

International Relations Director Report
Feb 3-7, 2005, Kansas City Airport Marriott



Dave Emery, International Relations Director

Action Items: None

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: *By December 2008, the Fraternity will establish five new chapters in Canada.*

Status: During the last term we had 6-8 interested students at the University of York in Toronto. They were being sponsored by several members of the Filipino Toronto Alumni Association. Allen Wong worked closely with this group of students and the Alumni Association. Unfortunately, this group will not mature into an Alpha Phi Omega chapter.

Milestones: By December 2005, one new chapter will be established in Canada

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.*

Action Steps:

- Countries where Greek letter organizations exist and are allowed. Completed
 - Countries where U.S. copyright and trademark policy and law are enforced. Looking for appropriate resource.
 - Compile a list of countries and criteria to be considered for active extension recruitment outside the United States. No progress to date.
 - Countries where APhiO (USA or Phil) alumni reside. No progress to date.
- Look for other service partners with international chapters and expertise (e.g. Lions, Kiwanis, etc.)

2004 NATIONAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS (see attachment for full text of 3 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: We will work with the Service Committee, ICAPO and ACNA to accomplish this goal.

Events: May 2005 – Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines, National Convention. We will look forward to and plan on sending a U.S. delegation to this convention. Allen Wong established an email address to facilitate communication regarding this event: apousadelegation@yahoo.com. The convention will be in Surigao City from May 26-29. There will be a dental-medical service project, probably before the convention. All members are welcome to attend. Plan on leaving North America on Saturday, May 21st and returning on around Tuesday, May 31st.

Committee Members: Allen Wong, DDS (nominated)

Fraternaly, *David A. Emery*

Attachments:

Additional Convention Resolutions and Rationale
ACNA (Filipino Alumni Council of North America) roster

2004 Denver National Convention International Relations Resolutions

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to charge the board to continue in its efforts to further international service and to reiterate 2002 Convention Directive #32.

RATIONALE: The above is in accordance with 2002 Convention Directive #32, which endeavors to conduct further service projects with other nations. The committee also feels that the resolution should be specific in all the above areas because of the extent of the service project. There were several details such as who would finance, to what extent they would finance, shipping and transportation issues, and what can be shipped overseas that could not be answered in a timely manner or to the committee's satisfaction, however, we strongly encourage further projects. The committee also feels that several aspects of this resolution are not solely within the scope of the International Relations Committee. Therefore, this resolution should be cross-committee with input from other committees including, but not limited to, Finance and Operation, Service and Communication, and International Relations.

URETA PLAQUE: Be it resolved that Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, honor brother Dr. Librado I. Ureta, for his outstanding contribution in the founding of the Alpha Phi Omega-Philippines International Inc. A delegate will present a plaque 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.

PURPOSE: This resolution recognizes the contributions of Dr. Librado I. Ureta and calls for an award for his contribution to Alpha Phi Omega worldwide.

RATIONALE: Brother Ureta organized ALPHA PHI OMEGA-Philippines in 1950. This action implemented Frank Reed Horton's vision that "as scouting is world wide so should Alpha Phi Omega be world wide". The Alpha Phi Omega Philippine Fraternity now has over 100,000 brothers and sisters at more than 300 chapters. It is the privilege of ALPHA PHI OMEGA-USA to honor Dr. Ureta for his worldwide contributions.

STUDENT SPONSORSHIP: Be it resolved that Alpha Phi Omega National Service Fraternity investigates the feasibility of cosponsoring by Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega - Philippines, Alumni 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.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to see if the fraternity is financially able to sponsor (an) active brother(s) to national conventions.

RATIONALE: The fraternity recognizes the importance of international representation at national conventions, but does not want to send the fraternity into debt or create a financial hardship for its members. Liability and safety for the students in a foreign county is also of concern with this issue and should be investigated fully before any formal sponsorships take place.

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