

## Southwest District Kappa Kappa Psi Council Meeting Minutes | May 18th, 2025

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### Meeting Information

#### 1. Council Member List:

- Tyler Slough - *President*
- Sam Whitaker - *Vice President for Leadership Development*
- Roman Beames - *Vice President for Programs*
- Caitlyn Colca - *Secretary/Treasurer*
- Jess Pearce - *Member at Large*
- Lizzi Pineiro - *Governor*
- Kadeem Sabari - *Governor*
- Andy Melvin - *Governor*

#### 2. Absences:

- Jess Pearce - *Member at Large*
- Lizzi Pineiro - *Governor*

#### 3. Start Time: May, 18th, 7:05 PM

#### 4. End Time: May, 18th, 7:42 PM

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### Officer Reports

#### 1. Member at Large Report

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#### 2. Secretary/Treasurer Report

- a. Been working on adding the new updates to the policy guide from convention, I made an editable version to keep in the google drive for future updates. Just need some assistance on one portion of it then it's ready to upload to the website.

i. [2025-2026-Southwest-District-Constitution-Policy-Guide](#)

- b. In my application for this position I talked about wanting to add a section to the updates on paperwork showing overall SWD numbers (As a way to make it seem more like a group effort), should I talk to Jess about adding it to the instagram posts or would we want to put it on the website or do we not like this idea...Also if we do like it we could do something similar for who's filled out the proxy form/who's contacted there district officer

i. Here is what one updated for today's numbers would look like: [SWD SAR Stats](#)

#### 3. Vice President for Programs Report

- a. Not many responses (1) on the CAG form yet, may need to reup? instagram/discord reminders? Literally free money please apply
- b. Gonna reach out to my TBS friend to see if we can start talking about New ALTO things :) she was reelected from last year so that will make things easier, gonna pitch my ideas to her
- i. She'll be in Norman on Tuesday, so we're gonna meet and yap
- c. What do we do if chapters are not as responsive to emails?
- i. Lizzi suggested texting/calling presidents, will do this for my chapters in the red for SAR
- d. My surgery is this Thursday (as long as I don't get postponed 🙏🙏), will not be available for at least this week

#### **4. Vice President for Leadership Development Report**

- a. First SAC Meeting was had! Lots of fun questions and discussions getting to know everyone, and talks about the brotherhood activity at NatCon!!
- b. I have been in contact with my TBS counterpart and we are beginning to discuss different workshop ideas. We both want to plan all of these things out as soon as possible in order to minimize headaches later on in the term, which is why we are starting on this now!
- c. I have been looking into the amusement park meetups throughout the district like I had mentioned last meeting. I can also look into group pricing if we want to pursue this idea (or I could look at ones in other areas depending on what we were wanting).
  - i. Oklahoma Area - Frontier City (OKC) is \$35-\$40 before taxes.
  - ii. (North) Central Texas Area - Six Flags Over Texas (Arlington) is \$35-\$50 before taxes.
  - iii. Louisiana/South Texas Area- Six Flags Fiesta Texas (San Antonio) is \$35-\$50 before taxes.
  - iv. New Mexico/West Texas Area - Western Playland Amusement Park is \$30 before taxes.
- d. Got three responses from my initial outreach (Rho, Gamma Sigma, and Beta Gamma)! I emailed about the upcoming deadlines earlier today.
- e. Life Updates: I have been super busy recently with a May semester class, moving into an apartment, getting my apartment set up, and it's been a lot but I've been trying to keep on top of things! If I've missed anything, please let me know and I'll work on it ASAP!

#### **5. President Report**

- a. Had my FIRST Student Advisory Committee meeting!!!
  - i. For anyone that wasn't there, the meeting is overall discussing important subjects and getting opinions on things. It also included me giving a report on what we as a council are doing for the SWD.
- b. I have updated the "Officer Assignments" to now include the new Lambda Pi chapter at the University of Texas at Tyler. I just need to know which governor is overlooking this chapter.
- c. Got back a few responses from some chapters for the chapter check-ins. Other than that I haven't heard back from any more chapters.
  - i. Sending another one out later this week!
- d. I had my first meeting with my counterpart Natalie and we discussed the idea for the introduction slides. We are talking about setting up another meeting very soon to discuss more district things and about the convention.
- e. In my platform for this position I wanted to have a one-on-one meeting with everyone so that we can discuss your goals for your position. Be expecting a text or email soon so that we can schedule this!! I have been thinking about what questions I would like to ask and am currently making a google doc with all the information.
- f. I am also thinking about different things for the next SWD Convention. Such as name badge ribbons, stickers, badge design. I'm thinking of ways to make it more fun and exciting for brothers when they do show up.
  - i. This also includes themes for the convention. I'm still thinking about the main possible theme for the convention. This includes how we have done it in the past where each day is a random thing and a new thing of having the days branch off from the main theme.
- g. Finally, tomorrow I will be sending out another crabfit or some sort of link so that we can find a consistent meeting time throughout the summer.

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## Governor Reports

### 6. Lizzi Pineiro

- a. Apologies that I'm still not able to attend - hopefully the next one works 😊
- b. DWYSYWD "do what you said you would do"
  - i. Uphold yourself to a higher standard of accountability
- c. SWD VPLD I have not forgotten our meeting, just incredibly busy and will reach out to you before the end of the week!
- d. SAR Graphics will be posted daily from now on
  - i. Please take the initiative to reach out to your chapters that have not completed them vs waiting for a governor to tell you to reach out to them
- e. Continue to push the NatCon Delegate/Proxy form too
  - i. Only 10 of our 46 chapters have done this (20%)

### 7. Kadeem Sabari

- a. As you heard, a big push from the National Organizations is to get students and chapters back to attending our events! Please make sure you are staying in contact with your chapters and trying to encourage them to attend! If it's a chapter that you aren't sure has historically attended in recent years, try to start a conversation surrounding convention and the value that it can bring. The Govs can be great resources for talking points, if needed.
- b. Important data from NVPME, Southwest is the largest total number of students and the goal for us this biennium is to make sure our events reflect that.
  - i. We were the district that had the lowest percentage of chapters having a delegate represented at convention. With there being a 20% gap between the next district.
  - ii. With this information in mind and in combination with the council goal of being more front facing, be intentional about your conversations. The students want their voices to be heard and going to convention is the main way to do it.
- c. It's going to be a busy summer for me, I fear. So let's hope I survive.

### 8. Andy Melvin

- a. Who is going to NatCon?
  - i. ALL OF US!!!!
- b. National Noms Committee Updates
  - i. Slate from the national Noms Committee will be coming out before June 15th.
  - ii. Do your best to stay neutral as a District Council member on the candidates
- c. We are close to having a signature / commitment for our 2026 SWD convention location. Will likely be able to share at next meeting, if not before
- d. Intentional communication
  - i. Make sure your communication encourages people to response and to form relationships

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## District Business

Meeting Adjourned: 7:42 PM