



Report of the Activities of the National Executive Committee

(July 2018 - December 2018)

by National President Mark R. Lichtenberg

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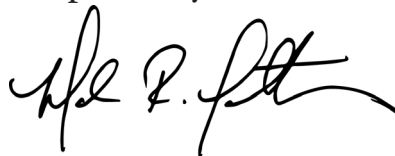
Dear Brothers,

It is my pleasure to report to you the actions of the National Executive Committee since the Convention in New Orleans in July 2018.

The NEC met on July 17, 2018, October 26-28, 2018, November 27, 2018 via telephone conference, and December 29, 2018. As is the case at the beginning of each triennium, much of the content of these meetings was board orientation, reports on things that are in progress or on the horizon, review of the policies of the Fraternity, and the ratification of appointments.

This report shares only the actions of the NEC that would be relevant or of interest to the general member and is not intended to represent every discussion which occurred during the meetings of the NEC.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark R. Lichtenberg
National President

APPOINTMENTS

National Historian

John Mongiovi

Finance Committee

Mark Lichtenberg, John Israel, David Fidler II

This committee is charged as follows:

- Consider unusual expenditures and other financial decisions at the discretion of the Executive Director and/or National President.
- Other duties as assigned by the National President or by referral from the National Executive Committee.

Commission on Standards

Matt Koperniak, Chairman/NEC Representative,
Josh Smialek, PG,
Daniel Drake, collegiate member,
Erick Reid,
Nathan Schulte,
Darrien Simmons

In addition to the duties listed in the *National Constitution & Bylaws*, this committee is charged as follows:

- Exploring the possibility of expanding the COS to include two subcommittees, one of which would primarily deal with disciplinary issues and one which would primarily deal with colony and chapter development. The COS should report to the NEC descriptions of how this structure would function in a practical sense and recommendations on the feasibility of its implementation.
- Other duties as assigned by the National President or by referral from the National Executive Committee.

NEC Member SEF Trustees

Mark Lichtenberg, John Israel, Jyron Joseph

Awards Committee

Jyron Joseph, Karl Paulnack, Jule Streety

This committee is charged as follows:

- Review submitted applications for Signature Sinfonian and Volunteer of the Year awards and make recommendations for consideration by the National Executive Committee.

(NOTE: National Citation, National Honorary, and Man of Music awards will be fully considered by the entire NEC)

- Other duties as assigned by the National President or by referral from the National Executive Committee.

Special Committee on Remote Participation in Meetings

J.D. Cain, Tom Florent, Jyron Joseph,
Michael Moreau

This committee is charged as follows:

- Review all details about the appropriateness and procedures necessary to potentially allow for members to participate in Fraternity meetings via teleconference or similar communications in certain circumstances.
- Review NCP56-10, Sections 2-9 and submit a revised legislative proposal, if necessary, to the NEC by January 1, 2019.

APPOINTMENTS

All Province Governors and Deputy Province Governors are appointed by the National President at the beginning of each new triennium.

Province 1 – New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, Connecticut

Eric Engelhardt, Province Governor - pg1@sinfonia.org

Province 2 – Michigan, Northern Ohio

David Friday, Province Governor - pg2@sinfonia.org

Chris Reed, Deputy Province Governor - dpg2@sinfonia.org

Province 3 – Ohio

Christopher Nichter, Province Governor - pg3@sinfonia.org

Jaz Bluhm, Deputy Province Governor - dpg3@sinfonia.org

Province 4 – Arkansas

William Weaver, Province Governor - pg4@sinfonia.org

Brett Davis, Deputy Province Governor - dpg4@sinfonia.org

Province 5 – Southern Illinois, Southeastern Missouri, Southeastern Indiana

Ben Luttrull, Province Governor - pg5@sinfonia.org

Nick Kenney, Deputy Province Governor - dpg5@sinfonia.org

Province 6 – Nebraska, Western Iowa

Brett Lyon, Province Governor - pg6@sinfonia.org

Province 7 – Kansas, Colorado

Paden Town, Province Governor - pg7@sinfonia.org

Province 8 – Oklahoma

Eric Pennello, Province Governor - pg8@sinfonia.org

Province 9 – Southern Texas

Matthew Treviño, Province Governor - pg9@sinfonia.org

David Irving, Deputy Province Governor - dpg9@sinfonia.org

Province 11 – Northern California and Northern Nevada

Mack McGrannahan, Province Governor - pg11@sinfonia.org

Allen Haugh, Deputy Province Governor - dpg11@sinfonia.org

Province 12 – Eastern Tennessee, Extreme Western Virginia

Mark Collins, Sr., Province Governor - pg12@sinfonia.org

Gabriel Lajas, Deputy Province Governor - dpg12@sinfonia.org

Province 13 – Southern and Central Florida

David Schreier, Province Governor - pg13@sinfonia.org
J.D. Cain, Deputy Province Governor - dpg13@sinfonia.org

Province 14 – Louisiana

Tavell Kindall, Province Governor - pg14@sinfonia.org

Province 15 – Middle, West Tennessee and Western Kentucky

Philip Autry, Province Governor - pg15@sinfonia.org
Brandon Hayes, Deputy Province Governor - dpg15@sinfonia.org

Province 16 – Northern Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Northern South Dakota

Alan LaFave, Province Governor - pg16@sinfonia.org

Province 18 – Virginia

David Davis, Province Governor - pg18@sinfonia.org
Kamron Blue, Deputy Province Governor - dpg18@sinfonia.org

Province 19 – Missouri

John Israel, Province Governor - pg19@sinfonia.org
Jayson Moll, Deputy Province Governor - dpg19@sinfonia.org

Province 20 – North Carolina

Michael Jenkins, Province Governor - pg20@sinfonia.org
Jeremy Lea, Deputy Province Governor - dpg20@sinfonia.org

Province 21 – Central and Eastern Pennsylvania

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Province 22 – Southern California and Southern Nevada

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Province 23 – Northwestern Texas, Eastern New Mexico

Edward Kahler, Province Governor - pg23@sinfonia.org

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J. Andrew Owen, Province Governor - pg24@sinfonia.org

Province 25 – Central and Eastern Kentucky, and Western West Virginia

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Province 26 – Iowa, Northwestern Illinois, Southern Minnesota

Calvin Van Niewaal, Province Governor - pg26@sinfonia.org
Jordan Leckband, Deputy Province Governor - dpg26@sinfonia.org

Province 27 – Northern Virginia, Eastern West Virginia, Eastern Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia

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Province 28 – Northern and Central Indiana

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Province 29 – Southeastern Minnesota, Wisconsin, Northern Michigan

Matthew Blasinski, Province Governor - pg29@sinfonia.org

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Province 30 – South Carolina, Eastern Georgia

Kyle Coleman, Province Governor - pg30@sinfonia.org

Montez Aiken, Deputy Province Governor - dpg30@sinfonia.org

Province 32 – North Central and Northeast Texas

Kevin McNerney, Province Governor - pg32@sinfonia.org

Province 33 – Northern and Central Georgia

Wesley Taylor, Province Governor - pg33@sinfonia.org

Matthew Everhart, Deputy Province Governor - dpg33@sinfonia.org

Province 34 – Alabama

Adam Bernick, Province Governor - pg34@sinfonia.org

Province 35 – Arizona, New Mexico, Extreme West Texas

Gordon Zaft, Province Governor - pg35@sinfonia.org

Stephen Bliss, Deputy Province Governor - dpg35@sinfonia.org

Province 36 – Northern Florida, Southern Georgia

Wesley Babcock, Province Governor - pg36@sinfonia.org

Province 37 – Northern and Central Illinois

Christopher Yung, Province Governor - pg37@sinfonia.org

Justin Lee, Deputy Province Governor - dpg37@sinfonia.org

Province 38 – Idaho, Oregon, Washington

Douglas Evans, Province Governor - pg38@sinfonia.org

Province 39 – Central West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania, Western Maryland

Nathan Boone, Province Governor - pg39@sinfonia.org

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Province 40 – Southeastern Texas

Erick Reid, Province Governor - pg40@sinfonia.org

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ALUMNI PROGRAM

A document entitled “Recommended Activity Guidelines for Area Alumni Associations” was adopted. This brief document was the outgrowth of work which took place during the last triennium and was informed by the results of a survey of AAA Presidents and a task force consisting of Brothers Gary Bryant, Ryan Case, and Miguel Savignon.

CEREMONIES

The Chapter Day Ceremony was amended to add the song “Alma Mater” from the 1914 songbook as an optional song prior to the President’s last statement in the Ceremony. Thanks go to Brother John Brian Heath for suggesting this change.

REVIEW OF NEC-DETERMINED FEES

The initiation materials fees were set at \$60 for the Basic Initiation Package, \$135 for Upgrade #1, and \$220 for Upgrade #2, effective August 1, 2019. These changes represent modest increases and were made due to increased costs from the suppliers of the materials. This will increase the total initiation fee for the Basic Initiation Package to \$160, for Upgrade #1 to \$235, and for Upgrade #2 to \$320.

TOTAL FEES OVERVIEW	
BASIC INITIATION PACKAGE MATERIALS (Effective Aug. 1, 2019)	\$60
INITIATION PACKAGE UPGRADE #1 MATERIALS (Effective Aug. 1, 2019)	\$135
INITIATION PACKAGE UPGRADE #2 MATERIALS (Effective Aug. 1, 2019)	\$220
INSURANCE FEE	\$24.00 Annually
APPEALS FEE	\$35.00 (Discretionary)
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION ADMINISTRATION FEE	\$75.00 Annually
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CHARTER FEE	\$100.00
COLONY APPLICATION FEE	\$250.00
COLONY CHARTER FEE	\$250.00

POLICIES

The NEC reviewed all policies of the Fraternity and approved changes to some. A narrative description of the changes to those policies that are relevant to the general member is included below. All policies are reviewed and approved by the NEC at the beginning of each triennium. Revision dates reflect the date of the last significant revision, but do not reflect the review or approval dates of the policy. A revision date prior to October 31, 2018 does not indicate that the policy is out of date. Policies are available to members via MySinfonia.

POLICY ON SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

The NEC reviewed an updated and revised version of the Policy on Sexual Misconduct, which was modernized and amended by Sexual Misconduct subject matter expert Rebecca Veidlinger and reviewed and further revised by the Fraternity's Risk Management attorneys.

POLICY ON PRINT, ELECTRONIC AND SOCIAL MEDIA

A revised policy on Print, Electronic and Social Media, updated and modernized to reflect current electronic and social media communications guidelines and controls was reviewed and approved.

CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The NEC reviewed and approved revisions to the Crisis Management Plan suggested by the Fraternity's attorneys and adopted a new companion Emergency Management Plan to deal with severe weather or natural disaster-related emergencies on campus and active threat or active shooter advisories. The Crisis Management Plan focuses on communications following an accident or injury stemming from a Fraternity-related event or involving a member of the Fraternity on campus. The Emergency Management Plan focuses on keeping members safe and reporting status to the Fraternity in cases of campus threats or emergency situations.

GOOD SAMARITAN POLICY

A newly-developed Good Samaritan policy, recommended by the Fraternity's Risk Management attorneys and modeled on similar policies already in force in other social fraternities, was presented for consideration. The policy provides limited assurance that members who seek proper medical attention for those in need will not be punished for minor violations of policy which may have contributed to the issues requiring medical treatment. The new policy reinforces the Fraternity's emphasis on the health and well-being of members and guests as the primary concern at all times.