

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors was held on April 23rd at Kirkpatrick Manor. The Chairman was in the chair and the Director of Alumni Correspondence was sitting as secretary. The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Roll call:

Chairman (Devers) - Present

Director of Finance (Atteberry) - Present

Director of Alumni Correspondence (Maddra) - Present

Director of Alumni Programming (Aab) - Absent

Director of Membership Development (Stocco) - Present

House Director - Vacant

Active-at-Large (Bagwell) - Absent

Quorum: Met

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM.

Br. Maddra motioned to postpone reading the minutes until after 7(b). Br. Devers seconded. Carried by unanimous consent.

Officer Reports

Chairman:

Founders' day was yesterday. We have received notice to vacate the house; all of our property needs to be removed by May 15th.

Finance:

We were under budget for Founders' day. Preliminary budget will be delivered in committee report.

Correspondence:

Someone got a password that was used for the Alumni mailing list during the first month of our term. The list password was shared with another mailing list and used to send messages to that list without moderation. Change your list password if you didn't when we first told you about this. Passwords likely weren't breached, but names and emails were.

Membership Development:

Continuing to post events to Slack and mailing list. Techlahoma on Thursday was cool. I will be speaking on campus on Wednesday for ESO & SWB, in Carson.

Be engaged with Nationals where possible; National Convention will be in Milwaukee in August.

Committee Reports

Finance:

We have a proposed budget to discuss. We want to establish a \$25k restart fund, planning for 12 pledges with 7 initiates. Bagwell has donated to cover tickets (but not airfare) to Everyman Seattle. Estimate \$1/sq ft for a storage unit. General expenses include liability insurance & corporate operating expenses. A website redesign is planned. A \$5k matching donation fund is available. Total income is \$16470, total expenditures are \$41000. Net income is -\$24000.

Publicity:

Event submission seems to be working; we've had events submitted for Memorial Day weekend.

If you object to something we've sent you, please talk to us. Don't start talking about suing us first, it makes it hard for us to talk to you if the lawyers get involved.

Programming:

We're getting people for events now.

Memorial Day BBQ planned by Br. Riley. Event is hidden from the public since it contains his home address, check your email for the invite or speak to Br. Riley.

D&D Night is planned for May 13th. Interest survey has been sent.

Old Business

House Director Vacancy

No appointment at this time.

New Business

House Director Discussion

Br. Devers: TBHC has terminated our lease. New tenant is paying 3x rent. The house has always been a drain on resources and morale. Our new direction needs to involve looking for a more feasible property; property needs to be something that can be a true chapter home without losing sight of our monetary and membership goals.

Br. Stocco: Delays aren't wanted here. We need lots of info sooner rather than later.

Br. Devers: I agree, but we have other organizational issues to fix first.

Br. Stocco: Our initial house guys are quite scattered and disengaged due to “Job-syndrome” (court case, boarders, contractors, TBHC, etc.). We won’t have the issues that caused that reoccur this time.

Br. Hill: If we move too quickly it will happen again. We need income first before we can decide on property, we should treat this like an individual purchasing a home (30% of income) rather than as a corporation.

Br. Devers: We need a house we don’t need to make a profit on.

Br. Atteberry: No, we need profit in case something breaks. As the landlord we’d now be responsible for that.

Br. Hill: If we go in just expecting members to pay all expenses that won’t work. We need income to pay the house off. Rent should be separate and should be solely for maintenance costs.

Br. Bruce: We should get a different type of house than this one, something we can still rent if COVID 2 happens.

House Contents Discussion

Br. Devers: Property must be vacated by May 15th. We have three categories of items: (1) fraternal, (2) Chapter but not fraternal, and (3) TBHC. We still need to take a house inventory. We just found out about this a week ago; no communication from Nationals after the initial house letter until the eviction.

Br. Devers wished to hold a surplus-style sale. Br. Stocco objected on the basis of insufficient time. The objection was sustained.

Br. Devers asked if we may want to purchase a storage unit immediately.

Br. Maddra motioned the previous question. Seconded by Br. Devers.

Br. Devers motioned to amend: Br. Atteberry has 3 months unlimited funding to purchase the storage unit. Seconded by Br. Maddra

The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Br. Devers motioned: Br. Atteberry is to rent a U-Haul for moving the weekend of May 7th and 8th. Br. Atteberry seconded.

Br. Bluemlein is available to help move; fully free until May 3rd.

The house inventory will commence on or after April 27th.

Br. Bruce will hold an informal discussion on staging/planning furniture moves after the meeting.

Bylaws Amendment

Br. Maddra motioned to amend Bylaws, Part 1. Adding Article 4, to read:
Article 4. Meetings

Section 1: The minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors will be considered to have been read if they are submitted, in writing or electronically, to all Members at least ten (10) days prior to the next meeting of the Board of Directors. This section should not be considered to constitute approval of the minutes.

Section 2: Minutes will be considered to have been sent to all Members, if they are sent via e-mail to the alumni mailing list maintained by the Chapter and appear in the list archives within the time-frame given in Section 1.

Seconded by Br. Devers.

The motion carried unanimously (4 in favor, 0 against); the Bylaws were amended.

Minutes for March 5th

Br. Maddra motioned to approve the minutes. Seconded by Br. Devers.
The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Next Meeting

Br. Devers motioned to schedule the next meeting as a virtual meeting on May 21st at 2 PM CDT. Seconded by Br. Atteberry.
The motion carried by unanimous consent.

Letter to Nationals

Br. Chairman intends to draft a letter to Nationals, it may be brought to the May meeting. Br. Chairman wishes to state our discontent with Nationals communication during the eviction process.

The meeting adjourned at 3:02 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory Maddra