

Kappa Kappa Psi

Southwest District Convention 2022



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Opening Session | April 9th @ 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM CT

- 1. Call to Order @ 8:00 AM**
 - a. “Welcome to the Southwest District Convention of Kappa Kappa Psi, I now call this First Session to order!” - TJ Coleman
- 2. Introduction of the District Council and Governors**
- 3. Delegate Roll Call**
 - a. Seating of the Delegates
 - i. Random Seating for the 2023 SWD Convention will begin with Theta Phi
- 4. Delegate Instruction**
 - a. “Are there any Delegates sitting on a committee that places them in a conflict of interest?”
- 5. Accepting the Minutes of the 2021 SWD Convention**
 - a. Motion to Accept the 2021 SWD Convention Minutes
 - i. Motion - Zeta Beta
 - ii. Second - Eta Xi
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes
- 6. National Council Town Hall**
 - a. “We know there has been a lot of re-learning as we all transition back to in person and we welcome you to talk to one new National Leadership Member.” - Bang Co (NVPME)
 - b. “In preparation for OPUS, the new membership portal, please have all outstanding forms on the OMRS completed before Fall 2022.” - Ed Savoy (NVPP)
- 7. Founder’s Circle Keynote: *Dune, Drag Shows, and Chapter Operations***
 - a. Dr. Nic Rorrer (WD Governor)
- 8. Announcements**
 - a. “Delegates and Proxies, please remain in your seat following this session to be instructed about Committees and expectations” - TJ Coleman
- 9. Recess until Saturday April 9th @ 4:00 PM**

Separate Session #2 | April 9th @ 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM CT

- 1. Call to Order @ 4:00 PM**
- 2. Delegate Roll Call**
- 3. Final Officer Reports**
 - a. Member-At-Large Summary and Charges
 - i. Motion to accept Edgar Canales' Final Officer Report as read
 1. Motion - Lambda
 2. Second - Epsilon Beta
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes
 - b. Secretary/Treasurer Summary and Charges
 - i. Motion to accept Patrick Caraveo's Final Officer Report as read
 1. Motion - Alpha Chi
 2. Seconds - Alpha Psi
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes
 - c. Vice President for Program Summary and Charges
 - i. Motion to accept Mason Vincent's Final Officer Report as read
 1. Motion - Alpha Psi
 2. Second - Beta Lambda
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes
 - d. Vice President of Membership Summary and Charges
 - i. Motion to accept Emily Copeland's Final Officer Report as read
 1. Motion - Epsilon Beta
 2. Second - Lambda
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes
 - e. President Summary and Charges
 - i. Motion to accept TJ Coleman's Final Officer Report as read
 1. Motion - Beta Lambda
 2. Second - Gamma Iota
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes
- 1. Report of the Spirit and Recognition Committee**
 - a. Motion to Accept the Report
 - i. Motion - Lambda
 - ii. Second - Epsilon Beta
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes

2. Report of the Ways and Means Committee

- a. Motion to Accept the Report
 - i. Motion - Delta Chi
 - ii. Second - Alpha Chi
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes
- b. Motion to Adopt the 2022-2023 District Budget
 - i. Motion - Delta
 - ii. Second - Beta Lambda
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes

3. Report of the Chapter Leadership Committee

- a. Motion to Accept the Report
 - i. Motion - Beta Sigma
 - ii. Second - Epsilon Beta
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes

4. Report of the Nominations Committee

- a. Motion to Accept the Report
 - i. Motion - Alpha
 - ii. Second - Alpha Psi
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes

5. Announcements

6. Recess until Sunday April 10th @ 8:00 AM

Separate Session #3 | April 10th @ 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT

- 1. Call to Order @ 8:00 AM**
- 2. Delegate Roll Call**
- 3. Report of the Jurisdiction Committee**
 - a. Motion to Accept the Report
 - i. Motion - Lambda
 - ii. Second - Alpha Tau
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes
 - b. Motion to Adopt the Proposed Changes
 - i. Motion - Alpha Chi
 - ii. Second - Beta Lambda
 - iii. Pass/Fail - Passes
- 4. Final Officer Report of Governors**
 - a. Motion to accept All Governors' Final Officer Reports as read
 - i. Motions - Alpha
 - ii. Second - Delta
 - iii. Second Second - Gamma Phi
 - iv. Pass/Fail - Passes
- 5. District Officer Elections**
 - a. President
 - i. Slated Candidate: Patrick Caraveo - Alpha Chi
 - ii. Nominations from the Floor
 1. None from the Floor
 - iii. Motion to Vote Patrick Caraveo by Acclamation
 1. Motion - Alpha Chi
 2. Second - Lambda
 3. Pass/Fail - Passes Unanimously
 - iv. Counting Votes
 1. Elected Individual: Patrick Caraveo - Alpha Chi
 - b. Andy the Armadillo, presented by Rho, was passed to Alpha Rho from Northeastern State University.
 - c. Spirit Drum, presented by Beta Lambda, was passed to Alpha Omicron from Texas Tech University.

- d. Vice President for Membership
 - i. Slated Candidate: Davis Vaughn - Lambda
 - ii. Nominations from the Floor
 - 1. None from the Floor
 - iii. Election Procedure
 - 1. 3 Minute Speech from each candidate
 - 2. 5 Minutes of moderated Q&A with the Candidate
 - iv. Counting Votes
 - 1. Elected Individual: Davis Vaughn - Lambda
- e. Steven C. Nelson Award was awarded to the following:
 - i. Lambda - University of Arkansas
 - ii. Alpha Chi - The University of Texas at El Paso
- f. Vice President for Programs
 - i. Slated Candidate: Edgar Canales - Lambda
 - ii. Nominations from the Floor
 - 1. None from the Floor
 - iii. Motion to Vote Edgar Canales by Acclamation
 - iv. Counting Votes
 - 1. Elected Individual: Edgar Canales - Lambda
- g. Superior Achievement Chapter Award was awarded to the following:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Alpha ii. Lambda iii. Rho iv. Alpha Omicron v. Alpha Chi vi. Alpha Psi vii. Beta Lambda viii. Gamma Sigma 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ix. Gamma Omega x. Delta Chi xi. Epsilon Epsilon xii. Epsilon Rho xiii. Zeta Beta xiv. Eta Nu xv. Theta Nu xvi. Iota Upsilon
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- h. Secretary/Treasurer
 - i. Slated Candidate: No Slate
 - ii. Nominations from the Floor
 - 1. None from the Floor
 - iii. Counting Votes
 - 1. Elected Individual: VACANT
 - iv. Appointment Procedure
 - 1. A call for applications will be announced and will remain open for 30 Days. The SWD Council will then review the submitted packets and appoint a Secretary/Treasurer for the 2022-2023 Term.
- i. Pillar Awards were given as follows:
 - i. Leadership Pillar: Rho - Tulane University
 - ii. Service Pillar: Alpha Psi - West Texas A&M University
 - iii. Musicianship Brotherhood: Alpha Chi - The University of Texas at El Paso
- j. Outstanding Service to Music Education Award was given to Alpha Psi from West Texas A&M.
- k. Member at Large
 - i. Slated Candidate: Cyrus Jackson - Alpha Psi
 - ii. Nominations from the Floor
 - 1. None from the Floor
 - iii. Election Procedure
 - 1. 3 Minute Speech from the candidate
 - 2. 5 Minutes of moderated Q&A with the candidate
 - iv. Motion for Three (3) Minute Caucus
 - 1. Motion - Lambda
 - 2. Second - Delta
 - 3. Pass / Fail - Passes
 - v. Counting Votes
 - 1. Elected Individual: VACANT
 - vi. Appointment Procedure
 - 1. A call for applications will be announced and will remain open for 30 Days. The SWD Council will then review the submitted packets and appoint a MAL for the 2022-2023 Term.

1. SWDAA Awards
 - i. D.C. al Coda Award was awarded to the following:
 1. Megan Lambert - Gamma Phi (KKΨ)
 2. John Mark Junkins - Psi (TBΣ)
 - ii. Ritual Scholarship was awarded to the following:
 1. Gamma Omega - Texas Southern (KKΨ)
 2. Zeta Mu - Grambling State (TBΣ)
- m. Individual Awards
 1. Joint Relations Award:
 - a. Carmella Love - Xi (TBΣ)
 - b. Sallie Hendrix - Psi (TBΣ)
 - c. Kassidy Ruff - Alpha (TBΣ)
 2. Cornerstone Award:
 - a. Marianne Esquivel - Alpha Chi
 3. J. Lee Burke Student Achievement Award:
 - a. Amrutha Murthy - Xi Beta
 - b. Enrique Carrillo - Beta Lambda
 - c. Patrick Caraveo - Alpha Chi
- n. National Announcements
 - i. “We would like to congratulate TBΣ Counselor, Kathy Webster, for her dedication and service to the Southwest District!”
Welcome to the 2022-2023 Southwest District Council!
 - ii. President: Patrick Caraveo - Alpha Chi
 - iii. Vice President for Membership: Davis Vaughn - Lambda
 - iv. Vice President for Programs: Edgar Canales - Lambda
 - v. Secretary/Treasurer: VACANT
 - vi. Member-At-Large: VACANT

6. 2022 D.O. Wiley Recipient is the Rho Chapter from Tulane University

7. Announcements

- a. Purchase a District Convention T-Shirt by ordering from the District Marketplace Page on the SWD Website!

8. Adjourn @ 12:00 PM

- a. Motion - Lambda
- b. Second - Alpha Rho
- c. Pass/Fail - Passes

Appendix A: Final Officer Report - Member at Large - Edgar Canales

Brothers of the Southwest District of Kappa Kappa Psi,

Thank you. It was an honor to have been given the opportunity to serve as your Southwest District Member-at-Large for the 2021-2022 term. I remember the inspiration I felt during my membership education process in the Spring Semester of 2020 as we learned about past and present leaders of this Fraternity. I felt motivated to serve this organization as best as I could. However, this passion was often overshadowed by doubt. Whenever I found myself having these moments during this term, I thought back to my reason for running for this position, my love for Kappa Kappa Psi. Serving as a District Officer has provided opportunities for me to grow as an individual, as a leader, and as a Brother. I am thankful to have been able to meet so many Brothers across the nation that share this same love, passion, and dedication toward the ideals of our Fraternity.

As Member-at-Large, I had three overarching goals for this term:

Refine our Social Media

Improve Alumni Relations

Promote our History and Traditions

Within these three main goals, I had more specific goals. I am proud of the work done on our Social Media this past year. Scrolling through this year and 39 posts, it is clear that there is a common theme and consistency. Our Instagram Page is now able to provide multiple links so Brothers across the Southwest District can have access to multiple materials. Perhaps most importantly of all, I learned the importance and power behind pre-scheduling posts. I'd like to give a quick shoutout to Dino for that one, still serving the Member-at-Large position four years later.

Throughout this year, I had the pleasure of meeting several alumni. I am glad to see that there are still Brothers passionate about our organization, even after graduation. However, I found it difficult to move forward with improving alumni relations from there. I hope that the next Member-at-Large can work to promote our alumni engagement.

Perhaps the most enjoyable part of my goals was researching and gaining knowledge of our History and Traditions. I'd like to see the next Member-at-Large continue this passion of mine and further knowledge beyond this position to all members of the district.

My charges to the 2022-2023 Member-at-Large are:

1. Plan out social media posts for the semester and pre-schedule them using the Meta Business Suite to strengthen your vision and provide accountability
2. Work with SWDAA to better engage with alumni
3. Promote the History and Traditions committee to gain interest early on
4. Finish the Southwest District Almanac and present it at the 2023 Southwest District Convention. I've done a majority of the work in the background of my term. This project needs to be committee work if the goal is to be met.

Serving in this position has been an honor. It is important to recognize those who inspire me to continue to be passionate.

To Patrick Caraveo,

You are the definition of a true leader. Very few people exemplify our values to the extent that you do. Your leadership has been an important factor in reminding me why I love Kappa Kappa Psi. I genuinely believe that you are the reason that we function properly as a council. You inspire me to Strive for the Highest.

To Mason Vincent,

Thank you for always bringing joy to our meetings. Your presence immediately boosts the morale of our meetings. There is not one interaction I have had with you where something funny has not happened.

To Emily Copeland,

Working with you has been one of my favorite parts of this year. Since day one, I have felt welcomed and appreciated by you. You may not have asked for this position on the council, but you have definitely shown that you belong here. You have shown me the meaning and impact of Brotherhood.

To TJ Coleman,

Thank you for all of the work you have done as Southwest District President. You have empowered us to want to be our best. You are one of the most approachable leaders I have ever met. I have enjoyed every piece of wisdom you have presented and appreciate your willingness to serve and your commitment to this district.

To Lizzi Pineiro,

It is difficult to believe that this is your first year serving as a Southwest District Governor. You have provided a stable foundation for the future of our district. You have played a critical role within our council this year and have provided the preparation and insight we desperately needed. Your excitement to serve reminds me to value and enjoy my time here.

To Andy Melvin,

I appreciate your involvement. Your guidance and knowledge of this organization is a reason I want to continue serving. I can not express how much you have impacted my perspective of this organization. You exemplify the reasons I am proud to be a Brother. I hope to someday be as good of a Brother as you. I hope to get you to Call the Hogs at least once before the convention ends.

To Clinton Wieden,

My first officer position within the Lambda Chapter was Historian. It is amazing looking back at my research and finding your name on documents as a contributor. I can not express how much I admire your knowledge and love for our history. We need to have an in-depth conversation soon. Thank you for always providing feedback and being the person that steps up and guides us in the correct direction when we need to listen, even if you can be intimidating at times.

Lastly,

To the Lambda Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi and the Psi Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma, I can not express how impactful those of you who have believed in me from the beginning is in my life. Your support is the reason I chose to run for this position. It is the few of you that genuinely believe in my abilities as a leader that helps push me to be the best version of myself. I would not be standing here without your dedication to seeing me succeed despite my flaws and failures. Despite our hardships, I am proud of the progress we continue to make.

Once again, I would like to thank you all for electing me to serve as your 2021-2022 Southwest District Member-at-Large. It has been an honor and a privilege.

Fraternally Submitted,

Edgar Canales
Lambda Chapter
National Communications Committee
2021- 2022 Southwest District Member-at-Large

Appendix B: Final Officer Report - Secretary/Treasurer - Patrick Caraveo

Dear Brothers of the Southwest District:

I want to start off first by thanking each and everyone one of you for the amazing opportunity to serve our Fraternity in this role. This year has been nothing less than new experiences and challenges that we continue to push through daily. I am very grateful to have met so many inspiring people this weekend and in the past year. Everytime I meet someone new, I am recharged in dedicating myself to the growth of our District and the Fraternity.

Serving my second term as Secretary/Treasurer introduced the opportunity of serving as Chair of the National Ways and Means Committee and oh my goodness talk about pressure. Getting to work close with the National Leadership during the National Convention was so much fun and I learned many leadership skills from them that I have used daily since then. Once school started I really faced a challenge all of us may have not thought would be a challenge, in person classes. Let me tell you it was a struggle at first adjusting to commuting every morning and the new weekly schedule. Sometimes even a totally different hourly schedule. Thankfully, there was also a huge positive to this change that I didn't realize I had missed so much until I was physically back in school. The constant support and encouragement of my Brothers. Let me tell you, having the joy of getting to run into Brothers in the hallway could make a huge difference in a challenging day.

Since this transition, many other challenges have decided to say hello. And though sometimes it was more stressful than I may have admitted, I welcomed these challenges. Every time I learned something new or remembered something I had forgotten that would help overcome those challenges. Standing before you all today, shows proof of overcoming those challenges. Before I read my Charges, I want to remind each and every one here today that you all have the potential to experience your dreams and accomplish great things.

My 2021-2022 Secretary/Treasurer Charges were the following:

- Become familiar with the workings of the website in order to upload in a timely manner.
- Complete all documents assigned to you within one week of receiving them.
- Review the 2021-2022 Annual Southwest District Budget
- Prepare the 2022-2023 Annual Southwest District Budget in a timely manner.
- Find a fun and creative way to engage the Secretaries and Treasurers of the District.

My Charges to the 2022-2023 Secretary/Treasurer:

- Become familiar with the workings of the website in order to upload documents (i.e. minutes, events, and others) in a timely manner.
- Complete all documents assigned to you within one week of receiving them.
- Review the 2021-2022 Annual Southwest District Budget with the Ways and Means Committee.
- Prepare the 2022-2023 Annual Southwest District Budget in a timely manner.
- Find ways to include Brothers in the planning process for the Annual Budget by opening the Ways and Means Committee to Chapters.
- Don't be afraid to ask questions and try new things.

My Charges to the 2022-2023 District Council:

- Find something that the whole council can bond over outside of meetings.
- Meet regularly to grow and inspire each other.
- Take initiative and make the positions your own. We each have unique perspectives and ideas to bring that others may not have.
- Challenge the fear and try new things.

My Charges to the 2022-2023 Southwest District:

- Reach out and create bonds with your neighbor chapters.
- Reach out for any questions, the District Council always wants to hear from you.
- Celebrate your Brothers and their accomplishments both big and small.

Now for some Thank You's!

To the TBS Council,

I want to start off by congratulating our Sisters for celebrating 76 years of Greater Bands! Though we may not have connected so much this year, it is always inspiring to see the effort you put in to make your Sisters enjoy their time. I want to personally also thank my Counterpart, Johnn for all his knowledge he shares and for accomplishing the website together.

To TJ,

I want to say thank you for your leadership and experience you shared with the Council this year. Getting to serve alongside you these two terms has been a great experience and I want to congratulate you for the work you have accomplished in your terms.

To Emily,

I want to say congratulations on a spectacular Senior Recital, the Mozart was by far my favorite piece you performed. You have worked so hard and thank you for your efforts, we had a successful Area Workshop Season and celebrated with great workshop speakers.

To Mason,

Since the start of our term we have connected so well and it's always so funny how we tend to have the same ideas and reactions. Thank you for always being there and for the support and care you put towards all that you do.

To Edgar,

Edgar, you are awesome and I appreciate all that you do for the Lambda Chapter and for the Southwest District. I'm extremely grateful to have the opportunity to serve alongside you in the next year. Oh I also hope Egg-Dar is doing well.

To Lizzi, Clint, and Andy,

Thank you for the unconditional support you always give the council. Thank you for always being there to answer our questions and help us navigate this new challenge we're all facing. I truly appreciate each and every one of you and the support you give.

To the Alpha Chi Chapter,

You all have grown so much in the last year. I want to say thank you for entrusting my leadership. It makes me beyond happy to see each and every one of you grow into being great musicians and great leaders. I am happy with the direction we are going and can't wait to see what we accomplish next.

To Bang Co,

Bang, there are not enough words to describe the impact you have had on my experiences within this fraternity. Thank you for always being my "success partner" as you say. I truly appreciate you and everything you do to ensure people feel welcomed no matter where you go and what you do. You inspire me to approach leadership in different ways and I'm always learning something new. I am thankful to have the opportunity to serve alongside you and I wholeheartedly promise to most certainly continue to ask you questions because sometimes I seriously have no idea what I'm doing.

To Ayleen Sanchez,

Ayleen, I want to say start this thank you by apologizing for all the moments I stress you out. Though I may drive you insane with my many random thoughts and pitching you ideas I have about the Chapter or the District. I truly want to say thank you for being my support system and guiding me when I hit a wall and I am not sure where to go because walls can hurt. I am grateful to be with someone who thinks like me (without the overthinking part though) and with such a high love and appreciation for this Fraternity.

To the Southwest District,

This year was a challenge for many. And the next year may bring more challenges, but I invite you to lean on your District and National Leadership Teams. The challenges don't have to be faced alone and we all collectively can continue to pave a direction for this fraternity in a way that makes it special to each and every one of us where we feel welcomed and celebrated. Thank you, Brothers for entrusting me this year and let us all celebrate together as we rec-connect our district in the years to come.

Fraternally submitted,

Patrick A. Caraveo

2022 Alpha Chi Chapter President

2021-2022 Southwest District - Secretary/Treasurer

Appendix C: Final Officer Report - Vice President for Programs - Mason Vincent

Brothers of the Southwest District,

My time in Kappa Kappa Psi started off pretty rocky. I was such a subpar member that several older brothers would ask me for my inactive letter weekly because they believed so sincerely that I was going to be nothing in this fraternity. While COVID wrecked most things, it somehow managed to save me and through the lockdown I found the love for this fraternity I have today.

Nothing in this term ran as smoothly as I had planned. There were so many times that I felt lost during this term but it all came together in the end.

As a Vice President for Programs, I was able to achieve the following: We were able to pull the New ALTO team together and are almost finished with one of the best publications I have seen that will be out SOON! I spent a large amount of time this semester contacting and interacting with chapters eligible for the D.O. Wiley, four pillars and individual awards. And most importantly our district service project. The supply drive as well as the profits from the convention shirt are all to benefit the Andrews High School band. If you did not know, the Andrews High School band got into a major bus accident in the fall that took the life of their Band director and bus driver. This hits home because I grew up an hour from this school and the Alpha Psi chapter has had several members from this high school.

The past year has been such a learning experience for me, and I could not have been more thankful for these experiences. You can take this as my promise that I will be a life-long serving brother of Kappa Kappa Psi.

This convention thus far has been incredible, it has been so great to finally serve and see the district in person! Although we are here for the work, the brotherhood is what I will always hold closest to my heart from this convention

Following are my charges to the new 2022-2023 Vice President for Programs:

- Re Evaluate the operations of the New ALTO. Befriend your staff, have staff picked by October and start early to receive the most quality submissions.
- Evaluate all awards (individual and chapter) and start promoting them early to affirm those chapters with great achievements.
- Reach out individually to chapters about their award eligibility even if this means picking up the phone and calling every chapter president.
- Start planning the joint service project early, give everyone enough time to be able to prepare to partake in the project.
- Create a platform, such as Facebook group or Google Classroom, for chapter VPS/VPPs to find resources and to meet other chapter VPS/VPPs.
- Do not be afraid to ask for help, there will be many times you do not know what is going on. Ask questions and push through.

I would now like to thank everyone I have had the privilege to work with this year

To Edgar,

Also known as EGDAR. Thank you for your time and dedication to this fraternity. I am very thankful for the bond and love we share over the one and only, Jojo Siwa. I cannot wait to see where all you go in this fraternity and life!

To Patrick,

I honestly do not know how to thank you enough. Every time I speak to you, I am re-energized and reminded of why we serve this great fraternity. I have never met anyone as organized, willing to serve, and sincere as you. I would not have made it throughout this term without your wisdom and friendship. You have left a huge mark on myself and this district. I cannot wait to see your fraternal work at whatever level you are next called to serve on.

To Emily,

You will forever be my airport buddy. Any flight I have taken for the fraternity, Emily has been on the receiving end of. (even after the American Airlines forbidden slide incident) I have truly enjoyed working with you this past year and will value your friendship always. I cannot wait to see where life takes you (and your pupper) next!

To TJ,

I have a question- do all toilets scream or just the ones in Grand Rapids?
I have known you longer than anyone else on this council and it is so weird knowing you were at some of my chapters degrees while I was an initiate. Since that time, both of us have grown immensely, back then I never could have imagined calling you not only a brother but a friend. Thank you for always working to make aspects of this council and district as inclusive as possible and thank you for always accepting me for me. I cannot wait to see you as a band director next year and all the things you will achieve. Do all toilets scream or just the ones in Grand Rapids?

To the Governors,

A year ago at convention, I was told, very publicly, that once of the governors in this room was worthless, and I could not disagree more. Thank you for your continuous support this past year through all things Kappa Kappa Psi and in my personal life. Your support means the world to me and this council could not function without the unique structure and environment provided by the combinations of you three.

To the National Council,

Thank you all for your service to this fraternity and THE Southwest District. Each of you have helped me in some way through this past term and none of us would be where we are today without the support and leadership of you guys.

To John Mark, my Tau Beta Sigma counterpart,

Thank you for your service to your sorority. You are such an energetic person and I have enjoyed this past semester working with you.

To the Alpha Psi Chapter,

Thank you. Thank you for not only supporting me this past year as a district officer but supporting all that I have been through this past year. Its been a lot. And y'all have always had my back and this chapter is home. Always has been and always will be. No matter where life goes from here and no matter where I end up in this fraternity, I will always root for and support the home team. I am so proud to be from the Alpha Psi Chapter thank you for allowing me to serve as your president and district vice president for programs. Down press up and Bo Guffs!

To the NATIONAL pain in the..... Dino Cardenas,

Although 99.9% of the time we are ready to throw hands, you are such a large part of my fraternal journey and how I ended up here today. I will spare all of you the details, so I will just thank you for teaching me patience, and a lot of it.

Last but certainly not least, Tau Beta Sigma Sister, Carmella,

Thank you for dedicating yourself to the New ALTO, even though you had no clue what was going on in the beginning. Thank you for supporting all I do in Kappa Kappa Psi even when you do not understand. thank you for loving me even when it was 3 am and I was working on chapter or district stuff, with ALL of the light in the house on of course. Thank you for your passion for both the KKY and TBS chapters at our school, you haven't felt like it lately, but your work does matter and if anyone can change your chapters ways, it is you.

It has been an honor to serve as your Vice President for Programs. Thank you, Southwest District brothers, for accepting, supporting and trusting me. Keep striving and stay spicy.

Fraternally yours, and Boh Guffs ,

AEA

Mason Vincent

Alpha Psi Chapter | President 2021-2022

Southwest District | Vice President for Programs 2021-2022

Appendix D: Final Officer Report - Vice President of Membership - Emily Copeland

Hello Spicy Southwest,

From the very beginning of my journey in the brotherhood, literally, nothing has gone as expected. Shortly after I was initiated, I developed numerous serious health problems that lead to the diagnosis of two chronic conditions and two surgeries. Although unexpected and difficult, this journey has brought me an astonishing amount of growth and wisdom gained through my experiences. As per my fortune in predictability, it was only fitting that the trend continued with my election to district council. As some of you may remember, I was not running for Vice President for Membership... nor did I have any experience as a VPM. However, serving in this office has been one of the best and most rewarding experiences I have had the privilege of doing.

This year has been nothing short of a challenge. The continuous uncertainty and constantly changing guidelines as cases would rise and fall, left no two universities on the same page in terms of policies. After National Convention, my counterpart, Madison, and I were hopeful most things would be back to “normal”, but in preparing for Chapter Leadership Conference, we had to make the difficult decision to keep these events online to maintain our brothers' safety during the rise of cases. While chapters were preparing for their fall semester, Nationals released a new PIVOT guideline allowing chapters to operate under the procedures set by schools. For most chapters, this was encouraging because they were finally able to resume in-person recruitment events, lessons, and rituals. For others, it was terrifying because none of their brothers had seen how a chapter operated in a non-virtual setting. Coming into this office, I was brainstorming plans but quickly realized chapters simply needed guidance and resources on how to do the things in person.

When Madison and I started preparing for Area Workshops, we were again hopeful that this would be in-person and we would be able to pick up where we had left off two years ago. But again decided to continue to host these virtually. When discussing workshops for these events, we decided that the best thing for the district was to provide brothers with workshops to re-connect to the brotherhood, discover new ways to operate, and provide resources for mental health awareness. Presenters were contacted, and the schedule was finalized at Winter Council. These events were an incredible joy to plan, and it was amazing getting to see chapters from across the country who may not have otherwise been able to attend.

At the very beginning of my term, I created a GroupMe with all of the Chapter VPMs to quickly share resources and important information. The office of VPM entails quite a bit of paperwork done through the *lovely* OMRS - recruitment calendars, education process calendars, activity review forms, membership candidate registration forms, and initiation forms. Because of the wide variety of university policies across the district, I did everything I could to provide all the resources available to all VPMs and stay up-to-date on as many universities' policies as possible to be as much of a help to as many VPMs as possible.

This opportunity to serve the district has offered me opportunities to grow like no other despite every unimaginable curveball. I was gently *shoved* out of my comfort zone, and I could not have done it without

the support of my fellow district officers, governors, and my chapter. The lessons I learned, I hope to share with brothers, my students, and myself in hard times. There were numerous times this past year when I doubted myself and my ability to serve in this capacity, but I was surrounded by those who love me and constantly remind me of my worth and value as both a brother and a human being.

I will say my charges.

Charges given to the SWD Vice President for Membership 2021-2022:

- Continue to contact the SWD VPMs and either continue the Facebook page or create a new medium for you all to communicate
- Find new ways to improve and shake up workshops
 - Start planning early and have backup plans as we do not know when we will be able to resume in-person events
- ASK FOR HELP - it will be something you will do constantly and someone is more than happy to answer you
- Stay up to date with any new Guidance on Rituals and work with the National Leaders if they are to continue to be held virtually

My charges are as follows:

For the 2022-2023 District Council

- Continue to be invested in chapters and develop personal relationships with chapter VPMs and MCs. Recruitment and retention falls onto all of us, not just VPMs
- Stay up to date with university policies as COVID policies are still changing.

For the 2022-2023 Vice President for Membership:

- Work with your counterpart to find more ways to make the virtual (and hopefully in-person) workshops more engaging - student-led workshops, themes, etc.
- Continue to have constant communication with chapter VPMs through whatever platform you and them deem best
- Continue to develop and distribute resources available to the chapter VPMs, and work with the Sec/Treas to compile ALL VPM resources into one page published on the district website.
- DO NOT EVER be afraid or hesitate to ask for help. This office is a lot, and you will need it.

Now onto some thank you's. If you know me, you know that I do not cry in front of people, or outwardly show my emotions, so let's see if we can make it through this.

- To the TBS Council, Tyler, Madison, John-Mark, and Johnn

- Thank you for being an amazing council! I am so glad we were able to start our terms in person at National Convention and end them in person at District Conventions. MLITB!
- To my counterpart
 - It was an amazing year getting to work with you to create opportunities for the district. Not gonna lie, planning CLC and Area Workshop was terrifying, but our collaboration in brainstorming workshops and working with amazing presenters was an incredible experience. I am so glad I had a great partner to share this term with.
- To The National Council, Committees, and Staff
 - I cannot begin to thank you all enough for the support and guidance you have provided me and the organization as a whole. I am constantly inspired by all of you and your ability to serve the organization while working actual adult jobs. Your support through workshop presentations, answering the 8,000 questions I asked this year, and so much more is truly what allowed me to grow as an individual and serve the SWD.
- To the Spicy Southwest
 - This past year getting to meet so many of you was an incredible experience, and I will be forever grateful for your trust in allowing me to serve you as your VPM. This office is not easy by any means, and the lessons of grace and support you all taught me passively are lessons I will carry with me.
- To Ayleen
 - Although you are shorter than me, and that says a lot, you have some very big shoes to fill. To follow your guidance and dedication to the district and organization through the worst of COVID is incredibly hard. I hope that I have made you proud, and I hope that I can be as big of a help to the new VPM as you have been to me.
- To the Governors, Andy, Lizzi, and Clint
 - The depth of knowledge and experience you all have between the three of you is incredible. I do not think there has been a single question I have asked that you have not been able to answer. You supported me in my development as a person and a brother, and always made sure I ate my vegetables, drank my water, and got enough sleep. I know you all will be people I can talk to at any time about anything beyond my time as a district officer. Thank you for everything you have done for me and the council this year.
- To the District Council
 - Edgar - The only district officer that does not live an entire day away from me. It has been great getting to know you and spending time with you and the Lambda chapter. I really appreciate you letting us force a Jojo Seewa folder into your possession and name our pet dinosaur Egdar solely because he plays the saxophone.
 - To Patrick - I am so glad I met you. Your dedication to this organization and your persistence in service is going to take you so far, and I can not wait to see everything you accomplish.
 - To Mason - You are one of my favorite people to talk to. Your constant jokes bring so much joy. I cannot tell you enough how proud I am of you for everything you have done this past year, both in and out of council. There are very few people I know that are as confident in themselves as you, and I hope I can be that confident someday.

- To TJ - There was no better person to transition the district back to in-person events. You had a lot of obligations on your plate this term, and you handled them with grace. If you remember from last year, I hope you never forget how truly worthless you are. Please get some sleep and stop laughing at toilets flushing at 2 am.
- To Epsilon Beta and my big, Payton
 - There is a little thing I carry around in my backpack all the time that says “Behind every music student who believes in themselves is a music teacher who believed in them first”, and I think this is true for being a brother and countless other things in life. I remember sitting at a restaurant while I was an MC, and my big looked at me and said, “someday, you are going to be president of this chapter”. My point here is: I am not the most confident in my own abilities, but my chapter always has been. They have been the ones to see my worth and push me to be a better brother. I could not have served in all of the offices I have had the privilege of holding without the support of my chapter and big first. Thank you for always believing in me and seeing the things in myself that I could not.
- Last but not least, to Matthew and Emma
 - Matthew - you are not here, so that means I get to say whatever I want about you. Kidding. Even though you are not a brother, and you do not know the ins and outs of the organizations, you have been ever so constant in supporting me in my involvement with Kappa Kappa Psi. This organization takes so so much time, and this is not an easy thing to understand for someone who is not a member. Never once have you met my service with anything but support. I cannot say thank you enough for your continuous support in everything I have, am, and hope to accomplish in this organization and life in general.
 - Emma - my best friend, my forever roommate, even after you are married. I could not be where I am today without all of the conversations and rants we have had sitting on the kitchen counter. You have seen me at my absolute worst when I was barely able to physically walk through my third degree, to now standing here at the end of this term. Your constant support and advice have been monumental supports in my ability to make it through this year as VPM and my three years as an active, and I truly could not have done it without you.

This has been an honor.

Fraternally submitted,

Emily Copeland

Epsilon Beta Chapter at University of Central Arkansas

SWD Vice President for Membership 2021-2022

Appendix E: Final Officer Report - President - TJ Coleman

Brothers of the Southwest District,

While many of the reports given have been focused on the last year, mine may be just a bit different. I apologize in advance that it is a bit long winded. As we approach the 4 year of my initiation

into this Brotherhood, I can't help but look back on where I have been. Initiated into the Beta Lambda Chapter at Eastern New Mexico University, I entered a chapter that was in need of help, growth, and revival. Just a few weeks later I was nominated and elected to serve as Vice President of Programs for the chapter. I'll spare you all the gritty details of what the following two years would be for me, but trust when I say it was the best of times, it was the worst of times. My chapter had not been serious about district or national involvement in over ten years, so we thought we had to do it all on our own.

At the 2018 Southwest District Convention at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas I was a membership candidate who was determined to meet as many people as possible to try and have a basis of who I might be able to reach out to for help. I was also the MC who was snuggling our chapter mascot and snoring during the final separate session...sorry Lizzi...One year later I would attend the 2019 Convention at SWOSU in Weatherford, Oklahoma as Beta Lambda's recently re-elected VPP with a determination to find the biggest guy and pick a fight - which really means I wanted to complain about all of my chapters problems to Evan Thompson - and I did. It was Evan's warm smile and cold hands that first gave me the idea that maybe these folks at the District and National level aren't so bad.

I went home determined to get Beta Lambda to NatCon so that we could begin the new centennial on the right foot. Then, tragedy struck at NatCon 2019 - I was assigned to the Jurisdiction committee and the advisor was Clinton Wieden. I. Was. Terrified. Clinton was the guy who just stood at the front of the District and scowled at all who dared cross him. It was on that committee that I made my first true interaction with a member of the Southwest District Council - and since that day I have never doubted that those people have my back. After getting to meet legends like Dr. Kirk Randazzo, Jack Lee, Adam Cantley, Dr. Malinda Matney, THE Brent Cannon, and some crazy guy named Bang Company who wouldn't stop sending me friend requests and page invites on Facebook, I decided I wanted to see if I could try and take some of the successes I had at home to the Southwest District. And this, I set out to become your Vice President for Programs. After spending countless hours pouring myself into my platform, COVID forced the Albuquerque convention online and my nominations process into Zoom. After building my VPP platform and marketing myself as "the programs guy" I was shocked to be slated to serve as SWD President at the 2020 convention. The first thing I did was call my Big and ask her to guide me. Rather than advice I got shrieks and crying. That tracks. I was lucky enough to be elected to serve you for the 2020-2021 term as the SWD President and I think we already know the details of that term. Thanks again to Ayleen, Patrick, Serin, and Cole for making it so easy. Then, a year ago, the Southwest decided to put your trust in me for another year and I am still in shock.

This last year has been hard for me. For those who may not know, I have gone through a mental and emotional rebranding since NatCon 2021, and I have also been spending every waking moment teaching the 6th through twelfth children of New Mexico to appreciate the very foundation of our fraternity, Music. In the areas where I have had to step back and focus on life, the people sitting on each side of me have stepped up to the plate and picked up slack in places I didn't even realize it existed. These fine folks are the reason this convention has been so great. They are the reason I can stand before you and proudly proclaim that the last two years have constantly taught me that the Southwest Does it Best.

I ran for District Office with the following goals in mind:

- Strive to ensure every chapter and brother in the Southwest has access to the same opportunities
- Work to find new ways to engage with brothers across the district in light of the pandemic
- Evaluate current district programs with the SWD Council to determine which programs are most effective in the Southwest
- Stand up for the little guys
- Be the brother you want others to be
- Find ways to encourage the less engaged chapters to come and get engaged

Last night as I prepared the last our awards that you will get to hear more about shortly I came to the following realizations:

- There are chapters here at this convention today - the first SWD convention out of a three year hiatus - that we're not present at the conventions I attended in my first two years as a brother.
- There are chapters who have been consistently submitting paperwork on time that I had never even made contact with prior to serving as District President.
- There are chapters here today that are maxed out on proxies and still have brothers left over that I didn't even realize were active at Howard Payne in 2018.

While I never got to implement any major district programs, and I did not fulfill every charge given to me to the degree I would have liked, I can look back on these two years and say that, with the help of my brothers, the Southwest District has made progress and is continuing to make progress every single day.

Now I would like to issue some charges to the 2022-2023 Southwest District President:

- Your council is not just your lifeline, they are your heartbeat. Trust in them and supply them the resources and materials to achieve the goals you set as a group.
- Assess our district programming utilized during the COVID-19 Pandemic and determine what could be utilized to improve our overall communication and effectiveness long-term.
- Say no. Say no to requests, demands, wishes, Bang Co, and anything you feel does not promote or reflect the notions of the Southwest District.
- Never forget where you come from. Your chapter is your backbone, and this district is your blood. Every single chapter plays a crucial role to you and your council's success and effectiveness.
- Lean on your governors and on your national council always. They can handle it.

I know I've already gone on far too long, but I cannot finish my time as district president without thanking a few people who have been crucial to my growth,

- Beta Lambda. I love you all. You all have been a home to me when I didn't even know I needed one. Every ounce of my accomplishment can be credited to you all.
- Tyler. I cannot think of a better person to have served alongside as District Presidents. Your poise and dedication to your work inspires me to be a kinder, more loving person each and every day.
- Brent, Danny, Eric, Malinda, Kirk, Adam, Jack, Jess, and Evan. I combined you all because I couldn't decide which of you had had the greatest impact on me. The leadership, brotherhood, and service of all of you is so incredibly important not only to me to the entire fraternity. I would not be here today without the guidance, advice, support, and honestly each of you has shown me. The lessons you've taught me will remain in my heart forever.
- Tarshae. I'm gonna keep it simple. I love you, brother.
- Bang. You are the glue that has held me together these last few months. I know that I can be mean and callous, and I know that I have definitely taken that out on you a couple of times and I'm sorry. I genuinely do not know where I would be if it weren't for your support and guidance. You have inspired me to not only be a better brother and leader, but to be a better person. Thank you for all that you do for me, for the Southwest, and for Kappa Kappa Psi. I am honored to call you my brother and my friend.
- Lizzi. I'm sorry that your first year as a governor had to be the year I was most busy and most on edge. While I legitimately thought you hated me until like two days ago, I cannot help but applaud the contribution you make to this council. I am so glad that you're here and I can't wait to see how many amazing things you will do for the Southwest. Thank you for supporting, assisting, and guiding me this past year.
- Andy. A year ago I called you worthless in front of all of your friends. How does that feel now? In all seriousness, you have been a constant thorn in my side and I can't thank you enough for it. Your determination to get things done no matter who or what is trying to slow the flow is not only inspiring, it is scary. The way that you can pick up where someone else left off and smile as you finish their job and then happily applaud them as they receive praise is the definition of class and professionalism. Brothers of the Southwest, I am honored today to tell you that Andy Melvin, Southwest District Governor, is truly a gem and a gold mine of positivity, love, and resourcefulness that I implore you to appreciate and utilize.
- Clinton. I think it's crazy how you have gone from the most intimidating person in the room to me, to the person I run to first when I have a problem. Your knowledge of and dedication to Kappa Kappa Psi and the Southwest District is hard to properly appreciate in words. The best way I feel I can thank you is to say that your work is what inspires and guides me for what I want to achieve in my fraternal life. I want to be able to look back one day and say that I was as

knowledgeable, dedicated, and determined as Clinton Wieden. Thank you for being here for me since the very beginning and for showing me what the Southwest District truly is.

- Edgar. Dude, I am so proud of you and all that you've done in this year. You have really made my job easy because of your swiftness and efficiency in creating, promoting, and posting graphics. I can't wait for NatCon 2023 when we can share a room and order \$30 burgers from Denny's at 3:38 am once more.
- Mason. It had to be Alpha Psi. I am so glad that you decided to run for office and I am honored to have been able to serve next to you. Your dedication to and love for Kappa Kappa Psi should serve as an inspiration to us all. I am proud of you and I can't wait to see how far you will go. Also, yes, they scream. They always scream.
- Emily. You have done such a great job as our SWD VPM. When Ayleen was elected, everyone said she had big shoes to fill following Hannah. Then, people said the same about her when you were elected. Well, to whoever is elected as our next VPM, let me be the first to tell you that you have some big shoes to fill. You provided this district with fun, engaging leadership development and workshops that have played instrumental roles in pulling chapters out of the pandemic and into function once more. Congratulations on graduating in May, I'm proud of you!
- Patrick. Softboi. Mr. J. Lee Burke. What an honor it has been to serve with you for these past two years. When I needed to take time and handle life. You stepped up and filled my shoes, while still running 100 mph in your own. I don't know how you do it. What I do now is that you exemplify the very purpose of the J. Lee Burke award. I am so proud to call you my brother and my friend. I cannot wait to see where you go in life, in music, and in Kappa Kappa Psi.
- Southwest. Thank you for trusting me to lead you not once but twice. It has been the honor of my lifetime to serve as your District President throughout the pandemic. I owe a debt of gratitude that I will never be able to repay to the brothers of this district. This is my home. And I love you all.

So...what are the last words I want to officially report to the Southwest District of Kappa Kappa Psi? *Stay safe, Stay spicy, Stay Striving Southwest.*

Fraternally Submitted,
Theron "TJ" Coleman
Beta Lambda Chapter
2021-2022 Southwest District President
Go Hounds
Bo Guffs
Woo Pig

Appendix F: Spirit and Recognition Committee Report

Dear Brothers of the Southwest District,

The 2022 Spirit and Recognition Committee was charged with the following:

From the 2021 Spirit and Recognition Committee:

- Review the report of the 2021 Spirit Committee
- Before reviewing the applicants, decide what qualities you as a committee are looking for in each of the 4 pillars.
- Review all applications submitted for the 4 Pillar Awards in order to ensure that all applicants are eligible for consideration and have met all submission requirements.
- Evaluate and recommend any changes to the selection process to the Jurisdiction Committee.

From the 2020 History and Traditions Committee

- Write an appropriate constitution insert for the SWD Spirit Stick properly detailing the importance of the award.

The Spirit & Recognition Committee began its meeting with introductions of members of the committee, followed by consideration of the past year's committee report and charges for the 2022 committee. After we ensured that all chapters who applied were eligible, we established a criteria for each of the 4 Pillars awards and the Outstanding Service to Music Education award. Special consideration was given to those chapters that displayed an emphasis on inclusivity throughout their projects and operations.

Each application that the committee received was extremely detailed and gave each member more than enough information to deliberate on our decisions. Each chapter not only expanded upon their philosophy concerning the 4 Pillars, but also outlined specific actions they were taking as a chapter to fulfill the purposes of each pillar. Materials from each application were placed in a Google Drive, and all members of the committee were able to come together and deliberate on which chapter we felt best exemplified each pillar.

The few chapters the committee considered from the applications submitted were all found to be doing outstanding work; however, the committee found itself wishing that it had received more applications to see the work of other chapters within our district. Nevertheless, the committee was inspired by the work of each chapter that did apply, and we recognize that regardless of an application for awards, many of our chapters across the district are doing amazing work in their band programs and communities.

The committee was unable to meet the charge of recommending changes to the Jurisdiction Committee as well as the charge from the 2020 History and Traditions Committee due to time constraints. We have forwarded them within our charges below.

We want to thank every chapter that applied for the 4 Pillar Awards. The work you are doing should be recognized, regardless of whether or not you win an award, and your service should serve as an inspiration to the rest of the district.

Charges to the Southwest District:

- Apply for awards, and if you need assistance with completing the application, reach out! Your brothers want to see the fantastic work you are doing and would be happy to help that be recognized.
- Continue to place attention to how your chapter specifically lives out the ideals of each of the Four Pillars, as well as your chapter's philosophies.
- Please include as many pictures, links, and other digital media to allow the committee to see what your chapter is doing, as sometimes it can be hard for the committee to imagine some of the things you may expand upon in your applications.

Charges to the 2022-2023 Vice President for Programs:

- Provide more frequent information in different formats throughout the year to chapters across the district, and provide outreach and assistance whenever possible, especially to some smaller chapters in the district. Some of the committee members expressed interest in their own chapter applying, but when all of the members of the chapter are already responsible for duties in their own program, it is hard to find someone to apply for awards.
- Fulfill the charge of the 2020 History and Traditions committee to specifically outline a constitutional insert for the SWD Spirit stick so that this tradition may continue to live on among the chapters of our district.

Charges to the 2023 Spirit and Recognition Committee:

- Consider meeting before convention in whatever format possible in order to give more time to discuss the applications as well as the process of award selection overall.
- Review the report of the 2022 Spirit Committee
- Before reviewing the applications, decide what qualities you as a committee are looking for in each of the 4 pillars.
- Review all applications submitted for the 4 Pillar Awards in order to ensure that all applicants are eligible for consideration and have met all submission requirements.
- Evaluate and recommend any changes to the selection process to the Jurisdiction Committee.

A huge thank you to committee members:

- Eric Boatman, Alpha Omicron
- Morgan Phillippe, Gamma Theta
- Lily Romero, Gamma Theta
- Jose Martinez, Zeta Zeta
- Deon Thomas, Theta Kappa
- Robert Lujan, Gamma Iota
- Alex Savage, Theta Phi
- Bryant Ward, Delta Psi

My experience discussing and deliberating with you all was extremely enriching, and I hope you continue to serve as passionate members of your chapter and your district. Special thank you to our advisors, Nic Rorrer and Tarshae Odom. Your support and perspectives were more beneficial than you may know, and I am thankful for having had the opportunity to meet and work with you both.

Finally, thank you to Brother President, TJ Coleman for allowing me the opportunity to serve our district as chair of the SWD Spirit and Recognition Committee and for his work with the Lambda Chapter as we've served as host chapter for this convention. Even though I almost broke the applications as the committee was deliberating, you were there to help and support me, as well as give me a hard time when I needed it.

Fraternally Submitted,

Mason Thomas
2022 Spirit and Recognition Committee Chair
Lambda Chapter President

Appendix G: Ways and Means Committee Report

Committee Chair:

Patrick Caraveo – SWD Secretary/Treasurer

Committee Advisors:

Clinton Wieden – SWD Governor

Andy Melvin - SWD Governor

Lizzi Pineiro - SWD Governor

Committee Members:

TJ Coleman - SWD President

Emily Copeland - SWD Vice President for Membership

Mason Vincent - SWD Vice President for Programs

Edgar Canales - SWD Member at Large

The 2022 Ways and Means Committee was charged with the following:

- Review the 2021 Ways and Means Committee Report.

- Present an overview of the 2021-2022 District Account.
- Determine if any line item in the budget needs to be adjusted.
- Create and present a budget of the 2022-2023 District Account.

The District Council and I reviewed the 2020-2021 Committee Report and then discussed the proposed budget from the year.

2022-2023 Proposed Budget

Fall Allotment 2021	3,112.50
Spring Allotment 2021	489.00
Carry-Over Balance from 2020-2021	2,900
Estimated Total Revenues	6,501.50
District Officer Budgets	
President	500
VPP	500
VPM	500
Secretary/Treasurer	500
M-A-L	500
Office Expenses	
Office and mail (supplies for area workshop, winter council, and convention)	200
District Awards	500
Other	
Unassigned Funds	300
Grants	
Chapter Assistance Grant for National Convention Travel	3,000

Estimated Total Expenses	6,500
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Charges to the 2022-2023 Ways and Means Committee are as follows:

- Review the 2022 Ways and Means Committee Report.
- Present an overview of the 2022-2023 District Account.
- Determine if any line item in the budget needs to be adjusted.
- Create and present a budget of the 2023-2024 District Account.

Charges to 2022-2023 Secretary/Treasurer:

- Continue with the oncoming budget spreadsheet titled “KKPsi SWD Funds”.
- Update the allotments when they are made available for the 2022-2023 Year.

Charge to 2022-2023 District Council:

- Continue to use the Shared Drive for all financial and general documentation to allow the committee access to information pertaining to the budget.

Thank you so much to the District Council, for helping me with all the questions and assisting in filling out / preparing the Budget. You were all super helpful and much appreciation for everything you do!

Fraternally Submitted,

Patrick A. Caraveo

2022 SWD Ways and Means Committee Chair

2022 Alpha Chi President

2021-2022 Southwest District - Secretary/Treasurer

Appendix H: Chapter Leadership Committee Report

Brothers of The Southwest District:

The 2022 Southwest District Chapter Leadership Committee was Charged with the following:

- Review the Report of the 2021 Chapter Leadership Committee
- Review all Applications for the D.O. Wiley Award in order to ensure that all applicants are eligible for consideration
- Develop a series of questions for each Applicant Chapter and establish criteria to determine the most deserving winner
- Organize a schedule for Applicant Chapter Presentations
- Review the Applicant Chapters and their presentations to decide the Recipient of the 2022 D.O. Wiley Award
- Recommend any changes to the D.O. Wiley Selection Process to the Jurisdiction Committee
- Have the Chapters only turn in one Electronic Copy of the Application, instead of paper copies at time of Convention

During the Committee Block, Chapter Leadership met to review the Chapter Applications that were submitted from the eligible Chapters. After reviewing, the Committee created a list of questions that may allow the Chapters to share more insight beyond their Presentations:

1. How does your Chapter approach Recruitment within your Band Program?
2. How has your Chapter continued to adapt to emerging from COVID-19 restrictions?
3. Which of the Four Pillars do you believe your Chapter needs improvement on?
4. How does your Chapter deal with burnout within your Membership?

Both Alpha Psi and Rho represented themselves very well in their Presentations. The Committee would like to thank and recognize their hard work within the Award Candidacy Process. The Committee was very inspired and impressed with the way each Chapter has approached adversity during these unprecedented times. Following great discussions, the Chapter Leadership Committee then selected the 2022 Recipient of the D.O. Wiley Award. The Awarded Chapter of the 2022 D.O. Wiley Award is the Rho Chapter from Tulane University.

I would like to wholeheartedly thank the Members of the 2022 Chapter Leadership Committee for sharing their time and great discussions, your work is very much appreciated.

- Andrew Pearson - Rho
- Ethan Potts - Lambda
- Avery Laffoon - Eta Xi
- Neil Haas - Eta Xi
- Tyler Dennis - Delta Chi
- Felly Carrillo - Zeta Kappa
- Si'Yeed Anderson - Delta Psi

Charges to the 2022-2023 Southwest District Chapter Leadership Committee:

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- Have the Chapters only turn in one Electronic Copy of the Application, instead of paper copies at time of Convention

Charges to the 2022-2023 Southwest District Council:

- Promote and share eligibility to the Chapters of the District
- Establish Committees early to welcome Meetings prior to the Southwest District Convention

I would also like to thank our amazing Advisors, Brother Ed Savoy, National Vice President for Programs and Brother Clinton Wieden, Southwest District Governor for the amazing guidance they shared with the Chapter Leadership Committee, it is greatly appreciated.

Fraternally Submitted,

Patrick A. Caraveo

2022 Chapter Leadership Chair

2022 Alpha Chi President

2021-2022 Southwest District - Secretary/Treasurer

Appendix I: Nominations Committee Report

Brothers of the Southwest District,

The 2022 Nominations Committee was charged with the following:

- Review the 2021 Nominations Committee Report
- Review candidate packets and videos prior to first committee meeting
- Come up with a list of general questions in the first meeting as well as think of specific questions for candidates and/or the officer position, and as a group come up with criteria of what would be a positive recommendation for the district
- Prepare a slate of one candidate for each position that committee feels would benefit the district most. If the committee feels that no one candidate is most qualified then the committee can announce “no slate” for any or all offices
- Recommend and changes to the nominations/election process to the jurisdiction committee as needed.

We began by reviewing the 2021 Nominations Committee Report and Charges.

We continued our business by reviewing the candidates who submitted applications and determining if they were eligible as per the requirements laid out in the constitution. The committee determined that the following candidates were eligible to run for district office:

Davis Vaughn of the Lambda Chapter
Edgar Canales of the Lambda Chapter
Patrick Caraveo of the Alpha Chi Chapter
Mason Vincent of the Alpha Psi Chapter
Cyrus Jackson of the Alpha Psi Chapter
LiAndra Winfrey of the Epsilon Delta chapter

Once all candidates were deemed eligible to run for office, the committee set up an interview schedule for the candidates. During these interviews, each candidate was asked questions from a list of general questions predetermined by the committee. The general questions were:

1. What is your main objective and how do you plan to achieve it?
2. How would you collaborate with other members of the officer team?
3. How do you plan to communicate with the district?
4. What are your plans to make information / programs more accessible?
5. How would you manage your deadlines / organize your time?
6. Would you consider accepting a nomination for a different office if you are slated for another role?

Then, the committee members were given the floor to ask additional questions regarding the packet, position, or other relevant topics as they deemed necessary. Each candidate received adequate time to introduce themselves and answer all questions given.

Following the conclusion of the final interview the committee then discussed each candidate in depth. After much deliberation, the nominations committee was able to come to a final decision on our official recommendation for the district. The option to slate an office as “no slate” is available if the committee feels that no one candidate is most qualified.

*The 2022 Nominations Committee is pleased to present our Final
Recommendations for the 2022-2023 District Council:*

President: Patrick Caraveo
Vice President for Membership: Davis Vaughn
Vice President for Programs: Edgar Canales
Secretary-Treasurer: No Slate
Member-at-Large: Cyrus Jackson

The nominations committee would like to thank all of the candidates for their interest in running for the district office and all of their hard work.

The Committee would like to charge the 2023 Nominations Committee with the following:

- Review the 2022 Nominations Committee Report
- Review candidate packets and videos prior to first committee meeting
- Come up with a list of general questions in the first meeting as well as think of specific questions for candidates and/or the officer position, and as a group come up with criteria of what would be a positive recommendation for the district
- Prepare a slate of one candidate for each position that the committee feels would benefit the district most. If the committee feels that no one candidate is most qualified then the committee can announce “no slate” for any or all offices
- Recommend and change the nominations/election process to the jurisdiction committee as needed.

We would like to thank the members of the committee for their hard work and dedication to discussion and selection of candidates in the best interest of the fraternity. Those people Are:

- Justin Torres of the Alpha Chapter
- Emily Randolph of the Beta Lambda Chapter
- Christian Trice of the Delta Sigma Chapter
- Keith Partlow of the Epsilon Beta Chapter
- Kali Crist of the Iota Sigma Chapter
- Joshua Howard of the Epsilon Chi Chapter
- Rodney Terrell Jr. of the Epsilon Rho Chapter
- Christian Douglas of the Alpha Tau Chapter
- Millicent Williams of the Zeta Beta Chapter
- Jennifer Hitt of the Theta Nu Chapter

And our Advisors:

- Bang Co- National Vice President for Membership and Expansion
- Andy Melvin- Southwest District Governor

Fraternally Submitted,

Rachael Baca
2022 Nominations Committee Co-Chair
Gamma Iota Chapter, University of New Mexico

Krista Mckelvey
2022 Nominations Committee Co-Chair
Alpha Chapter, Oklahoma State University

Appendix J: Jurisdiction Committee Report

Committee Chair:

- Mason Vincent (SWD Vice President for Programs)

Committee Members:

- Heather Penton (Rho)
- Christopher Allen (Alpha Chi)
- Jack Swearingen (Delta)
- Adam Tudor (Zeta Xi)
- Sydney Aleegra (Lambda Kappa)
- Hope Smith (Gamma Phi)
- Sam Robinson (Theta Phi)
- Samantha Sauer (Alpha Psi)

Committee Advisors:

- Kennedy Struck (CFR)
- Eric Morson (Chair of BOT)

The 2022 Jurisdiction Committee was charged with the following:

- Continue to review the Southwest District Constitution and Policy Guide and compare with any changes to the National Constitution that may occur at the 2021 National Convention and Tau Beta Sigma Southwest District Constitution.
- Continue to review the effectiveness of the implementation of the two different documents.
- Continue to monitor the Policy Guide to ensure the policies align with the current district operations.

During this year's convention, the following actions took place:

- Reviewed the charges of the 2022 Jurisdiction Committee.
- Discussion was held to ensure that the Southwest District Convention and Policy Guide verbiage and terminology aligns with the current National Convention.

During the committee's meeting time, we read over, discussed and voted to pass the suggested changes to the policy guide and district constitution as a whole to be aligned with National Policies and changes adopted at the 2021 National Convention in Grand Rapids, MI.

Charges to the 2023 Jurisdiction Committee:

- Continue to review the effectiveness of the implementation of the two different documents.
- Continue to monitor the Policy guide to ensure the policies align with the current national guidelines and district operations.

Thank you to all my committee members and our advisors. I appreciate your support as we are navigating the first in person convention in years.

Fraternally Submitted,

Mason Vincent
2022 Jurisdiction Committee Chair
Alpha Psi Chapter President
2021-2022 Southwest District - Vice President for Programs

The following changes are being proposed to align with the national constitution and policy guides, bringing the district constitution inline with the national guidelines as far as host chapters and convention cites.

1.02

Change references to “colonies” to “petitioning groups.”

Rationale: consistency with changed national terminology

1.03

Remove “selection of District Convention hosts”

Rationale: reflect change in national policy regarding convention site selection

5.01 Change to:

A regularly-called District Convention shall be held every year. The location shall be determined by the District Governor(s) in conjunction with the Tau Beta Sigma Southwest District Counselor(s) in accordance with policies and procedures implemented by the National Headquarters and the National Councils of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma. The date of the convention shall be determined during the location selection process. Conventions shall be organized in accordance with the National Constitution.

Rationale: reflects change to national policy

5.03

Delete “and all chapters hosting the District Convention” Rationale: reflects change to national policy

7.02

Change “chairman” to “chair” Rationale: inclusive language

7.03

Delete “Convention Site”

Rationale: reflects change to national policy

The following changes are being proposed to the policy guide

2.7

Remove “grandfather”

Rationale: better clarification of editing duties

3.2

Change references to “colonization” to “expansion” and “colonies” to “petitioning groups”; update “National Vice President for Colonization and Membership” to “National Vice President for Membership and Expansion”

Rationale: consistency with changed national terminology

Reorder last line: At National Conventions, the Vice President for Membership shall act as Sergeant-At-Arms at the District Caucuses and be responsible for arranging meeting places if needed, unless

otherwise delegated to another Officer by the President.

Rationale: clarification and readability

4.2

Add to end: “Questions regarding packet requirements should be directed to the District Governor(s).”

Rationale: clarification of procedure

4.4

Change to:

All candidates for District Office must submit an electronic version of their approved packet to the chair and advisor(s) of the Nominations Committee, who shall then be responsible for distributing the packet to the remaining Committee members. The Committee shall review the packets to ensure candidates meet the eligibility requirements to serve as a District Officer and shall report on the eligibility of candidates to the District in advance of the Election. All candidates approved by the Nominations Committee shall be interviewed by the Committee; following the conclusion of all interviews, the Committee shall report a proposed slate of Officers to the District prior to the final regularly-scheduled separate business session of the District Convention, with no more than one candidate slated for each Office. All candidates slated for an Office are automatically nominated for election; additional candidates who have been approved by the Nominations Committee may be nominated from the floor by a seated delegate once the election process has begun. A motion to accept or adopt the slate as proposed by the Nominations Committee may be made; if unanimously approved, such motions shall elect all slated candidates to their respective Office. Such motions shall also result in any Offices recommended “no slate” being left vacant, to be filled by the application process after the conclusion of District Convention. If such a motion is made and is not unanimous, normal election procedure as outlined in the District Constitution shall commence for each Office.

Rationale: reflect changes to organization of committee meetings and execution of committee process

6.3 – Delete

6.4 – Delete

6.5 – Delete

6.6 – The District Council shall be required to notify all participating chapters sixty (60) days in advance concerning service charges and information concerning dates and planned activities of the District Convention as approved by the National Council.

Rationale: reflect changes in convention policy

6.7 – Delete

6.8 – Delete

6.9 – Change to: Registration fees should include a five (5) percent overage to cover any unexpected expenses that may arise.

6.10 – Delete

6.11 – Delete Renumber as necessary

Rationale: reflect changes in district convention site selection process

8.1

Delete description of Convention Site

Rationale: reflect changes in district convention site selection process

Change reference to “colonization” in Membership Committee description to “expansion” Rationale: consistency with changed national terminology

8.3

Remove “at District Convention.”

Rationale: reflect changes to committee process

8.4

Delete “the following,” end sentence at “begin their work.” Rationale: reflects changed committee process.

10.2

Add to end: Awards applications shall be created by the District Officers with approval of the District Governor(s).

Rationale: clarification

10.3

Delete current language

Rationale: changed district convention policy

NEW 10.3 If necessary, the District Officers may adjust requirements and deadlines for any awards applications in a given year with the approval of the District Governor(s). Any such adjustments shall be effective only for the given year and shall be publicized to chapters in advance.

Rationale: increased flexibility in eligibility if needed

10.5

Delete

Rationale: changes in costs to display materials; decreased submission rates; changes in popular methods to record chapter history; changes to district scrapbook and media to incorporate more chapter content

Appendix K: Final Collective Governor Report

Brothers of The Southwest District:

We are so thankful to have this convention in person this year! Thank you for showing up and being eager to be an integral and valuable part of this District. We hope that you have learned something this weekend and you take some knowledge back to your Chapters. Since this is our first year returning to in-person events, we implore you to communicate the importance of going to the events to your Brothers that were not able to attend, so that our 2023 Convention is even more impactful!

This Council has taken the task of returning to normal practices and have done well. To transfer all the typical practices and morph them into cyberspace was a challenging task to take on, returning to normal practices that have had to adapt to the “new normal” was arguably even more difficult. If it wasn’t for this District Council, this convention would not have been what it is today.

We have lost a lot of Chapters at the National Level, including two here in the Southwest, who have struggled with returning to in-person operations. Continue to meet adversity head on and take the challenge so you and your fellow chapter members can become stronger. Change is still occurring all around the Fraternity; be ready for the growth that will come from it and be willing to learn. Continue to provide feedback so that we can better cater and adapt the programs and events to you and your chapter members.

As many have said for the last two years, be sure to take time for yourself and if you need to call out for assistance, do so. It is the responsibility of our Brothers to lift each other up and support each other when needed.

Edgar, you have brought a warm presence and a spirit of connectivity to our team this year. It has been a pleasure to see you grow, and the ideas you’ve presented in trying to find new ways to reach Brothers across the District. Go Hogs, but more importantly - Beat Texas.

Patrick, this year has thrived off of your organization and energy. Your service-oriented spirit is one to admire. Continue to forge your own path and remember, you never know the true extent of your influence.

Mason, we appreciate the transparency you have brought to this Council. Thanks for having the trust in us to have real, vulnerable conversations. We hope that you will continue to positively shape those around you by being the truest version of yourself.

Emily, we appreciate your dedication and commitment to your council role this year while facing a myriad of personal goals, projects, and responsibilities at home. Your work on the Chapter Leadership Conference and Virtual Workshops this Spring allowed Chapters to learn many different ways to grow, serve, and improve their band programs. Thank you for your perseverance, and thank you for having the correct opinion that the Honey Habanero Kettle Cooked Lays are the superior variety of chips.

TJ, thank you for always presenting a positive and welcoming image of the Council to the District. Your direct and outspoken opinions are what make you a good leader. While juggling the challenges that life throws at you, be assured your legacy in the District has been secured. We would like to praise you on

your LITERAL tireless efforts. Our final Charges to you are as follows: take a nap, eat your veggies, hydrate, and GO. TO. SLEEP.

To The TBSigma Council, thank you for working alongside our Council Members with grace and collegiality. We wish each of you the best in your future endeavors!

The Counselors: Linnetta, while you have been a counselor-in-training this year, we are so excited to have your professionalism and perception added to our Team. Chelsea, we are grateful that you have joined our team this year! Thank you for giving us insight and support, especially on our areas of team improvement. Katie, it is always fun to collaborate with you, to share ideas, and to see the new perspectives you bring to the table. We look forward to you leading our Southwest Sisters to success in the future! Kathy, you have served steadfastly to both Sisters and Brothers of the District. Thank you for giving you time, energy, and closet space to the Southwest District. We are still planning on meeting at your house in July!

Respectfully Submitted.

AEA

Southwest District Governors:

- Lizzi Pineiro
- Andy Melvin
- Clinton Wieden