INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY OF DELTA SIGMA PI, INC. SOUTHERN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 19, 2012 JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

The Southern Provincial Council Meeting of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi, Inc. was called to order at **8:45** a.m. on Sunday, February 19, 2012, by Southern Provincial Vice President David Ross at the Marriott Hotel in Jacksonville, Florida.

Present and in person at this meeting were the following Provincial Vice President and Regional Vice Presidents of the Southern Province:

David Ross	Southern Provincial Vice President
Heather Lewis	Mid-South Regional Vice President
Christopher Sweet	Atlantic Coast Regional Vice President
Janene Winton	South Atlantic Regional Vice President
Lee James	Central Gulf Region Vice President
Sean Vineyard	Mid-Atlantic Regional Vice President
Jessica James	Southeastern Regional Vice President

The first order of business was the opening Ritual by Brother Ross.

Brother Bryan Patterson then called the Provincial Council Meeting to order.

Brother Ellen Jones conducted a roll call of all delegates. Forty-two (42) were present at the meeting.

Motion to adopt the Agenda for the Southern Provincial Meeting as presented.

Motion by Alpha Zeta

Second by Jacksonville Alumni

Motion Carried

Motion to approve the minutes of the last Southern Provincial Council Meeting as presented.

Motion by Epsilon Rho

Second by Beta Omega

Motion Failed

Correction to the Minutes: The date was stated as March 2, 2008, however it should say March 6, 2011.

Motion to Pass Corrected Minutes

Motion Epsilon Chi

Second by Eta Kappa

The report of the Southern Province PVP was given by Provincial Vice President, Brother Ross. No items were voted on nor further discussed. Reports from Regional Vice Presidents were given.

Atlantic Coast Region – All chapters are in good standing, there is a new colony Gamma Lambda – Asked if the Atlantic Coast is currently looking for a district director for Gamma Lambda.

Central Gulf Region – looking for a colony in the near future in Birmingham area; all chapters at Jacksonville.

Mid-Atlantic Region – VCU on receivership, need major help, media blitz on campus to recruit and brand name, 2 pledge programs in the future semester; Duke University working on interest as it has a strong master's program; University of Richmond and Roanoke College could be possibilities for colonies.

Mid-South Region – Doing awesome, full representation at Jacksonville and GCC.

South Atlantic Region – 1 colony with 30 members, hopefully install this fall; joint initiation at Beta Omega had 125 new Brothers & 1 faculty; area conference of 46 Brothers at University of Tampa; area conference set for next fall semester; alumni events set for Tampa area, looking for alumni development in this area; second year in a row that the Regional COY in the Tampa area; joint initiation set for March 31 hosted by Theta Phi.

Southeastern Region – all chapters represented at GCC and Jacksonville increase communication; community service of Help a Brother Out and increasing diversity.

Motion to approve the 2012-13 Southern Provincial Budget (budget), as presented in the corrected handout.

Motion by Theta Phi Second by Delta Iota Motion carried.

Reports from the Provincial Committees: Community Service was reported on.

Alumni Development – Fundraising for Alumni Chapters, promote recruitment and resources needed, alumni retention and transition in the workings as well as creating a focus group for assisting the committee.

Community Service – Verizon Hopeline, money wars, children in need food bank, Title I in Atlanta area raised money for school support, raised money for pop tabs Ronald McDonald House, and do not forget about voting every day for Make a Difference Day as all money will go back to all Provinces' initiatives.

Professional Development – working on future sessions at LEAD and Provincial Conferences to meet the chapters and Brothers' needs so please contact the Professional Development chair or PVP; asking for speakers as well...committee is focused on meeting everyone's needs.

Scholastic Development and Awards – Brother Winton noted that all chapters should ensure that the Collegian of the Year application is fully completed so that the respective chapter will receive CMP credit.

Provincial Discipline Committee – be aware that the chapters should handle a lot of their own issues at the chapter level. The committee handles all issues at our level by looking over all the issues and what is best for the Fraternity as a whole.

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Motion to discuss Community Service Initiative for the next 2 years
Motion by Tampa Bay
Second by Kappa Nu
Motion Carries

Discussion of proposal.

Motion to end discussion of Community Service Initiative
Motion by Theta Phi
Second by Birmingham Alumni
Motion carries

Motion to adopt Relay for Life as Community Service Initiative
Motion by Epsilon Rho
Second by Zeta Upsilon
Motion carries (42 for – 0 opposed)

Further discussion of proposal notes that any chapters that do not have Relay for Life on their campus should reach out to the community or nearby chapters to participate; keep a second initiative and one that helps with a positive competition between regions etc., competitive edge is great, St. Judes to donate for a child of-the-week, March-of-dimes walk, blood drives as social Greeks on campuses are successful with this.

Motion to adopt Pop-Tabs as the Secondary Community Service Initiative Motion by Kappa Nu Second by Xi Sigma Motion carries (39 for – 3 opposed)

Discussion of proposal notes that pending the location of the provincial meeting, the nearby chapter(s) will need to receive pop-tabs and drop them off at the Ronald McDonald House.

Question of Privilege

Brother Janene Winton – please warm up the room!

Brother Bryan Patterson invited Brother Shane Borden to explain Proposal I.

Discussion of proposal.

Non Binding Vote – going to GCC – vote (29 for, 11 opposed, 1 abstention)

Tampa Bay Alumni changed delegates. There are currently forty-two (42) voting delegates.

Brother Bryan Patterson invited Brother Shane Borden to explain Proposal II.

This proposal recommends the removal of the position of Vice-President Organizational Development. A survey was passed to delegates to gain feedback of the different options as explained by Brother Borden.

Option 1: Complete removal of the position

Option 2: Removal of VP-OD, while retaining the Organizational Development committee

Option 3: Change the responsibilities/duties of the position

Discussion of proposal.

The floor was then closed for discussion by Brother Bryan Patterson.

Non Binding vote – going to GCC: Option 1: 40 for, 1 opposed, 1 Abstention

Option 2: 36 for, 6 opposed, 0 Abstention

Option 3: 2 for, 39 opposed, 1 Abstention

Kappa was briefly excused from the meeting.

Determine the Date and Location for 2014 Provincial Conference and Council Meeting.

On the ballot for locations for 2014 annual meeting are Memphis, TN; Orlando, FL; Birmingham, AL; and Biloxi, MS. Charlotte, NC and Nashville, TN were proposed. Both Charlotte and Nashville failed the motion to be included on the ballot.

2014 Provincial council meeting location choices are to be discussed: Birmingham, Alabama; Memphis, Tennessee; Orlando, Florida

> Motion by Iota Omega Second by Gamma Tau

Discussion on locations for the 2014 Provincial Council Meeting; noted that chapters in Florida generally must travel far for LEAD and that chapters on the northern border of the province must travel far for LEADs in Florida; Birmingham is most centrally located.

Motion to end discussion

Motion by Birmingham Second by Kappa Pi Motion passed.

Placard vote for locations for the 2014 Provincial Council Meeting: Memphis, TN (1 vote), Birmingham, AL (19 votes), Orlando, FL (29 votes).

Orlando, FL is the first choice.

Birmingham, AL is the second choice.

Memphis, TN is the third choice.

Proposed dates for 2014 Provincial Council Meeting: Jan. 31–Feb. 2, Feb. 21-23, Feb. 28-Mar. 2, 2014.

Discussion of dates for 2014 Provincial Council Meeting; it is noted that the Feb. 28-Feb. 2 is generally the first option for most chapters since it is usually the spring break for smaller schools and is late enough to avoid winter weather.

Motion to end discussion.

Motion by Omicron Upsilon Second by Beta Omega Motion carries.

Placard vote for dates for the 2014 Provincial Council Meeting: Jan. 31–Feb. 2 (0 votes), Feb. 21-23 (4 votes), Feb. 28-Mar. 2 (35 votes).

Feb. 28-Mar. 2 is first choice.

Feb. 21-23 is second choice.

Jan. 31-Feb. 2 is third choice.

General Announcements:

South Atlantic Region: Please remember to thank all of the voluntary leaders.

Mid-South RVP: Please remember to thank Central Office for everything that they do.

Xi Sigma: Chapter is selling wristbands for \$1-2, can purchase through WePay System.

Brother Ross thanked everyone for their teamwork and effort to bring this Provincial meeting together and make it a success! Thanked Bryan Patterson and Ellen Jones for their hard work. Thanked leadership team and RVPs for their successful teamwork and leadership. Thanked all of his speakers, especially Brother Blake Day as this was his first

time speaking at a conference. Thank you for the additional funding to the Ashley Harrison fund.

Atlanta Alumni: Invitation to Alumni Day on either April 21 or April 28 in downtown Atlanta.

Theta Sigma: Created a smartphone app to help pledges learn their pledge information (www.greek-central.com).

Gamma Lambda: Please visit their newly created website so that their corporate sponsors will see that the site is well traveled (www.fsudeltasigs.net).

Pi Upsilon: Vote no on Senate proposal 7050

Theta Phi: Selling t-shirts. Please come to initiation on March 31.

South Atlantic: Selling metal nametags for \$10. All benefits go to the Leadership Foundation (dspnametags@gmail.com).

Pi: Chapter scholarship merged fund with a memorial fund to deceased brother. Please consider donating to the fund since there is a \$20,000 minimum (www.ugadsp.com).

Beta Gamma: Spring Fling on April 13-15. The event is listed on Facebook.

Motion to adjourn

Motion by Louisville Alumni Second by Alpha Tau Motion carried.

Brother David Ross then closed the 2011 Southern Provincial Meeting at 10:46 a.m. according to Ritual of Delta Sigma Pi.

David B. Ross, Southern Provincial Vice President

Ellen Jones, Secretary

	Southern Provinci	al 2012-2013 T	ravel Budget (a	pproved 2/12)	
Region	Number of Chapters	At \$175 per Chapter	Number of Colonies	At \$175 per Colony	Total per Region
Atlantic Coast	5	\$875			\$875
Central Gulf	6	\$1,050			\$1,050
Mid-Atlantic	8	\$1,400	1	\$175	\$1,575
Mid-South	4	\$700	1	\$175	\$875
South Atlantic	7	\$1,225	1	\$175	\$1,400
Southeastern	8	\$1,400			\$1,400
Total 38	38				
			Total Regional Budget	s	\$7,175
Provincial Vice President's Allowance					\$2,400.00
Provincial Leadership Meeting Allowance		<u>.</u>			\$1,975
Additional \$175 per added Colony (est.)					\$350
Community Service	(\$50/LEAD School; \$50/Pro	vincial LEAD)			\$100
			PVP and other Budget	cs .	\$4,825
				Total	\$12,000.00