diverse mutual funds.
- The Region III cash account earned $5,163.39 during 2017 ($3,579.98 in 2016) and a net value increase of the mutual funds of $7,520.13 for 2017 ($6,398.89 in 2016).
- The Region III account is held at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney LLC in Nashville, and the account advisor is Bob Gessler.
- The Morgan Stanley monthly reports and financial records are always available online to every Region III Executive Officer.

Submitted by
Robert L. Mahan
Region III Secretary-Treasurer

Region IV Report
Minutes

1. The meeting began at 9:33 a.m. Officers Present: Jessica Henry (P) Michael Collins (VP), Ethan Veit (Student Rep) Teddi Deka (Secretary) Officers Absent: None
2. Chapters Present: William Penn University, Iowa Beta; Waldorf University, Iowa Iota; Grand View University, Iowa Theta; Kansas Wesleyan University, Kansas Delta; Friends University, Kansas Epsilon; Westminster College, Missouri Delta; Columbia College, Missouri Epsilon; Missouri Western State University, Missouri Lambda; Lindenwood University, Missouri Pi; Missouri Valley College, Missouri Sigma; Cotey College, Missouri Tau; Park University, Missouri Theta; Harris-Stowe State University, Missouri Zeta; and Hastings College, Nebraska Alpha.
3. Reviewed minutes from last year. Spelling correction: Silvius is the correct spelling. Minutes unanimously accepted with the spelling correction.
4. President Henry congratulated the Star Chapters in the region:
   - Cotey College, Missouri Tau
   - Hastings College, Nebraska Alpha
   - Kansas Wesleyan University, Kansas Delta
   - Lindenwood University, Missouri Pi
   - Missouri Valley College, Missouri Sigma
   - Missouri Western State University, Missouri Lambda
   - Westminster College, Missouri Delta
5. Lynda Leavitt asked if certificates will be provided at the Gala or mailed.
6. Region IV Scholarship Recipients:
7. President’s Cup Nominees (region can nominate one per every 20 chapters in the region). We have 45 chapters so can nominate two. Nominees will complete materials throughout the year and President’s Cup will be awarded at the next convention. President Henry explained the criteria for the President’s Cup. Nominations followed:
   - Michael Collins nominates Westminster College, Missouri Delta
   - Mary Ruettgers nominates Lindenwood University, Missouri Pi
   - Region voted to accept these nominations.
8. Elections: President: Elected for two year term.
   Nominations followed:
   - Labi Tiamiyu nominates Michael Collins William Penn University, Iowa Beta
   - Crystal Padilla nominates Lynda Leavitt, Lindenwood University, Missouri Pi
   - Michael Collins was elected as the new president of the region.
9. Vice President: Elected for two year term.
   Nominations followed:
   - Labi Tiamiyu self-nominates, Harris-Stowe University, Missouri Zeta
   - Motion to close Evan Banks and second Alex Silvius
   - Unanimously closed and voted.
10. Student representative to the National Council.
    - Ethan Veit described his responsibilities as Student Representative.
    - Lynda Leavitt nominates Crystal Padilla Lindenwood (Missouri Pi)
    - Dmitry Yarushkin nominates Hayley Ellis Grand View (Iowa Theta)
    - Riqueza Hendrix nominates Evan Banks Missouri Western (Missouri Lambda)
    - Karissa Vetsch nominates Diana Humble Waldorf University (Iowa Iota)
    - Mallory Gruben nominates McKenzie Currey, Hastings College (Nebraska Alpha)
    - Moved to close. Silvius seconded.
    - Each candidate spoke about their qualifications. Elections by ballot ensued.
    - Crystal Padilla won the nomination.
11. Reports: No reports submitted.
12. Reimbursements
    - Fill out and give to Secretary Teddi Deka
    - Increase in reimbursement to from $750 max to $1000 max
14. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.
15. Labi Tiamiyu approved these minutes, and Karissa Vetsch seconded during our second meeting on 4/7/18.
16. Minutes respectfully submitted to the National Council on 4/7/18 by Teddi Deka, Secretary, Region IV.

Financial Statement—Region IV
For year ending 31 December 2017

All Region IV financial matters are now handled through the national office with input from the region representatives.

Submitted by
Teddi Deka
Region IV Secretary-Treasurer
Region V Report

Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Blake Janutolo, Anderson University.
2. Six chapters were present: Anderson University, Brescia University, Campbellsville University, Capital University, Huntington University, Indiana Institute of Technology, West Liberty University.
3. The minutes of the business meeting of April 7, 2017 were approved. The motion to accept the minutes was made by Dr. David Rumsey, Indiana Institute of Technology and seconded by Dr. Linda Cowan of West Liberty University. The motion passed.
4. The Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Craig Rogers, distributed a written report. We began 2017 with a balance of $17,226.60 cash on hand.
   - The 2017 Region V Fellowship and Scholarship winners were paid a total of $1750 leaving the balance at $15,476.60.
   - The travel subsides paid for the national convention in Louisville, KY equaled $3,800.00, resulting in a remaining balance of $11,676.60.
   - The balance in the Region V treasury, located at Taylor County Bank in Campbellsville, KY on December 31, 2016 was $11,676.60.
5. Five chapters were recognized as receiving star chapter awards. They include Anderson University, Campbellsville University, Huntington University, Indiana Institute of Technology, and West Liberty University.
6. The scholarship committee announced the winner of this year’s competition. The winner of the $500 scholarship, announced by Dr. Dave Rumsey of Indiana Institute of Technology, was Miranda Ridener of Anderson University. The alternate was Kristen Shepard of Anderson University. Dr. Dave Rumsey of Indiana Tech. announced the fellowship committee winner. The winner of the $500 fellowship was Stormie Franks of Huntington University and the alternate was Josh Vallance of Anderson University.
7. Dr. Craig Rogers gave a report on the National Council meeting. Dr. Blake Janultolo gave the President’s report. The next convention will be held in Cleveland, OH.
8. Regional elections were held. We elected Dr. Ruth Nallah of Huntington University as President, Dr. Jason Parks of Anderson University as Vice-President, and Dr. Craig Rogers of Campbellsville University as Secretary-Treasurer. Huntington University was nominated as the entrant for the President’s Cup.
9. With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig L. Rogers
Region V Secretary-Treasurer

Financial Statement—Region V

For year ending 31 December 2017

Balance on hand. January 1, 2017

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Ending Balance December 31, 2017

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Respectfully submitted,
Craig L. Rogers
Region V Secretary-Treasurer
Region VI Report
Minutes

1. Call to Order by Dr. Agashi Nwogbaba, president, at 9:19 a.m., April 7, 2018
2. Reciting of Alpha Chi Motto: “You Shall Know the Truth and the Truth Shall Set You Free”.
3. Roll Call of Region VI Officers: Dr. Agashi Nwogbaba, President; Dr. Shireen Rahman, Vice President; Dr. Kenneth A. LaSota, Secretary-Treasurer; Mr. Robert Carpenter, Student Representative.
4. Roll Call of Region VI members and guests: There were thirteen (13) chapters in attendance: University of the Sciences Philadelphia, Goldey-Beacom College, Pace University (NY), Wesley College, Robert Morris University, Roger Williams University, St. Vincent College, Thiel College, Massachusetts College of the Liberal Arts, Franklin Pierce University, University of New England, Maine, Colby-Sawyer College, Long Island University, Brooklyn. In fact, this meeting saw one of the largest attendance from Region VI in recent years with over fifty persons in attendance, filling the room fully to its capacity. Special Guests: Dr. Bonita Cade, National Board Member and Josh Chicko, Region VI Web Master.
5. Review of Minutes of 2017 Region VI Meeting in Louisville, KY. Minutes accepted as submitted.
6. Review of Region VI 2017 Financial Statement. It was noted that Region VI began 2017 with net worth of $45,158.75 and ended 2017 with a net worth of $29,486.88, reflecting the discontinuation of national subsidies to the Region. Financial statement accepted as submitted.
7. Davis Awards were distributed to students from Robert Morris University, Thiel College, Saint Vincent College, Long Island University, Goldey-Beacom College, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, and Wesley College.
8. Region VI Scholarships for Best Student Papers. Awards of $250 were presented to students in four categories ($1,000 in total awards): Natural Sciences, Arts and Humanities, Professional Arts and Social Sciences.
9. The following Region VI chapters were recognized as 2017 Star Chapter Awardees: Goldey-Beacom College and Robert Morris University.
10. Under New Business, it was announced that the 2019 National Convention would be in Cleveland, Ohio.
11. Call for the election of Officers for Region VI found the following sponsors and student elected to two-year terms, 2018-2020:
   • Victoria Neagee, Goldey-Beacom College, President
   • Michael Rosenfeld, Pace University, Vice President
   • Ande Greco, Saint Vincent College, Student Delegate
12. A motion was made to create the Region VI officer position of Region VI Archivist and Historian. Josh Chicko was appointed to serve in this position for a two year term, 2018 to 2020, and was awarded a $1,000 honorarium.
13. Region VI voted to reimburse the Region VI webmaster, Mr. Josh Chicko, Pace University (NY), $400 for expenses related to maintaining www.AlphaChi6.org . The webmaster reviewed several highlights of the web page. Region VI’s page is considered among the best regional web sites within the Alpha Chi family of web sites.
14. Forms for Region VI chapters to be reimbursed for expenses up to $750 for a faculty sponsor and $750 for a student delegate, up to $1,500 per chapter, for travel to Portland were distributed.
15. There was a general discussion of Conference Sponsored Highlights and Activities in and around the Portland area.
16. Motion to Adjourn. 10:28 am

Financial Statement—Region VI
Net Worth Statement, Year Ending 31 December 2017

Balance on Hand, January 1, 2017

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Receipts

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Disbursements
Awards – Davis (calligraphy) $10.70  
Webmaster expenses $300.00  
Endowment of Kneaval and FitzGerald Scholarships $4,000.00  
Best Paper Student Awards (4 @ $250) $1,000.00  
Region VI Chapter Subsidies (up to $750 for a Sponsor and a Student Delegate for a maximum $1,500 per chapter) $10,432.65  
Total Disbursements ($15,743.35)

Asset Balance as of 12/31/2017  
West Air Comm FCU  
Checking $10,015.15  
Savings $19,471.73  
Total Assets $29,486.88

Respectfully submitted,  
Dr. Ken LaSota  
Region VI Secretary-Treasurer

Region VII Report  
Minutes


2. Friday- April 6- Marshall Johnston called the meeting to order at 8:30. Each chapter briefly introduced themselves. Minutes were unavailable due to a computer crash but will be shared later. President Johnston reminded Chapters that they were eligible for travel funds if expenses exceeded the amount given by the national office. Hawaii Pacific is eligible for $1,050 and other chapters for $750.

3. The rest of this morning meeting was concentrated on a discussion of the proposed Constitution changes. Bill Potter explained each change and allowed questions.

4. Saturday- April 7- The meeting began with a brief discussion of Aletheia- our Alpha Chi Journal. Bill Potter and Jackie Kegley explained the process. Students submit their papers and then these are assigned for critique by two readers. A managing editor oversees the review procedures. Usually the critiques are returned within six weeks. The response can take three forms: (1) Publish as is; (2) Publish with minor revisions; and (3) Publish with major revisions. This is the way it is done with professional journals. Students were urged to send in their work.

5. The meeting then turned to reports from each chapter.
   - Fresno Pacific reported that they sponsor a Research Day a workshop on how to apply to graduate school. They also have an introduction to the Convention and some practice sessions. There is also an opportunity to nominate two inspiring professors.
   - CSU, Bakersfield reported that they were having their induction ceremony on April 29th. This is a joint ceremony with the Helen Hawk Honors Society. The President, Provost, Vice Provost, all the academic deans and the new President participate. Academic regalia is worn. They are working to establish an Honors Council and since the new student government president is a new Alpha Chi initiate, this seems most likely. Alpha Chi is working with other groups on campus to do community service and to host events.
   - California Baptist reported that there university is undergoing a great growth spurt. They have grown from 4800 to 10,000. They are working to make Alpha Chi more known on campus.
• Grand Canyon is focusing on leadership. They do a resume workshop and a research symposium. They are also working to include their on-line population.
• The University of Law Verne has a research conference. The resume building is usually done within disciplines. They too are working to attract non-traditional students.
• Hawaii Pacific is fighting to keep their candlelight ceremony.
• Westminster also has a large Honors program, and is working with them.

6. Jackie Kegley reported on financial. The region has a balance of almost $9000.
7. Marshall Johnston reminded everyone that we provide scholarships and to watch for the announcement of these on our webpage.

8. Jackie Kegley urged us to think about oral history of our chapters. Al Clark reported that he is working with national to develop this for the Centennial. Jackie Kegley reported that CSUB has a large oral history program.

9. Finally, Region VII nominated CSU, Bakersfield for the President’s Cup. This was approved, and the nomination will be forwarded to the National Office.

10. The meeting adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully submitted,
Jackie Kegley
Region VI Secretary-Treasurer

Financial Statement—Region VII
Net Worth Statement, Year Ending 31 December 2017

Balance on Hand, January 1, 2017
Chase Bank account $15,110.83

Receipts
Net Receipts, 2017 $0

Disbursements
National Convention Chapter Subsidies $6,150.00
Supply Order PPD ID 1410216800 23.95

Net Expenses, 2017 ($6,173.95)

Total Assets as of December 31, 2017, Chase Bank $8,936.88
Alpha Chi National Honor Scholarship Society
Searcy, Arkansas
Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2017

Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2017
with
Reports of Certified Public Accountants
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FINANCIAL SECTION
Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors
Alpha Chi National Honor Scholarship Society
1210 E. Race Avenue
Searcy, AR  72143

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Alpha Chi National Honor Scholarship Society (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2017, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based upon our audits. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Alpha Chi National Honor Scholarship Society as of December 31, 2017, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Searcy, Arkansas
March 29, 2018
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Alphi Chi National Honor Scholarship Society  
Statement of Financial Position  
December 31, 2017

### Assets

Current assets:
- Cash and cash equivalents $196,274.71
- Security deposit $1,200.00

Total current assets $197,474.71

Property and equipment, net $128,295.08
Investments $1,772,458.59

Total assets $2,098,228.38

### Liabilities and Net Assets

Current liabilities:
- Accounts payable $44,426.37
- Accrued and withheld payroll taxes $3,396.19

Total current liabilities $47,822.56

### Net Assets

Unrestricted $2,050,405.82

Total net assets $2,050,405.82

Total liabilities and net assets $2,098,228.38

See accompanying notes.
Alphi Chi National Honor Scholarship Society  
Statement of Activities  
Year Ended December 31, 2017  

Unrestricted Revenues  
Membership dues $ 714,270.06  
Other income and fees 32,944.80  
Donations and royalties 90,030.48  
Investment income - interest 10,981.40  
Mutual fund income:  
  Investment income - mutual fund dividends and capital gain distributions 53,969.71  
  Gain (loss) on sale of investments 9,181.67  
  Unrealized gains (losses) on investments 226,152.44  

Total revenue $1,137,530.56  

Expenses  
Chapter administration - dues rebated $ 183,705.00  
Chapter expenses - postage and printing 9,030.48  
National office expenses - office staff 274,633.19  
National office expenses - information systems technology 29,284.41  
National office expenses - administration 28,669.70  
National council expenses - governance 25,964.32  
National council expenses - marketing 177,741.97  
National council expenses - meeting 32,880.79  
Member benefits - publications 9,622.98  
Member benefits - scholarships and grants 81,750.00  
Member benefits - convention attendance grants 67,655.96  
Member benefits - membership items 11,259.85  
Member benefits - convention presentation prizes 2,100.00  
National convention 123,999.88  
Investment expenses 16,888.11  
Depreciation expense 16,798.02  

Total expenses $1,091,984.66  

Increase (decrease) in net assets $ 45,545.90  

Net assets at beginning of year 2,004,859.92  

Net assets at end of year $ 2,050,405.82  

See accompanying notes.
Alphi Chi National Honor Scholarship Society
Statement of Cash Flows
Year Ended December 31, 2017

Cash flows from operating activities
Change in net assets $ 45,545.90
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to
net cash provided by (or used for) operating activities
Depreciation 16,798.02
(Gain) Loss on sale of investments (9,181.67)
Unrealized (gains) losses on investments (226,152.44)
Accrued payroll taxes withheld and accrued 180.65
Accounts payable (5,019.41)

Net cash provided by operating activities $(177,828.95)

Cash flows used for investing activities
Purchase of investments $(387,054.27)
Purchase of investments - dividends, capital gain distributions reinvested (53,969.71)
Investment income (interest, dividends) 64,951.11
Investment expenses (16,888.11)
Proceeds from the sale of investments 551,061.59
Purchase of fixed assets (138,017.60)

Net cash used in investing activities $ 20,083.01

Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents $(157,745.94)

Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year 354,020.65

Cash and cash equivalents at end of year $ 196,274.71

See accompanying notes.
NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Organization. The entity is organized as a non-profit corporation for the promotion and recognition of scholarship and of those elements of character which make scholarship effective for good among college and university students. Revenue for the entity is generated through membership fees, contributions, and investment earnings.

B. Basis of Presentation. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared based on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. All funds of the entity at December 31, 2017, are unrestricted as defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

C. Income Taxes. The entity is not subject to federal or state income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c) (3). The entity is not a private foundation.

D. Fair Values of Financial Instruments. The following methods and assumptions were used by the entity in estimating its fair value disclosures for financial instruments:

   - Cash and cash equivalents: The carrying amounts reported in the statement of financial position approximate fair values because of the short maturities of those instruments.

   - Investments: The fair values of investments are based on quoted market prices for those or similar investments.

E. Estimates. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of management's estimates.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents. The entity defines cash to include certificates of deposit, money market funds, savings accounts, demand deposits and other short-term securities with maturities of three months or less. There are no significant concentrations of credit risk attributable to deposits in excess of federally insured limits.

G. Investments. The entity defines investments to include mutual funds investing in debt and equity securities, treasury bills and notes, certificates of deposit and other instruments with maturities of greater than three months.

H. Depreciation. Furniture and equipment are being depreciated over estimated useful lives of five to ten years using a straight-line method. All fixed asset additions are recorded at actual cost. Depreciation expense for the fiscal year was $16,798.02.

I. Property and Equipment. Property and equipment are recorded at cost or at estimated cost if actual is not available. Items with a useful life of greater than one year of a significant value are capitalized.

NOTE 2 - CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The entity maintains cash balances at several institutions. Accounts at each institution are insured up to $250,000.00 by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. At December 31, 2017, there were no significant concentrations of credit risk associated with cash deposits.
NOTE 3 - INVESTMENTS

Investments as of December 31, 2017, are summarized as follows:

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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The following schedule summarizes the investment return and its classification in the statement of activities for the year ended December 31, 2017.

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<td>Realized gains (losses) from sale of mutual funds</td>
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<td>Unrealized gains (losses)</td>
<td>226,152.44</td>
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<td>Investment expenses</td>
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<td><strong>Total investment return</strong></td>
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None of the entity's financial instruments are held for trading purposes.

Unrealized gains (losses) represent increases and decreases in the market value of investments.

NOTE 4 - PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Changes in property and equipment are as follows:

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John S. Pistole

John S. Pistole, the 2018 Distinguished Alumnus, will address delegates at the Saturday evening Gala. Pistole became Anderson University’s fifth president in 2015. Previously, his lengthy career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation led to a 2010 nomination by President Obama to be Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration. In his role as Administrator of the TSA, Pistole led a 60,000-strong workforce and the security operations of more than 450 airports throughout the United States.

Pistole, who was inducted into Alpha Chi by the Indiana Alpha chapter in 1977, earned his bachelor’s degree cum laude from Anderson University in 1978. He went on to earn a juris doctorate from the Robert H. McKinney School of Law at Indiana University before going into practice for two years. In his 26-year career with the FBI, he served in Minneapolis, New York, Indianapolis, Boston, and FBI Headquarters in Washington D.C.

Jeff VanderMeer

Scheduled to speak on Thursday evening at the convention is best-selling author Jeff VanderMeer. VanderMeer’s NYT best-selling Southern Reach trilogy has been translated into over 35 languages. The first novel, *Annihilation*, won the Nebula Award and Shirley Jackson Award, was shortlisted for a half dozen more awards, and has been made into a movie which was released by Paramount Pictures in February 2018. His latest novel, *Borne*, is the first release from Farrar, Straus and Giroux’s new MCD imprint and has received wide critical acclaim, including a rare trifecta of rave reviews from the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, and the Washington Post. It explores themes related to the environment, animals, and our future. The New Yorker has called Jeff “the weird Thoreau,” and he frequently speaks about issues related to climate change and storytelling, including at DePaul, MIT, and the Guggenheim. He lives in Tallahassee, Florida.
Our Green Planet

Alpha Chi National Convention

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**Alpha Chi Goes Green for Our Green Planet 2018**

Alpha Chi has gone to greater lengths than ever this year to maintain its awareness of sustainability issues and initiatives involved in the production of this year’s convention materials. From this program in your hands to the signage you see around the hotel, we have found ways to source things locally and to use materials that have been or can be recycled.

This program, the service project postcards to be sent to Meals on Wheels of Portland, and any sign you see bearing an AX logo, were produced at Premier Printing in Portland, a company certified as a Sustainable Green Partnership (SGP). Additionally, they are Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certified.

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From our chapter packet envelopes to our name badge inserts, we sought paper products that were recycled or that could be recycled in a conscious effort to support the environment.

We want everyone to keep any materials from the convention that they wish to keep as mementos or to share with colleagues, family, or friends. However, at Saturday’s closing gala, Alpha Chi will provide a place for you to deposit conference name badges or paperwork that you’d like us to recycle for you.

The Hilton Portland Downtown is an environmentally conscious facility with recycling receptacles throughout the hotel. We hope you’ll use these throughout the convention. The hotel states, “our team and leaders put great effort into sourcing...fresh meat and produce from regional farmers and ranchers who are dedicated to the quality of their products and the health of consumers. Behind the scenes, our operations team is dedicated to the same principles. Waste reduction and recycle management, safe cleaning products and laundry practices, and a tireless approach to environmental stewardship are a key part of our values.”

**Format and Etiquette for Friday/Saturday Timed Student Sessions**

To enhance everyone’s convention experience, Alpha Chi encourages all attendees to observe the following rules of meeting etiquette, especially during student presentations. Remember, most of the people you’ll meet this week are on the program in some way or another.

**All Attendees:**

- Please refrain from interrupting a student presentation already in progress. Enter and leave a presentation room only during the 5-minute break between presentations. You may quietly leave at that time to get to a presentation in another room.
- Even though the doors should be closed during each presentation, while waiting outside a room for the next presentation or walking past a session in progress, please be as quiet as possible.
- Be a patient and pleasant audience member. If given the chance to offer feedback or ask a question, do so in a respectful and constructive manner.

**Student Presenters:**

- Please wear business professional attire.
- Regardless of your order in the section, arrive before the start of the section and identify yourself to the Section Moderator.
- As a courtesy to your fellow presenters in your section, we ask you to remain present for your entire section.
- You must stay within the time limit for your presentation, or the moderator will stop you. Your presentation length is 12 minutes followed by another 3 minutes of mandatory audience Q&A (15 minutes total).
- Be prepared in case of technical problems with equipment; have a backup plan that will allow you to proceed if the technology fails.
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The following prizes have been endowed by generous donors so that $100 convention presentation prizes may be awarded annually when there are at least three presentations in that field. If the field below is not in bold type, there were not enough presenters to award it this year. However, those presenters have still been judged for prizes in similar or combined fields.

- Walden S. Freeman Prize in American History
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- Michael Flachmann Prize in Shakespeare
- Bill Short Prize in World Literature
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Nationwide Sponsors $7,500 in Student Collaborative Project Prizes

Nationwide Insurance, one of Alpha Chi’s affinity partners, recognizes the importance of groups that bring people together to celebrate common interests and academic achievement and is proud to sponsor the 2018 student collaborative research project competition this year on Climate Change and the Future. The team winning first place this week will be awarded $5,000, and the team placing second will receive $2,500.
2018 Alpha Chi National Convention
Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 5

3:00-6:00 p.m.  AX Central: Chapter Delegation Check-in………………………………………………………………………… Pavilion Foyer (2nd floor)
A sponsor delegate (or voting student delegate if sponsor isn’t attending) from each college should check in to receive the packet containing all items for each individual delegate. There will also be tables for the national service project, student presenter questions, an info table with Aletheia editor, Dr. Tim Lindblom, and the AX merch store with Mr. Tim Brown.

3:00-6:00 p.m.  Poster set-up .................................................................................................................. Pavilion Ballroom

5:30 p.m.  Moderators & Judges Meeting ............................................................................................ Galleria South (Grand Ballroom level)
Moderator and judge packets will be distributed here. Given that the timing of our presenter sessions is different than usual this year, please make every effort to attend this meeting.

6:30-8:00 p.m.  Our Green Planet—Opening Banquet ................................................................. Grand Ballroom I
Welcome—Dr. Kathi Vosevich, Shorter University, National Council Vice President
Program Overview—Ms. Lara Noah, Director of Operations, Alpha Chi National Office
Address—Jeff VanderMeer, New York times best-selling author of more than 25 books
Speaker Q&A—Region VII Student Representative Zack Merhavy, Grand Canyon University

8:00-8:30 p.m.  Jeff VanderMeer Book Sales by Broadway Books .............................................. Grand Ballroom Foyer
You may purchase signed books before going upstairs to the Forum. As time permits, Mr. VanderMeer has graciously agreed to sign or personalize books in the Pavilion Foyer until 9:00 p.m.

8:30-10:00 p.m. 2018 Research & Creativity Forum, Student Presentations Session I ...................... Pavilion Ballroom
Judging begins at 8:30 p.m., with a bell being chimed every 10 minutes. While presenters should remain at their posters throughout the forum, the times posted below indicate when the judging team should arrive. Each presenter may have 5 minutes to speak with the judges. The Collaborative Research Project teams will also display their posters, though this is not when those presentations will be judged.

American Literature

“What Happened to Alice? A Feminist Analysis Comparing Lewis Carroll’s Alice in Wonderland to a Contemporary Retelling”
Emily M. Parratt, Rhode Island Alpha, Roger Williams University, Region VI ......................................................... 8:30

Anthropology/Sociology

“Height and Student Recognition on Campus”
Korrinne Bethel, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III......................... 8:30

“Mob Violence and Its Victims: A Comparative Analysis of the Alleged Crimes for Which Mexicans and African Americans Were Lynched”
Symphony Munoz, Texas Upsilon, McMurry University, Region I ................................................................. 8:40

British Literature

“You’re Never Too Old to Laugh: An Adaption of Shakespeare’s Fool in the Modern Era”
Tina Kramer, Pennsylvania Theta, Thiel College, Region VI ................................................................. 8:30

Business Administration

“Environmental Taxation”
Katherine Olson & Cailee Willis, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I ................................. 8:30

“Automation”
Joshua Vallance, Indiana Alpha, Anderson University, Region V ................................................................. 8:40

“Individualism-Collectivism and Bias Against Outgroup Members”
Tyler Werland, Texas Alpha Pi, University of Texas at San Antonio, Region I ..................................................... 8:50
Chemistry

“The Effects of Polarized Light on Arabidopsis thaliana Growth and Chirality of Carbohydrate Molecules”
Cassidy Anderson, Tennessee Nu, Milligan College, Region III ............................................................... 8:30

“pH-responsive Polymeric Vesicles As Drug Delivery Systems”
Ashley Dubos, Pennsylvania Nu, Saint Vincent College, Region VI ................................................................. 8:40

“Northern Lights”
George Kattan, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III ............................................................. 8:50

“Concrete Filtration of Lead in Water”
Jessica Pham, Missouri Theta, Park University, Region IV .............................................................................. 9:00

“Determination of Lead Content in Local Water Sources by Differential Pulse Stripping Voltammetry”
Genevieve S. Stelmacovich, Missouri Theta, Park University, Region IV .......................................................... 9:10

“Electrochemical Capacitance of Diamond vs. Platinum in Electrolyte Solutions”
Breanna King Vestal, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III ........................................ 9:20

Communication

“The Association between Preparation Time and Communication Apprehension”
Rebekah Rose & Kristin Sutter, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Region V ..................................................... 8:30

Computer Science/Engineering

“Advantages of Using Object-oriented Programming in Game Design”
Aaron Smith, Massachusetts Beta, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Region VI ........................................... 8:30

Education: Pedagogy

“Diversity in the Classroom”
Brooklyn Cole & Mallorie Polston, Kentucky Delta, Brescia University, Region V ................................................. 8:30

“Teaching the E-Portfolio: Challenges and Changes”
Paul LaPrade, Texas Alpha Beta, University of Texas at El Paso, Region I ........................................................... 8:40

“Prior Learning Assessment and the Course Match Portfolio: The Design, Development, and Integration of an Online Tutorial for Portfolio Development”
Esther Smith Pippins, Texas Beta Alpha, Texas A&M University - Texarkana, Region II ...................................... 8:50

“Freedom of Voice and Expression in Writing Pedagogy”
Karrie Rosemann, Missouri Pi, Lindenwood University, Region IV ..................................................................... 9:00

Education: Research/Scholarship

“Angelman Syndrome”
Haley Leighann Snyder, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III .................................... 8:30

“Quality Gap Between Public and Private Schools”
Louisa Zsohar, Texas Eta, University of North Texas, Region II ........................................................................... 8:40

Environmental Science

“A Geography of Dystopia”
Aaliyah Weatherington, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III ............... 8:30

Exercise Science/Nutrition

“Yoga as a Form of Aerobic Exercise: A Study on the Cardiovascular Benefits of Cadential Yoga”
Rhoda Anderson, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII ........................................................... 8:30

“Relationship Between Mobility and Quality of Life in College Students”
Olivia Chase Marzullo, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I .................................................. 8:40
Health Sciences

“West Indian Attitudes Toward Communication Disorders”
Gabrielle Bernadotte, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI ......................... 8:30

“Effects of General Anesthetics on the Brain Development: A Literature Review”
Justyn Christophers, New Hampshire Zeta, Franklin Pierce University, Region VI ............................... 8:40

“A Systematic Review of Methods to Reduce the Incidence of Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia”
N’Keyah Shauna-Leigh Diaz, New Hampshire Zeta, Franklin Pierce University, Region VI .................... 8:50

“Type of Foods and Healthy Lifestyle Effect on Diabetes and Cholesterol”
Neveen Issa, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III ................... 9:00

“Opioid Epidemic: Should We Care?”
Jung Kim, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI ................................. 9:10

“Scoliosis: A Silent Medical Condition”
Jullienne Cyvin C. Lim, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III ....... 9:20

“A New Trend Increasing Patient Adherence to Assistive Devices: The Resurgence of DIY Craft”
Leanna Narain, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI ............................... 9:30

“Exploration of Recreational Therapy Models”
Rachel Elizabeth Trouten, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V ......................... 9:40

Molecular/Cellular Biology

“Inhibition of Histone Acetyltransferases Specifically Targeting H4K5 Acetylation Rescue Myogenic Differentiation of Emerin-null Myogenic Progenitors”
Katherine A. Bossone, Pennsylvania Kappa, University of the Sciences, Region VI ............................. 8:30

“The Role of Long Non-coding RNA in Estrogen-sensitive Breast Cancer”
Angela Chen, Texas Alpha Iota, Angelo State University, Region I ..................................................... 8:40

“Nucleocapsid Protein Recognition of Non-canonical Substrate Hairpins”
Henrietta Ehirim, Missouri Tau, Cottey College, Region IV ................................................................. 8:50

“Catecholamine Compounds as Inhibitors of Amyloid β-42 Aggregation in Alzheimer’s Disease”
Caitlin V. Johnson, Pennsylvania Nu, Saint Vincent College, Region VI .................................................. 9:00

“Detection of Lactobacilli in Mice Fecal Matter”
John Yo Han Lee, Indiana Alpha, Anderson University, Region V .......................................................... 9:10

“Identification of Plant and Fungal Extracts That Exhibit Antimicrobial Activity Against Pathogenic Bacteria”
Caleb Hunter Holswade Martin, West Virginia Epsilon, West Liberty University, Region V .................... 9:20

“Monoallelic Expression of Autosomal Genes: MED13L”
Elizabeth McKenzie, South Carolina Iota, Erskine College, Region III .................................................. 9:30

“Antimicrobial Screening of Sonoran Desert Plants”
Zachary Merhavy, Arizona Alpha, Grand Canyon University, Region VII .............................................. 9:40

“α-ACTN3 Genotype in College Athletes”
Alexa Parker, Kentucky Lambda, Campbellsville University, Region V .................................................. 9:50

“ΔFosB and Opioid Addiction”
Annie Wohlgemuth, New Hampshire Zeta, Franklin Pierce University, Region VI ................................. 10:00

“An Assessment of Spatial Learning and Memory Using the Morris Water Maze Following Adolescent Nicotine Exposure in Adult Long-Evans Rats”
Evan R. Youker, Pennsylvania Theta, Thiel College, Region VI .............................................................. 10:10

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Organismal/Ecological Biology

“Discovering the Microbial Diversity of the Lumber River”
Cassandra Barlogio, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III .......... 8:30

“Effects of Agricultural Runoff on Lepomis macrochirus”
Carrie E. Blow, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III ......................................................... 8:40

“What Came First? The Chicken or the Cup?”
Lara Jolley, Texas Beta Alpha, Texas A&M University - Texarkana, Region II ........................................... 8:50

Physics/Geology/Astronomy

“High Density Scintillating Glass Proton Imaging Detector”
Lyndsay Ruane, Nebraska Alpha, Hastings College, Region IV ................................................................. 8:30

Political Science/Economics

“Politics of Substance Use: Are African Americans Targeted and Discriminated Against Compared to Caucasians When It Comes To Criminalizing Marijuana Use?”
Nasia F. Duke, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI ......................................... 8:30

“Before Segregation, Now Gentrification: A Case Study in Dallas”
Ana Yanes-Garcia, Texas Iota, Texas State University, Region I ................................................................. 8:40

Psychology I

“Cognitive Strength and Executive Functions Associated with Alternative Training in Non-diseased Subjects”
Gianni De Bruyn, Arizona Alpha, Grand Canyon University, Region VII ...................................................... 8:30

“Do You Judge a Book by Its Cover? An Analysis of Perceptions of Potential Job Applicants Based on Facebook Profiles”
Emily O’Neill, Rhode Island Alpha, Roger Williams University, Region VI .................................................. 8:40

“People's Beliefs on the Origins of the Mind”
Samantha Leigh Redig, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Region II ............................... 8:50

Visual Art (Original)

“Vita Notturna: The New Name in Cosmetic Subscription Boxes”
Zoe R. Beale, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III .............................................................. 8:30

“The Art of Culture”
Ashley Michelle Frank, Texas Beta, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Region I ........................................... 8:40

“Illuminate: Illustrations of Fairy Tales and Classic Stories”
Carrie Hill, Arkansas Beta, Ouachita Baptist University, Region II .............................................................. 8:50

“Advertising and Building a Brand”
Gabriela Marrama, Arizona Alpha, Grand Canyon University, Region VII ................................................... 9:00

“Elements”
Kerrick van Asselt, Kansas Epsilon, Friends University, Region IV ............................................................ 9:10

“Medical Illustration: From the Roman Empire to the Digital Revolution”
Caroline Walker, Tennessee Nu, Milligan College, Region III ................................................................. 9:20

Collaborative Research Project Posters

Presentation to Judges on Friday, April 6
University of Arkansas at Monticello ........................................... Galleria III, 8:00 a.m.
Lindenwood University ................................................................. Galleria III, 8:20 a.m.
Ouachita Baptist University .................................................. Galleria III, 8:40 a.m.
Lyon College ........................................................................ Galleria III, 9:00 a.m.
Texas State University ................................................................. Galleria III, 9:20 a.m.
Gardner-Webb University .................................................. Galleria III, 10:00 a.m.
Campbellsville University .................................................. Galleria III, 11:00 a.m.

Presentation to Judges on Saturday, April 7
University of North Texas .................................................. Galleria III, 1:30 p.m.
Franklin Pierce University .................................................. Galleria III, 1:50 p.m.
Cumberland University ................................................................. Galleria III, 2:10 p.m.
Friday, April 6

8 a.m.-2:00 p.m.  AX Central...................................................................................................................... Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00 a.m.  2018 Research & Creativity Poster Viewing ................................................................. Pavilion Ballroom
Posters need to be taken down by the presenters today by 1 p.m.

8:00-9:20 a.m.  Student Presentations Session II (details on pp. 12-14)

Grand Ballroom Level (floor below lobby)
Section 18: American History................................................................. Parlor B
Section 19: British Literature ................................................................. Parlor C
Section 20: Communication ................................................................. Grand Ballroom II
Section 21: Education: Pedagogy ......................................................... Galleria I
Section 22: Religion/Philosophy ......................................................... Galleria II
Section 23: Collaborative Research Project Teams ................................ Galleria III

3rd Floor Conference Level
Section 24: Psychology I ................................................................. Forum
Section 25: Psychology II ................................................................. Council
Section 26: Political Science/Economics ............................................... Directors
Section 27: Anthropology/Sociology ..................................................... Studio
Section 28: Business Administration ................................................... Executive
Section 29: Computer Science/Engineering ........................................ Senate
Section 30: Health Sciences ............................................................... Cabinet

9:30-10:20 a.m.  Regional Breakfast Bites
All delegates can grab a light breakfast and gather by region (as noted on your name badge). Information important to everyone is shared in regional meetings. Chapters attending will receive the regional convention grant forms used to offset their travel costs. Regions II, IV, and VI will elect new student representatives who will join the Council at its meetings tonight.

Region I: President Jodi Pilgrim, presiding...........................................Galleria I
Region II: President Lori Hensley, presiding.........................................Galleria III
Region III: President John McLaughlin, presiding..............................Grand Ballroom II
Region IV: President Jessica Henry, presiding.................................Galleria II
Region V: President Blake Janutolo, presiding................................Parlor A
Region VI: President Agashi Nwogbaga, presiding........................Parlor B
Region VII: President Marshall Johnston, presiding........................Parlor C

10:30-11:20 a.m.  Regional Election Results and Constitutional Voting.............................................. Grand Ballroom I
During this session, the newly-elected regional faculty and student officers will be recognized. Dr. David Jones, the president of Alpha Chi’s National Council, will present several amendments to Alpha Chi’s Constitution that must be voted on. Please bring the official voting cards from your chapter’s packet. Voting delegates will use these to cast their votes.

11:30-12:50 p.m.  Student Presentations Session III (details on pp. 14-16)

Section 31: American History................................................................. Parlor B
Section 32: British Literature ................................................................. Parlor C
Section 33: Communication ................................................................. Grand Ballroom II
Section 34: Education: Pedagogy ......................................................... Galleria I
Section 35: Religion/Philosophy ......................................................... Galleria II
Section 36: Collaborative Research Project Teams ................................ Galleria III
Section 37: Psychology I ................................................................. Forum
Section 38: Psychology II ................................................................. Council
Section 39: Political Science/Economics ............................................... Directors
Section 40: Anthropology/Sociology ..................................................... Studio
Section 41: Business Administration ................................................... Executive
Section 42: Computer Science/Engineering ........................................ Senate
Section 43: Health Sciences ............................................................... Cabinet

12:50 p.m.  Enjoy Portland for lunch and sightseeing!

10:00-11:30 a.m.  Alpha Chi’s Got Talent! ........................................ Skyline I/II
End the day enjoying the talents of your fellow delegates in a relaxed atmosphere with plenty of snacks to share. Hosted this year by the Convention Committee, this showcase of talent—musical numbers, dancing, poetry, and story-telling—is a great way make new friends and lifelong memories.
Saturday, April 7

6:45-7:25 a.m. **Mountain View Yoga** .................................................. Skyline I
A beginner-level class led by Dr. Graziana Ramsden, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (BYO gear)

8 a.m.-9:00 p.m. **AX Central** .......................................................... Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00-9:20 a.m. **Student Presentations Session IV** (details on pp. 17-19)

Section 44: American History ............................................................... Parlor B
Section 45: British Literature ................................................................. Parlor C
Section 46: Communication and Art/Film Theatre Research ...................... Grand Ballroom II
Section 47: Education: Research/Scholarship ........................................ Galleria I
Section 48: Religion/Philosophy .............................................................. Galleria II
Section 49: American Literature ........................................................... Galleria III
Section 50: Psychology I ............................................................... Forum
Section 51: Psychology II ............................................................... Council
Section 52: Political Science/Economics ........................................... Directors
Section 53: Anthropology/Sociology ....................................................... Studio
Section 54: Business Administration ..................................................... Executive
Section 55: Computer Science/Engineering .......................................... Senate
Section 56: Chemistry ................................................................. Cabinet

9:30-10:20 a.m. **Croissant & Conversation, Regional Meetings**

Grab a light breakfast and gather again by region. Your regional meeting is a great place for academic and social networking. Dr. Tim Lindblom, editor of Alpha Chi's peer-reviewed online journal, *Aletheia*, will be making a guest appearance in each region.

Region I ................................................................. Galleria I
Region II ................................................................. Galleria III
Region III .............................................................. Grand Ballroom II
Region IV ............................................................. Galleria II
Region V ............................................................. Parlor A
Region VI ............................................................... Parlor B
Region VII ............................................................ Parlor C

10:30-11:30 a.m. **Chapter-Strengthening Sessions**

Each attendee will choose one of the following eight, chapter-led sessions. Chapters with multiple attendees may divide up to participate in multiple sessions. Take the things you learn back to your campus and adapt them to invigorate and better serve your current members and raise your chapter's visibility.

**Fundraising: Let’s Get Uncomfortable** ............................................ Grand Ballroom II
North Carolina Phi members from Chowan College will share their 2017-18 methodology seeking to find a unique approach to fundraising by brainstorming new ideas on their small campus to raise the chapter profile and income.

**Honor Students Gone Wild** ......................................................... Parlor B
Alpha Chi chapters can attract attention on campus and enhance member involvement with off-the-wall events. During this hands-on session led by Hawai'i Pacific University, work with a group of "wild and crazy" Alpha Chi members to plan such an event for your campus. The ideas will be shared during the session and written plan summaries distributed later to everyone who attends.

**Making a “Killing” with Fundraising: The Mastermind Spy Game** ......................................................... Parlor C
Having trouble raising money for Alpha Chi? This session discusses Carson-Newman University's successes and failures, focusing on using “The Mastermind Assassination Game,” an engaging simulation, to put the fun back into fundraising.

**Nerds Night Out** ................................................................. Galleria I
Some honors students won’t join Alpha Chi because they see it as “just another obligation.” Let the chapter at Gardner-Webb University show you how our chapter capitalizes on the idea of giving our members some time to play as one way to unleash our creative juices. We will also lead you in brainstorming ways to inspire nerdy fun and creativity in your own chapter.

**Out of the Comfort Zone: Service to the Campus and Community** ......................................................... Galleria II
Led by Ouachita Baptist University, participants will brainstorm ways to formulate and feel comfortable and confident in interdisciplinary campus and community service, even when sponsors and students are working outside their own chosen disciplines. As we hope to show, moving outside their comfort zone gives Alpha Chi members an opportunity to explain the value of their discipline to campus and community members and to foster appreciation for various learning styles.
Rowdy Goes Green in the Community ................................................................. Galleria III
Join California State University, Bakersfield, for a session about leadership and service. We'll be on our feet for an interactive collaboration exercise, so come prepared to interact with others and share your ideas of what it means to be a leader serving the community. Bring your phone—you'll be using it!

Student Leadership and Alpha Chi ............................................................... Forum
Grand Canyon University’s Alpha Chi chapter emphasizes student leadership among its officers and members, letting full-time undergraduate students take full responsibility for the chapter’s success. Additionally, many of our past and current officers have served in other student leadership positions on campus, and Alpha Chi supports and promotes these opportunities. Finally, we'll show how we offer a sponsorship program for students to present research and send them to other leadership growth opportunities.

Using Social Media to Strengthen Your Alpha Chi Chapter ........................ Council
In this interactive workshop led by Alpha Chi members from East Central University, you will learn tips and techniques for using social media such as Facebook and Twitter to strengthen your chapter. Topics will include increasing communication among officers, promoting events, and increasing the chance that invitations for membership will be accepted.

11:40-1:20 p.m.  Lunch—There are many great restaurants nearby, but having a plan will save you time, especially if you're in a group.

1:30-2:30 p.m.  Student Presentations Session V (details on pp. 19-20)
Section 57: Creative Writing ................................................................. Parlor C
Section 58: Arts: Performance & Research ............................................... Grand Ballroom II
Section 59: Education: Research/Scholarship ....................................... Galleria I
Section 60: World History ................................................................. Galleria II
Section 61: Collaborative Research Project Teams ................................. Galleria III
Section 62: Psychology I ................................................................. Forum
Section 63: Psychology II ................................................................. Council
Section 64: Molecular/Cellular Biology ................................................... Directors
Section 65: Anthropology/Sociology ..................................................... Studio
Section 66: Organismal/Ecological Biology .............................................. Executive
Section 67: Exercise Science/Nutrition ................................................ Senate
Section 68: Chemistry and Physics/Geology/Astronomy ......................... Cabinet

2:40-4:00 p.m.  Student Presentations Session VI (details on pp. 21-22)
Section 69: World Literature ................................................................. Parlor B
Section 70: Creative Writing ................................................................. Parlor C
Section 71: Arts: Performance & Research ............................................... Grand Ballroom II
Section 72: Education: Research/Scholarship ....................................... Galleria I
Section 73: World History ................................................................. Galleria II
Section 74: American Literature ........................................................... Galleria III
Section 75: Molecular/Cellular Biology ................................................... Directors
Section 76: Environmental Science ........................................................... Studio
Section 77: Organismal/Ecological Biology .............................................. Executive
Section 78: Exercise Science/Nutrition ................................................ Senate
Section 79: Mathematics ................................................................. Cabinet

5:00-7:30 p.m.  Alpha Chi 2018 Awards Gala ............................................... Grand Ballroom I
The convention will culminate with a dinner banquet that will include an address by 2018 Distinguished Alumnus Dr. John Pistole, now president of Anderson University, entitled “Leadership: Challenges and Opportunities.” After a brief intermission, the awards will continue with recognition of sponsor service, student presentation prize winners, national scholarship recipients, the collaborative research competition winners, and the President’s Cup for Outstanding Chapter of the Year.

(Award recipients may need to remain briefly for photographs.)

We hope to see many of you next year in Cleveland, Ohio, April 4-6, 2019, at the Hilton Cleveland Downtown, near the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame!
Friday, Session II: Student Presentations (8:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.)

Section 18 American History, Dr. Ronald Brown, moderator ................................................................. Parlor B
8:00 "Johnson’s Island: Northern War Aims and Southern Ideology in Prison”
Stormie Thorn Franks, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Region V
8:20 “I Have Not Yet Begun to Fight: World War II American Prisoners of War”
Mary Jayne Caum, Georgia Theta, Shorter University, Region III
8:40 “The Sanctuary Movement: The Foundation of Modern Sanctuary Cities”
Victoria Maria Baez-Quiroz, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III
9:00 “Is the War on Terror the 21st Century’s Version of the Cold War?”
Demetria Owens, Missouri Lambda, Missouri Western State University, Region IV

Section 19 British Literature, Dr. David Ruiter, moderator ................................................................. Parlor C
8:00 “A Gospel of One’s Own: Reading the Gospels with Virginia Woolf”
Logan J. Owens, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I
8:20 “C.S. Lewis and Matrimony: Exploring Lewis’s Religious and Personal Views on Marriage as Portrayed in That Hideous Strength”
Amanda Hawkins, Kansas Epsilon, Friends University, Region IV
8:40 “The Wood Between the Worlds: Death and Catharsis in The Magician’s Nephew”
Laurel Samuelson, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

Section 20 Communication, Dr. Linda Cowan, moderator........................................................................ Grand Ballroom II
8:00 “The Semiotics of Meme Culture: Artifact vs. Artefact”
Ian Stark, Texas Alpha Iota, Angelo State University, Region I
8:20 “How Learning a Second Language Affects One’s Life”
Riqueza Hendrix, Missouri Lambda, Missouri Western State University, Region IV
8:40 “The Language of the Land: A Review of Selected Literature on Geolinguistics”
Valerie Kocsis, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I
9:00 “A Dissection of Views Regarding Islam and Terrorism in America”
Bibiana Klasz, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I

Section 21 Education: Pedagogy, Dr. Kate Stewart, moderator............................................................ Galleria I
8:00 “The Autonomous Learner: Fostering Learner Independence in Education”
Shaquavia Chiles, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III
8:20 “Looks Can Be Deceiving”
Emily Boardman, Texas Alpha Eta, Wayland Baptist University, Region I
8:40 “Exploring Worlds: What Teachers Can Learn From Coaches”
Robert Carpenter, Pennsylvania Theta, Thiel College, Region VI
9:00 “Effective Strategies for Improving Teacher-Student Relationships in Higher Education”
Somanita Kheang, Missouri Pi, Lindenwood University, Region IV

Section 22 Religion/Philosophy, Dr. Jacquelyn Kegley, moderator....................................................... Galleria II
8:00 “The Possibility of a Genetic Predisposition for Homosexuality: A Christian Perspective”
Kristen Shepard, Indiana Alpha, Anderson University, Region V
8:20 “A Queer Hermeneutic”
Brett Banks, Texas Upsilon, McMurry University, Region I
8:40 “Women’s Roles in a Veiled Society: How the Honor-Shame System Impacted the Early Church”
Nikki Edrington, Indiana Alpha, Anderson University, Region V
9:00 “A Study of Jesus and Women in the Bible”
Katelyn Connar, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III

Section 23 Collaborative Research Presentations .................................................................................. Galleria III
8:00 “How Climate Change Affects the Spread of Insect Borne Diseases and Impacts Economic and Policy Productivity in the Mississippi Alluvial Plain”
Wyatt Carson, Gabrielle Hargrove, Dylan McClain, Bethany Tapia, Arkansas Zeta, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Region II
8:20 “The Business End of Environmental Responsibility”
Catherine Lewis & Crystal Padilla, Missouri Pi, Lindenwood University, Region IV
Section 24 Psychology I, Dr. Lori Mills, moderator

8:00 “Participating in Sports: The Benefits and Risks to Child Development”
Morgan Renee VanderSchaaf, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

8:20 “Terminating Athlete Status in the Student-athlete Experience: Impact on Self-esteem”
Claire Simmons, Iowa Beta, William Penn University, Region IV

8:40 “Sports Psychology: How the Wrong Questions are Being Asked to College Coaches”
Kyle Davison, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III

Section 25 Psychology II, Dr. Teddi Deka, moderator

8:00 “Cued Empathy in Men and Women”
Marcia-Marie Erhart, North Carolina Omicron, Catawba College, Region III

8:20 “The Effect of Gender Stereotypes in Television Commercials”
Kayla Kilingsworth, Georgia Theta, Shorter University, Region III

8:40 “Gender and Perceived Flirtation Styles: Interacting with the Other Half of the World”
Anna Lindholm, Kansas Epsilon, Friends University, Region IV

9:00 “A Cycle of Ambivalent Sexism: The Priming Effect of Pop Culture on Social Perceptions of Women”
Bethany E. Lemons, Tennessee Delta, Carson-Newman University, Region III

Section 26 Political Science/Economics, Dr. Carol Strong, moderator

8:00 “Terrorism: The Tripoli Pirates to President Trump”
Kristin Payne, Alabama Delta, Faulkner University, Region III

8:20 “A Divided Society: The Struggles Unseen and Unrecognized”
Annie Emert, Kentucky Delta, Brescia University, Region V

8:40 “The Capitalist Urban Imagination: Prostitution, Female Sexuality, and the Production of Urban Space”
Olivia Perez, Utah Alpha, Westminster College of Salt Lake City, Region VII

9:00 “The Life and Experiences of the East German Woman”
Mackenzie Sanderson, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I

Section 27 Anthropology/Sociology, Dr. Leslie DeArman, moderator

8:00 “Robin Hood through the Ages: A Look at Class Distinctions and Gender Roles”
Sidney Nicol Agnes Russell, California Iota, California State University, Bakersfield, Region VII

8:20 “Capital Punishment: What You Need to Know”
Katelynn Marie Ramirez, Iowa Iota, Waldorf University, Region IV

8:40 “Functional Group Binding Conflict Theory”
Sydney Martin, Rhode Island Alpha, Roger Williams University, Region VI

9:00 “Bacon’s Missing Idol: How Empirical Science Has Privileged the Sense of Sight”
Jessica Taghvaiee, Utah Alpha, Westminster College of Salt Lake City, Region VII

Section 28 Business Administration, Dr. Dmitry Yarushkin, moderator

8:00 “Hofstede’s 6D model in South Korea”
Jeongock Park, Texas Alpha Iota, Angelo State University, Region I

8:20 “Protecting This House: A Strategic Analysis of Under Armour, Inc.”
Colton Kyle Taylor, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

8:40 “Economic Observations of the Treasury Yield Curve”
Eric Patrick Johnson, Delaware Beta, Goldey-Beacom College, Region VI

9:00 “College Athletic Departments: An Institution's Profit Center or Cost Center?”
SuHail Bismilla, Delaware Beta, Goldey-Beacom College, Region VI

Section 29 Computer Science/Engineering, Dr. Jamie Townsend, moderator

8:00 “Solving a Scheduling Problem with a Genetic Algorithm”
Daryi Bagley, Arkansas Eta, Harding University, Region II

8:20 “Utilization of Polymer Microspheres for Controlled Release of Stem Cell Conditioned Media and Ciprofloxacin”
Ande XiaoJie Greco, Pennsylvania Nu, Saint Vincent College, Region VI

8:40 “Aortic Heart Valve Replacement System”
Jill Ann Arada, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V
Friday, Session III: Student Presentations (11:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.)

Section 30 Health Sciences, Dr. Craig Rogers, moderator .................................................................Cabinet

8:00 “Posttraumatic Distal Clavicular Osteolysis: A Case Report and Literature Review”
Brittine Smithley, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I

8:20 “Pancreatic Divisum: Understanding the Congenital Anomaly”
Shakori MaKayla Pirkle, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III

8:40 “Evaluating the Effect of Heat on Microbial Growth in Geophagic Soils”
Kimberley Simphiwe Ndlovu, Missouri Sigma, Missouri Valley College, Region IV

Section 31 American History, Dr. Norman Beck, moderator ...............................................................Parlor B

11:30 “Rethinking Jamestown: A Historiographical Account”
Jennifer Elizabeth Lee, California Beta, California Baptist University, Region VII

Miranda Ridener, Indiana Alpha, Anderson University, Region V

Evan Michael Banks, Missouri Lambda, Missouri Western State University, Region IV

12:30 “People Building a People Place: Pedestrian Malls, Urban Renewal, and Public Space in Downtown America”
Brian Whetstone, Nebraska Alpha, Hastings College, Region IV

Section 32 British Literature, Dr. Melissa Antorini, moderator ............................................................Parlor C

11:30 “Sight, Spectacles, and the Performance of the Patriarch in Richardson’s Pamela”
Amelia Gayle, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Region II

11:50 “Frothing to the Top: A Critical Reevaluation of the Early Novels by Nancy Mitford, 1930-1940”
R. Christian Phillips, Ohio Epsilon, Capital University, Region V

12:10 “Democratic Decay: A Political Reading of TS Eliot’s The Waste Land”
Megan McKinley, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Region II

Section 33 Communication, Dr. Linda Cowan, moderator .................................................................Grand Ballroom II

11:30 “Publishing a Student-led Magazine”
Brooke Grasso, California Theta, University of La Verne, Region VII

11:50 “Think Globally, Act Locally: A Look at the Planning and Implementation of Recycling on a College Campus”
Karissa Vetsch, Iowa Iota, Waldorf University, Region IV

12:10 “Not Just Another Magazine: Why We Must Embrace the Use of Alternative Presentation Formats for Academic Research”
Mallory Gruben, Nebraska Alpha, Hastings College, Region IV

12:30 “The Stories We Carry: The Conflicting Roles of Friend and Authority in Resident Assistant Relationships”
Joy Rubio, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

Section 34 Education: Pedagogy, Dr. Kate Stewart, moderator ............................................................Galleria I

11:30 “Evaluating the American education system: Rethinking curriculum and operation”
Wren A. Williams, Massachusetts Beta, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Region VI

Sarah Grace Moxley, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

12:10 “Should Round Robin Reading Be Used ‘Round Our Schools?”
Molly Vest, Kentucky Lambda, Campbellsville University, Region V

12:30 “Inquiry-based Learning: Secondary Mathematics Application”
Kiera MacPherson, Iowa Beta, William Penn University, Region IV

Section 35 Religion/Philosophy, Dr. John Harrison, moderator ............................................................Galleria II

11:30 “The Divine Collaborative Effort: Agency as a Tool for Examining Power and Relationship in the Exodus Narrative”
Harley Nichol Burgess, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

11:50 “A Weak Identity Thesis”
Cho Fai Wong, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII
12:10  "Elisabeth Elliot: An Exemplar of Ephesians 5:21-24"  
Sarah Lauren Traylor, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

12:30  "All is Vanity: Nihilism and Ecclesiastes"  
Addison Schwamb, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Region II

Section 36 Collaborative Research Presentations ......................................................................................... Galleria III

11:30  "Presence vs. Perception: Analyzing the Relationship Between the Presence and Public Perception of Climate Change by State"  
Marisa Ayers & Hannah Templin, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Region II

11:50  "Perceptions of Texas State Population on Public Policy Regarding Climate Change"  
Joni Lindsey, Natasha Liu Thomas, Ana Yanes-Garcia, Texas Iota, Texas State University, Region I

12:10  "The Psychology of Oceanic Climate Change"  
Tyler Hemingway, Damian Hutchins, Hope Still, Kelsi Williams, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

12:30  "Methods for Battling Climate Change: An Analysis of Psychological Hindrances Behind a Lack of Action and a Case Study of Current Successful Methods in Our Region"  
Sarah Bowman, Maddie Daulton, Jordan Read, Kentucky Lambda, Campbellsville University, Region V

Section 37 Psychology I, Dr. Shannon Deets, moderator ............................................................................... Forum

11:30  "It's All in Your Head: Justifying Psychological Profiling by Examining the Role of Personality Traits and the Dual Process Model in Immoral Decision-making"  
Nicole Amber Hall, Missouri Delta, Westminster College, Region IV

11:50  "The Relationship Between Childhood Snacks and Eating Habits in Adulthood"  
Ashley Van Dusen, Texas Alpha Xi, University of Texas at Tyler, Region II

12:10  "The Brain and It's Influencers"  
Jessica Myers, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I

12:30  "The Perceptual Dynamics of Observational Goals and Perceived Behavior"  
Samuel Adam Wagner Klein, Illinois Zeta, Northeastern Illinois University, Region V

Section 38 Psychology II, Dr. Teddi Deka, moderator ............................................................................... Council

11:30  "Racial Differences in Reported Experiences of Distress, Forgiveness, and Likelihood of Relationship Dissolution after Infidelity"  
Katrina Emma Hodge, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III

11:50  "Using Cognitive Performance Tasks to Assess Ego Depletion and Restoration"  
Alissa Kim, Zachary Kyle, & Sydney Mortensen, Kansas Delta, Kansas Wesleyan University, Region IV

12:10  "Art Therapy: Evolved Therapy"  
Ruth Church, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I

12:30  "Dialectical Behavior Therapy: Emerging Perspectives on Effects of Diagnosis, Treatment Modalities, and Pitfalls of Modified Use"  
Lynetta L. Hale, California Theta, University of La Verne, Region VII

Section 39 Political Science/Economics, Dr. Carol Strong, moderator ................................................................. Directors

11:30  "Persuasion or Manipulation: Climate Change Rhetoric in Professional Web Media"  
Taylor Jackson, California Iota, California State University, Bakersfield, Region VII

11:50  "The Influence of Cold War Era Politics on Modern U.S.-China Foreign Policy"  
Mia Olivia Baxley, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III

12:10  "A Check on the Rabble? Faithless Electors and Electoral College Reform"  
Nathan Theodore Wilson, Missouri Delta, Westminster College, Region IV

12:30  "Tweet the People"  
Lauren Stafford, Oklahoma Gamma, East Central University, Region II

Section 40 Anthropology/Sociology, Dr. Leslie DeArman, moderator ................................................................. Studio

11:30  "Domesticate Animals Shed Light on Human Migratory Movement: A Review"  
Tara Henderson, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III

11:50  "In Retrospect: A Fight of a Different Kind"  
Jennifer Wilson, Massachusetts Beta, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Region VI

12:10  "Homelessness in the U.S.: A Conflict Theory Perspective"  
Isabella Potter, Iowa Beta, William Penn University, Region IV

12:30  "Sister City Proposal: Affordable Housing in Dallas and Hong Kong"  
Florence Kam, Texas Alpha Omega, Southern Methodist University, Region II
Section 41  Business Administration, Dr. Owolabi Tiamiyu, moderator

11:30  “Stock Analysis Project”  
   Elizabeth Neely Merriman, Tennessee Gamma, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Region III

11:50  “Blockchains: How this Innovative Technology is Transforming the Ways of Business”  
   Kelsi Oldham, Texas Alpha Xi, University of Texas at Tyler, Region II

12:10  “Forensic Accounting: Following the Paper Trail”  
   Rachel Ward, Delaware Beta, Goldey-Beacom College, Region VI

12:30  “Wells Fargo Phony Accounts Scheme and Motivational Theory”  
   Hannah Lambert, Georgia Theta, Shorter University, Region III

Section 42  Computer Science/Engineering, Dr. Agashi Nwogbaga, moderator

11:30  “Engineering a Battery Management System for Small Electric Vehicles”  
   Alfredo Avila Lopez, Texas Alpha Pi, University of Texas at San Antonio, Region I

11:50  “Bluetooth Application for an RGB LED”  
   Hannah Dodd, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V

12:10  “Boombox Equalizer Designed from the Ground Up”  
   Triston M. Mills, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V

Section 43  Health Sciences, Dr. Craig Rogers, moderator

11:30  “Understanding Attitudes Towards Immunization: The Pros and Cons”  
   Justice Pevia, North Carolina Kappa, University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Region III

11:50  “Exercise as a Treatment for Parkinson’s Disease”  
   Danielle Dunn, North Carolina Epsilon, Mars Hill University, Region III

12:10  “Reductions in Surgical Site Infections (SSIs)”  
   Lori A. Acosta, Texas Alpha Xi, University of Texas at Tyler, Region II

End of Friday Presentation List
Saturday, Session IV: Student Presentations (8:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.)

Section 44  American History, Dr. Ron Johnson, moderator ............................................................. Parlor B

8:00  “Iowa’s Militant Suffragist, Eleanor Gordon How a Unitarian Minister Shaped the Suffrage Movement”
Hayley Ellis, Iowa Theta, Grand View University, Region IV

8:20  “Patron Saint of Public Works: FDR, the New Deal, and Workfarism”
Cody Ray Milner, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Region II

8:40  “The Impact of American Women on the Homefront During World War II: Equal Need and Compatibility of Workforce and Traditional Roles”
Kara Morrow, Arizona Alpha, Grand Canyon University, Region VII

9:00  “War and Memory: A Rural North Texan’s Experience in World War II”
Joshua Reynolds, Texas Eta, University of North Texas, Region II

Section 45  British Literature, Dr. Josh Fullman, moderator ............................................................. Parlor C

8:00  “It All Gets Down to the Psychology”
Elizabeth Rebecca Bishop, South Carolina Iota, Erskine College, Region III

8:20  “Brain Trauma in Jane Austen’s Persuasion”
Shelbie Ponder, Texas Alpha Beta, University of Texas at El Paso, Region I

8:40  “From Old Irish to Modern English: Differences in Translation and the Resultant Narratives in ‘Pangur Bán’”
Erin Steele, Kentucky Lambda, Campbellsville University, Region V

Section 46  Communication & Art/Film/Theatre Research, Dr. Kayla Crecelius, moderator ......................... Grand Ballroom II

8:00  “Charles Chaplin: A Study of Optimism and Voice”
Hailey Millhollen, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

8:20  “The Triple-D Effect: Fact or Fiction?”
Tyler VannMartin Helms, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

8:40  “Visual Pleasure” and Suicidal Cinema”
Mallory Moore, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

9:00  “GRIT AND GRACE: Museums and Indian Cultural Centers as Places of Healing”
Lorenza Elena Chavez Marcais, New Mexico Gamma, Institute of American Indian Arts, Region I

Section 47  Education: Research/Scholarship, Dr. Angela Haas, moderator ........................................ Galleria I

8:00  “Whom Do We Blame? The Lack of Successful ESL Education in the United States”
Dania Nayeli Martinez Diaz, Texas Alpha Eta, Wayland Baptist University, Region I

8:20  “The Gap: Consequences in Lacking Foreign Language Education Resources in the U.S. Public School System”
Elsa Moseley, Oklahoma Gamma, East Central University, Region II

8:40  “The Undocumented School”
Blanca Gonzalez Barillas, Texas Eta, University of North Texas, Region II

9:00  “Educational Achievement Gap between English Language Learners and Non-English Language Learners”
Sandy Huerta Cruz, California Beta, California Baptist University, Region VII

Section 48  Religion/Philosophy, Dr. John Harrison, moderator .......................................................... Galleria II

8:00  “Science and Miracles: The Wedding at Cana”
Jeniece M Regan, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Region V

8:20  “The Modern Fairy Tale and the Timeless Savior: Emma Swan as a Christ Figure in Once Upon a Time”
Melissa Bliss, Kansas Epsilon, Friends University, Region IV

8:40  “Understanding the Ethical System of The Cost of Discipleship”
James Everett Parker, Oklahoma Epsilon, Oklahoma Christian University, Region II

9:00  “The Philosophical Complications of FGM in Somalia”
Samantha Young, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I
Section 49 American Literature, Dr. Lin Garner, moderator ................................................................. Galleria III
8:00 “Myth and Discovery in Gaspar Pérez de Villagrán’s Historia de la Nueva México”
Blanca Alejandra Campos, Texas Alpha Beta, University of Texas at El Paso, Region I

8:20 “Now Memories: The Present Realized through Nostalgia for Our Past”
Hannah Ray, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

8:40 “Cliché and Complications in Yusef Komunyakaa’s ‘The Towers’”
Nicole Kiser, Texas Alpha Omega, Southern Methodist University, Region II

9:00 “The Perks of Realistic Fiction in Bibliotherapy: Stephen Chbosky’s Connection to Adolescents”
Missy Farni, Iowa Theta, Grand View University, Region IV

Section 50 Psychology I, Dr. Lori Mills, moderator ............................................................................... Forum
8:00 “Judgement vs. Equality”
Arynn Troupe, Alabama Delta, Faulkner University, Region III

8:20 “Coincidence and Compliance: An Experimental Psychology Research Project”
Taylor Distelrath, California Theta, University of La Verne, Region VII

8:40 “Implicit Power Motivation and Testosterone: Don’t Take ItPersonally, Man”
Hope Julianna Woods, North Carolina Omicron, Catawba College, Region III

9:00 “The Truth and Prevalence of Male Sexual Victimization”
Phoebe Naarah Trouten, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V

Section 51 Psychology II, Dr. David Jones, moderator ........................................................................... Council
8:00 “Adult Learners in Higher Education: Navigating the Challenges”
Sarah Hutchins, Maine Epsilon, University of New England, Region VI

8:20 “The Effect of Sleep Deprivation on Academic Success among College Students”
Kelly Walker, Iowa Beta, William Penn University, Region IV

8:40 “Influence of Emotional Stimuli in Memory Performance in Undergraduate Students”
Natalia Hernández, South Carolina Iota, Erskine College, Region III

9:00 “Big Five Personality Factors’ Influence on Vicarious Anxiety in College Students”
Cori Damron, South Carolina Iota, Erskine College, Region III

Section 52 Political Science/Economics, Dr. Michael Rosenfeld, moderator ........................................... Directors
8:00 “A More Sustainable Development Plan Applicable to the Middle East”
Dylan McClain, Arkansas Zeta, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Region II

8:20 “Environmental Economics in Peñitas, Texas”
Matthew Hardee, Texas Alpha Omega, Southern Methodist University, Region II

Section 53 Anthropology/Sociology, Dr. Tor Wynn, moderator ................................................................ Studio
8:00 “Social Mood and Chanel in the 1930s”
Giselle C. M. Greenidge, Texas Eta, University of North Texas, Region II

8:20 “From Schleiermacher to Spivak: A Timeline of the Cultural Turn of Translation”
Victoria L. Cannon, Tennessee Delta, Carson-Newman University, Region III

8:40 “The Little Mermaid: Swimming through Social Contexts”
Bailey Russell, California Iota, California State University, Bakersfield, Region VII

Section 54 Business Administration, Dr. Owolabi Tiamiyu, moderator .................................................. Executive
8:00 “The Psychology Behind Business”
Petrika Gjata, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

8:20 “The Role of Gratitude in Employee Motivation”
Lea Filali, Missouri Sigma, Missouri Valley College, Region IV

8:40 “Clubs & Organizations: The Key to Recruitment, Marketing, and Social Media Success”
Morgan Forrest, New Hampshire Alpha, Colby-Sawyer College, Region VI

Section 55 Computer Science/Engineering, Dr. Ron Brown, moderator .................................................... Senate
8:00 “Improved Renewable Energy”
Cameron Owens, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V

8:20 “Super Savings with Web Scraping”
Landon P. Wendel, Indiana Lambda, Indiana Institute of Technology, Region V

8:40 “Cryptocurrency and Proof of Space: A Cheap, Secure Solution to Security”
Ethan Widen, Alabama Delta, Faulkner University, Region III
Section 56  Chemistry, Dr. Diep Ca, moderator .............................................................................................................................. Cabinet
8:00  “Clinical Features of Maple Syrup Urine Disease”  Henna Singh, California Iota, California State University, Bakersfield, Region VII
8:20  “Going Green Isn’t Easy: A More Environmentally Friendly Friedel-Crafts Reaction Method”  Julia Elizabeth Taylor, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I
8:40  “Aesthetic Alchemy”  Emily Hoffler, North Carolina Omicron, Catawba College, Region III
9:00  “Fighting Drug-resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis with Modified Rifamycins”  Jordan Trant, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Region II

Saturday, Session V: Student Presentations (1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.)

Section 57  Creative Writing, Dr. Andrew Jacobs, moderator ....................................................................................................... Parlor C
1:30  “The Great Genre Debate: Young Adult Sci-Fi vs. Sci-Fi”  Summer Faith Byers, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III
1:50  “How to Write Nonfiction with Tact”  Diana Humble, Iowa Iota, Waldorf University, Region IV
2:10  “Beauty is in the Word Choice of the Writer: Latent Objective Aesthetics in Prose Fiction”  Nicole Manges, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Region V

Section 58  Art Research, Dr. Bruce Moser, moderator ................................................................................................................ Grand Ballroom II
1:30  “Judith: Exclusion of the Powerful Feminine”  Samantha S. Shamard, Texas Beta, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Region I
1:50  “The Women of Dada”  Allison Gregory, Massachusetts Beta, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Region VI
2:10  “How Yves Klein ‘Blue’ My Mind”  Alina Gutridge, California Zeta, Fresno Pacific University, Region VII

Section 59  Education: Research/Scholarship, Dr. Lynda Leavitt, moderator ........................................................................... Galleria I
1:30  “Designing an Effective Educational Approach to the Selection of Holocaust Representations”  Natasha Liu Thomas, Texas Iota, Texas State University, Region I
1:50  “Truth, Social Constructionism, and Their Counterparts”  Breanna Nicole Newton, Alabama Delta, Faulkner University, Region III
2:10  “Representing Adolescent Grief in Young Adult Literature”  Megan McCalmon, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I

Section 60  World History, Dr. Pam Johnston, moderator .......................................................................................................... Galleria II
1:30  “The Bard of the Black Chair: Ellis Evans and Memorializing the Great War in Wales”  McKinley Terry, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I
1:50  “Family Arrests in Italy During the Holocaust: A GIS Approach”  Maël Le Noc, Texas Iota, Texas State University, Region I
2:10  “The Importance of the Peninsular War and Its Impact on Napoleonic Europe”  Jessica Hettick, Texas Alpha Iota, Angelo State University, Region I

Section 61  Collaborative Research Presentations .................................................................................................................... Galleria III
1:30  “Breathing Good in Your Neighborhood: An Air Quality and Environmental Assessment of Denton, Texas”  Claire Baucom, Kylie Montgomery, Josh Reynolds, Texas Eta, University of North Texas, Region II
1:50  “Implications of Climate Change on Respiratory Health”  Samantha Beaudry, Raymond Miller, Annalea Wohlgemuth, New Hampshire Zeta, Franklin Pierce University, Region VI
2:10  “Shrinking the American Dream: An Analysis of Tiny Homes and their Ameliorating Effects on Climate Change”  Allyson Gregory, Lauren Stafford, Talor Stewart, Oklahoma Gamma, East Central University, Region II
Section 62 Psychology I, Dr. Shannon Deets, moderator

1:30 “Violent Video Games and Aggressive Behavior: Does Early Exposure Have an Impact on One's Feelings Towards Violence?”
Alexander Porsmose Nielsen, Missouri Sigma, Missouri Valley College, Region IV

1:50 “Facing Inner Monsters in a Monster-filled World: A Psychological Analysis of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in The Walking Dead”
Kristen Branch, Tennessee Nu, Milligan College, Region III

2:10 “Notorious Serial Killers: Nature or Nurture?”
Haley Austin, Tennessee Lambda, Cumberland University, Region III

Section 63 Psychology II, Dr. David Jones, moderator

1:30 “Effectiveness of Psychodynamic Psychotherapy in the Treatment of Anxiety, Stress, and Decision-making”
Muge Dinc, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI

1:50 “Psychedelic Therapy to Treat Mental Illness”
Joshua C. Winn, Tennessee Delta, Carson-Newman University, Region III

Section 64 Molecular/Cellular Biology, Josh Chicko, moderator

1:30 “CRISPR Cas9: Tailoring Your Genes”
Kaylie Killian, Indiana Beta, Huntington University, Region V

1:50 “Investigation of Genomic and Telomeric Degradation Induced by Gemcitabine in S. cerevisiae”
Damian Nicolas Di Florio, Pennsylvania Epsilon, Robert Morris University, Region VI

2:10 “Alcohol Exposure Slows Proliferation of Pulmonary Mesenchymal Stem Cells”
McKenzie Katherine Currey, Nebraska Alpha, Hastings College, Region IV

Section 65 Anthropology/Sociology, Dr. Tor Wynn, moderator

1:30 “Human Trafficking: An Emerging Epidemic”
Alyssa Michelle Born, North Carolina Phi, Chowan University, Region III

1:50 “Global Justice: A Look into the Pressing Issue of Global Poverty”
Kathryn Emily Goldsmith, California Beta, California Baptist University, Region VII

Section 66 Organismal/Ecological Biology, Dr. John McLaughlin, moderator

1:30 “Feeding and Breeding: Population Decline in Black-browed Albatrosses (Thalassarche melanophris) at South Georgia Island”
Alanah Hosford, Oklahoma Eta, Oklahoma City University, Region II

1:50 “Production of Spider Silk from Transgenic Silkworms”
Alana Briley, Texas Beta Alpha, Texas A&M University - Texarkana, Region II

2:10 “Macroinvertebrate Diversity in the Smokey Hill River”
Dylan Boyd, Kansas Delta, Kansas Wesleyan University, Region IV

Section 67 Exercise Science/Nutrition, Dr. Karl Havlak, moderator

1:30 “Effectiveness of a Student-led Worksite Wellness Program Addressing Health-related Physical Fitness”
Gabrielle Cortese, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

1:50 “You Are What You Eat: Nutrition and Epigenetics”
Mary Brannon, California Beta, California Baptist University, Region VII

2:10 “Chemo to Cardio: Exercise Prescription in Breast Cancer Patients”
Carrie Stewart, Arkansas Eta, Harding University, Region II

Section 68 Chemistry and Physics/Geology/Astronomy, Dr. Diep Ca, moderator

1:30 “Effect of Tyrosine 470 Mutation on Binding Affinity of Fungal Hexosaminidase”
Rebecca Philpott, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Region II

1:50 “The Effects of Temperature on the Attenuation Coefficient of Ultrasound”
Maranda Robin Clymer, Oklahoma Gamma, East Central University, Region II

2:10 “Energy Extraction From Black Holes by Cosmic Strings”
Michael S. Ramsey, New York Sigma, Long Island University, Brooklyn, Region VI
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Section 69  World Literature, Dr. Brian Hunt, moderator ................................................................. Parlor B

2:40  “A Supernatural State: The Use of Magical Realism in Dictatorship Novels”
Hannah Templin, Arkansas Iota, Lyon College, Region II

3:00  “Moral Development and the Transactional Reading Experience: The Stimulation of ‘Theory of Mind’ in Vladimir Nabokov’s Lolita”
Emily Charlotte Eidson, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

Miranda Taylor, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I

3:40  “The Concrete Amongst the Floating: Infrastructure in Ishiguro’s An Artist of the Floating World”
Shelby Hiter, Tennessee Kappa, Lipscomb University, Region III

Section 70  Creative Writing, Dr. Andrew Jacobs, moderator ................................................................. Parlor C

2:40  “‘Third Generation Turnaround’ and ‘The Juniper Bloomed in January’”
Amber Morningstar Byars, New Mexico Gamma, Institute of American Indian Arts, Region I

3:00  “Journal Entry 12: Universal Design May Shift the Way We Think About Disability”
Michael Masley Hannett, Massachusetts Beta, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, Region VI

Section 71  Arts: Performance & Research, Dr. Bruce Moser, moderator .................................................. Grand Ballroom II

2:40  “Deaths Worth a Galaxy: A Study of the Film Music in Rogue One”
Sean Bohnet, Texas Alpha Eta, Wayland Baptist University, Region I

3:00  “A Podcast Presentation on the Theatre Discourse Community at Gardner-Webb University”
Angela Meade, North Carolina Zeta, Gardner-Webb University, Region III

3:20  “Interpreting Micaela in Bizet’s Carmen”
Lindsay Six, West Virginia Epsilon, West Liberty University, Region V

3:40  “Elephant’s Graveyard by George Brent, abridged”
Rebekah Ann Biles, Arkansas Beta, Ouachita Baptist University, Region II

Section 72  Education, Dr. Lynda Leavitt, moderator ................................................................................. Galleria I

2:40  “Personality Types Among Educators”
Taylor Ohlmann, Kentucky Lambda, Campbellsville University, Region V

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Kaitlyn McSweeney, New Hampshire Zeta, Franklin Pierce University, Region VI

Section 73  World History, Dr. Pam Johnston, moderator ............................................................................. Galleria II

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Bethany H. Tapia, Arkansas Zeta, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Region II

3:00  “The Worst of All’: Female Authorship in 17th Century New Spain and England”
Savannah Weeks, Texas Psi, Abilene Christian University, Region I

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Nicholas Andrew Wiltshire, Texas Beta Alpha, Texas A&M University - Texarkana, Region II

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Allyson Gregory, Oklahoma Gamma, East Central University, Region II

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Natasha Muhamezyanova, West Virginia Epsilon, West Liberty University, Region V

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Nathan Rakaczky, Pennsylvania Nu, Saint Vincent College, Region VI

3:40  “The Always Present Feminist Undertones in Star Wars”
Dustin Allyn Connis, Hawaii Beta, Hawaii Pacific University, Region VII
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   Caleb Reagor, Tennessee Kappa, Lipscomb University, Region III
3:00  “Butterflies, Antibiotic Resistance, and Cancer: Novel Antimicrobial Peptides as Antibiotics and Cancer Therapeutics”
   Ben Maine, New Hampshire Alpha, Colby-Sawyer College, Region VI

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   Laura Jardine, Oklahoma Eta, Oklahoma City University, Region II
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   Ashley Hastings, Texas Beta, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Region I
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   Anthony Lagrin & Mariana Osaki, Missouri Sigma, Missouri Valley College, Region IV

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   Gabrielle M. Hargrove, Arkansas Zeta, University of Arkansas at Monticello, Region II
3:00  “Inferring the Diet Composition of a Growing Grey Seal (Halichoerus grypus) Population in the U.S. Using Molecular Scatology and Hard Parts Analysis”
   Michelle Dufault, Maine Epsilon, University of New England, Region VI

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   Lucas Smith, Iowa Beta, William Penn University, Region IV
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   John Brock, Missouri Sigma, Missouri Valley College, Region IV
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   Afsar Sunesara, Texas Alpha Delta, Texas Lutheran University, Region I

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   Joni J. Lindsey, Texas Iota, Texas State University, Region I
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