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Position

Grand President

Section 1: Job Description

The Grand President shall represent the Fraternity, preside at all meetings of the Grand Council, at the Annual Convention, be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee, and appoint all standing and special committees.

Section 2: Progress To Date Activities Specific to Job Description

Please provide a brief narrative of your activities so far during the biennium.

- Grand President has presided over each Grand Council meeting. Grand Council and Headquarter Staff (Alpha Resources) has met virtually on the following dates thus far:
 - o 8/7/22, 8/28/22, 9/25/22, 10/23/22, 11/20/22, 12/11/22, 1/22/23, 2/26/23 (Grand Council Interim Meeting), 3/19/23, 4/16/23, 5/21/23, 6/11/23
- As a request and voted on by the house of delegates at the 2022 Annual Convention (Indianapolis, Indiana) in lieu of increasing collegiate membership dues, Grand Council formed an LKS Task Force to identify and develop additional revenue resources to fund the fraternity's operations, including member retention and COVID recovery. The creation of the LKS Chrysanthemum Challenge was the capital campaign that was created to raise the funds to move forward in 2023 with the new AMS system and enhanced membership benefits and programs. The goal of the Chrysanthemum Challenge was to raise \$150,000. As of to date we have collected \$29,569.99 (19.71% of goal). I would like to personally thank each of those that served on the LKS Task Force with me which included: Christine Perry (Chairperson), Gwen Knowles (Secretary), Dixie Leikach, Mary Meredith, Hanna Larussi, Sara Brown, Jessi Crowley, Erin Rogala and Joan Rogala.
- Grand President meets with Erin Rogala at least every two weeks to discuss/review the organizational needs of the Fraternity that are provided by Alpha Resources.
- Grand President's Letter is a regular communication to the membership with a focus of

providing up to date information about the Fraternity, Grand Council meetings, Standing Committees, and the Task Force.

- The first virtual Founder's Day Ceremony was held on October 14, 2022 at 8pm EST. We had 20 Sisters in attendance for this ceremony.
- LKS Collegiate/Alumni Mentorship Program (Grand President is Chairperson of Advisory Board)
 - o Second year for this program
 - o 15 Collegiate mentees and 14 Alumni mentors
 - o Monthly email reminders to mentors/mentees to schedule their monthly meetings.
 - o October 16, 2022- Kick-off meeting for program
 - o November 14, 2022 at 8pm EST- First Professional Development activity: CV Writing Tips presented on by Dr. Letitia Warunek.
 - o February 23, 2023 at 8pm EST- First Social Event: Master Your Soft Skills (roundtables)
 - o June/July- survey to be sent to participants to provide feedback for future plans/development for the mentorship program.
 - o July- plan to have a meet up at Convention for participants to be able to meet each other in person
 - o July- LKS Annual Convention- recruitment for Mentors for this upcoming academic year.
- Conducted the first virtual LKS Fraternity Standing Committee Chairperson Orientation on November 6, 2022 at 8pm EST.
 - o The purpose was to provide guidance and to set expectations for our committees. This will also provide the chairpersons the tools they will need to conduct their committee orientation and to build their foundation to move forward.
 - o Quarterly meetings were planned to be scheduled throughout the biennium. First follow up meeting occurred on January 8, 2023. At that time many committees had not had a chance to meet.
 - Further needs from the committees were instructed to communicate with Erin Rogala.
- Enhance relationships with Colleges of Pharmacy
 - o I have connected with each Dean of the ACCP Accredited Colleges of Pharmacy on LinkedIn if they had a profile
 - o I have contacted the three accredited Colleges of Pharmacy Deans in Virginia to establish a rapport and to determine if we will be able to expand at those universities since we will be in Norfolk, VA for the 2023 Annual Convention.
 - o Introduced the "Be Bold for LKS" initiative during the Interim Grand Council meeting to Grand Council to begin direct marketing of LKS to accredited University/Colleges of Pharmacy to expand our growth of collegiate members. This would also allow for us as an organization to reengage our Alumni members that may also be employed at these universities.

Section 3: Plan and Timeline by the End of the Biennium

- Continue with monthly Grand Council meetings.
- Continue with regular weekly meetings with Headquarter Staff (Erin Rogala and Joan Rogala)
- Task Force will be concluded prior to the end of the biennium as this was only expected to be short term. If needed will determine how the plans/work of the task force can be further acted upon.
- Continue to provide current, informative and a status of the Fraternity on a regular basis.
- Continue to have virtual events for our members especially for the Fraternity

Rituals/Ceremonies

- LKS Collegiate/Alumni Mentorship Program
 - o Recruit mentors for the LKS Collegiate/Alumni Mentorship Program at convention in preparation for the beginning of the academic year
 - o Build LKS Mentorship Program page on our website
 - o Expand the depth of the programming for the LKS Collegiate/Alumni Mentorship Program
- Continue the Standing Committee Orientation program
 - o Re-evaluate the committees and charges
 - o Gather feedback from the current members for improvements/changes
- Targeted/Focused growth plan for chapters and members by Grand Council
 - o Increase the Fraternity's presence on social media outlets such as LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram
 - o Reclaiming our Lost Lambs (Sisterhood Month)
 - o More targeted marketing for practicing pharmacists
 - o Focused expansion for collegiate chapters (Be Bold for LKS Initiative)
- Provide new benefits for members
 - o Affiliate/Affinity programs for members
 - ▣ Professional Liability Insurance, Financial Wellness/Education, Health/Wellness, Travel/Leisure, Jewelry, Beauty
 - o Merchandise Store- Limited Edition items, regular items available for sale
- Collaborate with similar organizations and organizations that support our Fraternity Mission, Core Values and Goals and the advancement of the profession of Pharmacy, Pharmacists, Pharmacy Interns and Pharmacy Technicians
 - Continue to participate in the Fraternity Communication Association activities for Alumni initiatives and ideas.

Section 4: Action Items for Deliberation and Potential Vote

No action needed at this time.

Comments/Notes

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