International Relations - Alpha Phi Omega National Convention Report

December 2006

UPATES ON STRATEGIC GOALS:

GOAL: Establish Alpha Phi Omega of Canada

National Strategic Plan: International Extension - To provide support to and fulfill a commitment to the International Council of Alpha Phi Omega by leading extension efforts in Canada.

Goal #1: Establish Alpha Phi Omega of Canada by 2015 to include chartering 5 chapters on Canadian campuses. **No progress to date.**

Determined a limited list of target Canadian schools:

Univ. Toronto Canada (Ontario)

Univ. British Columbia Canada (BC)

McGill Univ. Canada (Quebec)

McMaster Univ. Canada (Ontario)

Simon Fraser University, (Burnaby, BC)

University Of Waterloo, (Ontario)

York University (Ontario)

University Of Alberta, (Edmonton, Alberta)

University Of Victoria, B.C. (BC)

Goal #2: By December 2010, complete a feasibility study of extending Alpha Phi Omega to universities in **countries** where we do not have active Chapters. **No action to date.**

2004 NATIONAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE PROJECT: Be it resolved that Alpha Phi Omega considers international service projects including, but not limited to, Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega of the 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.

Action plan: I brought this offer/resolution up at the ICAPO meeting in Surigao City. I asked that the Filipino delegation, headed by President Rod Mapoy and International Relations Commission Chair Felix Chato Marinas, provide a specific list of needed articles that would be appropriate for our chapters to collect.

ICAPO OPERATING POLICY DRAFT REVISIONS:

The following draft revisions have been submitted to Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines for consideration and further discussion. A summary of the changes are as follows:

- 1. Reduce the number of collegiate-based chapters to create a national organization from 5 to 4. (The Australian Alumni Association as proposed reducing the number to 3.)
- 2. Change the number of votes for each national organization from 1 to 1 vote for each 5 active chapters in good standing.
- 3. Allow for ICAPO meetings to be conducted via teleconference or video conference, with at least 2 months notice.

CONVENTION DIRECTIVES:

- 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.**

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVMENTS

1. U.S. Delegation to the 23rd Biennial Convention in Surigao City, Philippines.

The U.S. delegation consisted of Dave Emery, Beth Tom, Lisa Covi, Mel Gonzales, Jr., Franklin "Henson" Brodsky & Corbett Zabierek. Highlights of the convention included:

- 1. A number of opportunities to spend time and chat with **Governor (Brother) Lyndon Barbers** of the province of Surigao del Norte.
- 2. Participated in the **press conference** with Governor Barbers & APO President Rod Mapoy at the opening of the convention.
- 3. The U.S. delegation delivered several APO-LEADS courses at the convention.
- 4. The U.S. delegation did a private **radio interview** that was played on 3 radio stations.
- 5. The U.S. delegation members were made honorary members of the **Surigao City Alumni Association** as well as the **Eta Chapter** (University of the Philippines, Dillimon).
- 6. Met **Mayor (Brother) Jojo Binay** at the Makati (financial center of the Philippines) City Hall. Brother Binay is also President of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines.

FUTURE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 28, 2006 – ICAPO meeting, at our National Convention

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Respectfully Submitted,

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