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Business Meeting of the Executive Committee April 13, 2015

The meeting convened by phone at approximately 5:35 p.m. The participants included members of the Executive Committee (Franz Joseph Wehage, Phillip Wolfe, Mirna Trauger, Joan Marx, and Virginia Shen) along with the Administrative Director Roz Macken.

1. Votes on the minutes:

Minutes were approved by all members (3-0)

2. Administrative Director's Report:

- *Reported to committee that there is already interest from some chapters in the October 24th Convention
- *Discussion about having a question and answer session for chapter members with the Executive Committee and a meet and greet for chapter advisors
- *Joan suggested a business meeting which would allow for a question and answer time with the executive committee
- *Discussion about awarding stipends to chapters who are attending the convention Members agreed that awarding stipends would be a motivation for students and advisors. Phil suggested placing a cap on what would be awarded. It was decided that \$2,000 would be a good amount to distribute among chapters who complete the application and send their abstracts on time
- *Suggested that Executive Committee members formulate a list of topics for discussion at the Convention at the September meeting in Pittsburgh
- *Informed the committee that the deadline for submissions for the Convention will be September 15th
- *Discussion about keeping the \$15 registration fee to cover lunch expenses. Everyone agreed to keep the fee in place
- *Reported that she is working with Café Press to reactivate Phi Sigma Iota's account. The society will receive a portion of proceeds from all merchandise purchased through Café Press.
- *Reported to the Executive Committee that Central College in Iowa has reactivated their dormant chapter

3. Treasurer's Report:

Phil reported that there is a balance of \$75,000 in the checking account which is more than enough to cover the \$20,000 for awarded scholarships. He also reported that the funds in the money market account have continued to fluctuate with the stock market.

4. Motion to approve Scholarship Committee Recommendations:

Mirna and Joan reported on the Scholarhip Committee's recommendations. \$20,000 in scholarship monies were awarded.

*Motion was unanimously approved (5-0)

Next meeting was set for the weekend of September 18, 19, and 20, 2015, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mirna Trauger

Executive Secretary

Moina Granger