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**MINUTES OF THE OPENING GENERAL SESSION
FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2010**

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The 167th Psi Upsilon Convention was called to order by Andres Cuadra, Omicron '04 at 4:35 p.m. on Friday, June 25, 2010. On behalf of the Omicron chapter, Brother Cuadra welcomed the delegates to the University of Illinois and then appointed the following temporary officers of the 167th Convention:

President: James A. Swanke, Jr., Rho '80
Recorder: Mark A. Williams, Phi '76

President Swanke welcomed the delegates and guests to the 2010 Leadership Institute and 167th Psi Upsilon Convention.

President Swanke then appointed the **Committee on Nominations and Credentials:**
Laura E. King, Chi Delta '04 Chairman
Robert H. Wildhack, Pi '11, Vice Chairman

Gage Alpert, Tau '13
Jordan Callaway, Lambda '11
Brendon Cullen Doyle, Sigma Phi '11
Darlene Jeanty, Delta '10
Todd Jenkins, Eta '12
Zachary Kowitz, Theta Theta '12
Nick Munaretto, Omicron '12
Lucas Radov, Phi '12
Wesley Rosmilia, Omega '11
Lawrence Sconzo, Zeta '12
Matt Shufelt, Zeta Zeta '13

Barry Brett, Delta '85
Matthew Carter, Tau '07
Thomas T. Hanford, Gamma '62,
Jesse J. Scherer, Gamma Tau '05
Charles A. Werner, Omega '55

Brother Laura King, Chi Delta '04 gave the initial report of the Committee on Nominations and Credentials. She reported that the Committee confirmed the credentials of delegates from 25 active chapters, 3 inactive chapters and 1 provisional chapter. She then placed the following names in nomination for permanent Convention officers:

President: James A. Swanke, Jr., Rho '80
Vice president: Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '71
Recorder: Mark A. Williams, Phi '76

The resolution passed unanimously.

President Swanke called upon Timothy D. Zepp, Chi Delta '08, to discuss the role of the undergraduate representatives on the Executive Council as well as the nomination and election process.

Mark Williams, Phi '76, then reviewed the schedule and logistics for the Leadership Institute and Convention.

President Swanke appointed Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '71 parliamentarian for the 166th Convention. The Convention Rules and *Roberts' Rules of Order* were summarized and the writing of resolutions described.

President Swanke presented the highlights of the Annual Communication of the Executive Council to the Convention. He then appointed the following standing committees to consider the business to be brought before the Convention:

COMMITTEE ON AWARDS

Thomas T. Allan, Theta Theta '89, Chairman
Mike Skoog, Epsilon Nu '11, Vice Chairman

Daniel Amador, Omicron '13
Daniel Bautista, Lambda Sigma '10
Magnus Buerman, Chi '12
Sigi Enciso, Tau '10
Daniel Grande, Eta '11
David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11
Justin Letizia, Beta Beta '11
James Litzinger, Sigma Phi '11
Ronald Rosario, Delta '09
Eng Seng Ng, Chi Delta '11
Lydia To, Delta '09

James Cornacchia, Pi '86
Nathaniel Ekstrom, Epsilon Iota '07
Eldred A. Halsey, Delta '58
Mark Kosminskas, Omega '81
Robert McIntire, Omicron '68
James Platner, Phi Delta '10

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND DEVELOPMENT

Evan W. Terry, Epsilon Phi '93, Chairman
Maxwell Krupp, Phi Delta '11, Vice Chairman

Daniel Coviello, Eta '13
Liam Daley, Epsilon Nu '11
Christina A. Del Carpio, Chi Delta '11

Mark E. Donovan, Psi '11
Benjamin Gittinger, Phi Nu Provisional '11
Rahmaan Lodhia, Gamma Tau '12
Brian Mac, Delta '09
Patrick McGuire, Lambda '11
Pedro Rufo, Alpha Omicron '11
Kevin Young, Pi '11

Lewis R. Finkelstein, Omicron '83
Amanda J. Knutson, Chi Delta '09
David P. Komie, Omicron '92
Jeremy McKeon, Eta '08
Samuel J. Tinaglia, Omega '88

COMMITTEE ON NEW BUSINESS

Kevin Collins, Beta Beta '11, Chairman
Bradley R. Corner, Omicron '72, Vice Chairman

Andrea Agra, Epsilon Iota '11
Austin Bring, Phi Nu Provisional '13
Brandon Burd, Omicron '13
Loki Campbell, Delta '10
Lisa M. Gutermuth, Chi Delta '12
Scott Heffereman, Psi '11
Alec Kosminskas, Lambda '13
Paul Peria, Alpha Omicron '10
Stuart Methven, Zeta Zeta '13
Taylor M. Seabaugh, Chi '13
Courtney Small, Delta Nu '12
Kevin Walters, Xi '12

Murray L. Eskenazi, Lambda '56
Jessica A. Frame, Gamma Tau '07
Patrick Gilrane, Psi '82
Tony Kremer, Omicron '89
Timothy D. Zepp, Chi Delta '08

COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

James R. King, III, Gamma Tau '12, Chairman
Mark D. Bauer, Omega '83, Vice Chairman

Kayln Archambault, Delta Nu '12
Zachary Colon, Theta Theta '12
Matthew Jones, Lambda Sigma '11
Charis Kotfila, Epsilon Iota '12
M. Taylor McDonald, Zeta '12
Alex Murray, Omega '11
Adam Rashkoff, Xi '13
Amber Short, Delta '10

Ian Smyth, Eta '12
William Spaulding, Phi Delta '11

Sean Caulfield, Gamma Tau '04
John E. Becker II, Psi '61
Bob Petersen, Omicron '68
William N. Wishard III, Delta
Xin Zheng, Chi Delta '07

RULES COMMITTEE

Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '71, Chairman

Thomas T. Allan, Theta Theta '89
Kevin Collins, Beta Beta '11
Bradley R. Corner, Omicron '72
Eldred A. Halsey, Delta '58
James R. King, III, Gamma Tau '12
Laura E. King, Chi Delta '04
Evan W. Terry, Epsilon Phi '93
Charles A. Werner, Omega '55

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS, ALL COMMITTEES

James A. Swanke, Jr., Rho '80
Mark Williams, Phi '76

Thomas J. Fox, Omicron '00, Thomas T. Hanford, Gamma '62 and Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72 presented the Convention with the circumstances leading to the closing of the Theta, Gamma, Upsilon and Iota chapters during the previous year.

President Swanke recognized Nick Munarretto, Omicron '12, to present the following resolutions, which after being duly made and seconded, passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #1

Resolved: The 167th Convention extends warm fraternal greetings to Robert L. Kaiser, Zeta '39, Murray Eskenazi, Lambda '56, and Forrest G. Weeks, Tau '52 - Epsilon Honorary Life Members of the Executive Council out of respect and gratitude for their devotion and service to Psi Upsilon.

Special Resolution #2

Resolved: That the 167th Convention gratefully acknowledges the services of Theodore O. Nielson, Omega '10 and Krishna Delahunty Nirmel, Beta Beta '10 as undergraduate members of the Executive Council during the past year.

Special Resolution #3

Resolved: That the 167th Convention expresses its profound appreciation to James A. Swanke Jr., Rho '80; Thomas T. Allan, IV, Theta Theta '89; John E. Becker II, Psi '61; J. Martin Brayboy, Gamma '84; Bradley R. Corner, Omicron '72; Laura E. King, Chi Delta '04; Evan W. Terry, Epsilon Phi '93; Charles A. Werner, Omega '55 and William N. Wishard III, Delta Delta '64, for their enormous contributions to the Fraternity as alumni term members of the Executive Council.

Special Resolution #4

Resolved: That the 167th Convention gratefully acknowledges the services of David A. B. Brown, Epsilon Phi '66; Charles M. Hall, Nu Alpha '71; and Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72; and Mark D. Bauer, Omega '83 as Life Members of the Executive Council, out of respect and gratitude for their devotion and service to Psi Upsilon.

Special Resolution #5

Resolved: That the 167th Convention extends its sincere appreciation to the directors of The Psi Upsilon Foundation, Samuel J. Tinaglia, Omega '88; William N. Wishard, Delta Delta '64; Lewis R. Finkelstein, Omicron, '83; J. Martin Brayboy, Gamma '84; Mathew M. Carter, Tau '07; George L. Howell, Eta '55; Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72; Timothy D. Zepp, Chi Delta '08; Thomas T. Hanford, Gamma '62; Robert L. Kaiser, Zeta '39 and Forrest G. Weeks, Tau '52 - Epsilon Iota for their dedication to the mission and values of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

At 6:27 p.m. President Swanke recessed the 167th Psi Upsilon Convention until Sunday, June 28, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.

**MINUTES OF THE OPENING GENERAL SESSION
SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2010**

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President James A. Swanke, Jr., Rho '80 called the closing session of the 167th Psi Upsilon Convention to order at 10:26 a.m. After making other general comments, President Swanke asked Brother Williams to call the roll of the delegates. The roll was called and a quorum was declared to be present.

President Swanke called upon Brother Rasmussen for the report for the **Rules Committee**. Brother Rasmussen indicated that after reviewing the work of all the committees, they would be called in the following order and allowed the following times to present their reports and resolutions:

Nominations and Credentials	20 minutes
Unfinished Business	10 minutes
Budget & Development	5 minutes
New Business	5 minutes
Awards	20 minutes

The report was approved unanimously.

Nick Munaretto, Omicron '12 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #6

Whereas: The Delta, Lambda, Psi, Upsilon, Iota, Phi, Chi, Zeta Zeta, Epsilon Iota, Phi Delta, and Alpha Omicron, owe money to the International Fraternity and

Whereas: The Committee on Nominations and Credentials feels appropriate steps are in place to secure full payment of all indebtedness; be it

Resolved: That the voting rights of the undergraduate delegates to this Convention of Delta, Lambda, Psi, Upsilon, Iota, Phi, Chi, Zeta Zeta, Epsilon Iota, Phi Delta, and Alpha Omicron be restored.

Rob Wildhack, Pi '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

General Resolution #1

Resolved: The Committee on Nominations and Credentials places in nomination the following brothers for election as Executive Council term members:

Charles Werner, Omega '55 for three years;

Lewis Finkelstein, Omicron '83 for three years;
Thomas T. Allan IV, Theta Theta '88 for three years;
Patrick Gilrane, Psi '82 for one year.

The Committee on Nominations and Credentials then placed in nomination the following brothers for election as Executive Council undergraduate term members:

Kevin Collins, Beta Beta '11
Daniel Grande, Eta '11
Rahmaan Lodhia, Gamma Tau '12
Christina Del Carpio, Chi Delta '11
James Litizinger, Sigma Phi '11

After each candidate addressed the Covention, by written ballot the Convention elected Brothers Collins and Litizinger as Executive Council undergraduate term members with Brother Del Carpio serving as alternate.

William C. Spaulding, Phi Delta '11 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #1

Whereas: The Psi Upsilon International Office has reconstructed the events listing to a monthly calendar format on the website containing individual links that show the hosting chapter, event name, description, address, contact information, and information regarding how to make a donation; and

Whereas: It would be beneficial to each chapter to increase awareness across chapters and alumni, as well as encourage participation and financial support, be it

Recommended: That each chapter should take it upon themselves to use this calendar by submitting monthly events to the Executive Council.

Sean Caulfield, Gamma Tau '04 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #2

Whereas: Mental health is a vitally important aspect of personal general well-being; and

Whereas: Many colleges have mental health resources available to assist their students; and

Whereas: Mental well-being may not sufficiently discussed on college campuses; therefore be it

Recommendation: That the Executive Council provide resources for members and chapter leadership on dealing with mental health issues; specifically, these should focus on utilizing existing resources and directing fellow members with problems to these recourses.

Amber Short, Delta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #7

Whereas: Treasurers are frequently unaware on online resources from international on effective methods of financial management; and that other officers may not be aware of resources pertinent to their position; be it

Resolved: That the Executive Council send out an email to presidents notifying them of resources available, upon the election of each new president

Jake Schmidt, Chi Delta '11 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #3

Whereas: The Committee on Unfinished Business is concerned over continued alumni absenteeism; therefore be it:

Recommended: That the Executive Council, working with the various alumni associations, diligently cultivate a culture of involvement and attendance at the annual Convention.

Mark Bauer, Omega '83 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

General Resolution #2

Whereas: Alexander Boote, Iota '11 has petitioned the Convention pursuant to Article IX, Section 10 of the Psi Upsilon Constitution; therefore be it

Resolved: The 167th Convention refers this matter to the Executive Council for final action on this matter.

Mark Bauer, Omega '83 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #8

Resolved: The Executive Council will review Article IX Section 10 of the Psi Upsilon Constitution and shall propose revisions as appropriate to the 168th Convention in 2011.

James King, Gamma Tau '12 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #9

Whereas: The Committee on Unfinished Business has reviewed the Executive Council minutes for the 2009-10 year; therefore be it

Resolved: That the 167th Convention has reviewed the actions of the Executive Council taken since the 166th Convention, ratifies those actions and thanks the Executive Council for its service and attention to the business of the Fraternity during that time.

Maxwell Krupp, Phi Delta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #10

Resolved: The 167th Convention has reviewed the 2009-10 financial statements and has found them acceptable.

Kevin Young, Pi '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #11

Whereas: The Psi Upsilon Fraternity operates in great part through individual brothers paying membership dues.

Whereas: The Psi Upsilon Fraternity values punctuality and following through on commitments in a timely fashion; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Fraternity formally thanks the Gamma, Delta, Zeta, Omega, Pi, Beta Beta, Eta, Tau, Omicron, Theta Theta, Epsilon Nu, Epsilon Iota, and Delta Nu chapters for meeting their financial obligations on time.

Christina A. DelCarpio, Chi Delta '11 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #4

Whereas: The 167th Convention has reviewed the budget for the fiscal year 2010-2011 with projected revenues of \$465,575 and projected expenses of \$451,840

Recommended: That the Executive Council amend the budget for the 2010-11 fiscal year to set the per member taxes at \$180 per returning member.

Kevin Young, Pi '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #12

Whereas: Every active undergraduate chapter has a representative at the 167th convention; therefore be it

Resolved: That the 167th Convention extends sincere fraternal congratulations to all Psi Upsilon chapters.

Tina Del Carpio, Chi Delta '11 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #5

Whereas: Twenty chapters were represented at the 167th Convention with alumni delegates and

Whereas: Nine additional chapters could have and should have sent alumni delegates to the 167th Convention; therefore be it

Recommended: That the Zeta, Xi, Phi, Chi, Beta Beta, Epsilon Nu and Lambda Sigma be urged to make a strong effort to have alumni representation at future Conventions.

Gabriel Campbell, Delta '12 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #6

Whereas: Only twenty out of twenty-nine chapters were represented by alumni delegates at the 167th Convention it may be that there are significant barriers to alumni participation.

Recommended: That the following incentives/solutions be explored:

1. Elimination of alumni registration fee.
2. Contact local alumni about hosting alumni delegates or offer to pay or subsidize housing for alumni delegates.
3. Host Conventions in central locations where many alumni are located.
4. Contact local alumni about attending the Convention.
5. Urge undergraduate members to contact their alumni in January about the upcoming Convention.

Kevin A. Collins, Beta Beta '11 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #7

Whereas: The committee of New Business desires to encourage alumni involvement in the Convention; and

Whereas: The Delta will be celebrating its 175th anniversary in 2012, the Lambda chapter will be celebrating its 170th anniversary in 2012, and the proximate Alpha Omicron chapter are all potential hosts or co-hosts of a Convention in the New York City area; and

Whereas: None of the above-mentioned chapters has hosted a Convention in over twenty years; therefore be it

Recommended: That the 169th Convention be in the New York City area, and be it further

Recommended: That the Executive Council shall contact the Delta, Lambda, and Alpha Omicron, to determine hosting or co-hosting opportunities for the 169th Convention.

Lisa Gutermuth, Chi Delta '12 presented the following recommendations:

Recommendation #8

Whereas: The Chi Delta chapter will be celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2013; and

Whereas: The Chi Delta chapter has never hosted a convention; and

Whereas: The Chi Delta chapter strongly desires to host the 170th of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity; therefore be it

Recommendation: That the Chi Delta host the 170th Convention in Durham, NC.

Recommendation #9

Whereas: The Theta Theta chapter is celebrating its centennial in 2016; be it

Recommended: That the 173rd Convention in 2016 be held in the Seattle, Washington area

Daniel Bautista, Lambda Sigma '10 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

General Resolution #3

Whereas: The criteria for granting the Garnet & Gold Award includes reference to an arbitrary 3.0 GPA; and

Whereas: The language requiring a chapter GPA in excess of the applicable campus average is more consistent with the intent of the award; be it

Resolved: That the criteria for the Garnet & Gold award for Academic Excellence be changed to read as follows: "Any chapter, provisional chapter, or owl club which has achieved a chapter GPA in excess of the all men's average or campus average

(as applicable) for their campus for each semester in the prior year, may be given an Award of Academic Excellence.

Nathaniel Ekstrom, Epsilon Iota '07 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution # 13

Whereas: The Garnet and Gold Award of Academic Excellence is presented to those chapter that have demonstrated substantial academic achievement including a strong standing among their peers at their respective universities; and

Whereas: The Phi, Tau, Gamma Tau, and Sigma Phi chapters have demonstrated such achievement; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Garnet and Gold award for Academic Excellence be presented to the Phi, Tau, Gamma Tau, and Sigma Phi Chapters.

Jim Platner, Phi Delta '10 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #14

Whereas: The Owl Award for Exceptional Academic performance recognizes those chapters whose academic excellence exceeds the requirements of the Garnet and Gold Award, and

Whereas: The Owl Award specifically recognizes chapters whose GPA well exceed the all-men's average and places them in the top percentile of fraternities on campus; be it

Resolved: That the Owl Award for exceptional academic performance is given to the Chi Gamma Tau and Sigma Phi chapters.

David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #15

Whereas: The Clasped Hand Award for Outstanding Philanthropy and Service is presented to those chapters that have devoted significant time and effort to philanthropy and community service relative to chapter size and

Whereas: The Xi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Tau, Omicron, Epsilon Nu, Chi Delta, Phi Delta, Lambda Sigma, and Delta Nu have contributed an impressive amount of philanthropy and community service, going above and beyond exceptions; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Clasped Hand Award for Outstanding Philanthropy and Service be presented to the Xi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Tau, Omicron, Epsilon Nu, Chi Delta, Phi Delta, Lambda Sigma and Delta Nu Chapters.

David Hollis, Gamma Tau '10 presented the following recommendation:

Recommendation #10

Whereas: Jesse Scherer, Gamma Tau '05 has exemplified the true meaning of Psi Upsilon through invaluable service to our organization from the time of his initiation through today; and

Whereas: Brother Scherer helped to organize the revitalized and expanded PUSOG board and by the served as secretary on said board and housing corporation; and

Whereas: Brother Scherer has shown his commitment to the ideals of Psi Upsilon through substantial generous financial contribution (including a loan to the housing corporation and membership in the Order of the Owl); and

Whereas: Brother Scherer has worked tirelessly on weekends and evenings to improve and maintain the chapter house through the donation of his labor; and

Whereas: Brother Scherer is a tireless advocate of alumni involvement on both the chapter and international level and of undergraduate participation in international programs (notably the scholarship program); and

Whereas: Brother Scherer is an all-around good guy who knows where his towel is and who can answer a leading question in the affirmative; be it

Recommended: That Jesse Scherer be commended for his service to the Gamma Tau Chapter and Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Michael Skoog, Epsilon Nu '11 presented the following resolutions, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #16

Whereas: Brad Corner, Omicron '72 has been a dedicated member of the Omicron Alumni Association, regularly making trips back to Champaign for homecoming and other events since his graduation; and

Whereas: Brother Corner has proudly represented the Omicron chapter by attending Conventions on a regular basis since the mid 70's after being recruited by Brother Bill King, Omicron '73, served the Psi Upsilon Foundation by becoming a

member in 1996 and later taking a position on the Psi Upsilon Executive Council in 2006 where he serves currently; and

Whereas: His generosity and loyalty serve as an example to every undergraduate and Convention delegate that he has shown guidance to; therefore be it resolved

Resolved: That Bradley R. Corner, Omicron '72, is awarded the Psi Upsilon Distinguished Alumni Service Award, with our gratitude, for his lifelong support of his chapter and fraternity.

Special Resolution #17

Whereas: Brothers Dean Marinakis, Omicron '90 and Dave Komie, Omicron '92 have worked together to create a better Omicron chapter, especially starting in the fall of 2004 when they were elected president and secretary of the Omicron Alumni Association; and

Whereas: They built a new communications program, which included an in depth website, a revitalized newsletter, and regular email updates to alumni to help keep them engaged and on top of the chapter's operation while also in touch with each other; and

Whereas: The communications programs helped their fundraising efforts where they quintupled the annual giving to the chapter from around \$5,000 per year to in excess of \$25,000 per year currently; and

Whereas: That money helps fund a scholarship program for the chapter that they can use in both recruitment and recognition of active members, helps lead major and necessary renovations in the chapter house, and helps make events like this centennial celebration possible; therefore be it

Resolved: That Brothers Dean C. Marinakis, Omicron '90 and David P. Komie, Omicron '92, are awarded the Psi Upsilon Distinguished Alumni Service Award, with our thanks, for their continued work with the Omicron chapter.

James Litzinger, Sigma Phi '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #18

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to a chapter for its accomplishments that merit recognition, be it

Resolved: That the Omicron Chapter be given the Award of Distinction for having the most amount of service hours per brother out of the 46 fraternities on campus.

Eng Seng Ng, Chi Delta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #19

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to a chapter which has performed a significant event that demands special recognition; and

Whereas: The Pi Chapter has been awarded the Chancellor's Gold Cup from Syracuse University, the highest award presented to student organizations, for outstanding achievement in academic, chapter management, alumni relations and community service; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Award of Distinction is presented to the Pi Chapter.

Daniel Grande, Eta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #20

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to a chapter which has performed a significant event that demands special recognition, be it

Resolved: That the Award of Distinction be given to the Tau Chapter for receiving the Penn Green Fund Grant, a \$50,000 grant to improve the efficiency and sustainability of the chapter house in the coming years.

Robert E. McIntire, Omicron '68 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #21

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to chapters which have performed significant deeds that demand special recognition; and

Whereas: The Xi, Epsilon Nu, Phi Delta chapters and the Phi Nu provisional chapter participated in the Relay for Life, and resulting in significant donation for cancer research and awareness; be it

Resolved: That the Award of Distinction be given to the Xi, Epsilon Nu, and Phi Delta chapters, and the Phi Nu provisional chapter.

Justin Letizia, Beta Beta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #22

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to chapters for accomplishments that merit special recognition; and

Whereas: The Chi chapter raised \$39,700 for their inaugural “Take the Lake” centurion bike ride in a collaboration with the Livestrong Foundation as well as other causes such as the Haiti relief effort; therefore be it

Resolved: That the Award of Distinction is presented to the Chi Chapter.

Daniel Amador, Omicron '13 presented the following resolutions, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #23

Whereas: The Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters is presented to the chapters that distinguish themselves by exceeding the Psi Upsilon Fraternity chapter standards; and

Whereas: The Zeta chapter has demonstrated excellent involvement in varsity athletics, service involvement, and academic achievements.

Resolved: That the Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters be presented to the Zeta chapter.

Special Resolution #24

Whereas: The Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters is presented to the chapters that distinguish themselves by exceeding the Psi Upsilon Fraternity chapter standards; and

Whereas: The Xi chapter has demonstrated unparalleled academic prowess and service leadership; be it

Resolved: That the Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters be presented to the Xi chapter.

Lydia To, Delta '09 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #25

Whereas: The Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters recognizes chapters that exceed the Psi Upsilon Fraternity chapter standards; and

Whereas: The Pi chapter was recently awarded the Chancellor's Gold Cup, which is the highest honor awarded to student organizations at Syracuse University; be it

Resolved: That the honorable mention for the Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapter is presented to the Pi Chapter

Mark Donovan, Psi '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #26

Whereas: Brother John E. “Jeb” Becker, Psi '61, has ably served as a member of the Executive Council and as Psi chapter alumni president for decades; and

Whereas: Brother Becker is not only a 3rd generation Psi U, but his business was originally founded by Sterling Goodale Hadley; and

Whereas: When Hamilton College made substantial changes to its fraternity system in the 1990s, Brother Becker helped organize and fund a major lawsuit that saved the chapter and all of Hamilton's fraternities, and he was instrumental in assisting the Psi in its transition from its historic house to a vibrant non-residential fraternity; and

Whereas: Brother Becker has for decades been the Executive Council's greatest ambassador to undergraduates of all chapters, and has made sure to keep undergraduates concerns at the forefront of the Executive Council's agenda; be it

Resolved: Brother John E. Becker, Psi '61, is bestowed the Distinguished Alumni Service Award by the 167th Convention with our heartfelt thanks and gratitude, and looking forward to many more years of outstanding service.

Daniel Grande, Eta '11 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

Special Resolution #27

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is presented to a chapter which has performed a significant event that demands special recognition, therefore be it

Resolved: That the Award of Distinction be given to the Eta chapter for their construction of an 18 hole miniature golf course for the annual “Goofy Golf” fundraiser at the Bethlehem Public Library.

Eldred A. Halsey, Delta '56 encouraged the chapters to participate in the Challenges and Choices program.

Upon a motion duly made, seconded and approved unanimously the 167th Psi Upsilon Convention was adjourned sine die at 11:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Williams, Phi '76
Recorder