# International Relations - Alpha Phi Omega National Board of Directors - Strategic Report

February 2006 Board Meeting

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

Consider appropriate incentives for people assisting in the Canadian extension effort.

- 1. **National Convention**: Cover the registration and banquet costs for interested students from Canada. Cover the fellowship banquet costs for U.S. bothers in attendance who referred the Canadian students. (U.S. brothers and Canadian students must fill out a simple statement of interest.)
- 2. Publication in a **T&T article** the names Canadian students attending and their referring U.S. brothers attending the national convention.
- 3. Provide **Life Membership** for first 5 U.S. brothers who refer a Canadian student that is part of the next petitioning group in Canada.

## **UPATES ON STRATEGIC GOALS:**

**GROW APO Goals -** Establish Alpha Phi Omega of Canada by 2015 to include chartering 5 chapters on Canadian campuses. **No progress to date**. See report Amendment #1.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION ITEMS:**

**CANADIAN REGISTRATION**: In December, Alpha Phi Omega of Canada was registered with the Federal Government of Canada by Filipino Brother Amel Fortun, President of APO Southern Ontario Alumni Association, as a present to Alpha Phi Omega USA and ICAPO. Within the next few weeks we will develop a memorandum of understanding to clarify this development and how it relates to our Canadian strategic goal. (See Amendment #2)

ICAPO OPERATING POLICY REVISIONS: In May 2005, The U.S. delegation suggested that the ICAPO Vice-Char, Sis Gigi Clave, appoint a committee to propose changes to the ICAPO Operating Policies. The current operating policies were approved in 1996. The members of the committee are as follows: Dave Emery (USA), Chato Marinas (Philippines), Lester Arevalo, (ACNA), Frank Brosas (Australia), Allen Wong (ICAPO). Alternates are Lisa Covi, Ph.D. (USA), Gig Clave (Philippines), Francis Franco (ACNA), Edgar Sanchez (Australia).

At a minimum, these areas will be addressed in the discussions:

- 1. Consider the Australian proposal to lower the number of collegiate chapters require to form a national organization from 5 to 3.
- Consider changing the voting structure for each national organization having 1 vote to a more proportional voting structure reflective of the proportion of active collegiate chapters.
- 3. Consider a provision for some sort of tele- or video-conference meetings when a quorum can not be reached at regularly scheduled meetings.

Of course, both Boards of the two national organizations would need to approve any changes in advance of the next ICAPO meeting scheduled for December 2007 at our National Convention for any changes to take effect. **Expect an action item in July.** 

#### **CONVENTION DIRECTIVES:**

- 1. A delegate will present a plaque honoring Dr. Librado I. Ureta for his contribution in to the founding of the Alpha Phi Omega-Philippines International Inc to the National President or acting president of Alpha Phi Omega Philippines at the 2005 national Philippines convention from Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, in attendance at the conference, to be placed in their national office. Completed May 2005, Surigao City, Philippines
- 2. Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity investigates the feasibility of co-sponsoring by Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega Philippines, Alumni Council of North America, International Council of Alpha Phi Omega, and the Dr. Librado I. Ureta Foundations, Inc., by funding active brothers to future National Conventions in the Philippines and the United States. **No action taken to date**
- 3. Alpha Phi Omega considers international service projects, but not limited to, Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega Philippines, and the International Council of Alpha Phi Omega. Consideration for international projects must include, at a minimum, evaluation of fiscal responsibility, a timeline, a strategy, and details of any partnerships with other organizations for the execution of the project. **Proposed to Alpha Phi Omega Philippines and ICAPO in May 2005.**

#### **FUTURE CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

September 2006, Labor Day weekend – Annual ACNA meeting – San Francisco Bay Area December 27-30, 2006 – ICAPO meeting, at our National Convention

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Allen Wong, DDS – Canadian Extension Chair

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Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Emery

International Relations Director

# International Relations Report – Amendment #1 International Extension efforts in Canada - By Allen Wong

**Analysis**: Priority of effort should focus on obtaining some student contacts at an accredited institution. Gathering alumni (U.S. and Phil) and collegiate support is secondary and less of a problem. That is not to say that we should not "prepare" the team, but we can probably take care of the academic part online and perhaps an orientation in person when we have a critical mass. The extension process itself is involved but easy to follow therefore not a huge barrier. Once a student group is established, we can focus our attentions accordingly.

The key individual needs to be sought after actively. It only took one person with the passion to bring APO to the Philippines. Our best chances of finding this "key individual" is to target market our constituents. It would make good sense that those actives and alumni with the greatest enthusiasm and dedication for Alpha Phi Omega would keep similar company as friends. Their referral would be the best bang for the buck. A personal contact from the referring individual would give the best credibility to the organization and give the greatest likelihood that the person would consider the challenge.

Another strong motivator is an actual Alpha Phi Omega experience such as a Regional or National Convention. It would be a great investment to have the individual experience that interaction. Therefore a funding mechanism (grant) may need to be in order to help cover travel, housing and registration. In addition, the one receiving a grant needs to apply for it in order to be meaningful and the one referring needs to receive some recognition... perhaps registration fee?

#### Plan:

- Torch and Trefoil Article announcing the desire of the Fraternity to find a student contact on any accredited Canadian college campus similar to a "classified add" and the "rewards program".
- Have each person email a contact with to the International Extension Chair/ Canadian Extension Chair to follow up.
- Contact and notify referral of progress within one week.
- Notify chapter, section, regional and national representatives of progress and encouragement
- Once a target campus identified... initiate a conference call/ email/ SKYPE system to introduce individual to APO and the extension process
- Do some advertising and promotion on campus
- Ask our Executive Director to visit the campus for 4 or 5 days to recruit students
- Host an alumni reception and information meeting to begin to structure the volunteers to assist the students in developing a Chapter
- Set timeline and identify potential conferences to target attendance while establishing the extension team of alumni and interested members.
- The Challenge of first chapter is on and then set goals for the second.... Perhaps a nearby college?

# **International Relations Report – Amendment #2**

Dear all,

In preparation for the extension project in Canada and pursuant to our letters of understanding we have taken the bold step to initiate the following on behalf of the project.

We used our own time, money and great efforts.

This is our Christmas gift to our brothers in APO USA, ICAPO, Canada and the whole APO World.

Hopefully, in January 2005 we can start our 2006 first batch somewhere among the educational institutions in Canada. Merry Christmas!

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(APO SON ALAS - APO Phil AA Petitioning in Canada)
Advisor, APO Mississauga Alumni Association (APO Phil. AA # 157)

Dear all,

This month we registered the following with the Federal Government of Canada:

22 De 2005

ALPHA PHI OMEGA (CANADA) S.A.R.F. (OFFICIAL NAME) or ALPHA PHI OMEGA (CANADA) SOCIETE PAR ACTIONS DE REGIME FEDERAL (OFFICIAL NAME) or ALPHA PHI OMEGA (CANADA) NATIONAL SERVICE FRATERNITY AND SORORITY (RELATED NAME) or CANADA 85372684 (NUMBERED CORPORATION)

IT IS REGISTERED AS A NON-PROFIT YOUTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE EXTENSION AND EXPANSION OF MEMBERSHIP AND CHAPTERS IN CANADA ON BEHALF OF APO USA.

IT IS ALSO PROVINCIALLY REGISTERED IN ONTARIO AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

IT NOW HOLDS ALL THE PATENTS, TRADEMARKS AND COPYRIGHTS FEDERALLY.

INCORPORATORS: EDUARDO FAILANGA, UPSILON (APO PHIL); AMELITO FORTUN; ALPHA MU (APO PHIL).

AN ALPHA PHI OMEGA FOUNDATION IS BEING REGISTERED (DOCUMENTS IN PROCESS). IT WILL ALSO BE A FEDERALLY LISTED ENTITY. IT WILL HANDLE THE ENDOWMENTS, TRUST FUNDS AND CHARITABLE WORK FOR ALPHA PHI OMEGA CANADA.

INCORPORATORS: EDUARDO FAILANGA; AMELITO FORTUN.

#### 07 De 2005

ALSO REGISTERED IS APOSTUFF LIMITED (LIMITEE). A FEDERALLY LISTED CANADIAN LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION BASED IN ONTARIO.

IT IS THE COMMERCIAL / MARKETING / BUSINESS ARM OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA IN CANADA.

INCORPORATORS: AMELITO FORTUN; EDUARDO FAILANGA.

THE ABOVE ENTITIES ARE LEGALLY AND OFFICIALLY NOW AND WILL BE OPERATING IN THE WHOLE OF CANADA AND WITH PROVISIONS TO OPERATE GLOBALLY.

WE WOULD LIKE TO INFORM ALSO THAT THE FOLLOWING ARE OFFICIALLY REGISTERED:

ALPHA PHI OMEGA (PHIL) INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA. A BRITISH COLUMBIA PROVINCIAL CORPORATION (2003 JL 23). REGISTERED BY APOS FROM VANCOUVER, BC.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA MISSISSAUGA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. AN ONTARIO PROVINCIAL CORPORATION 2005 NV 24).