

## **Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity**

### *Call for Grand Council Candidates Announcement*

The Grand Council of Delta Sigma Phi serves as the board of directors of the Fraternity. Given the need for increased accountability in the not-for-profit sector, the Grand Council has transitioned itself from being merely an operations oversight and approval body to becoming a more classic board of directors in role and function. Its primary responsibility is to ensure the future relevance, viability and prosperity of the Fraternity by engaging in the following activities:

- Setting a long-term direction and vision and guiding the fraternity towards the realization of that vision.
- Performing strategic planning and analysis of the factors, forces and trends impacting the fraternity, the Greek system and American colleges and universities.
- Establishing broad fraternity-wide policies.
- Overseeing and reviewing the performance of the Executive Director.
- Serving as the custodian of the fraternity's financial condition, the strength of its balance sheet, and the investment of its assets. Also, the Grand Council is involved in overall financial planning, as well as the approval and monitoring of the annual operating budget.
- Being official representatives of the fraternity in ceremonial and ritualistic roles and at various chapter and alumni events.

It is equally important to clarify what the Grand Council does not do:

- Does not supervise the day-to-day operations of the Fraternity headquarters staff.
- Does not deal directly with chapters and individual brothers on policy violations or disciplinary actions except in those instances specifically stipulated in the Constitution and Bylaws.

The Grand Council is currently composed of seven alumni members and two undergraduate members, and is elected at-large by the Biennial Convention of the Fraternity. There is no specific regional representation on the Grand Council. The intent is to allow the Convention to choose the best and most capable men without a mandatory regard to geographic location.

At the 2007 National Convention, undergraduate and alumni delegates voted to amend the Fraternity's Constitution increasing the size of the Grand Council to nine, by adding an appointed undergraduate member effective July 1, 2008.

Grand Council members serve as volunteers and receive no compensation for their work for the Fraternity. They earn their living through their professional occupation. Grand Council members are not eligible to hold positions in a local chapter or colony.

The Grand Council meets either in person or by teleconference a number of times per year. In addition, Grand Council members may be asked to represent the Fraternity at certain ceremonial and/or special events, and other selected fraternity programs and functions each year.

In order to promote the perpetuation of Delta Sigma Phi, properly discharge his duties, and effectively represent the fraternity's more than 75,000 living brothers, a Grand Council member must meet the basic requirements outlined in the Bylaws of the Fraternity and have the following desirable qualifications:

- Be visionary and forward thinking.
- Have a solid understanding of the needs and concerns of undergraduate and alumni members.
- Be a positive, polished and professional representative of the Fraternity.
- Possess a good comprehension of financial and liability related matters.
- Have the time available to perform the expected duties.
- Have a diversified and extensive combination of "real world" business, not-for-profit, management and leadership experience.
- Demonstrate a pronounced devotion to Delta Sigma Phi through considerable participation and involvement as an alumnus and an undergraduate brother.

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If you are interested in serving on the Grand Council, you must meet the following eligibility requirements.

Eligibility for alumni candidates:

- Be an initiated member of the Fraternity;
- Have a baccalaureate degree or higher from an accredited four year institution;
- Be at least thirty years of age;
- Submit a personal statement explaining why he wishes to fill the position of Member of the Grand Council;
- Submit the above information to the Executive Director with a postmark date no later than Friday, March 20, 2009.

Eligibility for undergraduate candidates:

- Be an initiated member of the Fraternity;
- Be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher education;
- Be in good standing with the National Headquarters and the local chapter of which he is a member;
- Have a grade point average equivalent to at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- Remain an undergraduate for at least one year from the date of election;
- Submit a personal statement explaining why he wishes to fill the position of Undergraduate Member of the Grand Council;
- Submit the above information and an official transcript to the Executive Director with a postmark date no later than Friday, March 20, 2009.

**Candidate statements should be postmarked no later than March 20, 2009 and sent to:**

**Nominating Committee  
c/o Scott D. Wiley, Executive Director  
Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity  
1331 North Delaware Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46202**