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To Convention Attenders and Chapter Presidents

### Convention Documentation

Tau Bates:

The 106th Convention accomplished much for Tau Beta Pi because of the seriousness of purpose, collaboration, compromise, and hard work of the delegates. Thank you, and thanks to Arrangements Chair Mark Tozzi and five great Indiana gracious host chapters!

The 2011 Convention approved two Constitution amendments that cannot become effective until ratified by the collegiate chapters. The amendments would *update the retirement provisions for Headquarters staff to meet current practice* and would *add a fourth alumnus member to the Fellowship Board and clarify the Board's duties*.

The Convention approved one package of Bylaw amendments that become effective immediately. The amendments *clarified the terminology and processes of postponement of initiation*.

The ratification ballot on the Constitution amendment is enclosed to chapter presidents. Alumnus chapters and national officers do not vote on Constitutional ratification. Your ballot must be received by April 1 in order to be considered for a Secretary's Commendation; however, **please take action on this at your next meeting and be done with this little chore!**

Minutes of the Convention and Dr. Larry A. Simonson's President's Report to the Convention, given during the opening business meeting, are being officially distributed to you and all Tau Beta Pi officers on the website. Delegates should use these in reporting to their chapters, as the Bylaws require. A summary of Convention actions is enclosed for voting delegates and chapter presidents. PDF files for all these items and the press release documents for your use are on the website under *2011 Convention*.

Approved Convention expenses of delegates (and alternates) will be credited to your chapter account only when the Expense Report (mailed and online [www.tbp.org/chapters](http://www.tbp.org/chapters) ; may fax) is received. Please send your Delegate's Expense Report to me promptly, even if you report no expense. It is due on November 14, 2011. (This is a required report and is a factor in our Secretary's Commendation criteria.)

Have a productive year, everyone, practice the yell every Saturday night, and let's make this the best year ever for Tau Beta Pi! You are a great bunch of people!

Sincerely,

*Curt*

Curtis D. Gomulinski

*Jim*

James D. Froula, P.E. (ret.)

Enclosures:

- Summary of Convention Actions (to chapter presidents and voting delegates only)
- Ballot (to chapter presidents and voting delegates only)