Zeta Alpha Alumni Chapter of Theta Chi, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting

February 16, 2025 Conference Call Meeting

Sky Pederson called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Eastern Time. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Present: Sky Pederson, John Farrar, Eric Lehman, Andrew Auth, Cooper Collins, Dillon Pusateri, Mike Bariski

Excused: Brody McKenna

Motion by Mike Bariski

The minutes of the September 18th 2024 Zeta Alpha Chapter Alumni Board Conference Call Meeting to be approved.

Second by John Farrar and passed without dissent.

President Report

President Pederson welcomes everyone in to the new year. He is excited to see what the board can achieve in the year of 2025. President Pederson congratulated the undergraduates for their incredible start to the Spring semester, highlighting their "SRU Theta Chi Newsletter". Please contact President Pederson to access the SRU Newsletter. He suggested we include the SRU Newsletter on the ZA Website and will connect with Brother Brody to do so.

Treasures Report	February 16, 2025	BOD Meeting
Balance as of September 15, 20	\$5267.90 \$1931.00 \$3336.90	Combined Total Brick Fund General Fund
Balance as of February 16, 2025	\$4606.18 \$1831.00 \$2775.18	Combined Total Brick fund General Fund

Since our last meeting on September 18, 2024 the following spending transactions have taken place. There was a reimbursement to Brother Krepinevich for the yearly subscription for the Go Daddy account used for hosting and running the Zeta Alpha Alumni web site and email in the amount of \$361.72. In addition to the reimbursement to Kevin there was a \$100.00 expenditure for a check written for a brick purchased for Brother Ernie Pozutto approved during the September BOD meeting.

I have attached a copy of the IRS filing for our 2024 Tax Year, form 990N for Tax Exempt organization. It is a requirement of the IRS to maintain your tax exempt status you must file the return yearly.

Scholarship Fund Accounting The Helping Hand Scholarship

For the last three years since we reached the endowed scholarship level of \$25,000 the Foundation sends out a yearly accounting of funds received or dispersed. The reporting period runs from July 1, 2023 thru June 30, 2024. I have attached a copy of the yearly account balance which is as listed below. All Scholarships awarded or monies received are deposited or withdrawn from the Interest Account. There were no scholarships awarded or requested during the 2024 calendar year.

Principle Balance account 25,000.00 Interest Balance Account \$ 8,554.34 Combined Scholarship Total \$33,554.34

During the months following the June 30, 2024 accounting from the Foundation there has been additional deposits made into the Interest account in the amount of \$2,332.79. There was the \$1,171.01 in proceeds from last year's golf outing, \$1,121.78 in additional interest income and \$40.00 in direct donations from Brothers.

The balance of January 31, 2025 is as follows;

Principle Balance account \$25,000.00 Interest Balance Account \$9,755.35 Combined Scholarship Total \$34,755.35

On January 31 an email with an approved Scholarship for \$500.00 was received from the undergraduate Chapter that was processed for payment with the Foundation on February 4, 2025. The payment of this Scholarship will reduce the amount in the Interest Account to \$9,255.35

Chapter Advisor Report

Chapter Advisor Eric addressed an issue that occurred this past weekend in Slippery Rock Township. None of the Brothers from the Theta Chi Chapter were involved.

E-Board Elections took place and the newly elected officers visited Indianapolis for their respective Sassers conferences.

President – Joe Hemple
Vice President – Matt Rybolt
Vice President of Health and
Safety – Luke Jordan
Secretary – Johnny Grimm
Treasurer – Robbie Sloan
Marshal – Dylan Rider
Recruitment Chair – Kiran Gurung
Scholarship Chair – Lucian Dean

The chapter brought in 11 new members during the Spring pledge class and have 4 more potential new members. Their total member count as of now is 44. This marks the largest chapter on campus along with the largest chapter since Zeta Alpha was re-established.

The chapter is currently setting up the initation ceremony for the new pledge class and tentatively planning for April. Further details will be sent out at a later date.

The Chapter earned the highest GPA (3.31) out of all fraternities for Spring of '24. They were awarded by Slippery Rock University with the 2024 Academic Excellence Award and the 2024 Excellence in Recruitment, Intake, and Retention Award. Along with being recognized by the university, the Chapter received the 2023/2024 Chapter Excellence Award from Theta Chi IHQ that was given to only 10 out of 152 active chapters.

Old Business

2024 Homecoming

Homecoming was held on Saturday October 12th 2025. The chapter was paired with AST sorority. The chapter had acquired 2 spots in the main lot and hosted a great tailgate consisting of several current and alumni brothers.

As approved in the previous board meeting, the chapter can request up to \$350 in reimbursement for homecoming supplies, provided they submit receipts to Treasurer Farrar for reimbursement. Advisor Eric will gather the receipts and forward them to Brother John. The BOD will vote on reimbursing them during the next meeting.

2025 Golf Outing

In hopes of boosting attendance and envolving the undergraduate chapter, the BOD has been exploring the possibility of hosting the 2025 golf outing at the Slippery Rock golf course.

The BOD is confirming dates with the course, but tentatively looking at June 21st 2025 with a 1pm start time. Once confirmed with the course, Brother Farrar will work to block hotel rooms at the local Slippery Rock hotel. Brother Eric will work with the chapter to host alumni for a post golf dinner.

Once times are confirmed this week, President Pederson will send out a save the date for the golf outing.

New Business

2025 Annual Newsletter

In accordance with the ZA Alumni Board Bylaws, the BOD is required to provide an annual report to all members via email with a copy posted to the ZA website. The annual report shall include:

- Announcement of the results of the election of Directors and Officers by the Secretary
- Report of the President
- Report of the Treasurer
- Report of the Chapter Advisor

Any additional reports deemed necessary by the BOD

President Pederson requests that everyone begin drafting their section of the report and provide him with their final copy no later than April 1st 2025.

President Pederson will then draft the Newsletter and distribute to the members on May 1st.

Accepting Nominations for 2025 Board Elections

Nominations for those wishing to serve on the Alumni Board are due to Secretary Pusateri at **dillon32100@gmail.com** by April 1st. There are three (3) Board positions to be filled for a two (2) year term. Elections will be held online between April 10 and 25. The following brothers have terms that are up for Re-election

- President Sky Pederson
- Secretary Dillon Pusateri
- Brother Mike Bariski

Authorization of funds for Memorial Brick

Motion by Mike Bariski

That \$100 be authorized from the Brick fund for the purchase of a memorial brick for Brother Terry C. Colatriano 240-151 who pledged in the fall of 1968 and initiated 2/19/69

Second by John Farrar and passed without dissent.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board meeting will be scheduled for March 16th, at 7:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm Eastern

Minutes submitted by Secretary Dillon Pusateri