Dear Sigma Members,

The board of directors met on Thursday through Saturday, 6-8 June 2019, in Indianapolis, Indiana at the society’s headquarters. Following are the outcomes and announcements from that meeting.

**FY 2020 Budget**

The CEO, Chief Financial Officer, and Staff Directors prepared an annual budget for the board’s consideration. The board reviewed and approved the society’s budget for the next fiscal year.

**Strategic Planning**

The board reviewed and approved the revised mission, vision, strategic goals and objectives. Associated documents were also reviewed. Information will be posted on the website and presented at Convention 2019.

**2019 Resolutions**

Five proposed resolutions were submitted to the board for consideration. Four resolutions were approved and will be presented to the 2019 House of Delegates for consideration.

**Global Regional Councils**

Participation and interest continues to grow.

**Chapter Charters & Charter Amendments**

The Governance Committee presented motions for five chapter charters, six chapter charter amendments, and one chapter merger for the board’s consideration. All motions were approved.

- **Chapter Charter Approved (Names Pending)**
  - University of Haifa (Haifa, Israel)
  - Queen Margaret University (Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom)
  - Southwest Minnesota State University (Marshall, Minnesota, USA)
  - Long Island University – Brooklyn (Brooklyn, New York, USA)
Norwich University (Northfield, Vermont, USA) and Vermont Technical College (Randolph, Vermont, USA)

- Chapter Charter Amendments
  - Tuskegee University (Tuskegee, Alabama, USA) and UAB University Hospital (Birmingham, Alabama, USA) to join Nu Chapter (#12)
  - Christian Brothers University (Memphis, Tennessee, USA) to join Beta Theta at-Large Chapter (#54)
  - California State University-Channel Islands (Camarillo, California, USA) to join Gamma Tau at-Large Chapter (#89)
  - New England Institute of Technology (East Greenwich, Rhode Island, USA) to join Delta Upsilon at-Large Chapter (#114)
  - Bloomfield College (Bloomfield, New Jersey, USA) to join Iota Alpha Chapter (#215)
  - WellStar Atlantic Medical Center (Atlanta, Georgia, USA); WellStar Cobb Hospital (Austell, Georgia, USA); WellStar Kennestone Hospital (Marietta, Georgia, USA); WellStar Paulding Hospital (Hiram, Georgia, USA) and WellStar Douglas Hospital (Douglasville, USA) to join Mu Phi Chapter (#302)

- Chapter Merger
  - Beta Rho Chapter (#63) Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, USA and Upsilon Gamma Chapter (#457) Anderson University, Anderson, Indiana, USA. Upsilon Gamma Chapter’s name will be retired, and Beta Rho Chapter name will be retained.

Respectfully submitted,

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