

TPSI Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2009

Present:

Pat Sullivan	Carmen Casas
Kathy Solano	Karen Keegan
Michelle Widdel	Sue Knapp
Barb LoPiccolo	Nels Kerwick

Absent: Colleen Fritze

- I. Treasurer's Report- Sue Knapp
 - A. Balance as of 3/12/2009 \$13,230.02
 - B. Average Annual Costs:
 1. Newsletter Mailings 2 distributions @ approximately \$350.00- \$700 annual
 2. Website- \$75.00

- II. Website Report- Nels Kerwick
 - A. The website is up to date.
 - B. Photos from Winter 2008, Fall 2008 and Winter 2009 are posted via shutterfly. All other photos are still available using the old method. Feedback concerning the use of shutterfly is requested.
 - C. Old meeting notes and newsletters have been purged from the website. They can be restored if needed.

- III. Old Business
 - A. Scholarship Report-Joyce Heflin
 1. Shaileen Swan has been selected to receive the 2009 Theta Phi Sorority Inc - Marjorie Dey Carter '50 Scholarship. Out of a possible 160 points, she earned 149. Sherry Hicks was the runner up with 139 points.
 2. The selection committee was: Ann Graziedei, Gail Webster, Pat Quinn and Joyce Heflin. A point and ranking system was used to evaluate the applicants.
 3. Joyce will notify SUNY Cortland of our selection. She will send Shaileen Swan a letter of congratulations. All other applicants will receive a letter of condolence. Joyce will also write a blurb for the next Theta Phi newsletter about our selection.
 4. This will be the last year the sorority will award the scholarship.

 - B. Fundraising Committee- Barb Ryan
 1. Barb Ryan has resigned as chair of the fundraising committee.
 2. A discussion of fundraising to be held at summer 2009 reunion Board meeting.

 - C. Newsletter- Carmen Casas
 1. Two newsletters will be sent out
 - a) *September release to feature Winter Raquette Lake (E-mail in January to remind sisters of availability of winter Raquette Lake)*
 - b) *March/April release to feature Fall Raquette Lake*

- D. Nominating Committee- Kathy Solano
1. Carmen Casas, Pat Sullivan, and Michelle Widdel's board terms will expire in 2009. All three sisters are eligible for re-election. All three sisters were contacted by Kathy Solano and all have agreed to serve another term.
The nominating committee would like to present their names to the Board for consideration for the upcoming sorority elections. The committee also recognizes that they must keep open the possibility that any other sister may be nominated for a position on the Board, as a notice went out to the general population in the last newsletter concerning open Board positions. The Board will vote on accepting the slate either at the May or July meeting. Board members are encouraged to contact Kathy Solano if they have any concerns over the nominations of Casas, Sullivan and/or Widdel.
- E. 2009 Winter Raquette Lake
1. Friday February 13th -15th, 2009
 2. Sixteen Theta Phi sisters and sixteen (or so) St Lawrence Environmental Management Council members and family gathered for our annual winter weekend at Camp Huntington.
 3. Barb LoPiccolo took the bronze by tossing 15 lb flat skillet as far as possible (including sliding distance) a distance of 42 feet 7 inches at Raquette Lake's Winter Carnival. Pat Sullivan's toss was a meager 17 feet.
- F. 2009 Fall Raquette Lake
1. Jack Sheltmire will retire 2010 so there may want to be some discussion on event to recognize this at Fall 2009 Raquette Lake (May agenda item)
 2. Work project will be discussed with Kim Mayer and Jack and will shared at a later date
 3. Guest Chef, Kelly Davis, will be able to cook and bring delight to all sisters' taste buds Fall 2009 Raquette Lake
 4. Sue Knapp and Nels Kerwick will need to contact the person for the cushions and will continue to work on the curtains and new carpets for the Staff House.
- G. Reunion Report- Pat Sullivan
1. Committee is working hard at contacting sisters to attend reunion.
 2. Cortland's February mailing went out during the last week of February and includes KU's one page "newsletter". There will be one more mailing that will include all registration information.
 3. Sue Huck is organizing golf tournament
 4. Meg Moritz has had the banner re-done so the sorority can use it at various reunion events.
 5. Kim Mayer has agreed to coordinate the powerpoint presentation for reunion dinner.
 6. There are two reunion committees. The small committee has been involved with all reunion details: Teri Tiso, Barb Hemink, Jodi Schmeelk, Barb LoPiccolo, Sharon Stewart, Gail Webster, Sue Huck, Karen Uhlendorf... The larger committee (includes everyone on the smaller committee) has been involved primarily with contacting sisters to encourage them to attend reunion. This group includes: Marjorie Dey Carter, Petey Haase, Gloria Burns, Vi Hoeffner, Alice Couser, Jane Grastorf, Carol Okoren, Nancy Baxter, Kris Terrillion, Donna Freeland, Ellen Barber, Ann Graziadei, Karen Hegeman, Sharon Short, Eileen Rich and Barb Alm, and Carol Davis.
 7. Kathy Solano will coordinate the requests for faculty/staff invitations to reunion.

H. Giveaways- Barb LoPiccolo

1. Blankets are shipped for reunion summer 2009 giveaway.
2. Hooded sweatshirt (gray with purple appliqué) and Trail Winds Fleece Jacket will be available from Carolyn Leach.
3. Further details to consider
 - a) *On-line order form*
 - b) *Time frame for ordering*
 - c) *Pictures available of products*

IV. New Business-

A. Announcements

1. Meetings: May 14, July 30, 2009 8-8:45 PM
2. Formal THANK YOU to:
 - a) *Barb Ryan and the Fundraising Committee*
 - b) *Joyce Heflin for her work with the scholarship*
 - c) *Nels Kerwick for her work with Winter Raquette Lake*
3. Scrapbook pictures to Kathy Solano
4. Each Board member contact 10 people to attend reunion

V. Adjourn at 9:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted Michelle Widdel