

**MINUTES OF THE 108th CONVENTION
THE TAU BETA PI ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**Gateway Hotel and Conference Center & Iowa State Center Scheman Building, Ames, IA
October 31–November 2, 2013**

Final registration of voting delegates, non-voting delegates, chapter advisors, alumnus visitors, Engineering Futures Facilitators, and Association Officials registered for the Convention at the Iowa State Center Scheman Building on October 31 is as follows:

Official Collegiate Chapter Voting Delegates:

AL A	Steven T. Stewart	FL B	Sathvika D. Ramaji	MI A	Renee L. Chabon
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AR A	Emily K. Shields	GA B	Bryan B. Danley	MI K	Sarah B. Vicary
CA A	Erik P. Bertelli	ID A	Jonathan H. Paul	MI Λ	Brian M. Collins
CA B	Eric E. Wang	ID B	Yakob K. Kassa	MN A	Jack W. Nebel
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CA T	Nathaniel J. Directo	KS B	Abhiruchika K. Sriyarathne	NJ A	Theresa A.M. D'Addio
CA Y	Martin T. Herrenschmidt II	KS Γ	Kristin M. Stewart	NJ B	Adam J. Freitag
CA Φ	Keiko K. Lewis	KY A	Cody M. Lonsbury	NJ Γ	Lara L. Spinelli
CA X	Gian Paolo E. Valderrama	KY B	Lance S. Sublett	NJ Δ	Lauren M. Edelman
CA Ψ	Shelby T. Joe	KY Γ	Darren C. Tinker	NJ E	Ashley L. Hearing
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OH B	Shannon M. Connors	PA M	Robin L. Siegenthaler	VT A	Patrick N. Charron
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OH K	Jamie L. Whyte	SD B	Ryan L. Rossiter	WA B	Sydney B Dieckman
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OR Γ	Peter T. Chamberlain	TX Δ	Craig R. Nolen	WY A	Margaret L. Kimble
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PA B	Jonathan B. Swarts	TX Z	Paul A. Rizk		

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AR A	John P. Carradini	IN Γ	Timothy D. Siegler	MN B	Christopher B. Lofgren
AR A	Stephanie G. Cone	IN Δ	Andrew J. Schrader	NE A	Sarah J. Wallis
AR A	Rocky D. Hedrick	KS Γ	Ryan R. Aeschliman	NV B	John R.D. Planas
AR A	Michaela W. Mertz	KS Γ	Cale B. Armstrong	NH B	Yeunun Choo
AR A	Rachel E. Reynolds	KY A	David L. Smith	NJ Γ	Jerry S. Martinez
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FL I	David A. Painter	MI E	Tonya J. Whitehead	SC Γ	Rawley J. Dent
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Alumnus Visitors & Laureates:

Timothy D. Anderson, KY Γ '12	Harry W. Lange, MI Z '75	Ray A. Rothrock, TX Δ '77
Steven J. Battel, MI Γ '79	Darick W. LaSelle, CO E '13	Adrienne L. Shearer, KY A '13
George Burnet, IA A '48	Lauren H. Logan, OH Δ '10	Rodger F. Smith, WI A '64
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Keegan D. Gartner, IA A '08	Adam R. Pizzaia, NJ B '13	Gerald J. Wang, CT A '13
Tristan M. Glodeck, SC B '09	Donald W. Rhymer, CO Z '94	Joseph P. Wilson, FL A '07
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Representatives of the petitioning society:

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Faculty: Miguel A. Gonzalez-Ramos, TX E '83	Student: Juan C. Lagos Larios
Student: Eder F. T. Lopez	Student: Hugo Lopez
Student: Mostafa M. Fath El-Den	Student: Roger M. Pecina

Hosts:

Local arrangements for the Convention were headed by Arrangement Co-Chairs Grant E. Anderson (IA A) and German A. Parada (IA A). Other Iowa Alpha chapter members and initiates assisting at the Convention were: J.A. Barr, W.R. Becker, L.J. Bruene, W.O. Cord, R.E. Dejmaj, Y.W. Desanti, D.S. Diaz, A.J. Dorenkamp, A.W. Gall, L.N. Garrett, P.F. Gerver, C.J. Giuffre, D. Glock, A.G. Guibert, W.A. Hagen, R.J. Hall, E. Hallisey, S.T. Hansen, C.T. Harre, J. Holtz, M. Hoover, A.J. Hughes, W.M. Hutter, C.A. Isely, T.J. Jaeger, O.M. Janusz, A. Lang, A.R. Lawrence, C.A. Leise, J.T. Leyh, K. Li, X. Li, A.M. MacAllister, A.F. Maher, J.R. Mallams, M.M. Maloney, K.L. Martinson, G.J. McCoy, I.S. McInerney, R.M. Megchelsen, B. Meier, L. Meier, N.D. Miller, L.N. Moeller, T.B. Morgan, R.A. Morris, D.J. Murray, T.M. Ohms, B. Ophoff, A.M. Oser, R.L. Philip, D.B. Phillips, S.R. Pogge, K.A. Powers, M.A. Pruszinske, D.M. Schuler, J.A. Shatek, S.O. Sparland, A.C. Steffen, K.M. Stangl, J.S. Studer, N.B. Terhall, R.M. Termuhlen, L.R. Thomas, P. Troupe, A.J. Upah, D.J. Van Woert, J.M. Weber, C.J. White, S.K. Younkin, and R.S. Zambre.

2014 Convention Arrangements Chair Adam C. Obenberger, WA Δ '14, and Madison M. Chambers, WA Δ '15, and Tyler J. Ellis were in attendance.

Officials of the Association in attendance were:**Officers and Officials**

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Jason A. Huggins
Norman Pih

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Tricia E. Gomulinski

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Russell W. Pierce

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D. Stephen Pierre Jr.

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The Headquarters display was viewed during the Convention in the 1st floor lobby of the Iowa State Center Scheman Building. Refreshments were served from 9:00 a.m. until noon in the 2nd floor lobby where a **Recruiting Fair** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. was staffed by: 3M, Aerotek, Caterpillar, Columbia University School of Engineering and Applied Science, Danfoss, Dow Jones, Electro-Motive Diesel, Inc., GENESYS, Iowa State University College of Engineering, John Deere, Lehigh University, MidAmerican Energy, Michigan State University College of Engineering, MIT Lincoln Laboratories, Navy, NCEES, North Carolina State University College of Engineering, Northeastern University, Northwestern University, Parks College–St. Louis University, Purdue University, Raytheon, Rockwell Collins, Sukup Manufacturing Company, Teach For America, Texas Tech University, The George Washington University School of Engineering, University of Florida College of Engineering, University of Kansas School of Engineering, University of Michigan College of Engineering, University of Pennsylvania, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Vanderbilt School of Engineering, Vermeer, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and West Virginia University. A pizza and sub lunch was provided for convention attendees from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Scheman Building.

Professional Development Sessions were held in rooms of the Scheman Building from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sessions included: Advisors Can Help You!—Patrick D. Homen and Barry L. Frost; Business Etiquette—Solange C. Dao, P.E.; The Elevator Speech: Your 15 Seconds of Fame—Ronald M. Hickling; Engineering Your Career Identity—Joseph (Joey) P. Wilson; Ethical Decisions—Jonathan F.K. Earle, Ph.D., P.E.; K-12 MindSET & Teacher Training—Thomasenia L. Adams, Ph.D.; Lyle's Laws for Leadership: Some Rules for Success in Your Engineering Career—Lyle D. Feisel, Ph.D.; Managing Your Investments for Retirement—Harry W. Lange and Rodger F. Smith; Move Up the Ladder—Christina M. Harrison; Nailing Your Job Interview—Scott E. Fable; Office Politics: Professionalism Matters—George Youssef; The Past, Present, and Future of Nuclear Technology of The Navy—Lt. Tristan M. Glodeck; Problem Solving with Mom—Rebecca Davis; Should I go to Graduate School... now, later, or never?—Bruce Lindvall, Ph.D.; Stand Up and Speak Out: Finding Your Voice as a Citizen Engineer—Steven J. Battel; Winning a TBP Fellowship & Scholarship—D. Stephen Pierre, Jr., P.E.; and Working with Alumni—Tricia E. Gomulinski.

Campus Tours were conducted from 10:15 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

District Meetings were held in rooms of the Scheman Building at 4:30 p.m.

The Welcoming Dinner of the Convention was held at 6:00 p.m.; seating was by Districts. The meal, sponsored by Caterpillar, featured a choice of Midwest broil and Iowa pork tenderloin and assorted mousse by 480 people. President Larry A. Simonson, Ph.D., P.E., and Ronald M. Hickling served as masters of ceremonies. Mr. Hickling presented a tribute to the late Douglas M. Green, Ph.D., P.E., *TX B '65*, and John R. Luchini, Ph.D., P.E., *MI I '83*, who served as Association volunteers for many years. Katy Luchini Colbry, Ph.D., Engineering Futures Facilitator, presented a talk on "*What Mother Never Told You About Engineering Futures*". Larry Simonson read and presented a plaque to Tamara Luchini, spouse of John Luchini, in honor of his years of service to the Association. Mrs. Luchini then spoke about her husband's love of Tau Beta Pi. Welcoming remarks were made by Sarah A. Rajala, Ph.D., *MI B '74*, Dean of the Iowa State University College of Engineering; German A. Parada, Arrangements Co-Chair; Darick W. LaSelle, Student Advisory Board Vice Chair and Laureate; and Solange C. Dao, P.E., Vice President of the Association. Keynote speaker Gwenne A. Henricks, *IA A '81*, Caterpillar, Inc., CTO & VP of Product Development & Global Technology, spoke on career possibilities and her experience climbing the corporate ladder at Caterpillar.

FIRST BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, October 31, Rooms 220-240, Iowa State Center Scheman Building, Ames, IA

President Simonson called the Convention to order at 7:42 p.m. In accord with the Bylaws, Secretary C.D. Gomulinski served as Secretary of the Convention.

The Secretary reported that a **quorum** was present although final registration was incomplete; 267 voting delegates and Association Officials were registered.

President Simonson recognized former Executive Councillors E.D. Basta, E.J. D'Avignon, R.W. Pierce, E.S. Styles, and R.L. Werneth. Councillor Huggins defined the Tau Beta Pi *applau* and introduced members of the Executive Council, Director of Alumni Affairs T.E. Gomulinski, Director of Engineering Futures R.W. Pierce, Director of Fellowships D.S. Pierre Jr., Director of Rituals E.J. D'Avignon, Secretary-Treasurer C.D. Gomulinski, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer R.E. Hawks, Convention Chair R.M. Hickling, Parliamentarian J.W. Johnson Jr., and District Directors and Engineering Futures Facilitators present in standing groups. He also introduced members of the "Elevate Slate."

The President's Report for the Executive Council for 2012-13 was presented by Dr. Simonson. It is a part of these minutes and will be published in the Winter 2014 *Bent*.

The Report of the Director of Fellowships was provided in writing to Secretary Gomulinski. Mr. Pierre took the opportunity to recognize Dr. Green, who had served as President of Tau Beta Pi from 1998-2002.

The Report of the Director of Engineering Futures was given by Mr. Pierce, who acknowledged the Student Advisory Board and President Simonson, who had provided the details of his update during their presentations. He encouraged the delegates to take advantage of the Engineering Futures Program and the skills taught and to schedule sessions on their campuses.

The Report of the Director of Alumni Affairs was provided by Mrs. Gomulinski. She reported that the number of active alumni chapters has grown from 18 to 33 in the past 18 months. Seven chapters have been chartered, ten reactivated, and one went inactive. Twenty chapters sent voting delegates to Convention, which is the highest in Tau Beta Pi history. She thanked all the alumni who volunteer and encouraged students to remain active after graduation and everyone to join the LinkedIn group to keep connected with the organization.

The President and Secretary-Treasurer of the Association constitute the Committee on Order of Convention Business, according to the Bylaws. An **agenda** for the order of business had been prepared and sent to all delegates in advance. **It was adopted** on a voice vote on a motion by Secretary Gomulinski, seconded by C.S. Jenkins (MS B), as follows:

First Business Meeting:

- Official opening of the Convention
- Quorum report of the Secretary-Treasurer
- Introduction of Association Officials
- Introduction of Executive Council Slate
- President's Report for Executive Council
- Reports of Program Directors
- Adoption of Convention Agenda
- Convention orientation and Parliamentary procedure

Second Business Meeting:

- Continuation of Convention orientation
- Report of and action on Petitions Committee
- Report of and action on Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Report of and action on Financial Affairs Committee
- Report of and action on Rituals Committee
- Report of and action on Convention Site Committee
- Report of Awards Committee
- Report of and action on Curriculum Review Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Executive Council Nominations and Presentation(s)

Third Business Meeting:

- Report of and action on Alumni Chapter Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of and action on Chapter Advisors Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of and action on MindSET Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of and action on Image Review Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of and action on Website Development Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Action on Petitions Committee
- Action on Financial Affairs Committee
- Action on Convention Site Committee
- Action on Rituals Committee
- Action on Curriculum Review Committee
- Action on Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Report of Resolutions Committee
- Election of Executive Council
- New Business

Final Business Meeting:

- Presentation of 2013 Laureates
- Presentation of 2013 Distinguished Alumnus
- Final Report of Awards Committee
- Final Report of Resolutions Committee
- Official adjournment

President Simonson announced that the Executive Council had appointed R.M. Hickling as permanent Chair of the Convention, in accord with the Bylaws. He yielded the gavel to Mr. Hickling who announced that J.W. Johnson Jr., would serve as Convention Parliamentarian, *Robert's Rules of Order Revised* would be followed at the business meetings subject to the provisions of the Constitution & Bylaws, and closure would be reached on all business issues. Mr. Johnson explained the principles of parliamentary procedure and additional training would be provided to committee chairs at 8:00 a.m. Friday morning.

Chairman Hickling declared the First Business Meeting of the Convention closed at 8:18 p.m.

Meetings of all Convention Committees were held in rooms of the Scheman Building following the First Business Meeting. Engineering Futures Facilitators presented **Engineering Futures orientation meetings** for all non-voting delegates. **Appointment of delegates to the Convention Committees** had been made by the Secretary in advance as required by the Bylaws, and the committees were given instructions and information about their assignments. *Standing* committees are specified in the Constitution. Committees select their own chairs, and Association Officials serve as advisors for each committee. Committees for this Convention were:

Petitions Committee:

AL B	Michael F. Bolus	NE A	Anh D. Nguyen	Jeffrey G. Dabling, District 13 Director, Advisor
CA L	Brendan J. Edwards	NY O	Vincent Lock	Josuan Hilerio-Sanchez, District 5 Director, Advisor
DC A	Khabeer Salaam	OH D	Joshua D. Frash	Roger E. Hawks, Assistant Secretary- Treasurer, Advisor
IN G	Jane E. McGuinness	PA Q	Kelly Modrick	
KY B	Lance S. Sublett	TX G	Rebecca J. Smith	
LA A	Brian D. Mickey	TX L	Dulce T. Barrera, Chair	
MA Z	Chang C. Gao			

Constitution and Bylaws Committee:

AL G	Dhruv P. Patel	NH B	Alison N.C. Su	TN D	Joshua Swillum
CA I	Jonathan Ma	NJ G	Lara L. Spinelli	TX Z	Paul A. Rizk
CA W	Tuan T.D. Nguyen	NM G	Allen D. Erickson	TX Q	Jose A. Valdez
CA AG	Maria A. Aragon	NY D	B. Dennis Chua	TX K	Joseph Dowell
CO Z	Christopher J. Shannon	NY M	Sean T. Day	UT A	-----
DC B	Michael R. Gribbin	NY X	Connor R. Bilchak	VT B	Logan M. Gallagher
FL Q	Eric A. Doan	NY S	Samantha L. Schneider-Pollack	WA G	Caleb C. Bowman
IL D	Christopher M. Douglas, Chair	NC E	Sydney A. Noell		
IA B	Hang Gao	OH A	Cody T. Bezik	Neal T. Bussett, District 16 Director, Advisor	
MD E	Tanoni L. Williams	OH E	Zakaria Benmerzouga	Sharon L. DeChenne, District 14 Director, Advisor	
MA E	Damas W. Limoge	OH K	Jamie L. Whyte	Stacey L. Forkner, District 8 Director, Advisor	
MA Q	Cici Pham	OR G	Peter T. Chamberlain	Curtis D. Gomulinski, Secretary- Treasurer, Advisor	
MI D	Eva N. Berndt	PA Z	William A. Hanson		
MI Z	John R. Oliver	PR A	Bryan Arroyo Fernandez		
NV A	-----	SC A	Sergey P. Belous		
NV B	Derek A. Williams	SD A	Kati J. Johnson		

Chapter and Association Financial Affairs Committee:

AL A	Steven T. Stewart	LA B	Stephen J. Lee	RI B	Julia M. Shannon
AZ A	Auni A. Kundu	LA G	Christopher L. West	SC G	Marcus A. Scally
AR A	Emily K. Shields	LA D	Patrick T. Spiller	TN B	Cara G. Welker
CA B	Eric E. Wang	MD B	Barry P. McMenemy	TN G	Jason M. Hyder
CA D	Kirsten D. Rice	MD G	Kathleen M. Mullen	TX B	Paula A. Monaco
CA Z	Jenny V. Truong	MA D	Adam J. Helitzer	TX H	James C. Williams
CA Q	Raul A. Rodriguez	MI K	Sarah B. Vicary	UT G	Rick Cressall
CA N	Darren M. Dewitt	MI L	Brian M. Collins	VA G	Michael E. Dreher-Byrd
CA X	Gabriel M. Duran	MS B	Charles S. Jenkins, Chair	WA B	Sydney B. Dieckman
CA O	Wesley D. Miller	MO A	Ryan J. Siegle	WA D	Adam C. Obenberger
CA U	Martin Herrenschmidt II	MO D	Timothy A. Cambron	WV B	Jacob C. Harper
CA C	Gian P.E. Valderrama	MT B	Corey M. Swisher	WI E	Jose G. Rosas
CA Y	Shelby T. Joe	NH A	Brittany A.M. Artale	WY A	Margaret L. Kimble
CA AD	Kelly P. Scanlon	NJ B	Adam J. Freitag		
CO B	Thomas F. Fuerst	NY Q	Barry T. Pawlowski	Rebecca A. Holcomb, District 5 Director, Advisor	
CT G	Eyas Azzuni	NY K	Amanda Chen	Stacey H. Ross, District 16 Director, Advisor	
DE A	Timothy E. Hagenbach	NC A	Kyle D. Barth	Alexander J. Rovnan, District 3 Director, Advisor	
FL B	Sathvika D. Ramaji	NC G	Sarah M. Eade	George Youssef, District 2 Director, Advisor	
FL E	Renzo M. Martinat	OH G	Michael A. Benatar	Norman Pih, Executive Councillor, Advisor	
ID B	Yakob K. Kassa	OH L	Teresa McKinney		
IL B	Luis A. Larco	OH X	Nathanial A. Hartman		
IL E	Brandon C. Tanner	PA E	Drew R. Jeffrey		
IL Z	Masood Qader	PA I	Andrew T. Jester		
KS B	Abhiruchika K. Sriyathne	PA L	Jillian K. Gorski		

Rituals Committee:

IN D	Jonathan D. Oglan-Hand	NY A	Scott M. Trocchia	Edward J. D'Avignon, Director of Rituals
IA A	Katherine M.S. Brown, Chair	PA H	Hunter P. McGrogan	Christina M. Harrison, District 11 Director, Advisor
ME A	Nathaniel R. Devoe	PA K	Katie R. Samuelson	Russell L. Werneth, District 4 Director, Advisor
MO E	Callan M. Luetkemeyer	PA M	Robin L. Siegenthaler	
NJ E	Ashley L. Hearing	SD B	Ryan L. Rossiter	
NJ Z	Daniel J. Fisher	VA B	Christopher G.F. Arenas	

Convention Site Committee:

AL E	Timothy J. Battle	RI A	Ramya Mahalingam	Selden J. Houghton, District 1 Director, Advisor
DC G	Corinne A. Chinkidjakarn	TN G	Jason M. Hyder	George K. Miyata, District 12 Director, Advisor
GA A	Manan S. Gandhi	TX A	David A. Babin	Andrea M. Ramsey, District 6 Director, Advisor
KY A	Cody M. Lonsbury	TX D	Craig R. Nolen	Jason A. Huggins, Executive Councillor, Advisor
MI G	Ryan Chen	VT A	Patrick N. Charron	
MN A	Jack W. Nebel			
MO G	Susan M. Frost			
PA B	Jonathan B. Swarts			

Resolutions Committee:

CA S	Adriane A. Turner	NY P	Elizabeth M. Fischer	Edward P. Gorzkowski III, District 3 Director, Advisor
CA AB	Louis R. Lancaster	OH H	Neil G. Rogers	Ricardo K. Komai, District 8 Director, Advisor
CA AE	Tawni M. Paradise	OH Q	Andrew C. Bambeck	Sherry D. Jennings-King, Major Gifts Officer, Advisor
FL G	Ishan Mitra	OK G	Bradey S. Baird	
FL Z	Taylor P. Schluter	PA G	Margo J. Johnson	
KY G	Darren C. Tinker	WI A	Derek J. Simon	
MI Q	Jameson A. Carle			

Awards Committee:

AL D	Angela B. Mitchell	NY B	Joseph S. Paradiso	WA A	Derek M. Britain
CA F	Keiko K. Lewis	NY N	Alex A. Tomasik	WI G	Michael W. Lawson
CO D	Karly D. Rager	NY U	-----		
CT A	Alexandra M. Noonan	ND A	Alexander M. Feil		Lisa C. Gascoigne, District 4 Director, Advisor
FL D	William A. Michelin	OH B	Shannon Connors		James C. Hill, District 11 Director, Advisor
LA E	Jose E. Rubio	OK A	Sydney N. Hallman		Thomas A. Pinkham IV, District 2 Director, Advisor
MD D	Matthew D. Thompson	PA A	David W. Dobrowski		
MA B	Fangdi Sun	TN Z	Marshall C. Guillot		
MI H	-----	TX M	Hussein Fawaz		

Alumni Chapters Committee (ad hoc):

Ann Arbor Area	Elson Y. Liu	San Francisco Bay Area	Aaron R. Alpert
Atlanta	Meghan C. Ferrall	Southeastern Michigan	Colleen L. Hill-Stramsak
Baltimore	James A. Hankins	Southern California	Kyle J. Dominguez
Central Florida	Vincent Tang	Southern Tier	Anthony M. Olenik
Central Jersey	Yue Yuan	Texas Gulf Coast	Bradley W. Utz
Chicago	Joshua I. Larson	Washington, DC	Kaitlyn H. Krukar
Front Range	Sandra B. Pitzak	West Michigan	Paul D. Plotkowski
Great Smoky Mountains	Thomas H. Thrasher		
New York	Jennifer Lui	Tricia E. Gomulinski, Director of Alumni Affairs, Advisor	
Ohio's North Coast	Edward D. Basta	Matthew V. Paragano, District 1 Director, Advisor	
Puget Sound	Caitlin M. Ryberg	Wesley R. Repke, District 7 Director, Advisor	
St. Louis	Robert B. Lucas	Larry A. Simonson, President, Advisor	

Chapter Advisor Committee (ad hoc):

AL D	Crystal L. McCartney	IA A	LeVern W. Faidley	ND B	Joel K. Ness
AK A	Margaret M. Darrow	IA A	Richard J. Smith	OH I	Laurie K. Laird
AZ A	C. Christopher Stemple	KY A	Bruce L. Walcott	OH I	Robert L. Ward
AR A	Charles W. Caldwell	LA E	Jose E. Suarez	OH N	Harwood A. Hegna
CA Z	Drazen Fabris	MD A	David S. Kaplan	PR A	Mayra I. Mendez Pinero
CA H	Melissa K. Gartner	MD E	Gbekeloluwa Oguntimein	SC B	Taylor R. Garrick
CA X	Olivia B. Ready	MI A	Dirk J. Colbry	SD B	Alex Moutsoglou
CA X	Andrew M. Reinhardt	MI A	Kathleen L. Colbry	TN G	David H. Huddleston
CA X	Jessica M. Valadez	MI G	Michael J. Hand III	VA G	Menna M. Youssef
CA U	Susan L.R. Holl	MI G	Kyle A. Lady	VA E	Jennifer S. Wayne
CA U	Patrick D. Homen	MI G	Pritpaul S. Mahal		
CA AE	Kathleen A. Kramer	MI D	Sandra A. Yost		Solange C. Dao, Vice President, Advisor
CO Z	Kurt P. Rouser	MI E	Dalal A. Abed		Bruce A. DeVantier, District 8 Director, Advisor
DC A	Robert E. Efimba	MI Z	Susanta K. Das		Sam Rokni, District 16 Director, Advisor
FL G	Paul Schnitzler	MI K	Barry L. Frost		
ID A	David C. Drown	MN A	Nathaniel T.S. Chan		
ID G	George A. Murgel	MN A	Margaret G. Goshert		
IL D	Galen W. Faidley	MO E	Will D. Lindquist		
IN B	Daniel G. Coronell	MT A	Abigail M. Richards		

Curriculum Review Committee (ad hoc):

CA H	Ryan E. Littell	MO B	Kyle R. Embry	TX I	Tyler Friske
CA R	Sierra L. Spitulski	NM B	-----	UT B	Garrison C. Fredline
CO A	Timothy R.B. Wilson	NY I	Robert P. Brumer	WI B	Michal A. Gawlik
FL H	Delanyo K. Seshie	NY R	Syed M. Tahmid		Joseph P. Blackford, District 4 Director, Advisor
IN E	Nicholas J. Mickelson	NC D	Jeffrey B. Hunt		Daniel A. Kamat, District 10 Director, Advisor
KS A	Haider S. Tarar	OH Z	Logan M. Anteau		Matthew T. Pittard, District 13 Director, Advisor
MD A	Steven P. Dalvin	OH I	Michael P. Sunyak		
MA I	Ruth C. Berben	OH M	Michelle E. Harr		
MI E	Brien C. Dux	OR A	Shanna G. Myers		
MS A	Phillip E. Johnson	SC B	Kathryn M. Kingsmore		

Image Review Committee (ad hoc):

AK A	Justin M. Cannon	MA A	Samuel O. Naseef	OH N	Joshua K. Fleming
AZ G	Vivianna Gamez Molina	MI B	Danielle C. Ahrens		Ian J. Frank, District 14 Director, Advisor
CO E	William C. Allen	MN B	Jessica M. Morris		Gregory M. Newcomb, District 12 Director, Advisor
CT B	Gabriella S. Frey	NM A	Boming Jiang		
ID A	Jonathan H. Paul	NY G	Shawn W. Makarsky		
IN B	Katherine A. Moravec	NY T	Katherine H. Schwiker		

MindSET Committee (ad hoc):

CA A	Erik P. Bertelli	MA H	Kavon Karrobi		Jonathan F.K. Earle, Executive Councillor, Advisor
CA E	Grace E. Kim	MI A	Renee L. Chabon		Joseph R. Burnett, District 15 Director, Advisor
FL A	Emily A. Hester	NY H	Sankha Ghatak		Lauren J. Swett, District 1 Director, Advisor
GA B	Bryan B. Danley	ND B	Abbie M. Beaudry		
ID G	Dustin E. Kier	TN A	Wouter C. de Wet		
IL G	R. Blake Alexander	TX E	Whitmire Vo		
IN A	Logan Williams				

Website Development Committee (ad hoc):

CA M	Sara A. Lillard	MT A	Nathan K. Fritz		Timothy M. Edgar, District 14 Director, Advisor
CA T	Nathaniel J. Directo	NJ A	Theresa A.M. D'Addio		Jason Rogan, District 2 Director, Advisor
FL I	Justin M. Gerber	NJ D	Lauren M. Edelman		
IL A	Rebecca D. Glaudell	PA D	Justin A. Starr		
KS G	Kristin M. Stewart	VA E	Jessica R. Arble		
MI I	Quinn A. Osgood	WI D	Meghan L. Scanlan		

A costume social was held at 10 p.m. in the Gateway Hotel. Refreshments were served at 10:00 p.m., sponsored by GEICO.

A continental breakfast was available at 7:30 a.m. Friday morning in the lobbies of the Scheman Building.

District Meetings and an **orientation for committee chairs** were held in rooms of the Scheman Building at 8:00 a.m.

Committee meetings and Engineering Futures Sessions reconvened at 9:15 a.m.

Lunch was at noon, and seating was by committees. A total of 495 people were served roast beef and assorted cakes. After the meal, Mr. Gomulinski presented a summary of the Executive Director's Report for 2012-13, which was given to each Convention registrant on a flash drive (and appeared in the Fall 2013 *Bent*).

Secretary Gomulinski and Vice President S.C. Dao presented 25 **Secretary's Commendations** for perfection of Headquarters reports and timely payment of fees in 2012-13 to: Alabama Alpha, Alabama Epsilon, Arizona Gamma, California Theta, California Xi, California Tau, California Omega, District of Columbia Alpha, Florida Epsilon, Iowa Alpha, Kentucky Alpha, Michigan Beta, Michigan Gamma, Michigan Kappa, Nevada Beta, New York Gamma, Ohio Eta, Ohio Iota, Ohio Mu, Ohio Nu, Puerto Rico Alpha, South Carolina Alpha, South Dakota Alpha, Washington Delta, and Wyoming Alpha.

Assistant Secretary Hawks presented key tips to assist chapters in their responsibilities of the membership process, urged each chapter to initiate one more electee than the previous year, and presented 62 **Membership Awards** to the following chapters: Alabama Delta, Alabama Epsilon, Arizona Beta, California Gamma, California Zeta, California Omicron, California Sigma, California Upsilon, California Phi, California Chi, California Omega, California Alpha Gamma, California Alpha Epsilon, Colorado Delta, Colorado Zeta, Connecticut Alpha, District of Columbia Beta, Georgia Beta, Illinois Gamma, Indiana Gamma, Indiana Delta, Indiana Epsilon, Kentucky Alpha, Louisiana Beta, Louisiana Gamma, Louisiana Epsilon, Massachusetts Alpha, Massachusetts Delta, Massachusetts Iota, Michigan Delta, Michigan Zeta, Michigan Theta, Michigan Kappa, Minnesota Alpha, Missouri Gamma, Montana Beta, Nevada Beta, New Hampshire Beta, New Jersey Delta, New Mexico Alpha, New Mexico Gamma, New York Alpha, New York Tau, North Dakota Beta, Ohio Epsilon, Ohio Eta, Ohio Iota, Ohio Nu, Ohio Xi, Oklahoma Beta, Oregon Gamma, Pennsylvania Epsilon, Pennsylvania Zeta, Pennsylvania Eta, Pennsylvania Kappa, Rhode Island Beta, South Carolina Gamma, Vermont Alpha, Vermont Beta, Virginia Delta, Virginia Epsilon, and Wisconsin Beta.

The Convention **group photograph** was taken by R.H. Thompson, TBP Systems Administrator, at 1:30 p.m. on the steps of the Hilton Coliseum. Photographs were delivered Friday evening, and the picture is also available on the website.

Committee meetings and Engineering Futures Sessions reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

SECOND BUSINESS MEETING

Friday, November 1, Benton Auditorium, Iowa State Center Scheman Building, Ames, IA

Chairman Hickling called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m. Secretary Gomulinski reported that registration was complete with 272 voting delegates registered and provided voting totals required for various actions.

Mr. Hickling directed any delegate whose vote had not been counted to register their phone with the Parliamentarian.

The Report of the Committee on Petitions was called. D.T. Barrera (TX L), Chair, reported that her group had reviewed the final petition and the report of the inspection committee for the engineering honor society at the University of Texas—Pan American, and had met with the petitioner and heard their presentation. She introduced Roger M. Pecina, president of the Engineering Honor Society at UTPA, who reported on the history of their society. Ms. Barrera reported that the requirements to become a Tau Beta Pi Chapter were met and exceeded. The local society had addressed and resolved a concern the inspection committee had noted in their report. She **moved**, seconded by C.M. Lonsbury (KY A), **to approve the petition from the University of Texas—Pan American and grant a charter to the institution**. There was no further discussion, and the vote was taken by text ballot with paper ballots provided to delegates without text capabilities. Mr. Hickling announced the results: 260 in favor and 0 opposed. **The chapter was therefore granted, to be known as Texas Nu**. Representatives were brought in front of the room and given a standing ovation.

The Report of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws was called. C.M. Douglas (IL D), Chair, reported that his committee was charged with four major tasks: removing the position of cataloger, adding a Convention vote and eliminating a duplication of duties for the Director of Alumni Affairs, combining the Convention assessment and initiation fee, and conducting a general revision to the Constitution and Bylaws. Mr. Douglas reported the 2012 Convention eliminated the requirement for new members to complete catalog cards, and only 53 percent of chapters had elected a cataloger for this

academic year. He **moved**, seconded by K. Salaam (DC A), **to amend Constitution Article VI and Bylaw V to eliminate the position of cataloger.**

Article VI

Collegiate Chapters

SECTION 6. **Officers.** The officers of each Chapter shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, ~~and a Cataloger~~, who shall be active members of the Chapter, and four alumnus advisors, all of whom shall be elected by the Chapter. The duties of these officers shall be those usually performed by persons holding such offices, and as the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association and the Bylaws of the Chapter shall prescribe. See Bylaw V.

Bylaw V

Collegiate Chapters

SECTION 5.03. **Duties of Officers.** ~~(f) The Cataloger of each Chapter shall keep an up-to-date catalog of its active and alumnus members, giving the full name, the home address, and the college address of each member and the names of the officers of the Chapter, including the Advisory Board.~~

[subsequent sections renumbered]

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J.R. Oliver (MI Z) spoke in favor of the motion as chapters regularly do not fill the position and that with modern technology the position is not necessary and has no responsibilities. M.F. Bolus (AL B) inquired about the historical precedent in eliminating the position, and Chairman Hickling responded that he wasn't aware of any positions that had been eliminated recently. R.D. Chen (MI G) inquired as to the implications of a position disappearing in the middle of an academic term. Secretary Gomulinski indicated that the amendment, if ratified, would not take effect until after April 1, 2014, and those serving in the position could continue until their terms expire. C.S. Jenkins (MS B) **moved**, seconded by E.K. Shields (AR A), **to amend the motion to keep section 5.03. (f) as it is presently worded but to change Cataloger to Recording Secretary.** P.T. Chamberlain (OR G) spoke against the amendment as he believed the duties do not need to be assigned, up-to-date information is maintained in the online system, and the position should be eliminated as a whole. S.T. Stewart (AL A) spoke in favor of the amendment as it is important for someone to maintain a list of active members. T.L. Williams (MD E) spoke against the amendment as there is no need of a cataloger as the secretary already does the work. S.B. Vicary (MI K) **moved**, seconded by B.J. Edwards (CA L), **to amend the amendment and replace the word Recording with Corresponding.** Ms. Vicary indicated that the Recording Secretary handles work within the chapter and that the work should be assigned to the Corresponding Secretary who interacts with Headquarters and alumni. M.J. Hand III (MI G advisor) spoke against the amendment as this level of detail is not necessary within the national Bylaws, the position doesn't need to be mandated, and that each chapter can continue the position within their own chapter Bylaws. **The amendment to the amendment failed** on a voice vote. E.Y. Liu (Ann Arbor Area AC) **moved the previous question.** Hearing no objection, Chairman Hickling ordered a vote on the amendment. **The amendment failed** on a voice vote. B.J. Edwards (CA L) **moved the previous question**, and, hearing no objections, Chairman Hickling requested the vote be taken by text ballot. The **motion passed** with 231 voting in favor and 22 opposed, but final approval of the change is **subject to chapter ratification.**

Mr. Douglas reviewed the second charge to the committee that related to the position of Director of Alumni Affairs. The 2012 Convention re-established the position that had been eliminated by the 1978 Convention. T.E. Gomulinski (SD A) had been appointed to the position by the Executive Council in June 2013. When the Constitution was amended last year, granting a Convention vote to the position was overlooked. The other program directors, specifically the Director of Engineering Futures, the Director of Fellowships, and the Director of Rituals, are each entitled to one vote. Adding a Convention vote for the Director of Alumni Affairs would bring this position to parity with the other program directors. He **moved**, seconded by C.S. Jenkins (MS B), **to amend Constitution Article III to include the Director of Alumni Affairs as a voting member of Convention.**

Article III

Government of the Association

SECTION 2. **Convention.** (a) The Convention shall meet annually except as provided in Sections 5(f) and (g) of this Article and shall be composed of one delegate from each Chapter (Collegiate and Alumni), the members of the Executive Council, the Secretary-Treasurer, the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, the Director of Rituals, the Director of Fellowships, the Director of Engineering Futures, the Director of Alumni Affairs, and one Director per District who shall be entitled to one vote each. Proxies shall not be permitted. A Chapter delegate shall represent only one Chapter. An individual person shall not be entitled to more than one vote. Representatives of a majority of the Collegiate Chapters shall constitute a quorum.

[Underlined words added.]

D.W. Limoge (MA E) spoke in favor of the motion and indicated that this position was already created by the previous Convention, and this change would only grant a Convention vote. He stated that alumni affairs were an important part of the Association, and this would give the alumni a singular voice at Convention. There was no further debate, and the **motion was adopted on a text ballot with 255 in favor and 1 opposed**, but final approval of the change is **subject to chapter ratification**.

Mr. Douglas indicated that when the duties of the Director of Alumni Affairs were added to the Constitution, a duplicate Bylaw was also added. This Bylaw is redundant, as it is repeated verbatim in the Constitution, and it is the only case of direct repetition in the Constitution and Bylaws. Although the Bylaw provides parallel structure to the other directors also specified in the Constitution, it does not provide any information not already contained in the Constitution. He **moved**, seconded by M.V. Paragano (D1 Dir.), **to amend Constitution Article IV and Bylaw III to eliminate the duplicate description of the duties for the Director of Alumni Affairs**.

Article IV

Association Officers and Directors

SECTION 2. **Designation and Duties.** (g) (5) The Director of Alumni Affairs shall stimulate and maintain alumni interest and support for Tau Beta Pi, to encourage the formation and support the operation of Alumni Chapters, and to represent the alumni at the Convention and before the Executive Council. ~~See Bylaw III, Sec. 3.07.~~

Bylaw III

Association Officers

~~SECTION 3.07. **Director of Alumni Affairs.** The Director of Alumni Affairs shall stimulate and maintain alumni interest and support for Tau Beta Pi, to encourage the formation and support the operation of Alumni Chapters, and to represent the alumni at the Convention and before the Executive Council. See Const. Art. IV, Sec. 2(g)(5).~~

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Mr. Douglas indicated that the wording in the Bylaw repeated verbatim what was already contained in the Constitution and that the committee had thoroughly reviewed the Constitution and Bylaws before proposing this change. P.S. Mahal (MI G Adv.) spoke against the motion, stating that the current wording parallels the other directors and the Constitution and Bylaws should remain consistent. D.W. Limoge (MA E) indicated that other positions have parallel structure in the Constitution and Bylaws because different duties are spelled out in each document, but this Bylaw repeats verbatim what is already in the Constitution. There was no further debate, and the **motion was adopted on a show of hands**, but final approval of the change is **subject to chapter ratification**.

Mr. Douglas reviewed the proposal to combine the Convention assessment with the initiation fee. The Convention assessment is an additional fee on top of the \$32 national initiation fee, which results in a total new member fee of \$39. The assessment is set from year-to-year by action of the Convention on the recommendation of the Executive Council. He **moved**, seconded by R. Cressall (UT G), **to amend Constitution Article III and Bylaws I, III, and V to eliminate the Convention assessment and to include it in the national initiation fee**.

Article III

Government of the Association

SECTION 2. **Convention.** ~~(h) The Convention shall establish a pro rata assessment on the Collegiate Chapters as specified in the Bylaws for its financial support. See Const. Art. XII and Bylaw I, Sec. 1.05.~~

[subsequent sections renumbered]

Bylaw I

Convention

SECTION 1.05. ~~**Assessments.** Travel Advances. Each Collegiate Chapter shall be assessed an amount, determined by the Convention not to exceed seven dollars (\$7.00), on recommendation of the Executive Council, for each new initiate. This assessment shall be levied automatically on the day of initiation and shall be paid within two weeks after initiation. It shall be charged to the Chapter accounts by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.~~ The Secretary-Treasurer shall make available for Convention expenses advance funds from the Association for each Collegiate Chapter. The Secretary-Treasurer shall inform each Collegiate Chapter of the availability of these advance funds in appropriate annual Convention communications. Upon receipt of the delegate's Convention expense report, the Chapter account shall be credited with the approved Convention expenses.

Bylaw III

Association Officers

SECTION 3.01. **Secretary-Treasurer.** (e) (11) ~~Levying the Convention assessments against the Chapters on the day of initiation. See Bylaw I, Sec. 1.05.~~

[subsequent sections renumbered]

Bylaw V

Collegiate Chapters

SECTION 5.03. **Duties of Officers.** (e) (1) Within two weeks after each initiation, the Chapter, through its Treasurer, shall remit to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Association the stated amount of the initiation fee payable to the Association for each new initiate. See Bylaw VII, Sec. 7.04. This remittance shall cover the costs of the badge, certificate of membership, a four-year subscription to THE BENT, a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws and other approved literature of the Association. It shall also include a sum for the necessary expenses of the Association. The initiation fee shall be determined by the Convention, on recommendation of the Executive Council. ~~Within two weeks after each initiation, the Chapter shall also remit to the Secretary-Treasurer the stated amount of the Convention assessment payable to the Association for each new initiate. See B-I, Sec. 1.05.~~

SECTION 5.04. **Chapter Finances.** (c) The budget of the estimated expenses of the Chapter for the next college year shall be prepared in March or April by the officers of the Chapter. It shall be the special order of business of one of the regular April meetings of the Chapter. It shall include all of the expenses of the initiation ceremonies, dinners, luncheons, picnics, dances, and other social activities, back debts, prizes and awards, auditor and bank charges, loans to electees, ~~Convention assessment~~, rents, supplies, stationery, postage, etc.

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C.S. Jenkins (MS B) spoke in favor of the amendment indicating that this would simplify our initiation fee by having a single fee, which would include a portion allocated to support the Convention instead of having a separate initiation fee and a Convention assessment. S.T. Stewart (AL A) asked how the initiation fee is presently set. Secretary Gomulinski reported that the initiation fee is set by an act of Convention. S.G. Myers (OR A) inquired about the assessment language referenced in Bylaw V, Sec. 5.04 (a) and indicated that most chapters have a fee on top of the initiation fee. N.G. Rogers (OH H) asked how the Convention assessment portion of the initiation fee would be set if this motion is adopted. Secretary Gomulinski indicated that he and the Executive Council would determine what portion of the initiation fee to set aside for support of Convention based on the anticipated costs of the next Convention. Hearing no further debate, Chairman Hickling indicated the vote would be taken by text ballot and the **motion was adopted with 219 in favor and 20 opposed**, but final approval of the change is **subject to chapter ratification**.

Mr. Douglas indicated that their final item of business would be brought to the floor at the next meeting.

The Report of the Committee on Chapter and Association Financial Affairs was called. C.S. Jenkins (MS B), Chair, indicated that his committee had been charged with five tasks and had broken into five subcommittees. Each subcommittee was preparing recommendations for the Convention to consider. He requested that B.P. McMenamin (MD B) present the report on chapter accounts receivable. Mr. McMenamin reported that his group had received the accounts receivable for the fiscal years ending July 31, 2011, 2012, and 2013. Six chapters appeared on the list only in 2013, two in 2013 and 2012, and one in all three years. His subcommittee met with all nine groups and eight chapters had plans to pay their outstanding balance by November 30. The chapter on the list in the last three years would be paying a substantial portion of their balance by November 30 and would work with the Secretary-Treasurer to pay its remaining balance by the end of the academic year. The subcommittee prepared recommendations for the Secretary-Treasurer and future committees in working with chapters that have outstanding balances at the end of the fiscal year.

J.M. Hyder (TN G), subcommittee Chair, reported that his committee had been charged with reviewing the audit and Treasurer's report and found the Association's finances to be in good order. The subcommittee presented several recommendations to improve the documents prepared for the committee in reviewing the finances of the Association.

Mr. Jenkins reported that a subcommittee was reviewing a proposal from the Executive Council to increase the initiation fee. The subcommittee felt that an increase from \$32 with the \$7 Convention assessment to a single fee of \$45 was warranted. A formal motion would be presented at the third business meeting.

B.A.M. Artale (NH A), subcommittee Chair, presented their group's charge to review the publishing cost of *The Bent* magazine. It currently costs around \$500,000 to publish the magazine each year including \$250,000 to print and mail. An electronic version of the magazine is currently available in PDF format upon request by a member. However, this version is not

ideal for mainstream electronic distribution and only 70 of the 85,000 subscribers currently receive the magazine in this format. Advertising provides approximately \$170,000 in revenue, but is based on the number of print copies. A user-friendly electronic version that leverages web-based advertising is necessary to shift subscribers from a print version. The subcommittee recommended that a committee be formed with members familiar with different publishing options to provide recommendations to the Association on the best course of action.

Mr. Jenkins indicated that the subcommittee reviewing allowable expenses for the 2014 Convention would present its report at the Third Business Meeting.

The Report of the Committee on Rituals was called. K.M.S. Brown (IA A), Chair, requested that the non-members be excused from the meeting so her report could be presented. Ms. Brown indicated that her committee had completed a full rehearsal earlier in the day, and they were prepared to conduct the model initiation on Saturday afternoon. She reported that four changes to the ritual had been presented. *The wording of the motions, debate, and action of the Convention are reported in Appendix A, which is available on request from Headquarters.*

During the debate on the changes to the Ritual, M.T. Herrenschmidt II (CA U) **called for the orders of the day**. Chairman Hickling requested clarification, and Mr. Herrenschmidt indicated the Second Business Meeting was scheduled to end at 5:50 p.m. and it was past that time. Mr. Hickling indicated that the Rituals Committee still had to complete their report, there were four other items of business on the agenda, but a motion to adjourn would be in order at any time. K. Salaam (DC A) **moved**, seconded by S.T. Stewart (AL A), **to adjourn**. Mr. Hickling indicated that he would work with Secretary Gomulinski to prepare a new Order of Business for the Third Business Meeting. On a voice vote, the Second Business Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The Advisor Recognition Dinner was held at 6:00 p.m. and seating was by ICE. A total of 510 people were served chicken wellington and assortment of tortes. James C. Hill, Ph.D., advisor of Iowa Alpha and District 11 Director, served as master of ceremonies. Thomas H. Dodd, Ph.D., P.E., Exam Development Engineer at NCEES, spoke on behalf of the organization, which sponsored the dinner. NCEES provided notebooks to all delegates at the dinner. Secretary Gomulinski recognized the work of Chapter Advisors and emphasized the important role advisors play in the life of a chapter. The Convention gave a well-deserved round of applause to the more than 50 advisors present at Convention.

Vice President Dao recognized the service anniversaries of volunteers who have supported the Association for 12 and 18 years. For 12 years the following were recognized: C. Cheng (EF), S.P. DeCabooter (EF), F.A. Leon (EF), K.L. Colbry (EF), S.E. Fable (DD15) and S.J. Houghton (DD1). For 18 years of service the following were recognized: D.S. Pierre (Dir. of Fell.) and J.C. Hill (DD11). She presented Outstanding Service Awards to R.F. Smith for his 30 years of service as a member of the Trust Advisory Committee and E.S. Styles for her 27 years of service in several different roles including Association Vice President, District Director, and Engineering Futures Facilitator.

Director of Engineering Futures R.W. Pierce presented one honorable mention for the **Iron Man Award** to C. Cheng for facilitating 20 sessions. **The Iron Man Award** went to J.P. Blackford for facilitating a total of 30 sessions during the 2012-13 school year.

Vice President Dao presented plaques to the five chapters making successful Laureate nominations: Colorado Epsilon, Colorado Zeta, Indiana Delta, New Jersey Beta, and South Carolina Gamma.

Councillor Earle announced that the Executive Council had made 25 **MindSET Grants** totaling \$5,430 to 13 chapters. He presented certificates to the following chapters for its work supporting K-12 STEM Education to: Alabama Gamma, California Epsilon, District of Columbia Alpha, Florida Alpha, Florida Epsilon, Florida Eta, Florida Theta, Georgia Alpha, Idaho Gamma, Maryland Beta, New Jersey Beta, New York Gamma, and Tennessee Alpha. Councillor Earle encouraged all chapters to participate in MindSET activities, to apply for grants at www.tbpmindset.org, and to report their activities to Headquarters.

Councillor Earle also presented a **Greater Interest in Government Grant** to Michigan Kappa for its Wheelchair Ramp Project.

Secretary Gomulinski and Councillor Huggins presented 26 **Chapter Project Awards** for excellence in project work during 2012-13 to: California Alpha Beta, Colorado Alpha, District of Columbia Alpha, Florida Epsilon, Florida Theta, Kentucky Alpha, Michigan Theta, Michigan Kappa, New York Gamma, New York Tau, North Carolina Alpha, Ohio Alpha, Pennsylvania Beta, Puerto Rico Alpha, Tennessee Gamma, and the 11 chapters listed below.

Secretary Gomulinski and Councillor Huggins presented **Chapter Performance Scholarships** of \$500 each to engineering

students who would be named later to the following 11 chapters that had won three consecutive Chapter Project Awards: Alabama Epsilon, California Alpha, California Epsilon, Florida Alpha, Georgia Alpha, Iowa Alpha, Michigan Gamma, Minnesota Alpha, Ohio Iota, South Carolina Alpha, and Texas Alpha.

Councillor Pih introduced the 2013 **Tau Beta Pi-McDonald Mentor**: Lt. Col. Donald W. Rhymer, Ph.D., *CO Z '94*. Lt Col. Rhymer was recognized for his accomplishments in supporting engineering students at the United States Air Force Academy and presented him with \$1,000 and an engraved medallion. Mr. Pih announced that an additional \$1,000 grant had been credited to the Colorado Zeta Chapter.

President Simonson reviewed the history of the Outstanding Advisor Award program and presented the 2013 **Tau Beta Pi Outstanding Advisor**: Bruce L. Walcott, Ph.D., *IN A '81*, Kentucky Alpha Advisor. He spoke of Dr. Walcott's accomplishments and presented \$1,000 to him and \$1,000 for the University of Kentucky school of engineering for the college's discretionary fund. Dr. Walcott thanked the Association for the recognition and the officers and members of the Kentucky Alpha Chapter who make it a pleasure to serve as their advisor.

Committee meetings reconvened at 7:50 p.m. The documentary *Pandora's Promise* was shown at 7:50 p.m. in Benton Auditorium. R.F. Smith and H.W. Lange held an additional session of *Managing Your Investments for Retirement* in the North Meadow Room at the Gateway Hotel and Conference Center at 10:00 p.m. where refreshments were served.

A continental breakfast was available at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning in the lobbies of the Scheman Building.

District meetings reconvened at 8:00 a.m.

THIRD BUSINESS MEETING Saturday, November 2, Benton Auditorium, Ames, IA

Chairman Hickling called the meeting to order at 9:24 a.m. He requested that all delegates voting by paper ballot be seated in the front row. Chairman Hickling stated that he and Secretary Gomulinski had prepared a new order of business for the Third Business Meeting. Hearing no objections, he ruled the amended order of business adopted as follows:

Third Business Meeting:

- Report of & action if necessary on Alumni Chapter Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on Chapter Advisor Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on MindSET Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on Image Review Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on Website Development Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on Awards Committee
- Report of & action if necessary on Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Executive Council Nominations and Presentation(s)
- Election of Executive Council
- Report of & action if necessary on Resolutions Committee
- Report of & action if necessary on Curriculum-Review Committee (*ad hoc*)
- Report of & action if necessary on Financial Affairs Committee
- Report of & action if necessary on Convention Site Committee
- Report of & action if necessary on Rituals Committee
- New Business

The Report of the Committee on Alumni Chapters (*ad hoc*) was called. C.M. Ryberg (Puget Sound AC), Chair, reported that the committee had reviewed Alumni Chapter best practices, the definition of an active Alumni Chapter, and the Distinguished Alumnus Award. She recognized the other nineteen Alumni Chapter representatives and thanked them for their work. She **moved**, seconded by T.R.B. Wilson (CO A), **that prior to the next Convention, Tau Beta Pi shall revisit the Distinguished Alumnus Award program and no later than December 31, 2013, the Executive Council will establish a working group of alumni members and task the group with addressing: the purpose and criteria for the award, a broad-based process for identifying potential candidates, the nomination and selection process, and a name change from Alumnus to Alumni. The group will report their recommendation to the Executive Council no later than May 31, 2014.** Ms. Ryberg indicated that the award was similar to the student Laureate Award and is not necessarily suitable for alumni, and the nomination and selection process does not engage a broad base of Tau Beta Pi members. The committee feels a working group of alumni would be appropriate to review and update the award. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The Report of the Committee on Chapter Advisors (*ad hoc*) was called. K.P. Rouser (CO Z Adv.), Chair, recognized the 50 plus advisors—22 of which were attending the Convention for the first time. The committee worked on four goals including strengthening the network of alumni, training new advisors, developing a mentoring program, and working on their rhythm skills. He acknowledged the work in developing an agenda for the committee by the members of the Advisor Recruitment and Development Committee that includes S.C. Dao, L.W. Faidley, B.L. Frost, P.D. Homen, A.M. Richards, R.L. Ward, and M.M. Youssef. The committee broke into two subgroups with the new advisors receiving training and the experienced advisors working on the new mentoring program.

The Report of the Committee on MindSET (*ad hoc*) was called. S. Ghatak (NY H), Co-Chair, reported that the committee had several recommendations but would not be making any motions. The committee revised and clarified the MindSET grant program to make it easier for Headquarters and the chapters. They also recommended changes to the MindSET website to improve its appearance and organizational structure. W.C. de Wet (TN A), Co-Chair, reported that the committee had discussed the refinement and distribution of information for chapters establishing new MindSET programs. They recommended that the MindSET committee be continued at the next Convention to continue their work and to consider the possibility of developing a MindSET facilitator program similar to the Engineering Futures Program.

The Report of the Committee on Image Review (*ad hoc*) was called. J.M. Morris (MN B), Chair, reviewed the work of last year's committee and the changes made by Headquarters. The committee had a number of follow-up recommendations that were given to the Secretary. They provided a prioritized list of new insignia items that the Association should offer to members. The committee recommended that Headquarters consider working with a website that sells customized clothing for organizations that gives a portion of sales back to Tau Beta Pi. They recommended that a standardized set of letterheads, presentation templates, fonts, and other materials be made available to members. The committee recommended that Headquarters consider hiring a professional consultant to prepare an updated logo and image materials. They also felt that a uniform image be used throughout all Tau Beta Pi materials which might be a new logo designed by a professional.

The Report of the Committee on Website Development (*ad hoc*) was called. T.A.M. D'Addio (NJ A), Chair, reported on progress to revise the Tau Beta Pi website. She thanked Dylan Lane and Ray Thompson from Headquarters for their work in building and supporting the Tau Beta Pi website and IT infrastructure. She also recognized her committee vice chair, secretary, and advisors. The committee reviewed the status of the implementation of the 10 recommendations made by the 2012 Convention Committee on Website Development. Overall, the committee was satisfied that the recommendations were implemented as intended. Seven recommendations were implemented and three are still in progress. The committee provided recommendations to the Secretary to assist in completing the remaining items. They recommended that a PNG format be used for images and that PDF files be clearly indicated in the file name. The committee also recommended that the instructional video for the reporting website be updated, navigation within webpages be revised, and the navigation between the main and reporting websites be updated. The reporting system should be updated, and the committee suggested that a committee at the 2014 Convention be charged with evaluating the reporting website.

The Report of the Committee on Awards was called. W.A. Michelin (FL D), Chair, stated that his committee had broken into two subcommittees with his group reviewing candidates for the R.H. Nagel Most Improved Chapter and his vice chair, A.A. Tomasik (NY N), reviewing candidates for the R.C. Matthews Outstanding Chapter Award. Both groups used the information provided by Headquarters, chapter surveys, and membership information to evaluate candidates. The committee had no further report at this time and would present the awards during the Final Business Meeting on Saturday.

Continuing the Report of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, C.M. Douglas (IL D), Chair, recognized his vice chair, D.A. Williams (NV B), to report on the general revision to the Constitution and Bylaws. Mr. Williams stated that the Executive Council had charged the committee with considering a proposal to conduct a general revision of the Constitution and Bylaws. The current Constitution and Bylaws has inconsistencies with regard to the definition of programs as well as the policies and procedures of those programs. Resolving these inconsistencies will ensure that future Constitution and Bylaws Committees will function more effectively. The committee recommended that the Executive Council form a committee within the next six months to review the Constitution and Bylaws for revision, with a focus on consistency, modernization, and the removal of redundancy. They recommended that the committee include the Secretary-Treasurer, a member from the current and succeeding Executive Councils, a District Director, an Engineering Futures Facilitator, a collegiate chapter advisor, an Alumni Chapter representative, members of the Student Advisory Board, the Convention Chair, the parliamentarian, and a selection of student representatives from at least four collegiate chapters in different districts. The revision process should take two to five years and progress should be reported at each annual Convention. This concluded the report of the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws.

Chairman Hickling reported that since the Association received only a single slate of candidates for the Executive Council, nominations were now in order. M.J. Hand III (MI G Adv.) nominated the Wolverine Slate which consisted of Michael J. Hand III, *MI G '11*, Kyle A. Lady, *MI G '10*, Elson Y. Liu, *AZA '01*, Pritpaul S. Mahal, *MI G '07*, and Ethan M. Stark, *MI G '13*. Hearing no further nominations, Chairman Hickling ruled nominations were closed.

Mr. Hickling recognized the Elevate Slate consisting of Joseph P. Blackford, *DC G '95*, Susan L.R. Holl, *CA L '78*, George J. Morales, *FL E '06*, Alan J. Passman, *FL A '06*, and Norman Pih, *TN A '82*, to make a presentation. The members of the slate introduced themselves and highlighted their combined 80 years of service to the Association. Mr. Blackford spoke on behalf of the group and presented the mission of their slate and their five areas of focus including 1) building partnerships with organizations; 2) expanding the STEM technology pipeline; 3) expanding alumni involvement and Alumni Chapter engagement; 4) supporting student chapter operations; and 5) enhancing the image of Tau Beta Pi. He indicated the group's interest in engaging all members including students, officials, and alumni to ensure Tau Beta Pi's success. They are also interested in improving the Association's finances, which will lead to more opportunities and activities. All members were encouraged to contact them with suggestions and ideas.

N.K. Fritz (MT A) asked whether or not the members of the Wolverine Slate were all alumnus members. A member of the slate replied that all members were indeed alumni. Chairman Hickling ruled the nomination in order, as any member may nominate a slate. He ruled a question relating to the legitimacy of the slate to be debate and out of order at this time. Mr. Liu spoke on behalf of the Wolverine Slate. He declared that everything the Elevate Slate stated in their presentation to be true and encouraged members to vote for the Elevate Slate.

Mr. Hickling ruled further nominations to be out of order. Hearing no further debate on the question of Executive Council slates, he called on Parliamentarian Johnson to explain the voting procedure. Mr. Johnson illustrated the process for delegates voting by text ballot, and paper ballots were distributed to those delegates without text capabilities.

Chairman Hickling recessed the meeting at 10:18 a.m. The Third Business Meeting was reconvened at 10:31 a.m.

Mr. Hickling announced the results of the Executive Council vote as follows: 236 for the Elevate Slate and 16 for the Wolverine Slate. The Executive Council-elect stood in front of the room and received enthusiastic applause. **The Elevate Slate was therefore elected** and will serve the 2014-18 term.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was called. N.G. Rogers (OH H), Chair, stated that his committee had considered a proposal to develop a tagline for the Association. This was a recommendation from the Vision Development Group in 2012. He presented five possible taglines and requested input from the members assembled. The proposals included 1) The Golden Standard of Engineering; 2) Bent on Engineering Excellence; 3) We're Geek, not Greek; 4) A Tradition of Engineering Excellence; and 5) Honoring Excellence in Engineering Since 1885. The committee recommends that the Executive Council study these taglines for adoption through a marketing/branding study. The committee also recommended that such a study include consideration for more than one tagline for various, appropriate uses. The members of the committee then presented a humorous skit highlighting different aspects of the Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Curriculum Review (ad hoc) was called. B.C. Dux (MI E), Chair, reviewed the history of the curriculum review process. Since 2006, the Convention has approved 31 curricula for membership consideration by individual chapters. The committee reviewed two appeals from Nevada Beta and Texas Eta for their computer science programs. He yielded the floor to D.K. Seshie (FL H) to present the appeal by Texas Eta. Mr. Seshie reported that the computer science program at Texas Eta met all of the requirements the committee considered and was similar to programs already accepted by prior Conventions. He **moved**, seconded by M.V. Paragano (D1 Dir.), **to approve the appeal by Texas Eta to include the B.S. in computer science curriculum at the University of Texas at Arlington for eligibility and admittance into Tau Beta Pi**. S.L. Spitulski (CA R) spoke in favor of the motion and stated that the program met all of the constitutional requirements, the materials submitted to the committee were excellent, and the program was consistent with engineering courses in other curricula. There was no further debate, and the **motion passed** on a voice vote.

Mr. Dux **moved**, seconded by T.R.B. Wilson (CO A), **to approve the appeal by Nevada Beta to include the B.S. in computer science curriculum at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas for eligibility and admittance into Tau Beta Pi**. R.C. Berben (MA I) spoke in favor of the motion and stated that the computer science program at Nevada Beta met all of the constitutional requirements, the materials submitted verified it met the requirements reviewed by the committee, and the program has heavy overlap with other engineering curricula. There was no further debate, and the **motion passed** on a voice vote.

Continuing the Report of the Committee on Chapter and Financial Affairs, C.S. Jenkins (MS B), Chair, yielded the floor to A.J. Helitzer (MA D), subcommittee Chair, to present the report on raising the initiation fee. Mr. Helitzer stated that his committee had studied the proposal from the Executive Council to raise the total new member initiation fee from \$39 to \$50. The present fee, when adjusted for inflation, is the 4th lowest since 1974. He **moved**, seconded by D.A. Williams (NV B), **to set the initiation fee to \$45 if the amendment to eliminate the Convention assessment is ratified or to \$38 if the amendment is not ratified effective August 1, 2014**. Mr. Helitzer reported while the Association is presently able to make ends meet, raising the initiation fee is part of a balanced approach to ensure the financial viability of Tau Beta Pi. The

committee believed that the fee should be raised by \$9 of the \$11 requested by the Executive Council and that this year it should be raised by \$6 this year and the Convention next year should consider raising it an additional \$3. The proposed increase primarily addresses inflation since the last increase 10 years ago and the increased cost of materials and shipping. Chapters are encouraged to seek out sponsorships to defray the cost or increase their own initiation fees. L.M. Anteau (OH Z) spoke against the increase and stated that it is difficult for struggling chapters to sell the current fee to prospective members. He stated that a \$3 increase in each of the next two years would be more appropriate, and **moved**, seconded by P.N. Charron (VT A), **to amend the motion to change \$38 to \$35 and \$45 to \$42**. R.P. Brumer (NY I) spoke against the amendment and pointed out that the Association needs the money as the Convention itself was \$300,000 in the red. Secretary Gomulinski responded to a point of information that there was no data available relating increases to membership. J.M. Hyder (TN G) spoke against the amendment and recommended that chapters better advertise the underutilized student loan program to prospective members. A.A. Turner (CA S) spoke in favor of the amendment as chapters have enough issues without raising the initiation fee. J.D. Frash (OH D) spoke against the amendment and noted the committee proposal was already a compromise on the Executive Council's proposal. C.M. Douglas (IL D) **moved**, seconded by N.K. Fritz (MT A), **to limit debate to two additional speakers**. The motion **was adopted** on a voice vote. P.N. Charron (VT A) spoke in favor of the amendment as the Convention Site Committee has a proposal, which may reduce costs, and we should see how that change will impact our finances. M. Qader (IL Z) spoke against the amendment as even an \$11 increase will only generate \$100,000 that will only partially address our deficit and an increase of \$3 helps even less. The vote on the amendment was taken, and the **amendment failed** on a show of hands. P.S. Mahal (MI G Adv.) requested information on the amount of the trust withdrawn, and Secretary-Treasurer Gomulinski described current trust spending to be between six to eight percent each year while the spending guide is currently set at five percent. D.S. Pierre (Dir. of Fell.) spoke in favor of the motion and stated that this question has been debated many times in the past. It costs in excess of \$240 per new member each year to provide all the programs and benefits for the members, but we only ask new members to pay a small fraction of that amount. J.I. Larson (Chicago AC) spoke against the motion as the increase doesn't even cover the costs of Convention, which would require an increase of \$33. He believes that the motion should be accompanied by a long-term financial plan, and **he moved to commit the motion**, but the motion failed for a lack of a second. N.K. Fritz (MT A) suggested postponing a decision on the increase until after the Convention Site Committee presents their report, and he **moved**, seconded by R. Cressall (UT G), **to table the motion until after the Convention Site report**. The motion **was defeated on a voice vote**. E.D. Basta (Ohio's North Coast AC) spoke against the motion and pointed out that activities such as Convention are the cost of doing business. Alumni giving surpassed the \$1 million mark this year, and there is no need for this increase. C.S. Jenkins (MS B) spoke in favor and stated that prices are rising and the Association needs more revenue. We are consistently withdrawing more money from the trust than our own guidelines and we need to avoid bankrupting the Association. A.R. Alpert (San Francisco Bay AC) declared that \$6 was a fairly large increase, but additional revenue is needed and there was no data presented that an increase would negatively impact membership. He **moved the previous question**. Responding to a point of information from C.M. Douglas (IL D), Secretary-Treasurer Gomulinski reported that the last increase was in 2008 when the Convention assessment was raised from \$5 to \$7. Hearing no objections to the previous question, Chairman Hickling put the motion to a vote. After an inconclusive voice vote, the motion to set the initiation fee at \$38 or \$45 depending on the ratification of the Convention assessment amendment **passed on a show of hands**.

S.D. Ramaji (FL B), subcommittee Chair, provided an overview of reimbursable Convention expenses including information contained in Bylaw I, Sec. 1.06. and the new online version of the expense report. C.S. Jenkins (MS B) **moved**, seconded by S.A. Lillard (CA M), **to set the reimbursement meals for the 2014 Convention the same as for the 2013 Convention including en route meals of \$6 for breakfast, \$8 for lunch, and \$10 for dinner and onsite breakfasts at \$9**. R. Cressall (UT G) suggested that the reimbursement rates should be sufficient to cover the meal costs for the limited number of delegates that will be driving to Spokane. D.C. Tinker (KY G) pointed out that the onsite breakfast reimbursement was unnecessary since breakfast is provided, and he **moved the previous question**. Hearing no objections, Chairman Hickling it to a vote, and the motion **passed on a voice vote**. Mr. Jenkins **moved**, seconded by T.R.B. Wilson (CO A), **to raise the allowance for stopover lodging from \$42 to \$60 for the 2014 Convention**. Ms. Ramaji reported that \$42 was not sufficient to cover the costs of reasonable accommodations en route, but the financial impact would be minimal as very few delegates utilize stopover lodging. E.P. Bertelli (CA A) spoke against the motion as the Association is already in a deficit. There was no further debate, and the motion **passed on a voice vote**. Mr. Jenkins **moved**, seconded by T.R.B. Wilson (CO A), **to raise the mileage reimbursement rate from \$0.25 per mile to \$0.30 per mile plus \$0.05 per additional delegate up to \$0.45**. Mr. Cressall presented information that the reimbursement rate had last been raised 15 years ago, and that while fuel economy has improved, the price of gas is much higher than it was in 1998. He stated that this reimbursement rate is to primarily cover gas and not wear and tear on the vehicle. It is higher than the IRS charitable deduction reimbursement rate of \$0.14 per mile, but lower than the \$0.565 rate for business expenses. This increase would cost the Association around \$1,800 each year.

Chairman Hickling reported that the allotted meeting time had nearly elapsed and asked Director of Rituals D'Avignon how much time the Rituals Committee would need to prepare for the model initiation. Mr. D'Avignon stated the committee would only need 30 minutes, and Mr. Hickling, without objection, suspended the rules that would interfere with extending the meeting until 12:10 p.m.

J.M. Valadez (CA X Adv.) inquired about the impact this would have on the reimbursement for District Conferences. Mr. Hickling replied that the motion would only impact Convention reimbursements. C.M. Douglas (IL D) stated that he had served on the Financial Affairs Committee in the past and encouraged delegates to consider the actual costs of driving their own vehicles on a per mile basis. R.P. Brumer (NY I) pointed out there is a disparity between the actual cost of driving and the amount Tau Beta Pi reimburses. He **moved**, seconded by N.K Fritz (MT A), **the previous question**. The motion to end debate **passed on a show of hands**. On the question of raising the reimbursement rate, the motion **passed on a voice vote**.

Ms. Ramaji concluded the report of the committee by recommending that the Executive Council set the mileage reimbursement rate for District Conferences to the rate just approved by the Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Convention Site was called. T.J. Battle (AL E), Chair, stated that his group had no proposal for a site for 2016 because of the change made by last year's Convention that restricts site selection to only two years in advance. The committee focused its efforts on developing goals for future Convention sites. These include the ability for Convention to grow to 750-1,000 attendees, facilities that can easily accommodate our needs, reduce costs per person, provide a good experience, and grow the number of attending alumni and publicize Tau Beta Pi. Given these objectives for future Convention sites, he **moved**, seconded by T.R.B. Wilson (CO A), **to adopt the following proposal for the Convention Site process**:

1. Any Tau Beta Pi member or group of members can communicate interest to HQ for assistance in developing and submitting a bid for the annual Convention.
2. The Executive Council will ensure a minimum of three bids meeting the established requirements are presented to the Convention Site Committee at least two years in advance of the proposed Convention date.
3. These requirements, established by the Executive Council and reviewed by the Convention Site Committee, are based upon the goals set by the Site Committee.
4. The Convention Site Committee will choose a Convention site that best reflects these goals.

Mr. Battle stated that the Convention Site Committee is responsible for developing and reviewing the goals for Convention sites. They will also review the requirements that the Executive Council develops based on the committee's goals. The Executive Council will ensure that at least three "eligible" bids be submitted to the committee for consideration, but that all bids should be submitted to the committee regardless if they meet the "eligible" requirements defined by the Executive Council and the committee. The changes do not rule out the option of having a host chapter, but it is no longer a requirement. S.D. Ramaji (FL B) spoke in favor of the change as it will provide the Association more flexibility in minimizing the costs of future Conventions. R.D. Chen (MI G) spoke against the motion as it changes a fundamental element of Conventions by removing chapters from the picture. D.A. Babin (TX A) spoke against the change and requested information on the current process used. Secretary Gomulinski explained that the process had been changed last year and hadn't been used by a Convention Site Committee. Hearing no objections, Chairman Hickling ruled **debate limited to five minutes on a motion** by K. Salaam (DC A). In response to a comment about setting the Convention site far into the future, Secretary Gomulinski read Constitution Article III, Sec. 2(i) which limits the selection of a Convention site more than three years in advance. M.S. Gandhi (GA A) spoke in favor of the motion and suggested there were many universities around major cities and hub airports that would have the capacity to facilitate growing the Convention. Chairman Hickling reported that five minutes had elapsed and called for a vote by text ballot. The **motion was adopted with 150 in favor and 89 opposed**.

On a **call for the orders of the day**, Chairman Hickling ruled, without objection, that New Business would be moved to the Final Business Meeting, and that the length of the Third Business Meeting be extended to allow the Rituals Committee to complete their report.

Continuing the Report of the Committee on Rituals, K.M.S. Brown (IA A), Chair, reported that her committee had met Friday night to address the concerns addressed during the previous business meeting. She requested that all non-members be excused from the meeting. Ms. Brown presented four changes to the wording of the ritual contained in four separate motions. The **motions were approved on three voice votes and one text ballot**. *The wording of the motions, debate, and action of the Convention are reported in Appendix A, which is available on request from Headquarters.*

The Third Business Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

A **buffet lunch** was provided in the Scheman Building from noon until 1:30 p.m.

The Model Initiation was conducted at 2:00 p.m. in Benton Auditorium. The Rituals Committee and members of the host chapter had organized this ceremony. Director of Rituals D'Avignon explained to the delegates the importance of proper preparation for and conduction of the initiation ceremony, the purpose of the model ceremony, proper dress, and prompt reporting to Headquarters. The initiation team consisted of Vice President S.C. Dao, Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus J.D. Froula, District 11 Director C.M Harrison, Iowa Alpha Chief Advisor L.W. Faidley, Iowa Alpha President K.M.S. Brown, and Ritual Committee members. The Model Initiation brought into membership in the Association ten student members and two eminent engineers of Iowa Alpha and one Sigma Tau member of South Dakota Alpha and one of Nebraska Alpha.

Interactive Chapter Exchanges (ICE) were held from 2:45-4:45 p.m.

Secretary-Treasurer Gomulinski and Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Hawks met with the successful petitioner at 3:00 p.m.

Campus tours of Iowa State University were held from 4:45-6:15 p.m.

A reception for award winners, their guests, and Association Officials was held at 5:00 p.m. in the South Meadow Room at the Gateway Hotel and Conference Center.

The **Initiation and Awards Banquet** was held in the Prairie Ballroom of the Gateway Hotel at 6:30 p.m. Vice President Dao presented a humorous video about chapter advisors and students' thoughts about the advisors at their chapters. Convention Arrangements Chair Grant E. Anderson was master of ceremonies. Councillor Pih welcomed the new initiates to the Association. Councillor Huggins introduced the Tau Beta Pi historical video. A total of 499 people were served a New York strip steak with cheesecake for dessert, sponsored for the voting delegates by GEICO.

Near the conclusion of the Final Business Meeting, Ralph A. Rockow, *OH Γ '58*, gave the keynote. Mr. Rockow spoke of his involvement in the Apollo space program as one of the engineers working on the lunar-lander engine as well as his work in vehicle safety and testing in the years since the Apollo missions. He shared with delegates "10 keys to success in your chosen field of engineering." Jonathan A. Wickert, Ph.D., senior vice president and provost at Iowa State University, thanked delegates for visiting Ames and the university. Katherine M.S. Brown, Iowa Alpha President, expressed her thanks to Arrangements Co-Chairs German A. Parada and Grant E. Anderson and the members and candidates of Iowa Alpha for their work in making the Convention a success. President Simonson asked the delegates a series of questions, thanked them and the Iowa Alpha members for their hard work, and invited everyone to the 2014 Convention in Spokane, WA.

FINAL BUSINESS MEETING
Saturday, November 2, Initiation and Awards Banquet
Prairie Ballroom, Gateway Hotel and Conference Center, Ames, IA

Chairman Hickling took charge of the **Final Business Meeting** on the banquet program in the Prairie Ballroom at 6:37 p.m. Mr. Hickling called for items of **New Business**.

L.D. Williams (IN A) recommended that the Executive Council consider giving each member of the Student Advisory Board a Convention vote or a single vote be shared among them.

E.P. Bertelli (CA A) recommended that the Executive Council direct the Financial Affairs Committee or charter an ad-hoc committee at the next Convention to explore how the Association can help chapters achieve 501(c)(3) non-profit status.

K. Salaam (DC A) recommended that the next Executive Council look at different ways the Association could perform engineering community service through science fairs or other activities to give back to the community.

Mr. Hickling recessed the meeting at 6:47 p.m. The Final Business Meeting reconvened at 8:27 p.m.

Vice President Dao recognized the 2013 **Tau Beta Pi Laureates** in attendance: Darick W. LaSelle, *CO E '13*, Benjamin B. Macy, *IN Δ '13*, and Adam R. Pizzera, *NJ B '13*, spoke of their outstanding achievements, and presented them with Laureate plaques and cash awards of \$2,500.

President Simonson announced the **Distinguished Alumnus Award**: M. Lucius Walker, Jr., Ph.D., P.E., *DC A '57*. A plaque was presented to his daughter and a \$2,000 scholarship in his name will be awarded in 2014. Dr. Walker was recognized posthumously.

Continuing the Report of the Committee on Awards, W.A. Michelin (FL D), Chair, introduced Secretary-Treasurer

Emeritus Froula who presented the **2013 J.D. Froula Most Improved Membership Award** to Kentucky Alpha. Mr. Froula congratulated the chapters on improving their membership numbers this past year.

Mr. Michelin presented the **2013 R.H. Nagel Most Improved Chapter Award to Kentucky Alpha**, for its unprecedented growth in membership, community outreach, and campus involvement. The chapter has hosted a fundraising game night that has grown each year and now is an annual tradition with large turnouts. An **honorable mention** was presented to **Florida Epsilon** for its membership improvement, involvement in the MindSET program, and working with the Boy Scouts to help them complete engineering merit badges.

A.A. Tomasik (NY N), Vice Chair, spoke of the criteria for the Outstanding Chapter Award and presented **honorable mentions** to **Ohio Iota** for its exceptional community outreach and boosting their image on campus and to **Alabama Epsilon** for its work in the community, supporting K-12 education, and involvement in campus recruiting. He presented the **2013 R.C. Matthews Outstanding Chapter Award to Kentucky Alpha** at the University of Kentucky. They hosted a Tau Beta Pi information booth during parent's weekend, participated in family math night, volunteered at a local food pantry, and were involved in cancer education and prevention awareness week. Mr. Tomasik noted that this was the first time the R.H. Nagel and the R.C. Matthews Awards were received by the same chapter.

Continuing the Report of the Committee on Resolutions, N.G. Rogers (OH H), Chair, read the following:

Resolutions of the 2013 Convention

On behalf of the entire Resolutions Committee, I would like to present our final report. These resolutions will primarily recognize those who work behind the scenes in conducting the daily business of the Association and the Convention. I promise not to end with any ridiculous motions this evening. First and foremost, we'd like to thank everyone for their attendance and hard work this weekend. It is only because of your continued efforts that Tau Beta Pi remains the premier engineering honor society.

Of course, we would like to thank the host chapter, Iowa Alpha, for allowing TBP to invade their campus for the last few days. A few individuals deserve special recognition: the Chapter President, Kate M.S. Brown and the Chief Advisor Dr. LeVern W. Faidley, especially for his work in acquiring sponsors. Convention Arrangement Co-chairs German Parada and Grant Anderson have been on point all weekend. For their hard work, we present them with plaques and a small token of our gratitude. We are thankful for all your hard work in taking care of the details for this weekend.

We also acknowledge that the host chapter's efforts would be futile without the financial support of alumni and corporate sponsors. Nearly 250 companies gave generously to Tau Beta Pi this year, as well as almost 11,000 Tau Beta Pi alumni. We'd like to thank: Caterpillar, GEICO, NCEES, and Sukup as well as the other generous sponsors. Let's give them a well-deserved TBP applau.

Even within such an elite organization, there are those who have distinguished themselves above and beyond. The 40 Tau Beta Pi Fellows and 210 Tau Beta Pi Scholars were introduced in the Summer and Fall issues of *The Bent*.

As is clear from the giving report and the large number of alumni chapter activations, many TBP alumni continue to invest in the future of our organization and profession through monetary gifts and volunteer efforts. Their mentorship and guidance is invaluable.

Many alumni also serve as District Directors, providing a wealth of knowledge and wisdom to local chapters.

Our heartfelt thanks goes out to the Engineering Futures Director, Russell W. Pierce, and the myriad of volunteer instructors in the program for their hard work in stimulating the development of the future of our beloved profession.

In addition to the impressive commitment of our local leaders, there are a number of national figures that have coordinated all the individual efforts into a single, vibrant society.

Executive Director and Secretary-Treasurer Curtis Gomulinski has the distinct pleasure of making everyone happy every day of the year. From my interactions with him at this Convention, I'd say he does a fantastic job. Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Roger Hawks has worked diligently to ensure the smooth operation of yet another annual Convention. Without him and the tireless work of Rebecca Davis, our Collegiate Chapter Assistant, many of us may never have made it here, or even known where to be or when to be there.

Our newly appointed Director of Alumni Affairs, Tricia E. Gomulinski, has her hands full with her responsibilities,

but we are fully confident in her ability to further develop our alumni relations efforts.

As a historic society, we cherish the tradition maintained by our secret rituals. We thank Edward J. D'Avignon, Director of Rituals, for providing the foundation of our traditions for years to come.

The distinguished members of the Fellowship Board are: Director Stephen Pierre, Dr. Charles Caldwell, Dr. Darrell W. Donahue, Dr. Susan L.R. Holl and Major Jammie L. Jamieson. Thanks to their committee and its hard work, countless Tau Bates have received well-deserved recognition for their achievements.

We would also like to extend a big thanks to Tau Beta Pi's Trust Advisory Committee, more specifically Chair Rodger Smith and members Jim Johnson Jr., and Harry Lange. Clearly, our trust fund is in good hands under their stewardship.

The outgoing Executive Council is a dedicated group that epitomizes the core values of Tau Beta Pi. We thank President Larry Simonson, Vice President Solange Dao, and Councillors Jonathon Earle, Jason Huggins and Norman Pih for their fantastic work.

Finally, I would like to recognize the recently elected Elevate Slate: Joseph P. Blackford, Susan L. Holl, George Morales, Norman Pih, and Alan J. Passman.

Jim Froula, P.E. (ret.), is the Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus of The Tau Beta Pi Association, and we thank him again for his longevity in service to the Association.

In looking around this very room, and looking over this impressive list of names, I am amazed that I have the opportunity to stand among such engineering giants. Thank you for your time tonight and this weekend. We look forward to seeing you at the 2014 Convention in Spokane, hosted by Washington Delta at Gonzaga University.

Let's have one more round of applause for those who have distinguished themselves this year.

Several delegates rose to a point of personal privilege. Chairman Hickling recognized them and they inquired if anyone had a napkin. In the spirit of the occasion, the entire banquet group produced a long, complex ring of tied dinner napkins. The entire banquet group joined Mr. Froula in the **Tau Beta Pi Yell**. Chairman Hickling thanked Parliamentarian Johnson and Secretary Gomulinski, and praised the delegates for their skills, collaboration, and cooperation. On the motion of W.C. de Wet (TN A), seconded by nearly every delegate, Chairman Hickling declared the **Convention adjourned sine die at 10:18 p.m.**

Submitted by,

Approved by,

Curtis D. Gomulinski
Convention Secretary

Ronald M. Hickling
Convention Chair