

RECORDS OF THE 181st CONVENTION

of

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**181ST PSI UPSILON CONVENTION
MINUTES OF THE OPENING GENERAL SESSION
FRIDAY, JULY 25, 2025**

**GIFFORD AUDITORIUM
SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY
SYRACUSE NY**

Jason Lowden, Phi Nu '26 called the 181st Psi Upsilon Convention to order at 4:18 p.m. on Friday, July 25, 2025. On behalf of the Phi Nu at Christopher Newport University planning to return this Fall and in honor of the Pi Chapter at Syracuse University on its 150th Anniversary. He then appointed the following temporary officers of the 181st Convention:

President: Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08
Recorder: Thomas J. Fox, Omicron '00

President Zepp appointed the Committee on Nominations and Credentials:

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND CREDENTIALS

James Platner, Phi Delta '10, Chairman
Maxwell Beldotti, Pi '26, Vice Chairman

Christopher Beard, Lambda Sigma '27
Alex Crawley, Eta '28
Luke Doty, Gamma Tau '26
Jason Lowden, Phi Nu Owl Club '26
Parker Lutz, Sigma Phi '26
Christian Orzame, Epsilon Nu '28
Samuel Pichler, Omega '26
Devin Rosser, Upsilon '28
Barrett Slaughter, Delta Omicron '27

Joey Cobau, Phi '21
James Cornacchia, Pi '86
Garrett Gleim, Tau '01
Jennifer Roper, Gamma Tau '03
Alex Senchak, Eta '06

Brother Platner gave the initial report of the **Committee on Nominations and Credentials**. He then placed the following names in nomination as permanent officers of the 181st Convention:

President: Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08
Vice President: Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72
Vice President: David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11
Recorder: Thomas J. Fox, Omicron '00

The resolution passed unanimously.

Brother Platner then reported that the committee confirmed the credentials of delegates from 22 active chapters, two inactive chapters, and three owl clubs.

President Zepp appointed Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72 as Parliamentarian of the 181st Convention.

He then called upon Recorder Thomas Fox, Omicron '00 who called the roll of delegates and reported the presence of a quorum.

President Zepp then gave the Annual Communication of the Executive Council to the Convention.

Next, President Zepp asked for reports from many of the Executive Council Committees.

Madison Turkette, Delta Omicron '19, gave a report of the **Budget and Audit Committee** and thanked Andrew Arnold, Lambda '10, Marty Diamond, Eta '11, John Ong, Gamma '82, and Jay LaPanne, Delta Nu '89, for their service.

David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11, gave a report of the **Bylaws, Policy and Governance Committee** and thanked Ben Bariteau, Gamma Tau '13, Matt DalSanto, Omicron '03, Mark Deming, Omicron '05, and Chuck Hall, Nu Alpha '71 for their service.

Chapter Services Coordinator, Justin Sines, gave a **Chapter Services Report** outlining the work of the Chapter Services Team and outlining a number of educational opportunities available to our members.

Executive Director Thomas Fox then gave a report of the **Expansion and Growth** of Psi Upsilon Fraternity and mentioned future planned projects and opportunities including our newly formed Owl Clubs at Christopher Newport University and Trinity College and the upcoming installation of the Delta Omicron Chapter at Purdue University.

President Zepp thanked the committees for their work this past year and encouraged anyone present who would like to be more involved to see him about potentially joining a committee.

President Zepp then appointed the following additional standing committees to consider the business to be brought before the Convention:

RULES COMMITTEE

Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72, Chairman

Ashton Clark, Phi '27
Tyler Hahn, Epsilon Nu '27
David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11
Catherine Lefebvre, Gamma Tau '18
Steven Malinski, Epsilon Iota '09
Robert McIntire, Omicron '68
James Platner, Phi Delta '10
Madison Turkette, Delta Omicron '19

COMMITTEE ON AWARDS

Catherine Lefebvre, Gamma Tau '18, Chairman
Eric Jachzel, Alpha Omicron '26, Vice Chairman

William Alcorn, Pi '26
Cooper Boyd, Psi '27
Tim Clayton, Tau Epsilon '27
Jacob Crowe, Phi Nu Owl Club '28
Joshua Dell, Sigma Phi '27
Xavier Luterman, Phi Delta '26
William Small, Omicron '27
Olubande Taiwo, Gamma Tau '26
Ricky Wong, Delta '27

Ivy Brown, Delta Omicron '20
Steve Moore, Eta '84
Larry Rakers, Omicron '86
Taylor Ross, Epsilon Iota '19
Jon Szykowski, Epsilon Nu '06

COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND DEVELOPMENT

Madison Turkette, Delta Omicron '19, Chairman
James McCormack, Phi Beta '26, Vice Chairman

Tyler Breun, Alpha Omicron '26
Shad Hassan, Zeta '27
Kenna Jacquay, Delta Omicron '27
Yash Katyal, Zeta Zeta '27
Pei Lin Lu, Delta '26
Lucas Philip, Tau '28
Yuriy Sandmeier, Upsilon '27

Emre Taner, Lambda Sigma '28
Eric Zamiska, Phi Delta '27

Marty Diamond, Eta '11
Matthew Eckenrode, Epsilon Nu '04
Douglas Jackman, Omega '89
Tom Martin, Pi '78
Jeremy McKeon, Eta '08
John Wiencek, Delta '88

COMMITTEE ON NEW BUSINESS

Tyler Hahn, Epsilon Nu '27, Chairman
David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11, Vice Chairman

Abdulrahman Alsaeed, Gamma Tau '26
Alex Godwin, Psi '26
Robyn Haney, Epsilon Iota '26
Brandon Khu, Phi Nu Owl Club '27
Theodore de Longeaux, Omega '28
William Maxwell, Phi Beta '26
Marbin Shrestha, Theta Theta '27
Owen Stallings, Omicron '28
Alex Torres Suarez, Pi '26

Sherman Bear, Eta '84
Bob Corell, Epsilon Iota '82
Patrick Gilrane, Psi '83
Thomas Hanford, Gamma '62
Robert McIntire, Omicron '68
Mathew Ross, Pi '86

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND CREDENTIALS

James Platner, Phi Delta '10, Chairman
Maxwell Beldotti, Pi '26, Vice Chairman

Christopher Beard, Lambda Sigma '27
Alex Crawley, Eta '28
Luke Doty, Gamma Tau '26
Jason Lowden, Phi Nu Owl Club '26
Parker Lutz, Sigma Phi '26
Christian Orzame, Epsilon Nu '28
Samuel Pichler, Omega '26
Devin Rosser, Upsilon '28

Barrett Slaughter, Delta Omicron '27

Joey Cobau, Phi '21

James Cornacchia, Pi '86

Garrett Gleim, Tau '01

Jennifer Roper, Gamma Tau '03

Alex Senchak, Eta '06

COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ashton Clark, Phi '27, Chairman

Steven Malinski, Epsilon Iota '09, Vice Chairman

Richard Bogdan, Zeta Zeta '27

Nicholas Goode, Theta Theta '28

Nori Melville, Epsilon Iota '26

Max Osias, Eta '28

Kevin Rutz, Phi '26

Carlos Sanchez, Gamma Tau '26

Joseph Sciotto, Lambda '27

Evan Simmer, Tau Epsilon '27

Luke Sippel, Pi '26

Christian Smith, Zeta '27

Antony Avila, Alpha Omicron '15

Murray Eskenazi, Lambda '56

Andrew Strait, Pi '81

Andrew Turnbaugh, Phi Beta '24

James Volpentest, Theta Theta '90

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS, ALL COMMITTEES

Jonathan Chaffin, Gamma Tau '00

Thomas Fox, Omicron '00

Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72

Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08

President Zepp then called on Thomas Fox, Omicron '00 to review the schedule and logistics for the 2025 Leadership Institute and 181st Convention.

Ashton Clark, Phi '27, presented the following resolution:

Special Resolution #1

Resolved: The 181st Convention extends warm fraternal greetings to

Bradley R. Corner, Omicron '72
Murray Eskenazi, Lambda '56;
Patrick Gilrane, Psi '82;
And Charles A. Werner, Omega '55;

Honorary Life Members of the Executive Council out of respect and gratitude for their devotion and service to Psi Upsilon.

Luke Doty, Gamma Tau '26, presented the following resolution:

Special Resolution #2

Resolved: That the 181st Convention expresses its profound appreciation to

David Hollis, Gamma Tau '11;
Catherine Lefebvre, Gamma Tau '18
Steve Malinski, Epsilon Iota '09;
Lance Miller, Epsilon Nu '06;
James Platner, Phi Delta '10;
Jonathan Szykowski, Epsilon Nu '06
Madison Turkette, Delta Omicron Prov. '19
And Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08

for their enormous contributions to the Fraternity as alumni term members of the Executive Council.

Eric Jachzel, Alpha Omicron '26, presented the following resolution:

Special Resolution #3

Resolved: That the 181st Convention gratefully acknowledges the services of

Thomas T. Allan, IV, Theta Theta '89
Mark D. Bauer, Omega '83
David A. B. Brown, Epsilon Phi '66;
Charles M. Hall, Nu Alpha '71;
Jeremy K. McKeon, Eta '08;
Richard A. Rasmussen, Upsilon '72;
James A Swanke, Rho '80
And Evan W. Terry, Epsilon Phi '93

as past presidents and Life Members of the Executive Council, out of respect and gratitude for their fidelity and commitment to Psi Upsilon.

Lucas Philip, Tau '28, presented the following resolution:

Special Resolution #4

Resolved: That the 181st Convention extends its sincere appreciation to the directors of The Psi Upsilon Foundation,

J. Martin Brayboy, Gamma '84
Matthew J. Eckenrode, Epsilon Nu '04;
Patrick J. Gilrane, Psi '82;
Garrett Gleim, Tau '01
Doug Jackman, Omega '89;
John F. H. Ong, Gamma '82;
Gary G. Pan, Eta '86;
Larry Rakers, Omicron '86;
Jennifer Roper, Gamma Tau '03;
Alexander C. Senchak, Eta '06;
Apurva Upadhyay, Eta '06
and James Volpentest, Theta Theta '90

for their dedication to the mission and values of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Marbin Shrestha, Theta Theta '27, presented the following resolution:

Special Resolution #5

Resolved: That the 181st Convention extends its sincere appreciation to Aidan Stewart, Theta Theta '27 for his enthusiasm and loyalty to Psi Upsilon while an undergraduate and serving on the Undergraduate Advisory Board while promoting the mission and values of Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

All Special Resolutions passed by unanimous consent.

At 4:51 p.m. President Zepp recessed the 181st Psi Upsilon Convention until Sunday, July 27, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.

181ST PSI UPSILON CONVENTION MINUTES OF THE CLOSING GENERAL SESSION SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025

**GIFFORD AUDITORIUM
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President Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08, called the closing session of the 181st Psi Upsilon Convention to order at 3:12 p.m. on Sunday, July 27, 2025. President Zepp extended his appreciation to everyone for their work in committees.

President Zepp then asked Brother Fox to call the roll of delegates. The roll was called, and a quorum was declared to be present.

President Zepp called upon Brother Rasmussen to review the parliamentary rules by which the Convention conducts its business. Brother Rasmussen then presented the report of the Rules Committee. He indicated that after reviewing the work of all the committees, they

would be called in the following order and allowed the following times to present their reports and resolutions:

Nominations and Credentials	10 minutes
Unfinished Business	5 minutes
Budget & Development	15 minutes
Awards	15 minutes
New Business	10 minutes

The report of the Rules Committee was approved unanimously.

Committee on Nominations and Credentials

Barrett Slaughter, Delta Omicron '27 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #1

Whereas: The committee recognizes that all chapters have had financial difficulties impacting their abilities to fulfill their commitments to Psi Upsilon; and

Whereas: The committee reviewed the assessment of outstanding debts to consider reasoning behind each chapter's current standing; and

Whereas: The Delta, Zeta Zeta, Beta Beta, Phi Delta, Sigma Phi, Chi Delta, Lambda, and Tau Epsilon have outstanding debts to the International Office; be it therefore

Resolved: That the Delta, Zeta Zeta, Beta Beta, Phi Delta, Sigma Phi, Chi Delta, Lambda, and Tau Epsilon chapters work diligently with the International Office to reduce their current debts and meet financial obligations going forward; be it further

Resolved: That all voting rights for the specified chapters who lost voting rights due to financial matters as described in Article 11 Section 2 in the Constitution are restored.

Luke Sipple, Pi '26 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #2

Whereas: The committee recognizes that many chapters have had financial difficulties impacting their abilities to fulfill their commitments to Psi Upsilon; and

Whereas: The committee reviewed the assessment of outstanding debts to consider reasoning behind Theta Theta's current outstanding debt; and

Whereas: Communications have not resulted in an agreed to payment plan; be it therefore

Resolved: The Theta Theta work diligently with the International Office to reduce their current debts and meet financial obligations going forward; be it further

Resolved: The Theta Theta enter into a payment plan by the end of 2025, else it is recommended to the 182nd Convention to not restore voting rights; and be it further

Resolved: That all voting rights for the Theta Theta chapter, who lost voting rights due to financial matters as described in Article II Section 2 in the Constitution are restored for the 181st convention.

Luke Doty, Gamma Tau '26 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #3

Whereas: The convention record recognizes unpaid assessments for the Upsilon chapter; and

Whereas: The entirety of the unpaid assessments of the Upsilon chapter have been guaranteed or dispatched; be it therefore

Resolved: That all voting rights are restored for this Convention to the Upsilon chapter who lost voting rights due to financial matters as described in Article II Section 2 in the Constitution.

Jason Lowden, Phi Nu Owl Club '26 presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #4

Whereas: The committee recognizes that many chapters have had financial difficulties impacting their abilities to fulfill their commitments to Psi Upsilon; and

Whereas: The committee requests advice and counsel from the Executive Council going forward. The committee requests a recommendation from the Executive Council to the 182nd Convention to provide standard guidance on payment plans, assessment of late fees, and the Executive Council's recommendation for each chapter with outstanding debts; be it therefore

Resolved: When a Chapter provides a Chapter Report to the Executive Council, they must provide a summary of current and historical debts and their plans to resolve said debts; be it further

Resolved: The Executive Director shall ensure that every Officer and Chapter Corporation President is fully aware, via a written document with confirmation of receipt, of their outstanding debts and the importance of entering into a payment plan and the consequences of not being under a payment plan; be it further

Resolved: The 181st Convention requires the Executive Council to provide a report and recommendation to the 182nd Convention to approve a formal outstanding debt policy that clearly establishes guidance on how and when late fees shall accrue and be recognized and the recommendations to future conventions on whether voting rights restoration should be considered.

Alex Crowley, Eta '28 then presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #5

Resolved: The Committee on Nominations and Credentials nominates the following brothers for election as members of the Executive Council with a continued term of service:
For a two-year term beginning at the conclusion of Convention and ending in 2027:
Jonathan Szyrkowski, Epsilon Nu '06
Catherine Lefebvre, Gamma Tau '18
Lance Miller, Epsilon Nu '80
Jim Platner, Phi Delta '10
Timothy Zepp, Chi Delta '08

Chris Beard, Lambda Sigma '26 then presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #6

Resolved: The Committee on Nominations and Credentials nominates the following brother for election as member of the Executive Council with a new term of service:
For a one-year term beginning at the conclusion of Convention and ending in 2026:

Marty Diamond, Eta '11

Committee on Unfinished Business

Antony Avila, Alpha Omicron '15, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #7

Whereas: The 181st Convention reviewed the records of the 180th Convention and the Executive Council minutes for the 2024-2025 year, be it therefore

Resolved: That the 181st Convention ratifies those actions of the Executive Council taken since the 180th Convention; be it further

Resolved: That the 181st Convention thanks the Executive Council for its service and attention to the business of the fraternity during that time.

Carlos Sanchez, Gamma Tau '26, then presented the following recommendation.

Recommendation #1

Whereas: Attendance at the Psi Upsilon Convention is required of all active chapters by the Constitution of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, and

Whereas: Chapter representation at the Psi Upsilon convention strengthens brothers' connections with one another, and

Whereas: The Zeta and Xi chapters have not been in attendance for multiple consecutive conventions despite registration of Zeta chapter for the 181st convention, be it therefore

Recommended: That the UAB to reach out to the chapters to understand what is stopping the chapters from attending convention and encourage attendance at future conventions.

Ashton Clark, Phi '27 then presented the following recommendation.

Recommendation #2

Whereas: The Phi chapter at the University of Michigan will be celebrating the centennial of their chapter house in 2026, and

Whereas: The Delta chapter at New York University and Lambda chapter at Columbia University are both in the greater New York City area and celebrating anniversaries in 2027, and

Whereas: The Theta chapter at Union College would be celebrating the 200th anniversary and the Epsilon Iota Chapter at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute will be celebrating the 51st anniversary in 2033, be it therefore

Recommended: That the Phi chapter be considered to host the 182nd Convention in 2026, and

Recommended: That the Delta and Lambda chapters be considered to host the 183rd Convention in 2027 unless significant desire from a suitable alternative becomes known, and be it further

Recommended: That the Epsilon Iota chapter be considered to host the 200th anniversary Convention in 2033.

Committee on Budget and Development

Dip Jacquay, Delta Omicron '27, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #6

Resolved: That the 181st Convention reviewed the financial statements for the 2024-2025 fiscal year through June 30 and found them acceptable.

Emre Taner, Lambda Sigma '28, presented the following recommendation.

Recommendation #3

Whereas: The 180th Convention has reviewed the Outstanding Assessments as of June 30th, 2025 and international office paid \$6,532.51 of the Lambda Alumni Association banquet in the 2023-2024; be it

Recommended: Lambda Alumni Association owes \$6,532.51 and should pay the amount owed to the international office immediately; be it

Recommended: The Executive Council should begin to structure a request of funds from the undergraduate chapter if the Lambda Alumni Association does not pay in full; and be it

Recommended: The Executive Council should start applying standard late fees to the balance.

Nico Sorce, Upsilon '27, presented the following recommendation.

Recommendation #4

Whereas: Theta Theta chapter owes \$7,176 from 2024-2025 in outstanding assessments to the international fraternity; be it

Recommended: The Theta Theta chapter finalize a payment plan with international office by October 15th 2025 and issue a 25% payment of their outstanding balance.

Eric Zamiska, Phi Delta '27, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #8

Whereas: The international chapters have to exchange their funds from Canadian Dollars to US Dollars, and

Whereas: The exchange rate average for the past 5 years was calculated as 0.7125; be it

Resolved: The exchange rate conversion should be assessed at 0.7125 if the full balance paid by October 1st, if not the current exchange rate should be utilized.

Tyler Breun, Alpha Omicron '26, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

General Resolution #9

Whereas: The dues assessed have been unchanged since 2023; and

Whereas: There has been a 28% increase in inflation since 2018; and

Whereas: We have been running a deficit for the past 3 years; be it

Resolved: The initiation fee and member tax fees should be separately raised by \$10, for a proposal of \$265/member for initiation fee and \$220/member for member tax.

Pei Lin Lu, Delta '26, presented the following recommendation.

Recommendation #5

Whereas: The budget for future years will need to be reviewed and discussed if additional growth staff is hired; be it

Recommended: The future budget committee of the 182nd Convention should review assessment schedule for future years and consider an increase of an additional \$10/member for Initiation Fee and Member Tax to meet inflation adjustment rates.

Luke Philip, Tau '28, presented the following recommendation.

General Resolution #10

Whereas: The 181st Convention reviewed the budget for the fiscal year 2025-2026 with projected revenues of \$726,300 and projected expenses of \$690,320; be it

Recommended: That the Executive Council adopt the proposed budget for 2025-2026 fiscal year as presented.

Committee on Awards

William Alcorn, Pi '26, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #7

Whereas: The Zeta, Upsilon, Eta, Tau, and Theta Theta chapters exceeded the campus average GPA for the previously known academic year, be it therefore;

Resolved: That the convention recognizes the following chapters for the Garnet and Gold Award for Academic Excellence: Zeta, Upsilon, Eta, Tau, and Theta Theta.

Jacob Crowe, Phi Nu '28, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #8

Whereas: The Owl Award for Exceptional Academic Performance is given to the chapters which demonstrate a truly significant academic achievement based on many different criteria; and

Whereas: The Delta and Omega chapter maintains a GPA of 3.7 and above, well over campus average, and

Whereas: The Epsilon Nu improved their GPA and fraternity rank from 15th to 5th of 28 chapters, and

Whereas: The Eta chapter had a higher-than-average rank and GPA on campus, as well as creating an academic big brother program and mandatory study groups, and

Whereas: The Phi Beta chapter significantly improved their rank from 13th of 15 to 6th of 16, and

Whereas: The Upsilon chapter had significantly over the men's average as well as having 80% of their chapter members on the Fall 2024 Deans List, therefore be it

Resolved: That the convention recognizes the Delta, Epsilon Nu, Eta, Omega, Phi Beta and Upsilon chapters for the Owl Award for Exceptional Academic Performance.

Olunbande Taiwo, Gamma Tau '27, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #9

Whereas: The Pi, Tau, Omicron, Epsilon Iota, Phi Beta, Lambda Sigma, and Alpha Omicron chapters gave a substantial amount of their time and effort to further the mission of several philanthropic causes, and

Whereas: The Pi chapter raised over \$160,000 with the majority coming from their November fundraiser and averaged 12 hours of service per a brother, and

Whereas: The Tau chapter averaged 17.5 hours per brother with most of their fundraising going towards helping people re-join the work force, and

Whereas: The Omicron averaged 16.8 hours per brother through their service volunteering at food banks, schools and other organizations, and

Whereas: The Epsilon Iota averaged 17.8 hours per brother through a vast number of events including a bake sale for American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and crocheting for various charity organizations, and

Whereas: The Phi Beta chapter raised almost \$400 per brother for charity and averaged just over 10 service hours per a brother, and

Whereas: The Lambda Sigma raised \$20,000 through their annual "Psi U Think U Can Dance" event and averaged 13.4 hours per brother, and

Whereas: The Alpha Omicron chapter averaged 21.5 hours per brother, be it therefore

Resolved: That the convention recognizes the Pi, Tau, Omicron, Epsilon Iota, Phi Beta, Lambda Sigma and Alpha Omicron chapters for the Clapsed Hand Award for Outstanding Philanthropy and Service.

Joshua Dell, Sigma Phi '27, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #10

Whereas: The Award of Distinction is given to chapters for any project, service or accomplishment which merits special recognition; and

Whereas: The Tau Chapter has given the most of their hours, totaling 980, out of all Psi Upsilon chapters towards furthering philanthropic causes; and

Whereas: The Eta Chapter has implemented a study program and academic big brother program to bolster its academic performance, which has resulted in 40% of the chapter's membership on the University Dean's List and the chapter having the highest academic ranking among fraternities, be it therefore

Resolved: The convention recognizes the Tau and Eta Chapters for the Award of Distinction

Xavier Luterman, Phi Delta '26, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #11

Whereas: The Pi Chapter has graciously and successfully served as an outstanding host for the 2025 Psi Upsilon Convention; and

Whereas: The chapter has raised an extraordinary \$164,000 for philanthropic causes—surpassing more than half of the combined total raised by all other Psi Upsilon chapters this year; and

Whereas: The chapter has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to service, contributing a total of 972 hours to philanthropic endeavors, averaging 12 hours of service per brother; and

Whereas: The chapter has actively supported and collaborated with other fraternities and sororities in their philanthropic initiatives, thereby extending the values of brotherhood and friendship beyond the bounds of Psi Upsilon; and

Whereas: The chapter has consistently pursued academic excellence, maintaining a GPA above the men's average at their university; and

Whereas: The chapter has fostered a strong sense of brotherhood through intentional, meaningful activities—such as sports outings and campfire gatherings—that promote unity and connection among its members; Be it therefore

Resolved: That the Convention formally recognizes the Pi Chapter with the Diamond Award for Exceptional Chapters in honor of their outstanding achievements and embodiment of Psi Upsilon's highest ideals.

Eric Jachzel, Alpha Omicron '26, presented the following resolution, which passed unanimously.

Special Resolution #12

Whereas: The committee on Awards recognizes notable efforts from the Gamma Tau and Tau Epsilon contributing to a variety of causes both as individual members and in groups, be it therefore

Resolved: The convention recognizes the Tau Epsilon and Gamma Tau in their efforts to philanthropy and community service.

Committee on New Business

Bix Maxwell, Phi Beta '26, presented the following resolution.

General Resolution #11

Whereas: The Phi Beta Alumni Association of Psi Upsilon, Inc. (PBAA) delivered a letter dated January 31, 2025, to Psi Upsilon Fraternity (Fraternity) leadership outlining, among other things, concerns about the international organization's lack of focus on growth, chapter support, and the long-term viability of the Fraternity; and

Whereas: There have been discussions since the delivery of the letter about ways to address the concerns expressed by the PBAA; and

Whereas: A variety of graduate and undergraduate members from a variety of chapters are deeply committed not only to the successful re-establishment and recognition new chapters and owl clubs but is also committed to the long-term success and viability of the international organization and other chapters under its umbrella; and

Whereas: A variety of graduate and undergraduate members from many chapters believe that Psi Upsilon should take tangible, measurable steps to demonstrate a commitment to growth, financial stability, long-term viability, and offering value to its chapters and members; be it

Resolved: That the Fraternity will complete a formal study by April 1, 2026 to:

- Benchmark the Fraternity's assessments, fees, and other charges paid by the chapters to the international organization against other fraternities of all sizes.
- Benchmark the services and support offered by the Fraternity to its chapters against other fraternities of all sizes.
- Create a multi-year, pro-forma budget analysis (including P&L and balance sheet), including at least three growth scenarios (e.g., flat, moderate, and aggressive) and including sensitivity analyses for various assessment and staffing scenarios.

and be it further

Resolved: That the Fraternity President will establish a steering committee comprised of no more than 10 representatives from international office staff, Executive Council, Foundation Board, and undergraduate chapters and chapter alumni associations appointed by those organizations upon invitation to:

- Determine the scope of the study;
- Monitor progress and provide input as work on the study as it is developed; and
- Approve the final study for release to the Fraternity's governing bodies and alumni and undergraduate members.

Robert McIntire, Omicron '68, made a motion to amend the resolution to make it a recommendation, which was seconded by Tom Hanford, Gamma '62. The motion to amend the resolution failed by voice vote.

The original resolution passed by a vote of 37 in favor to 16 opposed.

President Zepp then asked if there was any further New Business.

Upon a motion duly made by Jeremy McKeon, Eta '08, seconded by Cathy Lefebvre, Gamma Tau '18, and approved unanimously, the 181st Psi Upsilon Convention was adjourned sine die at 4:44 p.m.

Thomas J Fox, Omicron '00
Recorder