

General Meeting Minutes
Alpha Phi Omega–Mu Zeta Chapter
Monday, April 21, 2008

I. Call To Order at: (7:23pm)

II. Roll Call:

President – Kingsley Yee (Present)

Service Vice Presidents – Cindy Manit (Present), Duc Ta Minh (Absent)

Membership Vice Presidents – Jordan Ondoy (Present), Sirena Lam (Present)

Pledge Masters – Melissa Dagdagan (Present), Darshika Patel (Present)

Fellowship Vice Presidents – Jason Chang (Present), Katrina Salangsang (Present)

Finance Vice Presidents – Katrina Harvey (Present), Nikko Cartano (Present)

Administrative Vice President – Thomas Li (Present)

Sergeant-At-Arms – Sherman Gee (Present), Jan Cartano (Present)

Advisory Chairs – Mark Corpuz (Present)

Guests: Gamma Beta, Alpha Epsilon Nu, Section staff: Ken, Sharron, Iza Gammon '98 MZ President

Three sharp taps of the gavel signifies the three fold purpose of this meeting

I. First to foster good Fellowship,

II. Second to promote Leadership to worthwhile activities,

III. Third to develop plans for Service to our fellow man;

So therefore let us dedicate this meeting to Leadership, Friendship, and Service

Approval of Minutes

Approved

President Report – Kingsley Yee

Deputies: John Luna & Brian Wong

- This week April 26 is MZ's Birthday. Chapter turns 23.
- 4/24 OSPLD Recognition Ceremony in Towers Conference Center
- Potential Sectionals Co-chair will be decided today. Speeches.
- Fall 2008 Excomm Comm
 - Final Nominations, Acceptance/Declination Today
 - Advisory, Sergeant, AVP, Finance, Fellowship speak
 - The rest of the positions present next week.

Historians – Dianne Nino and Ryan Tjandra

Tomorrow Scrapbook Night at Shella's night. Make Scrapbook about event/big/lil.

Leadership –Karen Wong and Joel Balao

- Presents scroll of kindness. Keep submitting entries for scroll of kindness.
- Harassment, Abuse, Discrimination Workshop. Follow along on page 37 of pledge book.
 - Just because we're all brothers in this organization, build/define your comfort levels/zone with fellow brothers like any other friends. Don't assume everything is okay. Everyone reacts differently.
 - What to do: Tell someone within 48hours of the incident. Contact Excomm, Advisors, President, School resources, Safe Place, Call Campus Police, or 911.

Public Relations Officers –John Luna and Patrice Ponciano

- 4/22 OZ MiMi's Café Fundraiser, All Day! Contact Leah 510-303-7404

- 4/26 OZ's Bay Static Club Event, Mt. View Doors open at 10pm, \$15 presale.
- 4/25-26 Zeta Omicron @ Cal Poly SLO, Bon Fire @ Pismo Beach
- 5/17 Rho Phi iDance competition, open to all chapters. Proceeds go to charity.
- 8/9 Region X 3rd Annual Disneyland Fellowship. Contact Ken Seli at 408-768-9296. Find more info on Facebook. Talk to Ken today, in back of room.

Service Report –Cindy Manit and Duc Ta Minh

- Congrats to everyone who participated at MAAD
 - Amanda thanks everyone who came out at 6am. Thanks to the committee heads. FSC, Ayo was very impressed. Thanks to Matt Ong for all the support.
 - Matt took Ayo for a tour around the city. She was very impressed.
 - Matt presents the Chapter a Multicultural Aids Awareness Day plaque to Amanda and Gerry for their leadership as chairs.
- For Spring Youth Service Week
- 4/24 Cameron House (TBA)
- 4/25 Girl Scout Youth Dance, like Father/Daughter Dance (TBA)
- Any Hours done after April 21, throughout summer, will go towards 100 hour presidential award, not requirements.

Membership Report –Jordan Ondoy and Sirena Lam

- Congrats to everyone who completed their requirements today.
- Last Gold member event: 5/10 Great America at Santa Clara
- MZ Fit Club: Come run, jog, walk around the lake on Wed/Fri. (Just for Fun), time TBA. Starts this week.
- Operation Pay it forward:
 - Amanda bough April pizza. Gave Nagmeh a ride.
- Brownie
 - Last week: Katrina and Nikko got brownie last week, but forgot to bring it.
 - This week: Amanda & Mel for an awesome job at Aids Awareness.
- Browni Jr.
 - Last week: Frances got brownie Jr and added a pen, for she will be studying tonite.
 - This week: Kristelyn and Vonnie for getting together the pledge scrapbook.

Pledge Master Report –Melissa Dagdagan and Darshika Patel

- Congrats on the awesome pledge fundraiser and finishing requirements.
- Karina presents the final scores from Jeoparday.
 - First Place – Rock Family gets Smarties candy and cookies
 - Second Place – Paper Family
 - Third Place – Scissors Family gets Dum Dum
- 4/23 Pledge Final closed 7:15pm.
- Pay It forward:
 - Teri got Kristine a key chain
 - Alex got Marnelle and Jennifer Jamba Juice
 - VJ got Karina Starbucks mug and coffee
- Pledge Spotlight
 - Darrel- 1 younger brother/ Talent: can take nap anywhere / scared of boogie man/ wanted to be lawyer/ born in el Camino Hospital / animal: panda
 - Kevin- ??? not here, to be announce next week

- Frances- 1 older brother, 1 younger sister/ Talent: bake cupcakes/ scared of zombies and heights / wanted to be princess, doctor, interior design/ born in Antipolo City in Philippines/ animal: something that flies.

Fellowship Report –Katrina Salangsang and Jason Chang

- Today is MZ spirit day theme meeting.
- 4/25 – Secret Fellowship TBA, meet at McD's at 4pm
- Banquet Tickets on Sale TODAY! \$43
 - Ticket price goes up next week to \$43.
- Next week is Island Guys and Gales theme. Dress Hawaiian!

Finance Report –Nikko Cartano and Katrina Harvey

- Last week's campus fundraiser was fun.
- Everyone who completed campus fundraiser must sign up for Giants Game after requirements are due to completely fulfill Fundraising requirement.
 - Remaining Giants Games:
 - April 25
 - April 27
 - April 29
- For those who could not make a Giants Game Fundraiser before requirements are due, must make an attempt to fulfill fundraising requirement by attending a 4 hour on campus fundraiser and attend a Giants Game after requirements are due.

Administrative Report – Thomas Li

- MZ Rosters available

Sergeant Report – Jan Cartano and Sherman Gee

- FSC elections are next week.
- FSC Service Committee has \$\$\$ to use for charitable cause.
- Constitutional Committee is almost ready to present a revised copy of the bylaws for the chapter to vote on.
- FSC Pajama Jam, \$1000 FSC sponsored event. Free to Greeks, \$5 for non-Greeks.

Advisory Report – Mark Corpuz and Susannah Shum

- Recognize Alumnus in the house.
- 4/26 Graduation Party at Menchu Hall 12pm-4pm. Food will be provided. Please sign up.

Sectionals Co-Chair Nominee speech

- Katrina & Darshika – Theme is around the World with AEN's consideration. Would assign a country for each chapter. For funding, thinking about fundraising like coldstone night, fundrucker night, bake sake, candy sale, APO gear sale. Will work closely with Finance to work out fundraising. Will have committees like breakfast, registration, pageant, lunch, dinner, publication, man power. For registration, thinking about T-shirt by tagging each other's extra white tee. Workshop ideas cooperate with Alumnus, Fellowship workshops like musical workshop, dance, international fashion, or even travel guide, or teach a brief language workshop. Pageant idea for girls and boys. Food: want to have food from around the world. Anyone who went to sectionals: want to make sectionals version of twenties.
- Jessica Do – Shows video presentation. APO Legend of Service. Spring Sectionals focus is service. Need help if picked. Sectionals committees like. Fundraise and give free food workshops. Different workshops. Black and white masquerade ball. Learn to fence, dance, make black and white mask, chapter relay before business meeting, to release anger. Fundraising committee will

focus on fundraising for event. Fundraising ideas like Great America, Clubs fundraiser, incentive program to get you to sectionals for free, on campus fundraising.

Questions:

- Nikko: How well will you be able to work with AEN?
 - Jessica: Was their section rep. going into a proposal, pretty sure will have a good time working with them. Since we're financial stable it would be good to work with.
 - Darshika and Katrina: Has interacted with AEN. Got to meet section rep from AEN. Good working well with others. Katrina met AEN's finance and got along.
- Thomas: Will you see your theme though when you begin working with AEN, or will we only see reminisces of your ideas?
 - Jessica: First, talk to AEN to see what their ideas for themes are. Depends on their idea. If we keep with our idea, then we will make it better. We are open to .Around the world was a theme suggested by AEN so
 - Darshika and Katrina: When 2 chapters are running together for sectionals. I am open to incorporating our idea along with theirs. I'm really open to their ideas. I'm sure we can find common ground. They're all pretty nice.
- Phil: I'd lived with Kevin back in fall05. How will you be able to balance your schedule?
 - Jessica: I'm an alumni. I don't have school. I'm free on weekends. No worries except work. I multitask very well. We have a whole year to plan this. I have time on weekends for fundraising
 - Darshika and Katrina: Katrina has done a lot with finance and has proven her ability to juggle her schedule. Darshika was pledge mom and entertainment chair. I don't work. I'm not planning to be on Excom. So this would be my main focus. I work very well with my little. Between us we have a lot of time over the weekend. I have a lot of free time and it goes all to APO.
- Sectionals is a great event and great recognition. Finance is important. So, I believe finance should be on the sectional chairs not for the Finance office. How will you manage finances?
 - Darshika and Katrina: A lot of ideas for fundraising. Katrina has held a position in finance. We've got together a lot of financing ideas. Katrina has background finance knowledge. Our first priority would be to fundraise along with AEN.
 - Jessica: has an extensive knowledge of Finance. Currently VSA finance office. Has had successful fundraising in past. I can guarantee the chapter will be well off in money. I promise to work with finance subcommittee to work with money.
- Nikko: What if AEN overrides us? What if they start taking too much credit
 - Jessica: If we start off professionally. We can find common ground. MZ has to have their ideas. We need to find common ground. If you're not a push over then you won't be pushed over.
 - Darshika and Katrina: We're hosting it on our campus. They've got to give and take. Without us, they can't host it. As soon as we are elected, we can be friends with them to ensure we have equal input. We should work as a team
- Matt: AEN. In the past, lack of communication. It was very difficult to getting all working. What is your strategy to work with AEN.. in-terms of communications, duties, creative inputs...basically, working together? How will you achieve this?
 - Darshika and Katrina: As Entertainment chair for MAAD, it was very organized. We got a lot out of it. We learned a lot for you Matt. I've learned a lot about scheduling and making sure everyone does their part. If we have subcommittee, we will suggest AEN to

have the same subcommittees so the subcommittees can communicate. Even though its' a year away, we need a whole year.

- Jessica: At that time, they were fairly new. Since then, I think they have grown. As long as both chapters are on top of things on their end, I think we will be fine.
- Gerry: Even though we are hosting this on campus. I don't think it's our place to say we have more say than them. Agree?
 - Jessica: this is our sectionals as much as theirs. We need to prepare to ensure they don't go off course. We want to do with them to work together on our facilities. We are going to prove doubters wrong who don't think we can do it.
 - Darshika and Katrina: Without them we can't do it too. If we wanted it along, we could have worked by ourselves. But we choose to work together and we will make things work.
- Phil motions to end questioning. Seconded by Patrice. Approved, questioning ends.

Old Business

(Acceptances & Declinations)

Speeches:

Advisory Chair - Melissa Dagdagan

I never thought I'd get to this point (graduation). One purpose I have is just to be there for the chapter. We've been growing strong with PC and Jx3 classes. We have a very young chapter. It is essential for me to help advise not just Ex Comm but the chapter as well. I'm qualified since I've held almost every position except Sergeant-At-Arms, Administrative Vice President and Fellowship Vice President. I can assist officers in their positions next semester. I have three goals, to be there to assist and help out; answer questions about offices; and be the liason between our active membership, pledges and alumni. I was able to bring six Alums to the last pledge meeting. I will be there just to be around and have a presence, and show that Alumni can still be around to assist.

Phil Drennon – How will you budget your time between work and being Advisory Chair? As long as Ex Comm meetings are not held during work hours. My duty is to be there to advise the chapter and Ex Comm. I'm really accessible by phone but since I'm working on my temporary job until I find a real job which I won't find in awhile, but in terms of time management it will be same time as putting into Pledge Master this semester, schedule-wise it won't change much only maybe by ten hours of work.

Darshika Patel – What will you do to be actively involved with everything in the chapter? – As Advisory Chair, I will be around and still take part in everything that Ex Comm is doing. I want to know what everyone is doing and suggest things. A lot of Ex Comm will be new. I've been around for 4 ½ years, I can bestow things we've done in the past, past traditions not practiced for a bit, with all of Ex Comm. I'd like to do officer check-ins, and basically be there.

Darshika Patel – This semester, I didn't get anything for our office, and for a lot of people it's their first time being in Ex Comm, how will you help the president make sure they have all instructions as far as transitioning? It will be Cinco de Mayo but if I'm chosen I want to get with current and upcoming presidents and go over step by step different things with transitioning, some things aren't carried forward and as responsibility of old ex comm, we need to be there to transition things to new ex comm. We should do both our parts.

Matthew Ong – You've been super active, how will you transition from being super active to being advisor, as advisor you have to sit back and allow young people to do things and advise from the back – In terms of this, I will have to calm down and sit back, it will be different but If I'm stepping on toes I won't take offense, stepping back will be hard but I need to practice doing it, other Alumni have advised me to do that and sit back and watch, so I'll try to do more of that.

Sergeants-At-Arms – Brian Wong & Jonathan Leong

I've been Sergeant-At-Arms before, and one of goals is to try to get Alpha Phi Omega as active with other Greeks on campus as much as possible, create a service project on the beach with other Greeks, and have a barbecue afterwards. Sergeants-At-Arms keep meetings running on time and are the rule keepers. We're both tall and 450 pounds of combined muscle. Tasks – Constitutional committee, updating the chapter on discussion Constitutional committee meetings and bylaws. We have serious goals, four people for the price of two.

Patrice Ponciano – How good is your understanding of Robert's rules? Gerry's the expert but we'll learn, and I was Sergeant-At-Arms before and I tried to present one lesson of Robert's rules at every meeting and we want to do it next semester. I'm open on learning even though I've been busy with pledging so next semester I will have more time to learn.

Matthew Ong – Some assume that Sergeants-At-Arms keep order and attend FSC meetings, but there's more than that. You have to be familiar with the bylaws and make sure the chapter and president obides by our laws, bylaw police, grace point of orders to make sure we're in line, how will you go about doing that and preparing Ex Comm for learning? We agree that Sergeants-At-Arms are seen as easy but a lot of people don't know there's a lot of responsibility. The best way to learn is to teach, so we plan to have a committee like this semester, which taught parliamentary procedures, and we will try to teach something short at each meeting as far as bylaws, parliamentary procedures or both. It will be hard to just read out rules, but we'll think of creative ways of teaching.

Isa – One of the guys who knows the chapter bylaws well is Irwin Chui. Would you guys be open to meeting up with him or going over the bylaws with him? The more help we get the better, it's hard to learn, Gerry sent it to me and it's long.

Gerry – Ideas on how to keep room quiet? Bring whistle, be stricter.

AVP – Vacant

Finance Vice Presidents

Katrina Harvey and Alex Chung – Both of us have a great history, we went to high school together, we pledged together, we work well together based on our ideals. Why we want to run is because we feel like we can do a good job helping the chapter raise money. We have a plan on how to raise money with different fundraisers throughout the semester. We will come up with a checklist on how to run fundraisers for future helpers, a lot of finances do work behind the scenes (keeping records and reimbursements) and we kind of sucked on that lately. I found old stuff and am working on updating the ledger and hope to keep that going and teach Alex and keep our records strict. As far as availability, I've talked with Centerplate and have built a relationship with them, we have scheduled games for next semester. We'll have a lot next semester, communicated with Great America, their fundraisers would be profitable and get us free tickets. For Sectionals, if no financial fundraising share then we will have a separate fund for this sectionals so we can have enough money for our chapter to host a great Sectionals.

Generoso Abesamis III – How open on chapter finances will you be with the rest of the chapter? Very open, everything should be settled and check ledger if you're curious. We'll try our best to produce weekly printouts with finance records.

Johanns – What kind of fundraisers? In addition to sports games, we'll have various fundraisers including bake sales. Also, we're in discussion about others, a new one will be Great America, thinking of other types and other corporations to talk to.

Jessica Do – This coming Fall we'll have nationals. Fundraising for nationals, Sectionals and for the chapter in general, how will you handle it? If fundraiser chair, if not we will have our own and assist

them with new ideas separate from our own ideas. We'll come up with different ideas for different purposes.

Fellowship Vice Presidents

Shella Liman and Darshika Patel – Our houses are close to school. We have lots of ideas. We want fellowships during summer and ready to take on Banquet if no appointed. We are flexible. We want cheap fellowships. Anticipate to have spur of the moment last minute fellowships. Lots of themed fellowship over the holidays. Getting lots of ice cream. We have lots of bonding games. Want to increase the ice breakers. Have lots of secret ideas for banquet. Darshika has been on excomm and is experienced. Want to have lots of IC events

Vonnie Nguyen and Veejay Atilano – (Enters by playing hide and seek.) Both fun people. Both are up for anything, anytime and anywhere. Knows how hard it is to make money, will make price minimal. Even though pledges, this would be great opportunity to learn how to bond. Instead of driving, will try to take muni and bond on public transit. Have simple ideas like board game night. Laser tag, dance workshops, paddle boat. Open MZ Olympics to ICs. Veejay wants to give everyone nickname to get a better connection with everyone. Since we are pledges, we will seek advice from current fellowship.

Questions:

Jason: If you take public transit, you must take time consideration. How will you manage time with having to wait for transit.

Vonnie Nguyen and Veejay Atilano – If you have time to drive, you can factor in time to ride muni. Gas prices are going up. It doesn't matter how you bond, as long as you bond. Plus people on muni can bond with more people rather than the few people stuck in the car.

Shella Liman and Darshika Patel – We will look at the muni schedule or have it in walking distance. After all the ice cream Shella has in store, you'll need to walk if off.

Patrice; You both mentioned bonding, how you prevent wall flowers?

Shella Liman and Darshika Patel – Despite the tries to get people to bond. Its not just one or two people talking. It's team work to get people to bond. We want to get everyone to get to know one another.

Vonnie Nguyen and Veejay Atilano – We can group people. You know how there are trios. We will try to make everyone feel welcomed and allow everyone to get to know one another.

Jason: How to make cheaper fellowships? How to keep cost low and have fun?

Vonnie Nguyen and Veejay Atilano – of course we won't go sky diving b/c it's expensive. We keep in mind the cost, b/c VJ and Vonnie works. As pledges, we know what we need to do to fulfill requirement. We will try to work with finance to keep cost low.

Shella Liman and Darshika Patel – We can do things that don't cost money. The 1st wed in SF, most attractions are free. You don't need money to have fun.

Patrice: Name one fellowship you can carry one from one semester to another?

Dashika: Touring SF. Many people are new to the city, so having a tour of SF would be good. We will talk to alumnis about previous fellowships. To bring some fellowships back.

Vonnie Nguyen and Veejay Atilano – How about sleepovers? Baking? Do girls' hair? Guys can wash their hair?

New Business

None.

Announcements

- 4/26 8-10pm Filipino Women performance/Art fundraiser. Goes to Filipino women in the Philippines. Toni Rose, Alumni presents.

- Voltaire – If any freshman wants to be videotaped about their college experience as a project, please participate.
- Isa – School car wash this Saturday.
- Matt – If anyone took pictures or video footage of MAAD, please burn onto CD and let me know.
- Dianne – Scrapbook work tomorrow night at Shella's house.
- Jason – We will be eating at a secret place after the secret fellowship, so bring money (\$20 optional)
- Nikko – After the meeting's over, PC class will have an auction off, please help. They're all in need of help and they're very sexy, so please stay for ten minutes.
- Melissa – I want to introduce my pledge bro Saman Tabrizi.
- Karen – Buy banquet tickets tonight.
- Karina – Tupperware from Jeopardy night yours?
- Byron (Gamma Beta) – If you have any suggestions on Fall Fellowship, let us know. Secondly, I have a luau this Saturday, you'll get cool stuff, there will be raffle prizes including Disneyland tickets, cruise tickets, movie tickets.
- Nikko – Please sign up for Giants' games on table.
- Vonnie – Raffle tickets – Me and Cindy (Yeh) will make you any meal any where any day.

Muggings

Amanda moves to postpone muggings. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05pm