

# NSU Greek Council Minutes

March 18, 2008

5:00pm

Nova Southeastern University

## I. Call to order

- President Andrew Ibrahim called to order the regular meeting of the Nova Southeastern University's Greek Council at **5:04pm** on **March 18, 2008** in **Commons Room 123A**.

## II. Roll call

- Secretary Lesley Engler conducted a roll call. The following persons were present.
- E-Board Members:
  - Deidra Been
  - Jean Paul Bermeo
  - Raquel Cambell
  - Lesley Engler
  - Andrew Ibrahim
  - Victoria Lafferty
  - Branden McKinney
  - Alina Tawil
- Delegates:
  - Nakia Bain
  - Tony Benza
  - Rafael De La Rosa
  - Sebastian Terneus
  - Lisa Vignola
- Unexcused Absence:
  - Melissa Austria
  - David Perrin
  - Holly Sullivan
  - Joanne Gabrielle Vera Cruz (alternate from Lambda Theta Alpha was present)

## III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

- Minutes from last week were not read.

## IV. E-Board Reports:

**President: Andrew Ibrahim**

- Speaker, Lua Hancock was on the agenda to speak about the Greek Village in the Commons Dormitory however could not make the meeting. There was a motion to strike this from the agenda. The motion was seconded. Delegates voted 8-0-0 and was struck from the agenda.
- We received all the money from SGA for Greek Week. The bill was passed in full.
- Greek formal will be on April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Signature Grand Hotel. Invitations for each chapter are currently at Joe Stubbs office in the Student Union located in the University Center. There are only 120 seats so please r.s.v.p with the number of members and advisors for your respective chapters. The invitation is not for one plus a date; it is only for one person. There will be a three course meal and open cash bar as well as the presentation of all of the Greek awards.
- Each chapter should be preparing their Greek packets for the Greek awards that will be presented at Greek formal. Each chapter president can pick up a binder to prepare their award applications in at Joe Stubbs office in the Student Union located in the University Center. The packets will be due on April 4<sup>th</sup> by 5pm to Joe Stubbs office. Late packets will not be accepted or considered for awards.
- Expansion policy should be completed by next week. When it is completed, there will be a vote on whether or not to add it to the constitution. The delegates of each chapter will be the deciding votes.
- Please get with your appropriate Vice President to get your respective governing body up and running by the end of the semester. Remember that this is one of our goals for the semester.

**VP of IFC: Branden McKinney**

- Within the next two weeks the constitution for IFC should be completed. The IFC fraternities have been working on it and plan to have IFC up and running shortly.

**VP of NPC: Victoria Lafferty**

- No report

**VP of NPHC/NALFO: Raquel Cambell**

- No report

**Treasurer: Deidra Been**

- No report

**PR Chair: Jean Paul Bermeo**

- The Greek calendar is completed and will be out shortly. If your chapter has any events that you would like to see on the calendar that have not previously been emailed to Jean Paul, please email him as soon as possible, [bermeo@nova.edu](mailto:bermeo@nova.edu). Events this week are: Zeta Phi Beta's Zeta Week which includes a BBQ with Lambda Theta Phi on March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm as well as a Yard show and party on March 20<sup>th</sup> in the flight deck at 7pm.

### **Social Chair: Alina Tawil**

- Greek Week event update packets were handed out to everyone present.
- Greek Week Events are as follows:
  - Monday April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008: Greek Week Opening Ceremonies  
7:00pm-10:00pm/2<sup>nd</sup> Floor University Center  
Description of the event: explanation of Greek Week rules, clothing drive, penny wars and spirit awards. Banner contest presentations, introduction of Greek Council, administrative speakers, and the annual “Lighting of the Torches” ceremony. The speakers are: Andrew Ibrahim, Dean Williams, Jay Gannon and Joe Stubbs.  
\*All finished banners are due on this day  
\*Greek Week shirts will be given out on this day  
\*Penny Wars will begin on this day
  - Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008: Treasure Hunt  
7:00pm-10:00pm/ASA Patio  
Description of the event: each Greek organization will be going on a hunt around campus, trying to solve riddles and clues about NSU history and Greek trivia, to see who can reach the “treasure” the fastest.
  - Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008: Academic Decathlon  
7:00pm-10:00pm/Library Quad  
Description of the event: each Greek organization will be paired up with another Greek organization; the winning team will split the points amongst both organizations. All 4 teams will be competing in an academic relay race to see which team can answer each stations questions the fastest. The stations are: Math, Science, English, Philosophy and History.  
\*Bonus points will be awarded to the organizations wearing the Greek Week 2008 t-shirt on this day.
  - Thursday April 10<sup>th</sup>: Greek Olympics  
6:00pm-10:00pm/Rec-Plex basketball courts  
Description of the event: each Greek organization will be paired up with another Greek organization; the winning team will split the points amongst both organizations. All 4 teams will be competing in competitive games all worth points towards the overall team pints for the night. The games are: dizzy bat race, hula hoop competition, rock wall competition, basketball shoot out competition and tug of war.  
\*All the clothing collected by each individual Greek organization for out annual clothing drive will be due this night at 6:00pm. Each article of clothing is worth 1 point towards Greek Week points.
  - Thursday April 10<sup>th</sup>:Greek Week Social  
10:00pm-12:00am/Flight Deck  
Description of the event: this event will be the closing of Greek Week 2008, used to create unity and Greek spirit as well as be the closing for our annual Penny Wars competition at 12:00am.
- Greek Week Spirit Award was created in hopes of developing a more spirited and united Greek community. This award will be decided on by the Greek advisor,

- Director of the Student Union and the Greek Week committee. The winning group can be the same group as the overall Greek Week winners and will be awarded at the Greek Formal. The award will be based on the following criteria:
- Wearing Greek paraphernalia
  - Showing sportsmanship and respect towards other Greek organizations
  - Showing pride through dances, chants, steps, salutes or other techniques used to show spirit
  - Exuding teamwork when paired up with other organizations
  - Attendance at as many events as possible
  - Actively participating in all events possible
- Greek Week 2008 Philanthropies are the clothing drive and penny wars.
    - Clothing Drive: planned in conjunction with Jennifer Bowman and the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement. All Greek organizations are encouraged to collect as many articles of clothing as possible throughout the week. All clothing will be collected on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at the Greek Olympics event.
    - Penny Wars: each organization will have a designated empty jug at the start of the week that will be available at all events. Each Greek organization is encouraged to collect as much money as possible. Pennies are worth one positive point towards the group. Nickels, dimes, quarters and any bills are worth negative points towards the group. The Greek organization at the end of the week that is the most positive will win bonus points towards their Greek Week overall score and the right to donate all money raised to a charity of their choosing.
  - Greek Week Banner Competition will begin on March 31, 2008. Each organization will be provided with a blank piece of cloth on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Each group will have one week to create a banner exuding the most Greek unity possible. Each group must display all 8 Greek organizations letters on the banner as well as NSU. Each banner will be presented at the Greek Week opening ceremonies on April 7<sup>th</sup>. These banners will be judged by our Greek advisor and Director of the Student Union. The winning group will receive bonus points towards their overall Greek Week score. The banners will be hung all week in the University Center to show pride amongst our Greek community.
  - Attendance at Greek Week is not mandatory but is highly encouraged.
  - We received all of the money for Greek Week from SGA. The Student Union Board will be paying for our t-shirts.
  - Please email Alina, [tawil@nova.edu](mailto:tawil@nova.edu), with the total amount of t-shirts your chapter will need and how many of each size as soon as possible.
  - The Greek Week committee includes only three members Jillian Maffucci of Phi Sigma Sigma, Catherine Johnson of Delta Phi Epsilon and Steven Reddy of Kappa Sigma. They were the only chapters to contact Alina with their respective delegates. If any other chapters would still like to participate please email Alina, [tawil@nova.edu](mailto:tawil@nova.edu), with a representative for your chapter as soon as possible. The committee will help plan and execute the events which includes shopping for materials as well as having the deciding vote for the spirit award.

## V. Delegate Reports

### **Beta Theta Pi Delegate: Tony Benza**

- No report

### **Delta Phi Epsilon Delegate: Lisa Vignola**

- Thank you for coming out to ANAD week events this past week, especially the Candlelight Vigil, it meant a lot to us.

### **Kappa Sigma Delegate: Sebastian Terneus**

- Thank you for coming out to our Delta class Date Auction. Also, thank you for donating, we raised

### **Lambda Theta Phi Delegate: Rafael De La Rosa**

- No report

### **Phi Beta Sigma Delegate: David Perrin**

- Phi Beta Sigma will be having a BBQ and games on Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7pm in front of the University Center. Please come out and support.

### **Phi Sigma Sigma Delegate: Holly Sullivan**

- No report

### **Sigma Delta Tau Delegate: Melissa Austria**

- No report

### **Zeta Phi Beta Delegate: Nakia Bain**

- Zeta Phi Beta has a movie night tonight, Tuesday March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Commons.

### **Lambda Theta Alpha Delegate: Joanne Gabrielle Vera Cruz (alternate gave report on her behalf)**

- Lambda Theta Alpha welcomed 3 new members and are officially part of our Greek system.

## VI. New Business

- No new business to address

## VII. Old Business:

- No old business to address

## VIII. Open Forum:

- Alpha Kappa Alpha received 21 applications for membership and accepted 17 of them so they will be officially joining our Greek system
- Dr. Faulkner came in to speak with us and discussed the following topics:
  - He congratulated us on getting Greek council up and running in record time as well as congratulating us on all the events we have been putting on recently

- He informed us of an opportunity to be a part of Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida (ICUF). There are 2 spots available and your tasks will include working with legislation and lobbying. Presently they are working on getting the FRAG scholarship award to continue to be awarded considering the government is trying to get rid of it. If chosen you will also have to go to an all expense paid training retreat as well as have the opportunity to go up to Tallahassee, FL to lobby and meet political leaders. Qualifications for this position are that you must be a sophomore, junior or senior, a Florida resident, a recipient of the FRAG and in good academic standing with the university. Preferable they are seeking for at least one member to not also be a member of SGA. If you are interested you can pick up an application in Rosenthal Room 100. The applications are due March 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Candidates for a full time advisor for the Greek Affairs and Student Union Board office will be considered soon. A committee of voting members will be chosen and it is important that Greeks participate in this committee considering the person chosen will be our advisor.

#### **IX. Announcements:**

- If you are going to miss a meeting, you must contact Lesley at [elesley@nova.edu](mailto:elesley@nova.edu), 48 hours in advance.
- Don't forget to email Lesley, [elesley@nova.edu](mailto:elesley@nova.edu), 48 hours in advance with your respective reports or they will not be on the agenda and cannot be discussed.
- Lambda Theta Alpha will be attending a charity dinner for a fellow University of Miami sister's father who has been diagnosed with melanoma. The cost of attendance is \$15 and if anyone is interested in going and supporting the cause please contact the ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha.
- 1<sup>st</sup> week of April the ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha will be hosting their founder's day celebration. More information to come.

#### **X. Adjournment:**

- President Andrew Ibrahim adjourned the meeting at **5:41pm**.

Minutes submitted by: **Lesley Engler**