

Kappa Kappa Psi Southwest District Member @ Large

> Hunter Olden Delta

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HUNTER OLDEN LETTER OF INTENT

Brothers of the Southwest District,

I am honored to announce my candidacy for the Southwest District Member-at-Large position. Kappa Kappa Psi has given me a place to call home when the world seemed to have little hope. I was initiated into the Delta chapter in the spring of 2021 and I am so grateful to have been given an opportunity to serve the band organization that I dreamed about joining since ten years old. The fraternity has given me an avenue to not only continue to build on my love for music and service but to improve my leadership skills in ways I never thought possible.

I expanded my leadership skills by serving as the Delta chapter's Member-at-Large during the 2022-2023 year. Additionally, I gained immense love for the purposes and pillars of the organization while promoting brotherhood events for the active chapter. This experience gave me an opportunity to create meaningful connection and collaboration with the Delta $TB\Sigma$ Vice President of Sisterhood for joint Delta chapter events. It also gave me experience in designing event graphics and sharing those with the executive committee to foster engagement in a large chapter.

While at the 2023 Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention, I discovered my desire to serve at a higher level and my passion to become more involved with Kappa Kappa Psi and the Southwest District. Attending this convention reinvigorated my love and dedication to Kappa Kappa Psi and encouraged me to branch out from the Delta chapter. I am excited to strive for a more involved leadership role within the fraternity.

I have been given many opportunities to make friends across chapters within the Southwest District and the nation. I am incredibly grateful for the experiences and friendships that have evolved from meeting brothers in settings from football games to convention to social media. My pursuit of this council position is inspired by the brotherly bond and encouragement I feel not only from the Delta chapter but also my brothers from afar.

During my term, if elected, I will play an active role in connecting chapters and active brothers across the district to strengthen the bond that holds this fraternity together. Thank you for reading through my platform and considering me for the Southwest District Council.

AEA,

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Education

2020-Expected May 2025

Bachelors of Science in Sociology-Criminology University of Oklahoma

Skills

- Time management
- Critical/Analytical thinking
- Adaptability
- Organizational social media
- Interpersonal communication
- Professionalism

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- 2023 Kappa Kappa Psi National Convention (Orlando)
- 2023 Southwest District
 Leadership Conference (Denton)
- 2024 Southwest District Area Workshop (Norman)

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Relevant Experience

O Pride of Oklahoma Section Social Media Manager 2023-2024

I gained experience managing the Pride of Oklahoma Flute Instagram in the 2023 marching season alongside a section mate. We coordinated the gameday Instagram story takeovers and created posts capturing our gameday/trip experiences as the Pride. Through this experience, I familiarized myself with Canva and maintained a consistent posting schedule with specific deadlines highlight all members of the section.

O Delta Member @ Large

I served as the Delta chapter's Member @ Large during the 2022-2023 school year. My officer role was responsible for:

- Fostering the brotherhood pillar by organizing brotherhood events
- Acting as the voice of the active chapter to the executive committee
- Closely coordinating with our Brotherhood Relations Officer to highlight our brothers on social media

This position was very rewarding and I am proud of the efforts of my committee and myself to strengthen brotherhood in the Delta chapter and coordination with other musical organizations.

Pride of Oklahoma Squad Leadership 2022-2023

I had the honor of serving on the Pride of Oklahoma leadership team. The position allowed me to gain experience in time management, effective and clear communication with section mates, and discover new styles of leadership. Serving as a leader of the Pride allowed me to appreciate the joys and pressures of serving a large organization.

History and Traditions committee 2023-2024

This year I have worked with the Delta Historian and the History and Traditions committee to record and share the history of the Delta chapter. I have truly enjoyed my time creating memorable documents for the Delta chapter including shadow box decoration and creating scrapbooks for graduating seniors.



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Additional experience

Zeta Mu Class MC@L Spring 2021 Membership Committee

Fall 2021-Spring 2022
Brotherhood Committee
Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Pride of Oklahoma Uniform Team Fall 2021-Current

Financial Affairs Committee Fall 2023-Spring 2024

Work Experience

Part-Time Barista at Starbucks

July 2022-Current

Current employment at Starbucks building on interpersonal communication skills, attention to detail, task adaptability and positive collaboration with partners. Additional required abilities include ensuring workspace organization, food safety, cash handling, and creating a memorable connection for high volumes of guests every day.

Moore Police Department Internship

May 2024-August 2024

I will be a volunteer intern with Moore PD for the 2024 summer working in several different aspects of police/detective work to gain real world experience in the criminal investigation field. I am very excited for this opportunity to gain professional workplace skills.

Student Cashier at OU Fitness Center/OU Swim Complex May 2022-July 2022

I had dual employment for the Sarkey's Fitness Center and Murray Case Sells Swim Complex during the summer of 2022. This experience allowed me to learn effective communication with management and student teams that I had to coordinate with each day. I also learned how to appropriately record keep to maintain accuracy and organization of key documents.



Social Media

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Instagram/Facebook

Continuation :

- Provide information about SWD events, progress reports/deadlines, and event countdowns.
- Coordinate Instagram/Facebook story takeovers for game days, service projects, and district events.

Implementation :

- During the months that we focus on our pillars, I want to coordinate with chapter social media or brotherhood officers to spotlight active brothers around the district for their excellence in exhibiting the pillars of Kappa Kappa Psi.
- Create posts that (re-)educate and preserve Kappa Kappa Psi's history on a chapter, district, and national level.
- Strive to highlight all 52 chapters in the district at least once on SWD social media
 - Through story takeovers, chapter history posts, pillar spotlights, or personal stories from active brothers about their journey in Kappa Kappa Psi.

↑ Goals: Discord

- I would like to get the SWD Discord officially functional and utilized.
- Have announcement and official communication channels for chapters across the district
 - Have at least one officer from every chapter on the Discord for easy access to links, emails, and messaging with the SWD council.
- Include interest channels so that brothers across the district can connect with one another over sports, video games, music interests, hobbies, etc.
- I would like to include a space for people to ask questions to the SWD council or the Governors.
- I would like to give brothers in the SWD an opportunity to voice their opinions, suggestions, and contribute to Southwest's goals.
 - Nomination of a brother for a pillar spotlight for example.

X (Twitter)

Implementation:

- Use this account to promote district events, New ALTO, and projects that the SWD council will be working on during the 2024-2025 term.
 - If unable to gain access to the current Twitter/X account, I would look into creating a new account tied to the SWD M@L email.

∆ Goals: YouTube

- Document district events such as SWD convention in a video blog format where we capture the candid experience and have attendee interviews during the events.
- Create informational videos about district leadership roles, both council and governor, to
 educate chapters on what specifically these positions do. This tool can be especially helpful
 for chapter VPMs to utilize in educational settings or interested district council candidates.
 - I would request SWD officers to record these videos on their own time with a series of questions to answer that I would discuss with the officer before we begin the project.
- This can also be a great way to talk about the Strive for Five campaign and other goals that Kappa Kappa Psi has for this biennium.
 - Gaining access to this platform may also be an issue, I will look into resolving this to the best of my abilities as MAL.

Platform

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SWD History

Southwest District history is incredibly important to document, not only for reference on what the National fraternity has achieved, but also for recording memorable moments for both actives and alumni to reminisce and retell for decades after their college and band experience.

Goals:

- Create a digital scrapbook to capture Southwest District history that includes anything from events to business issues.
- In addition to posting historical content on our SWD social media, I would like to post historical highlights in Discord for re-education and discussion of significance in a private setting.
- Using Discord, if there are significant changes made in official forums, I will create session recaps from the minutes so that the District can reference them at any point and understand the significance of the changes made. I would like to work with the Secretary/Treasurer to create an informational guide detailing:
 - What the issue was?
 - What the change was and why?
 - How that will contribute to our purposes and pillars?
 - How will this impact chapter operations?
- I would also create a Google Drive for these historical materials that can transferred to officers in the future.
- In a digital age, we have to ensure the accessibility of these materials so that anyone in the district can learn more about our history whenever they would like to!

SWD Traditions

The promotion of Southwest District traditions among the active chapter and brotherhood is important for enthusiastic and knowledgeable participation in events, awards, and brotherly spirit.

♦ Goals:

- Upon the conclusion of award ceremonies at District Convention, I want to post pictures of the awarded chapters on social media along with a caption that details the award's purpose
- Monthly Andy the Armadillo updates from the awarded chapter to get chapters excited about our district traditions.
 - Similarly to a class pet/Flat Stanley diary!
- On Discord and on the SWD website, we could include in depth reference guides for each of the awards so that chapters can prepare appropriately for District Awards as new executive councils take office and membership candidates enter the active chapter.
- Who doesn't love healthy competition? I think we could promote and encourage participation in events and awards if they were marketed as a competition. For example, how many brothers from one chapter can we get to attend the Texas area workshop?
- I look forward to collaborating on finding fun ways to engage the District in participating in these events! I believe that having a Discord server and personal connections across the District will influence brothers to become more involved on a district level.

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Communication

Communication is undoubtedly an important factor in any leadership team. My leadership experiences thus far has improved my communication styles and made me feel more confident in working in a teamwork setting.

Goals:

- I will be in frequent communication with my fellow council members through one-on-one communication, group communication, and the use of email for official channels including the Governors when needed.
- It is key that the district council discusses their duties as well as specific goals for the term at the first meetings, post-convention.
- If elected, I want to ask each member of the council what they will need from me to ensure their goals are mutually achievable.
 - It is my belief that on a team, the goal of one individual should be the goal of all the members of the team.

Alumni Relations

In addition to coordination with the Southwest District Council, the Governors, and the active chapters within the Southwest District, it is imperative to maintain a positive relationship with the SWDAA. I am very excited to work with alumni and communicate what the active body of the Southwest District is doing as well as reaching out to alumni for potential projects!

Projects:

- Leading up to the SWD convention and other events, I would like to have a short interview series about alumni memories from past conventions that we will post on YouTube and Instagram Reels to encourage attendance.
- I also would love to get alumni involved in re-telling Kappa Kappa Psi history or their personal journey in the fraternity to make our social media more meaningful for the organization.
 - All actives will turn into alumni and perhaps hearing advice and stories from current alumni will encourage actives to remain involved and cherish the moments they have before graduation.
 - This idea depends on alumni engagement in the project however the time commitment will be simply 5-10 minutes for an interview/personal video. I would give interested alumni the option to meet over Zoom, in person (if possible), or to record a video on their own time with a short list of questions or a topic to talk about.



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February 29, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to write this recommendation in support of Hunter Olden, an applicant for the Southwest District Council – Member at Large position. Hunter has been a four-year member and leader in The Pride of Oklahoma Marching Band, the Sooner Campus Band, and the Sound of the Sooners Basketball Band. Being an active member of The Pride of Oklahoma requires a tremendous commitment of time. Hunter has managed to fully commit herself to the Pride while still managing to distinguish herself as a strong student and a well-rounded person, being named to the President's Honor Roll (Spring 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023), and to the Dodge College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Honor Roll (Spring 2021-Fall 2023). I have had numerous opportunities to interact with Hunter both inside and outside of rehearsal and in all cases I have been most impressed with her as a student and a person.

Hunter Olden is a highly dedicated, full invested, servant leader. As a result, Hunter has been an outstanding contributor to our collective success as an organization. She can always be counted upon to be on time, in a positive frame of mind, and prepared to contribute to the success of the rehearsal every day. Hunter's attention to detail, positive outlook and kind nature have made her a popular member of the flute section and distinguished her as a leader among her peers, who she served as a squad leader and social media manager during the 2023 season. Additionally, Hunter served her peers as a Uniform representative for the flute section, helping ensure that her fellow flutists' uniforms were always in good repair and looking their best.

In addition to her regular band responsibilities, Hunter is a member and has served as an officer of Delta Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi. Through her involvement in Delta Chapter, Hunter has further developed the qualities of a servant leader, assisting with logistical tasks on game days and while traveling, thereby making the band function more effectively and providing a more positive experience for all of its members. Additionally, Hunter has served as Member at Large, attended the 2023 National Convention in Orlando, the District Leadership Conference in Denton, and the District Area workshop in Norman earlier this month.



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In summary, Hunter Olden is a mature, caring, intelligent, and hard-working young woman with a servant's heart. She is an excellent self-directed student and team member, manages her time well, and is devoted to making the lives of those around her better. As a former KKY SW district Governor, I believe that Hunter is EXACTLY the type of person who is ready to serve KKY at the district level. I am pleased to offer Hunter Olden my very highest personal recommendation for the Southwest District Council – Member at Large position. Thank you for your time and consideration of her application!

Sincerely,

Brian A. Britt

Associate Dean – Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts Director of Athletic Bands | Gene Braught Chair in Music ---

Southwest District Kappa Kappa Psi

February 16, 2024

Members of the Southwest District,

I am writing to enthusiastically recommend Hunter Olden for the position of Member-at-Large for the Southwest District of Kappa Kappa Psi. I've had the privilege of knowing Ms. Olden for four years, during which time she has consistently impressed me with her dedication and leadership abilities. Ms. Olden's involvement in various musical ensembles, including the Pride of Oklahoma Marching Band, Sound of the Sooners Basketball Band, and Sooner Campus Band, has showcased her exceptional talent and commitment. Additionally, her active participation in Kappa Kappa Psi events, where she currently serves as Member-at-Large, has provided her with valuable experience and insight into the responsibilities of this role.

One of Ms. Olden's standout qualities is her strong academic record, which reflects her well-rounded skill set and dedication to both academic and extracurricular pursuits. Her extensive experience in the Pride of Oklahoma Marching Band has equipped her with the necessary skills to excel in the role of Member-at-Large for the Southwest District. Ms. Olden's platform for Member-at-Large demonstrates her vision for enhancing cross-chapter communication and fostering leadership at both the district and national levels. Her focus on service and commitment to the fraternity's success are evident in her thoughtful plans for communication and historical preservation within the Southwest District.

I am particularly impressed by Ms. Olden's goal of highlighting the rich history of the Southwest district, as this reflects her appreciation for the fraternity's legacy and the contributions of past members. Her initiative in bridging the past and present will undoubtedly contribute to the continued success and growth of the district.

In conclusion, it is with great confidence and enthusiasm that I recommend Hunter Olden for the position of Southwest District Member-at-Large. Her dedication, leadership abilities, and passion for the fraternity make her an ideal candidate for this role.

AEA,

Brian T. Wolfe

Assistant Director of Bands The University of Oklahoma To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you today to wholeheartedly recommend Hunter Olden for the position of Southwest District Member-at-Large. As the President of the Delta chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi at the University of Oklahoma, I have had the pleasure of serving alongside Hunter, who has proved herself to be an invaluable asset to our chapter.

During her tenure as a member of our executive committee, Hunter made a significant impact not only in her official role but also in the overall spirit and cohesiveness of our brotherhood. She has been instrumental in organizing and executing numerous social events that have brought our members closer together and created a strong sense of camaraderie and unity within our chapter. Our 'Brotherhood Cup' tradition, a cornerstone of our chapter's identity, has been enriched by Hunter's innovative ideas and tireless dedication.

Her tenacity, creativity, and organization skills were on display during these events, often resulting in unforgettable memories that will forever be a part of our chapter's legacy. Hunter has a unique ability to motivate and inspire others, qualities that have been paramount to the success of our events and initiatives.

In addition to her remarkable leadership skills, Hunter possesses a profound understanding of the values that Kappa Kappa Psi holds dear. Through her actions and words, she consistently embodies the ideals of musicianship, leadership, and service, and she inspires those around her to do the same. Given her extensive experience, dedication, and passion for our fraternity, I am confident that Hunter is well-prepared to take on the role of Southwest District Member-at-Large. We believe that Hunter would not only excel in this position but also make significant strides in continuing to advance the mission of Kappa Kappa Psi on a district level.

I have no doubt that Hunter will bring the same level of commitment, creativity, and leadership to the Southwest District as she has to our Delta chapter. I wholeheartedly recommend her for this position and am excited to see the positive impact she will undoubtedly make.

Thank you for considering my recommendation. If you have any further questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Brooklynn Briles

Brooklynn Briles President, Delta Chapter Kappa Kappa Psi, University of Oklahoma

