

International Relations Report

July 14, 2007

Tampa, Florida

Action Items: None

Relevant Statistics:

Members in the U.S. delegation to the Philippines in May – 7

Number of Interest or Petitioning groups in Canada – 0

Number of Active Chapters in Australia – 0

Action Items: None

U.S. Delegation to the Philippine National Convention:

Goal: Ensure that APhiO-USA is represented at the National Convention in the Philippines (May 3-6, Tagaytay City)

ICAPO Vice-Chair and Past National President **Wilfred Krenek** officially led the U.S. delegation to the Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines National Convention in Tagaytay City, Philippines in May. The Delegation Coordinator was **Beth Tom**. As always, Brother **Mel Gonzales, Jr.** provided invaluable support for the U.S. delegation as a bridge between our two cultures. Other members of the U.S. delegation included: Ed Richter, Fred Heismeyer, Rosemary Reidy & Jeff Schwartz. Thank you to all of the members of the delegation for their willingness to travel around the world to represent all of us and to learn from our international sisters and brothers.

ICAPO Meeting Report: The recent ICAPO meeting was held May 4th and 5th in Tagaytay, Philippines.

Change in officers: Brother Belton Lim, who was elected in December for a term as Secretary, resigned. The U.S. delegation nominated Beth Tom, MD, to take over for Belton. Beth Tom was elected as the ICAPO Secretary.

The following amendments were approved previously by our Board, and were approved at the ICAPO meeting. To go into effect, they will need to be approved by the APO Philippines National Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V: EXTENSION

Section 2. Requirements For Establishing a Chapter: A charter shall be granted only on the approval of an appropriate nationally elected governing body of the sponsoring organization. A charter shall be granted only at a college or university which is accredited by a recognized accrediting association. **Charters are to be recognized and held by the host college or university.** The sponsoring organization shall determine which accrediting associations will be recognized. **The International Council shall be informed as to the name of the accrediting association(s).**

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section 7. Time & Place: The International Council shall meet at least once every two (2) years. The time and place for the next meeting shall be determined as an agenda item. **If the International Council is unable to physically conduct business at scheduled meetings due to the lack of a quorum, the Chair may call and preside over a teleconference or video conference. A minimum of 2 months notice should be given to the Council officers and member organizations.**

The next ICAPO meeting will be held in December 2008 at our National Convention in Boston.

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Canadian Extension: GROW APhiO Goals: Establish Alpha Phi Omega of Canada

Goal #1: *Establish Alpha Phi Omega of Canada by 2015 to include:*

- i) Chartering 5 chapters on Canadian campuses

We need a new plan. Following up with occasional leads from members hasn't resulted in any interest groups or significant leads over the past 5 years. We are failing in accomplishing this national goal.

A New Plan: Our biggest group of person-power resources in Canada are alumni from the Philippines, organized into a number of functioning alumni associations. At the ICAPO meeting in May, it was proposed that ACNA (Alumni Council of North America) members living in Canada would be trained in APhiO U.S. Extension Policies. The IR Director will work with the Membership & Extension Director and existing resources to plan for this training in the Fall.

Monthly Call: In addition, I will set up a monthly conference call (similar to last term) involving the IR Director, the M&E Director, the National President, the National Executive Director and other interested Brothers.

Canadian Extension Chair: The position of Canadian Extension Chair is currently open.

Canadian Extension Target schools:

Univ. Toronto Canada (Ontario)

McGill Univ. Canada (Quebec)

Simon Fraser University, (Burnaby, BC)

York University (Ontario)

University Of Alberta, (Edmonton, Alberta)

Univ. British Columbia Canada (BC)

McMaster Univ. Canada (Ontario)

University Of Waterloo, (Ontario)

University Of Victoria, B.C. (BC)

Attachments: Draft ICAPO minutes from the May 2007 meeting