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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FORTY-THIRD COUNCIL

The 43rd Triennial Council of the Phi Beta Kappa Society met in Palm Beach, Florida on August 2-4, 2012, at the Breakers Palm Beach. In addition to three plenary sessions, there were meetings of the Phi Beta Kappa Senate, its Executive Committee, the District officers, the Association Delegates, Chapter Delegates and the Council committees.

The following members were officially in attendance at the 43rd Council:

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FIRST PLENARY SESSION

August 3, 2012

1. The Council convened for its first plenary session on Friday, August 3, at 9:00 a.m. in the Venetian Ballroom of The Breakers in Palm Beach, Florida. President Fred Cate greeted the delegates and called the 43rd Triennial Council to order. He acknowledged Dr. Lisa Pratt of Indiana University for her visiting scholar presentation the previous night and service on the Visiting Scholars Committee. The President also acknowledged the two other visiting scholars, Professor Trevor Pinch and Professor Teofilo Ruiz who had not yet presented.
2. The President expressed thanks to Ms. Lucinda Morales, Director of Alumni Relations and Events at Phi Beta Kappa, who coordinated the planning for the Council meetings, with the help of her colleagues in the national office. He also thanked the Tampa Bay Association and the chapter members of Eckerd College, Stetson University, and the University of Miami for their support.
3. President Cate recognized the representatives from several colleges and universities seeking to establish new Phi Beta Kappa chapters. He offered special greetings to the immediate past president of the Society, Allison Blakely, as well as to past presidents Joe Gordon and Niall Slater.
4. The President introduced the other persons on the rostrum: John Churchill, Society Secretary since 2001, and Kirk Overbey, who was serving as Council Parliamentarian.
5. President Cate explained that the 43rd Council deliberations would be assisted by four committees composed primarily of delegates. He introduced them by naming their chairs and thanking the members in advance for their efforts on the Council's behalf. Those committees were:

Committee on Credentials

Mary Alice Morgan (Middle Georgia Association), Chair

Thomas Fomby (Southern Methodist University)

Natasha Staller (Amherst University)

Tellers

Eric Nye (University of Wyoming), Chair

Andrea Dobson (Whitman College), Co-chair

Dona Dungan (Augustana College)

Miriam Klein (PBK Association of Nashville)

Michael McCracken (Washington and Jefferson College)

Daniel Melia (University of California, Berkeley)

David Morrow (Morehouse College)

Marjorie Munson (Douglass College, Rutgers University)

Jennifer Peszka (Hendrix College)

Milena Rodban (Goucher College)

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Sharon Underdahl (University of California, Los Angeles)

Council Finance Committee
David Paris (Hamilton College), Chair
John Page, Society Treasurer
Matthew Malczyk (Auburn University)
Elena Zee (Phoenix Area Association)

Committee on Resolutions
Jay Freyman (University of Maryland, Baltimore County), Chair
Jeremiah Fisher (Florida State University)
Linda Hubert (Metropolitan Atlanta Alumni Association)
Paul Lubliner (DC Area Association)
Elizabeth McKinsey (Carleton College)

6. President Cate then gave a report on the last triennium, noting the efficiency of the organization due to amendments ratified at the previous Triennial Council. Additional changes were seen in the number of Senate committees and the use of digital technology. He mentioned the American Scholar initiative, and thanked both Secretary Churchill and Editor Robert Wilson for their close cooperation in expanding the publication's audience online and finding a path to greater financial viability. President Cate then celebrated the success of the Society in surviving the recession and emerging structurally, financially and organizationally sound.

The President then stated "Phi Beta Kappa's voice is needed today more than ever." He listed the challenges facing higher education, including a global market, technological demands, inefficiencies in management and governance models, declining state support, soaring tuition rates, student debt, and more. He then noted that the solutions being recommended involve moving away from the liberal arts model of education. President Cate suggested it is time the Society "inject forcefully and constructively into the debate over higher education reform." The Secretary and Associate Secretary had begun a listening tour to investigate the challenges of higher education and the role Phi Beta Kappa could play. The Senate heard a preliminary report on an initiative that would protect the values of a liberal arts education, and President Cate announced that the Secretary and the Executive Committee will be creating a detailed plan for engagement. The President cited a prior initiative in collaboration with the American Council of Learned Societies and the Council of Graduate Schools in America to create the National Commission on the Humanities, which helped create the National Endowment for the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Arts.

7. President Cate then had the honor of awarding the first Judith F. Krug Medal, created by the Senate to be awarded by the President with the advice and consent of the executive committee to individuals who "have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to advancing the liberal arts, freedom of inquiry,

academic excellence and the love of learning as the guide to life.” He announced that the winner was Senator Joseph W. Gordon. The President listed the many accomplishments of Senator Gordon and praised his extensive service to Phi Beta Kappa. He invited Dean Gordon to make remarks, and when he had finished, the President invited Secretary Churchill to report on the activities of the Society.

8. Secretary Churchill began by echoing the recognition of Joe Gordon and thanking him personally for his guidance. The Secretary then explained opportunities for the Society in the run-up to 250 years of Phi Beta Kappa. He mentioned the fiscal health of the Society, associations, programs, role as a representative of the liberal arts and sciences, and the status as a symbolic repository of critically important cultural values. Based on the listening tour he and Assistant Secretary Scott Lurding recently completed, the Secretary explained five conclusions. (1) The Society is in a historic period of change. (2) This change is fueled by changes in student demographics, in institutional types, and in the distribution of wealth and income across the economic scale. (3) State funding for public institutions is broadly in decline, and independent private institutions are also losing ground. (4) The new narrative about the point of higher education combines troubling elements such as the vocational orientation of many students, a narrow concept of education as a quantifiable and deliverable commodity, an exclusively economic measure of validity of education, and standards of efficiency and accountability that are supposedly drawn from business. (5) There is a suspicion that the traditional forms and practices of academe are somehow irrelevant or inefficient or slothful or frivolous.

Secretary Churchill then outlined three dimensions of Phi Beta Kappa’s efforts to make its values work in the world described previously. First, Phi Beta Kappa’s commitment to supporting the work of its chapters and associations. New stipulations will lighten the burden of chapter officers, will promote best practices, will encourage better support from sheltering institutions, and will offer resources to enhance chapter visibility and effectiveness. He pledged to continue adding new chapters, and to help aspiring institutions as they evolve to meet the Society’s standards, to continue supporting and encouraging associations as they evolve, and to increase attention to social media and electronic communication. Second, Phi Beta Kappa will continue to evolve its primary national programs in ways that reflect contemporary communication. The Key Reporter had shifted its weight to the electronic world; the American Scholar has a newsletter, its own website, and a digital edition that is offered to all new members on their induction. And the Phi Beta Kappa video library is available at pbk.org and on YouTube. The website will be continuing to develop and grow with the help of a new internship program. This online presence will be used to create connections among chapters, associations, rank and file members and the world at large. Third, Phi Beta Kappa will be launching a new initiative which will extend the influence of the liberal arts and sciences and the values inherent in them through American higher education and society at large. This practical initiative will involve chapters, associations and members and will rise above political division and champion values that are held by the Society. The Secretary reiterated the

privilege it is to stand before the group, and his enthusiasm to work with everyone in the coming days. He then thanked the President for the opportunity to speak.

9. President Cate then introduced Catherine White Berheide, Chair of the Committee on Qualifications, who then referred to the delegate's manual beginning on page 46 listing the prospective new chapters, and asked that any specific question about an institution be submitted to the Phi Beta Kappa office no later than 12:15 that day, so that it could be answered during the second plenary session when each of the institutions would be formally presented for vote. She then briefly reviewed the committee process that brought the three recommended institutions to the Council for consideration. She described the initial application in detail, the comprehensive report, the site visit, and the committee and Senate approval process. She noted that the process operates on a continuous three-year cycle, with the Council vote ending one cycle and the next beginning on November 1. She encouraged the delegates to read carefully the detailed statements on the four nominated chapters in preparation for the presentations and discussion that would occur that afternoon. Thanks was expressed to all those individuals involved in these task forces. She then explained the reasoning in not voting on the University of Montana, as was initially planned. She again referenced the report in the Delegate's Manuals, and requested any questions be submitted in writing by 12:15 that day.

10. The President then called for a report from the Chair of the Committee on Credentials. Dr. Mary Alice Morgan, who reported that, at that moment, 244 delegates representing 225 chapters and 36 delegates representing 31 associations were registered. Seventeen senators, five of whom were also delegates, and three past presidents were also registered and entitled to vote. Hence, the total voting body at this juncture was 300, representing 256 different units. In addition, there were 31 non-voting members (alternates and guests) registered, bringing the total registration for the Council to 331. Two more reports would be given and these numbers were expected to rise with each report.

11. President Cate then called for an approval of the minutes of the 42nd Council as published in the Council Bulletin and on the Society's website. There were no additions or corrections, and the minutes were declared approved as distributed.

12. After reminding the delegates to submit any resolutions or motions to be considered by the Council by 5:15 that day, for consideration by the Committee on Resolutions, the President noted that no proposals for constitutional change had been entered through the prescribed process during the Triennium. He then directed attention to nominations for the Society's President and Vice President for the next Triennium. President Cate called on Former President Niall Slater to present the report, on behalf of the Council Nominating Committee.

13. Former President Slater thanked those who had served with him: Pauline Wu, Joan Ferrante, Werner Gundersheimer, Ralph Hexter, Karen Kupperman, Michael Lubin, and William Reinhardt. He mentioned that this is the first election under the new constitutional procedures adopted in Austin. He then placed in nomination for the office of President of the Society 2012-2015 Vice President Katherine Soule who stood and was recognized. President Cate called for additional nominations and hearing none, entertained a motion to accept the nomination by acclamation. The vote was unanimous.

14. Former President Slater then placed into nomination the names of Senator Catherine Berheide and Senator Paul Lukacs for President of the Society 2012-2015. Senators Berheide and Lukacs stood and were recognized. The President called for additional nominations and hearing none, called on the head teller to explain the voting process. After hearing the explanation for the new electronic voting procedures, President Cate called a 15 minute recess to allow for voting.

15. Following the recess, President Cate again called upon Former President Slater to hear the Committee's nominations for Senators at Large. Former President Slater directed attention to the nominations for Senators at Large on pages 32 through 42 of the Delegate's Manual. The following nominees stood and were recognized: Barak Bassman, Richard Bidgood, odd Breyfogle, Yolanda Broyles-Gonzales (not present), John Brewer, Susan Carlisle, Zev Handel (not present), Gerald Hau (not present), Kathleen Kennedy, Mary-Claire King, Paul Lukacs, Patrick Lin, David Marshall, Andrew Masich, Demetrios Melis, John Pope, Peter Quimby, Kathleen Woodward.

The President called for additional nominations, and hearing none, called upon Former President Slater to present the District Senatorial Nominations.

16. Former President Slater directed attention to the nominations for District Senatorial Nominations on pages 42 through 45 of the Delegate's Manual. The following nominees stood and were recognized: For the South Central District, Susan Hagen, Mary Jane Hurst. For the New England District, Howard Segal, Molly Eckman (not present). For the South Atlantic District, Lloyd Chapin, Michael Lubin.

17. President Cate thanked candidates who let their names go forward, and again thanked Former President Slater and the entire Nominating Committee. The Head Teller then explained the electronic voting system again for Senator at Large and District Senatorial votes. A participant questioned the placement of the election of senators, citing a manual that was previously distributed. He also questioned the number of senators being elected, with the actual number being eight and the stated number being nine. President Cate called upon Secretary Churchill to explain the clarify those points, and to announce the results from the prior election

18. Secretary Churchill congratulated Senator Kate Berheide for her election as Vice President for the Triennium 2012-2015. He then explained that if a candidate has been elected to president or vice president who was also eligible for re-election to the Senate, their election to the office is defacto election to the Senate, and lowers the available seats for election to the senate by that number.

19. Following that point, President Cate acknowledged the second point concerning the time of voting, and the possibility that certain delegates would miss the vote in the first plenary session due to a preliminary agenda which had been distributed stating that the vote would be in the second plenary session. The President was informed that the preliminary agenda is not binding because it is distributed for informational purposes. The assembly moved to postpone the period in which voting will be allowed into the second plenary session.

20. A participant mentioned that since the voting is electronic, there does not appear to be a downside in extending the time since all that will need to be done later is to announce the results.

21. A participant mentioned that there may be a penalty to those who had already voted in case another candidate visibly became present and apparent. President Cate was advised that the votes that have already been taken can be voided.

22. President Cate put the Council up to a vote on the motion to extend the period during which voting for senators through the end of the second plenary session. A voice vote was inconclusive.

23. A participant questioned the roll call if the vote were to be extended. President Cate stated that the agenda for the second plenary session is very full, and therefore the motion would be to defer the end of the voting period through the end of the second plenary session, but not to redo the report of the Committee on Nominations. Another participant mentioned that he does not believe they should reiterate the roll call because he does not think it matters in the voting process.

24. A standing vote is counted, and President Cate takes the time to thank the tellers for their work. The motion failed.

25. Following the nominations process, President Cate announced that the polls will be open for an additional 15 minutes and the Council will reconvene in the same room at 11:30 a.m. for the Visiting Scholars presentation by Trevor Pinch. President Cate adjourned the first plenary session at 11:50 a.m.

SECOND PLENARY SESSION

August 3, 2012

26. The second plenary session was called to order by President Cate at 2:45 p.m. The President gave guidance on the organization of the following days Chapter and Association Forum.

27. President Cate called upon Senator James Lightner, Chair of the Committee on Chapters, who expressed thanks to his committee members, Senator Susan Hagen, Senator Robert Koons, Senator Kate Lehman, Senator Gilda Ochoa, Senator Jeffrey Sammons and Former Senator John Doner for their service during the triennium. He expressed appreciation for Senator Ochoa's three years of service which ended at the end of the Council, as well as to Cara Engel of the Washington office for her work as Committee Liaison to the Chapters. He outlined the duties of the Committee and the process of annual Chapter evaluation. He recognized and congratulated chapters celebrating special anniversaries during the 2012-2015 Triennium: 150 years: Williams College; 100 years: Carlton College, Lawrence University, Pomona College, University of Georgia, University of North Dakota, University of Washington, and Washington University, St. Louis; 50 years: Brandeis University, Chatham University, Fordham University, Hollins University, Lake Forest College, and Scripps College. Finally, he presented Outstanding Chapter Awards to: Small Liberal Arts College- Gettysburg College; Private University- Howard University; and Public University- Texas Tech University. Each award-winning chapter received a plaque and a check and was lauded for a diversified campus program and projects, visibility, initiation rate, and timely submission of reports. President Cate recognized Senator James Lightner for his outstanding service as Chair of the Committee on Chapters for the past two triennium, and presented him with a set of inscribed cups.

28. The President then called Senator Theopolis Fair, Chair of the Committee on Associations, to the podium. He presented award plaques and checks for outstanding service to: Small Association- West Texas Eastern New Mexico Association; Midsize Association- Chicago Association; Large Association- Southern California Association. Each organization was lauded for its special events, outreach, and timely submission of reports. President Cate recognized Senator Theopolis Fair for his service as the Chair of Committee on Associations, and presented him with a set of inscribed cups.

29. The Chair of the Committee on Credentials, Dr. Mary Alice Morgan, reported that there were 245 delegates representing 226 chapters, and 36 association delegates representing 31 associations. Additionally, there were 17 senators, of whom five were delegates, and three past-presidents in attendance. The total number of voting members was 301 representing 257 different Phi Beta Kappa groups. There were also 31 non-voting members in attendance, making a grand total of 332 registered individual for the Council.

30. The Head Teller, Professor Nye, was called upon to report the results of

the morning voting. From the first ballot, Senators at Large, the eight winners were Paul Lukacs, Kathleen Woodward, Yolanda Broyles-Gonzales, John Pope, Zev Handel, Mary-Claire King, Peter Quimby and Todd Breyfogle. For District Senator, in the South Central District, the winner was Susan Hagen. In the New England District, the winner was Howard Segal. And in the South Atlantic District the winner was Michael Lubin. The President declared the offices of the Phi Beta Kappa Society to be filled for the 2012-2015 Triennium.

31. President Cate then called upon Senator Berheide to present the second part of the report on the Committee on Qualifications. She invited her committee members to join her on the dais. She then gave some introductory remarks addressing some of the questions that were received after the morning session. After reminding the audience that the process is confidential up until the voting at the Triennial Council, the committee does communicate the reasons for turning down an applicant to the people at that institution. Feedback from applicants shows that this information is helpful, and differences can clearly be seen in many second applications. She pointed out that financial information is gathered to ensure the institution has the financial basis to be able to deliver the quality of educational experience that is expected for students who will be elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. The committee looks at salaries, athletics, student life policies and gender disparities in faculty salaries. General education requirements are also a factor in evaluating applicants.

32. Senator Berheide then called upon the chair of each of the visiting teams to present a summary of the application and reactions to the campus visit. Senator Paul Lukacs reported on Creighton University, Professor Charles Adams presented the report on George Mason University, and Professor Les Bulter reported on Oklahoma State University.

33. Following the detailed comments on the three nominated institutions, the floor was opened for questions and comments. Gary Hollis of Roanoke College raised a question about the lab requirements for the science courses at George Mason University, which was answered.

34. There being no other questions or comments, President Cate invited Head Teller Nye to again explain the voting procedures for the election of new chapters. He reminded the delegation that the voting would be open for fifteen minutes following the plenary session.

35. President Cate reminded the delegates of the speech by Professor Teofilo Ruiz at 9:30 the next morning. He then adjourned the second plenary session at 3:50 p.m.

THIRD PLENARY SESSION

August 3, 2012

36. President Cate called the third plenary session to order at 1:30 p.m. He thanked all of visiting scholar lecturers as well as Shun Zhang, Director of IT Operations, for his work in creating the electronic voting system. President Cate then surveyed the audience to determine how many Triennial Councils they had participated in and welcomed the many who indicated they were attending for the first time as well as those who had attended previously. The Credentials Committee reported that the number of delegates remained unchanged since the last report.

37. President Cate then invited the chair of the Committee on Qualifications, Senator and Vice-President Elect Berheide to join him on the stage. He commended her for her leadership for the past three triennials and for her role in Phi Beta Kappa leadership. He presented her with engraved cups.

38. The Head Teller, Eric Nye, was then invited to the podium to report the results of the elections. He reported overwhelming approval for granting new charters to all three of the chapters proposed. President Cate declared the faculty at Creighton University, George Mason University, and Oklahoma State University authorized to form new chapters.

39. President Cate noted that the Constitution requires that there be a Council Finance Committee to examine the Treasurer's reports, budget, and all financial matters to be considered by the Council. Dr. David Paris, Chair of the Committee, was called forward to deliver his report. After naming his committee, he announced that the committee was satisfied that the financial situation of Phi Beta Kappa is healthy and steady. One indication was the amount taken from investments, which is allowed to be five percent but was closer to three percent. Expenditures stayed in line with revenues, and Dr. Paris declared the Society to be in good financial shape.

40. Professor Jay Freyman, Chair of the Committee on Resolutions was called to the podium to give his Council Committee report.

41. The first resolution stated:

Resolved that the 43rd Triennial Council of the Phi Beta Kappa Society instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expressions of the Society's deep gratitude to the members of the Council Nominating Committee.

That the 43rd Triennial Council of the Phi Beta Kappa Society instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expressions of the Society's deep gratitude to the members of the Senate, whose service has been completed during this triennium.

That the 43rd Triennial Council instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expressions of the Society's deep gratitude to the following member of the Senate who completes a term of distinguished service as President of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, Fred Cate.

That the 43rd Triennial Council instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expressions of the Society's best wishes to chapters and associations celebrating 50th, 100th and 150th anniversaries in the upcoming triennium.

That the 43rd Triennial Council instruct the President to send expressions of the Society's appreciation to the staff of the national office of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and in particular, Shun Zhang, Lucinda Cassidy, and Cara Engel, who, again, put together the voting system.

That the 43rd Triennial Council instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expressions of the Society's appreciation to the Council Parliamentarian, Kirk Overby.

That the 43rd Triennial Council instruct the Secretary to send greetings and expression of the Society's appreciation to the management and staff of the Breakers.

That those in attendance at the 43rd Triennial Council do hereby, on behalf of the membership of Phi Beta Kappa, express most heartfelt gratitude to Secretary John Churchill for his great dedication and effort.

42. A resolution was proposed to develop a system to allow voting at Triennial Councils to occur outside plenary sessions. Since this resolution would affect the procedure of the Society, according to Article 10 of the Society's Constitution, and to Number 10 of its bylaws, it was referred to the Senate.

43. The second resolution stated:

Be it resolved that Phi Beta Kappa establish a commission to investigate the present involvement of the NCAA in the university policy making, with particular attention to the role they play in fostering the diminution of resources central to liberal arts education.

Since this again would affect the operation of the Society, according to Article 10 of the Constitution and Bylaw 10, this was referred to the Senate.

44. The third resolution stated:

Be it resolved that the 43rd Triennial Council of the Phi Beta Kappa Society endorse the expression of intent by the Society's leadership to pursue an agenda of advocacy for the liberal arts and sciences through

collaborations and/or other appropriate means.

45. President Cate then called for a voice vote on these resolutions. They were approved.

46. The Florida delegates to the 43rd Triennial Council presented the following resolution

Whereas, the Phi Beta Kappa Society held its 43rd Triennial Council in Palm Beach, Florida, on August 2 to 5, 2012.

And whereas, Florida Governor Rick Scott created the Florida Blue Ribbon Task Force on State Higher Education reform in 2012.

And whereas, as the Nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society, Phi Beta Kappa celebrates and advocates excellence in the liberal arts and sciences, especially in its role in developing men and women as citizens, leaders, professionals, and innovative contributors to a robust 21st Century economy.

Be it resolved that the Phi Beta Kappa Society urged the Florida Blue Ribbon Task Force to be mindful of the profound importance of the liberal arts and sciences in formulating recommendations for higher education reform in Florida.

Be it further resolved that the Phi Beta Kappa Society offer its leadership and guidance in determining how best to evaluate the key role of liberal arts and sciences in higher education, both in Florida and more broadly.

Be it further resolved that the national leaders of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, and delegates representing Florida's university and college chapters, and local associations of Phi Beta Kappa, take steps to advocate for the liberal arts and sciences and ensure that any reform recommended by the task force affirm their status in higher education.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Florida Governor Rick Scott and all members of the Florida Blue Ribbon Task Force on State Higher Education.

47. President Cate opened the floor for remarks. Alison Rice from University of Wisconsin, Madison asked if Phi Beta Kappa National had the resources to enact this resolution, which Secretary Churchill assured her they did. Jules Gleicher from Rockford College and Tom Walter from Purdue University made additional comments. Catherine Griggs from Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, Florida noted the ways their institutions have been under attack in terms of arts and sciences and explained that since the Council was meeting in Florida, a specific resolution lending the prestige and support of Phi Beta Kappa

to the Florida chapters and association's efforts would be helpful.

48. Marjorie Munson, from Rutgers, expressed sympathy with the Florida delegates, and shared concerns that should another state similarly need a resolution from the Council it would be unavailable. Her concern with the breadth of the resolution brought up the question of amending the resolution. President Cate clarified that there were two ways to proceed at that point- one was by amending the resolution on the floor and the other was by introducing an additional resolution from the floor.

49. Norm Arkans, from the University of Washington, shared concerns about injecting the Society into a political debate. He proposed for the Council to issue a statement on behalf of all liberal arts and sciences and distribute that statement to every state legislature in the nation and to to governors' offices.

50. The resolution was re-read for the Council. Jeff Kovac, from the University of Tennessee, noted that even though the Florida Governor belongs to a political party, there was no mention of partisan politics. He also commented that many states were facing the same issues, and that the Secretary reported that Phi Beta Kappa is going to begin a more national campaign. He closed by reminding the Council they were in Florida, and he did not think it unreasonable to pass the resolution.

51. Matthew Moore, from Brooklyn College, reminded the Council of the blow to liberal arts at the City University of New York with a new mandate from the board regarding general education. He supported the specific resolution supporting Florida since a general resolution would not have the same impact that a targeted resolution would on that particular issue.

52. Jeremiah Fisher, Alpha of Florida at Florida State University, thanked the Florida delegation for proposing the resolution, and pointed out that the Blue Ribbon Task Force is a non-partisan entity and that the resolution purposefully uses no inflammatory language that would make it a partisan resolution. He closed by stating that the Society as a whole is addressing concerns that are wider than the State of Florida, but the resolution provides a good first step which he viewed as a very positive one.

53. A participant moved that the Governor's specific name be deleted from the motion. The motion was seconded. There was a voice vote, and the motion was not passed.

54. After additional comments from Nancy Gold from the Sarasota-Manatee Association and Monica Tarasco from the Cleveland Association both in support of taking a stand, President Cate called for a voice vote for the motion, which would continue to name the Governor and be focused on Florida. The motion passed.

55. President Cate opened the floor for additional business before concluding the session. Don Sullivan, Gamma of Colorado, the University of Denver raised issue with the language requirement for Phi Beta Kappa members. His concern was that the high language requirement eliminated a number of students who may otherwise be very deserving of Phi Beta Kappa recognition, and that the chapters may have to accept students of lesser quality but who do meet language requirements. The President ensured that the appropriate committees would receive word of the issue.

56. President Cate then made some remarks as outgoing President, noting that the longer he spoke the longer he got to remain President. He reflected on the privilege of being President, and thanked the members of the Senate, particularly the ones who would not be returning for the next triennium. He thanked the Chapters and Associations for their support. And he thanked the staff in the national office, particularly Secretary John Churchill. He then described some of the qualities of his successor, Kate Soule, including her exceptional experience, wisdom, and judgment. He then asked the new President to come forward and accept the gavel.

57. President Soule began her remarks by expressing appreciation to Past-President Cate for his service to the Society, especially for his spontaneous good humor and for continually advancing the work of the Society.

58. President Soule announced that the 44th Triennial Council would be held October 8-11, 2015 in Denver, Colorado. After reminding the delegates of the Council reception and banquet that evening, she adjourned the third plenary session at 4:30 p.m.

COUNCIL VISITING SCHOLAR LECTURES

The Phi Beta Kappa Society held three lectures by Visiting Scholars over the course of the Council to showcase the Visiting Scholars Program. On Friday, August 3, 2012, Lisa M. Pratt, Provost Professor of Geological Sciences and Biogeochemistry at Indiana University, spoke on *Technical and Ethical Constraints on the Search for Extraterrestrial Life*. Her lecture explored the possibility of contact between humans and alien organisms outside the realm of science fiction. The discovery of methane in the atmosphere of Mars raises a series of questions, including what exploratory missions can do to preserve natural conditions at Martian sites. Dr. Pratt explored what it means to have this contact.

On Saturday, August 4, 2012, Trevor Pinch, Professor of Science & Technology and Sociology at Cornell University delivered his lecture, *In the Moog: The History and Impact of the Electronic Music Synthesizer*. He notes how rare it is for a new instrument to come along, and focuses on the electronic music synthesizer as one such instrument. He discusses Bob Moog's invention of the synthesizer in the 1960s and its impact on popular music.

Later on Saturday, August 4, 2012, Teofilo F. Ruiz, Distinguished Professor of History & Peter H. Reill Term Chair in European History at UCLA, delivered his lecture, *The Other 1492*. This lecture addresses the importance of 1492 from different perspectives. Instead of focusing on the Catholic Monarchs, it examines those who bore the brunt of a new centralized monarchy, religious intolerance, and colonial expansion. By examining the history of Jews, Muslims, and New World natives during the transition from the Middle Ages to modernity, this lecture shows the growing intolerance ushered in by military conquest, religious intolerance, and political centralization.

COUNCIL BANQUET

August 4, 2012

The 43rd Triennial Council banquet was held the evening on Saturday, August 4, in Ponce de Leon 4 at the Breakers in Palm Beach.

Professor Patricia Meyer Spacks, the Edgar F. Shannon Professor of English at the University of Virginia, received the award for Distinguished Service to the Humanities. Patricia Meyer Spacks is a professor of English at the University of Virginia, an essayist, a critic and one of the country's foremost figures in literary studies. Her work is noted for combining groundbreaking feminist theory with historical research. Her most recent book, "On Rereading" (Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 2011), explores questions about why we read what we read, what pleasures reading brings us, and what psychological needs it answers. Spacks is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the American Society for 18th Century Studies. She has held numerous positions in the Modern Language Association since 1976, including president in 1994.

Martha Nussbaum, the Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago, received the Sidney Hook Memorial Award. Professor Nussbaum's expertise lies in an array of fields; ethics, political theory, classics, philosophy of mind, public policy, women's studies, and gender studies. Out of those vast fields, she returns to several themes: the nature of emotion and its role in philosophical argument, the role of philosophical argument and reflection in the public sphere, the relations between philosophy and the arts, and the power of education to change individuals, nations and the world. Her most recent book, *Not for Profit: Why Democracy Needs the Humanities* (Princeton University Press, 2010) defends liberal education by reminding the reader that it is education for democratic and global citizenship, for individual responsibility, and for the examined and emphatic life.

The awards were presented to each of these individuals, who gave brief remarks of their gratitude.

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

District Chair Carol O'Donnell called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. The minutes of the 42nd Triennial Council, New England District meeting were approved.

Following introductions of all in attendance, Chair O'Donnell reported on the status of associations and chapters in the New England district. No new associations or chapters have been chartered since the last triennial. The New England District has 3 active associations and 32 chapters. In response to a question from the floor, Chair O'Donnell described associations and the role they serve for Phi Beta Kappa alums.

Chair O'Donnell gave a brief synopsis of the district event held on March 31, 2012 at Mount Holyoke College. The event included a luncheon with keynote speaker Christopher Benfey, Mount Holyoke College Dean of Faculty. Professor Benfey presented his vision for higher education in a talk entitled "Starting from Zero." Phi Beta Kappa Secretary, John Churchill, then gave an update on Phi Beta Kappa nationally, after which a healthy discussion of stipulations ensued.

Chair O'Donnell reported on the Boston Association. The association recently awarded a \$500 scholarship to a senior at Brandeis University who will be pursuing an M.A. in Islamic Studies. The association conducted a membership initiative via email to 251 people on their email list. The initiative included a \$5 discount on membership and a chance to win 2 free tickets to the next association wine tasting. They have 34 dues paying members and are interested in inviting new inductees from local chapters to join. They sponsor many interesting events including dinner discussions, wine tastings, and visits to historic sites such as the Codman House in Lincoln, Massachusetts.

Senate Vice President Soule reported on the Northern New England Association. The association holds events twice per year. Events since the last triennial have included a regional theater event, a dinner/concert event, speakers, and a film viewing and critique event. Their email list includes people in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Vermont. They have 30 members and 250 on the mailing list.

Chair O'Donnell reported on the Maine Association. The Maine Association holds two program events per year. They also present awards to juniors in over 100 Maine schools annually. In addition, they include book awards from members who donate books.

Chapter delegates shared information about ways they are engaging students and faculty. Chapters find it challenging to engage students in activities while they are still in school. Chapter activity ideas included bi-monthly dinners, community service events, high school student college admission essay contest, students elected in junior year participating in selection process, student speaker at initiation ceremony. Chapters also find faculty participation challenging.

Senate Vice President Soule announced that Dartmouth College will be holding a 225th celebration of the chapter in conjunction with their fall induction ceremony.

Chair O'Donnell reported the district has \$2,350.73 in the checking account. Some funds were spent on the event at Mount Holyoke. The district hopes to hold more district events. Surveys of interest were distributed to help with planning.

Chair O'Donnell turned the meeting over to District Senator Wyatt to report on the Senate, important triennial issues, and the Committee on Qualifications. Senator Wyatt announced the national office has revitalized the program to provide \$2,500 grants. There is an application process to qualify for a grant.

Senator Wyatt reported the Committee on Qualifications is forwarding three of the four institutions included in the delegate's manual at this triennial. He encouraged delegates to read the reports.

He also presented an overview of the delegates for senator.

Senator Wyatt encouraged delegates to see him if they have any residual concerns regarding the stipulations.

Chair O'Donnell then called for the election of officers. The current officers are Chair Carol O'Donnell, Vice Chair Molly Eckman, and Secretary/Treasurer Kathryn Olmstead. Chair O'Donnell presented the slate of current officers for re-election and entertained nominations from the floor. Lavina Dhingra nominated herself as a candidate for Vice Chair.

Elections commenced with Carol O'Donnell elected to Chair and Kathryn Olmstead elected to Secretary/Treasurer. Paper ballots were collected for the Vice Chair election. Lavina Dhingra was elected to Vice Chair.

Senate Vice President Soule gave an overview of highlights of the triennial and delegate's manual, pointed out the biographies of the senate candidates and provided an explanation of the voting for senators.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol O'Donnell
Chair

In attendance:
Jacques Bailly, University of Vermont
Joe Barber, Trinity College (CT)
Lavina Dhingra, Bates College
Stephen Foley, Brown University

Sheldon Goldman, University of Massachusetts
Joseph Gordon, Yale University and past President
Patricia A. Johnston, Brandeis University
Esther Jones, Clark University
George Levesque, Yale University
Karen Markin, University of Rhode Island
Steven Miller, Williams College
Carol O'Donnell, New England District Chair
Melanie Parker, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Sharon Pedersen, Bowdoin College
Aaron Perkus, Fairfield University
Stan Rachootin, Mount Holyoke College
Robert Rodgers, Northern New England Association
Howard Segal, University of Maine and nominee for New England District
Senator
Emese Soos, Tufts University
Kate Soule, Dartmouth College
Natasha Staller, Amherst College
Corrine Taylor, Wellesley College
Jeffrey Trumbower, Saint Michael's College
(John) Scott Whitaker, Boston University
Don Wyatt, Middlebury College and New England District Senator

MIDDLE ATLANTIC DISTRICT

The meeting of the Middle Atlantic District, held at The Breakers hotel in Palm Beach, Florida, was called to order by Secretary-Treasurer, Vera L. Junkers at 4:05 p.m. on August 2, 2012. Delegates from at least 34 chapters and three associations were present.

Welcoming remarks included the expression of regret and apologies on behalf of President Joseph G. Poluka who had expected to chair the meeting, but whose arrival was unavoidably delayed. The 2009 District Conference minutes were accepted as distributed. The President's Report was primarily concerned with the announcement of the Executive Committee's ongoing preparations for the next District Symposium. Since our audience turnout seems to be shrinking, the decision had been made to present the symposium after this Council meeting. It is scheduled to be held on the evening of October 17, 2012 at the Lincoln Center campus of Fordham University in New York City. The theme will be "Why History Matters," focusing on Timothy Snyder's book, *Bloodlands: Europe Between Hitler and Stalin*. The Committee has been working on securing a second speaker to serve as a counterpoint. Further publicity for the Symposium will be forthcoming.

Professor Junkers presented her Treasurer's Report. As is customarily the case, approximately half of our constituency had paid the dues for the 2009-2012 triennium. Minimal expenditures have preserved the healthy state of our account, with the closing balance deemed sufficient to underwrite the major costs of the

October symposium. The report was accepted.

District Senator Theopolis Fair presented a report on Senate activities, highlighting three points that had come under discussion: transformation and integration of PBK media into new technologies, reassessment of the role of our Society in the sphere of higher education, and development of strategic planning for the next stage.

The report of the District Nominating Committee was also given by Senator Fair. He indicated that there were three candidates in our District who were running for the Senate. These individuals were recognized in the audience. Since no new candidates for the District elections had been previously proposed and none were presented from the floor, Senator Fair announced the slate that the Nominating Committee had drawn up; the slate was accepted by voice vote. The officers and Representatives elected are as follows:

President: Joseph G. Poluka (Delaware Valley Association), Vice-President: Joseph W. Koterski (Fordham University), Secretary-Treasurer: Vera L. Junkers (Hunter College), Representative for Upper New York: Lloyd D. Raines (Scarsdale/Westchester Association), Representative for Metropolitan New York: Vincent C. Alfonso (Fordham University), Representative for Pennsylvania/Delaware: Douglas E. Norton (Villanova University).

A most spirited discussion of chapter stipulations ensued. Professor Catherine W. Berheide first summarized what had transpired at the meeting for chapter delegates, and then led the discussion. She clarified many points concerning the stipulations as both questions and solutions to problems were raised.

The only item of new business was the announcement that the District could apply for a \$2,500 stipend from the national office if the need arose.

With thanks to all assembled, the meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vera L. Junkers
Secretary-Treasurer

SOUTH ATLANTIC DISTRICT

Catherine M. Griggs, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m., introduced herself, and welcomed the delegates. A list of those in attendance is appended to these Minutes. She then called on Christel G. McDonald, Member-at-Large, who read the following message from Hilda E. Fisher, District Chair, who was unable to attend:

“I am very sorry that I cannot welcome you in person to the 43rd Triennial Council. You will shortly see and hear that all is in good order for you to have a productive and pleasant series of meetings.

“I want to thank and applaud our group of South Atlantic District officers for what they have accomplished in the past three years. If there were an academic Olympics, they would surely have earned the Gold medals. They are extremely capable and dedicated.

“This meeting has been carefully planned. The future activities of the South Atlantic District are arranged to promote the principles of Phi Beta Kappa. I know that you and our officers will have continued success in our pursuit of excellence and universality in the liberal arts.

“Regards to all,

“Sincerely, Hilda Fisher”

The Vice Chair called for the approval of the minutes from the District Meeting held during the 42nd Triennial Council, which were posted on the District’s website and printed in the Council Bulletin. It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was unanimous.

The Vice Chair called on George B. Pruden, to present this Secretary-Treasurer’s report:

“Since the 42nd Triennial, two of our associations have become inactive, leaving 15, nine of which have delegates registered for this Triennial Council – a 60% showing. There are 51 chapters in our district, and if a charter is granted to establish a chapter at George Mason University, that number will become 52. Of our 51, though, no less than 48 have registered delegates here in Palm Beach, a remarkable 94%. Although we are only one of seven districts, every time a charter is granted for a chapter in it, we can boast that we have both the oldest and the newest chapters in the Phi Beta Kappa Society; no other district has that distinction. If all the chapters and associations were divided equally among the seven districts, we would have about 14 per cent of each. But we have about 25 per cent of the associations and almost 18 per cent of the chapters. Quantity is one thing; quality is another, and we in the South Atlantic District can take pride in the fact that several of our associations and chapters have been recognized with awards that include the word ‘outstanding.’ At the 42nd Triennial, both the D.C. Area Association and Randolph-Macon College received an award. More information, including photos, are posted on our District’s website.

“Our current bank balance is \$333.83. Since the last Triennial Council, when I reported a balance of \$1,723.48, the Executive Committee approved grants of \$300 to Goucher College and the D.C. Area Association, and a grant of \$250 to Davidson College. These grants were for projects that enhanced the visibility of Phi Beta Kappa on those campuses and in the community. We also allocated \$500 to reimburse travel to the Virginia-West Virginia Sub-District meeting convened by Sandy Birch at the University of Virginia on May 17, 2010, at which 11 (out of 15) colleges and universities were represented. The remaining \$40 of expenses (if you’re doing quick mental math) was for postage and some items that will become apparent later in this meeting.

“Respectfully submitted,

“George B. Pruden, Secretary-Treasurer”

The Executive Committee proposed to amend Articles III and IV of the District's constitution. According to Article VI, "Amendments to the Constitution shall be ratified by a majority vote of the member groups represented at any District Conference, provided that a majority of the member groups are present. Notice of the amendment must have been sent to the member groups at least one month before the District Conference." Notice of the amendments having been sent to all chapters and associations on July 2, 2012, and a majority of both chapters and associations were represented at this meeting, the requirements for amending the constitution were satisfied. Vice Chair Catherine Griggs read the proposed amendments:

"ARTICLE III. OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

"The officers shall be: a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and a Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.

"ARTICLE IV. DISTRICT BOARD

"In addition to the Executive Committee, six members duly elected shall constitute the District Board and have authority to act upon routine matters between District meetings."

A motion was made and seconded to approved the amendments. A question was raised by Denny Gulick (University of Maryland) as to the exact meaning of Article IV. The vote to approve the amendments was unanimous. Subsequent to the meeting Professor Gulick proposed the addition of "members of the" to be inserted before "Executive Committee." The Vice Chair and Secretary-Treasurer accepted this as a clarifying editorial change not requiring further action. The wording of Article IV thus becomes: "In addition to the members of the Executive Committee, six members duly elected shall constitute the District Board and have authority to act upon routine matters between District meetings." A copy of the amended constitution will be posted on the District's website.

The Vice Chair noted that Christel G. McDonald had served as chair of the Nominating Committee and read the names as printed in the Summer 2012 Newsletter and today's agenda, calling on those present to stand and be identified. All but Robert S. Rycroft and David H. Zoellner were present.

Chair - Catherine M. Griggs (Eckerd College, Florida)

Vice Chair - Robert S. Rycroft (University of Mary Washington, Virginia)

Secretary-Treasurer - George B. Pruden (Coastal Georgia-Carolina Association)

Members of the District Board -

Geoffrey Klopp (District of Columbia Area Association)

Robert P. Lowman (University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill)

Christel G. McDonald (District of Columbia Area Association)

Alan Stolzenberg (West Virginia University)

Philip Walsh (Washington College, Maryland)

David H. Zoellner (Lowcountry [South Carolina] Association)

There were no nominations from the floor when called for by the Vice Chair, and a motion was made and seconded to close the nominations. The vote was unanimous, and the slate was duly elected.

District Senator James E. Lightner (McDaniel College) was invited to give a report, which expanded on what was printed in the Summer 2012 Newsletter. He expressed his appreciation for the privilege of serving as our Senator for the past six years. As Chair of the Committee on Chapters, he has seen the acceptance rate improve, especially at large, state universities, only one of which in this district has a rate below 75 percent. There has been an increase in the number of invitations to Visiting Scholars, and the financial situation of the Society has improved since the recession almost to the point it was before. The American Scholar and The Key Reporter are being evaluated and will probably become more web-based; the former being a very expensive journal to publish.

Senator-at-Large Paul Lukacs (Loyola University Maryland), who has been nominated for Vice President of the ΦBK Society, focused his remarks on the future of Phi Beta Kappa and said that emphasis should be placed not on just being Phi Beta Kappa, but doing more. He also announced that the 44th Triennial Council will take place in Denver, Colorado, in October 2015.

Vice Chair Griggs asked those who were attending their first Triennial to raise their hands; about a third of those in attendance did so. She read a brief history of districts within Phi Beta Kappa and introduced the two nominees for South Atlantic District Senator: Dr. Lloyd W. Chapin, Ph.D. and Dr. Michael F. Lubin, M.D. She provided information on their professional back-ground and contributions to Phi Beta Kappa chapters and associations with which they are affiliated. Each one spoke briefly about their personal philosophy and vision for Phi Beta Kappa.

The Vice Chair presented Certificates of Appreciation for outstanding service to the South Atlantic District: Hilda E. Fisher (Vice Chair 2000-2006, and Chair 2006-2012); James E. Lightner (Chair 2000-2006, District Senator 2006-2012); Sandra E. Birch (Secretary-Treasurer 2000-2006, Vice Chair 2006-2009, and setting up the website); and George B. Pruden (Secretary-Treasurer and Newsletter Editor since 2006).

She announced that Robert S. Rycroft (University of Mary Washington), newly elected Vice Chair, will take over as webmaster.

The Vice Chair then recognized a delegate from George Mason University, one of the institutions being considered at this Triennial Council to shelter a new chapter.

District Senator Lightner announced that the Executive Committee of the Society had just the day before approved his motion to provide a stipend of \$2,500 to districts if they request it and justify it with plans for how it will be used. This announcement was greeted with a prolonged round of applause. Sandra Birch and George Pruden spoke about how chapters and associations apply for district grants and some of the ways they have been used. When the stipend has been received, the Secretary-Treasurer will notify chapters and associations that they

may send grant requests to him, which will be considered for approval by the District Board.

Mark Malin (Randolph-Macon College) asked how to get more students involved in the chapter. When students are inducted in the spring semester of the senior year, they graduate shortly afterwards. Jeremiah Fisher (Florida State University) suggested inducting juniors or seniors in the fall semester. Robert Lowman (University of North Carolina) explained that his chapter inducts juniors, and students hold chapter offices. He is the Faculty Advisor, and they have an acceptance rate of greater than 90 percent.

Senator Lightner strongly urged delegates to attend the chapter and association forums on Saturday to follow up on these issues. Lois Badey said that the Richmond Association offers a one-year free membership to ΦBK graduates of the University of Richmond and hopes to expand that offer to Hampden-Sydney and Randolph-Macon Colleges.

Catherine Griggs formally adjourned the meeting at 5:05, and encouraged delegates to use the remaining time to meet each other and exchange information. Most of them did so, and some of them later expressed appreciation for the opportunity to make contact with other delegates.

Respectfully submitted,
George B. Pruden,
Secretary-Treasurer

South Atlantic District Officers:

Catherine M. Griggs
George B. Pruden

Vice Chair / Eckerd College
Secretary-Treasurer / Coastal Georgia-
Carolina Association
Member-at-Large / D.C. Area
Association

Christel G. McDonald

Phi Beta Kappa Society Officers and Special Attendees:

Lloyd W. Chapin

District Senate candidate /
Eckerd College

James E. Lightner

District Senator / McDaniel
College

Michael F. Lubin

District Senate candidate /
Emory University

Paul Lukacs

Senator-at-Large / Loyola
University Maryland

Niall W. Slater

Past President / Emory
University

Chapter and Association Delegates:

Matthew John Allar
James A. Arieti
Lois Anne Badey
Lee D. Baker
Grady Woodfin Ballenger
Bernadine Barnes
Benjamin Lewis Barnett, III
Sandra Eggert Birch

Michael David Blanchard
Susanna Daphne Boylston
James Newton Brawner, IV
Crista Ruth Cabe
Lee Capristo
Glenda Ward Crawford
David A. Davis
C. Linn Deavers
Robert Thomas Dillon, Jr.

Susan McKnight Dougherty
M. Gilbert Dunn
Mary Elizabeth Fairbairn
Gerald Feldman
Jeremiah Joseph Fisher
Marcia Beth France
Jay M. Freyman

Nancy Aronson Gold
George Greenie
Denny Gulick
Susan Richardson Halsell
Donna Akiba Harper
Christopher A. Healy
Edward Jens Holley
Wilson Gary Hollis, Jr.
David Eric Holt
Jean Christie Holzinger
Linda Lentz Hubert
Geoffrey L. Klopp
Thomas D. Lancaster
Stuart W. Leslie
Paul Stephen Losch
Robert Paul Lowman
Paul Lubliner
Karlin Rae Luedtke
Mark Rahm Malin
James Morey

College of William and Mary
Hamden-Sydney College
Richmond Association
Duke University
Stetson University
Wake Forest University
University of Richmond
Virginia Polytechnic Institute
and State University
Wake County Association
Davidson College
Coastal Georgia-Carolina Association
Mary Baldwin College
St. Marys College of Maryland
Elon University
Middle Georgia Association
Georgetown University
Lowcountry [South Carolina]
Association
Agnes Scott College
Roanoke College
Furman University
George Washington University
Florida State University
Washington and Lee University
University of Maryland -
Baltimore County
Sarasota-Manatee Association
College of William and Mary
University of Maryland
James Madison University
Spelman College
Furman University
Clemson University
Roanoke College
University of South Carolina
Hollins University
Metro Atlanta Association
D.C. Area Association
Emory University
Johns Hopkins University
University of Florida
University of North Carolina
D.C. Area Association
University of Virginia
Randolph-Macon College
Emory University

Mary Alice Morgan	Middle Georgia Association
David Edward Morrow	Morehouse College
Melanie Rose Nilsson	McDaniel College
Jennifer Anne Nolan-Stinson	North Carolina State University
Lisa A. Oberbroeckling	Loyola University Maryland
Saundra H. Oyewole	Trinity Washington University
Teresa M. Redd	Howard University
Adam Ricci	University of North Carolina - Greensboro
Gary Neal Richards	University of Mary Washington
Milena Rodban	Goucher College
Gene G. Rosenberg	Florida International University
Stephen Sapp	University of Miami
Mary Manley Sapp	University of Miami
Sandra C. Seckel	Tampa Bay Assn
Alan Mitchell Stolzenberg	West Virginia University
Richard Phillip Stone, II	Wofford College
Jeanne Maddox Toungara	Howard University
Philip Alexander Walsh	Washington College
Helen F. Walton	Elon University
Donald Thomas Williamson	American University

EAST CENTRAL DISTRICT

1. Joe Fugate, District Vice Chair and Kalamazoo College Delegate called the meeting of the East Central District of Phi Beta Kappa, held during the 43rd Triennial Council shortly after 4PM on Thursday, 2 August, 2012 in Ponce de Leon 6 of The Breakers, Palm Beach, FL.
2. Fugate announced the absence of District Chair, Gregory Gocek and District Secretary, Rosalie Vermette then asked for a volunteer to take minutes. Fugate designated Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe, Northwestern University's Delegate, as Meeting Secretary.
3. Fugate asked for the delegates to sign in and introduce themselves. 38 Delegates attended:

Associations:

Andy McNitt, Association of Eastern Central Illinois
 Roselind Lindau, Chicago Association, Secretary
 Amy Jones Richardson, Alpha Association of Indiana

Chapters:

Fred Tiffany, Wittenberg University
 Suzie Park, Eastern Illinois University (Association of East Central, Illinois)
 David Burkam, University of Michigan
 Christopher Bruhn, Denison University

Barbara MacLeod, Ohio Wesleyan University
Theresa (Terry) Noble, DePauw University
Christine Cano, Case Western Reserve University
Sarah Schmidtke Sobeck, College of Wooster
Jules Gleicher, Rockford College
Jill Van Newenhizen, Lake Forest College
Lisa M. Pratt, Indiana University
Tom Walter, Purdue University
Ronald Gorny, University of Chicago, (Chicago Association)
Betsy Hilles Hughes, Marietta College
Mary Ellen Jenkins, The Ohio State University
Josephine Vope, University of Illinois at Chicago
Maribeth Metzler, University of Cincinnati
Bob Geitz, Oberlin College
Elizabeth Heitsch, Alma College
Emily Kelahan, Illinois Wesleyan University
Marc Welch, Wabash College
Patricia Kiihne, Illinois College
Linda Lesniak, Western Michigan University
Ellen Dalton, Bowling Green State University
Allison Blakely, Senator
Alison Rautman, Michigan State University*
Bob Milnikel, Kenyon College
Anne Hupert, Loyola University of Chicago
Charles Moreau, Albion College
Sally Neal, Butler University
Kerri Kalve, Earlham College
Whitney Womack Smith, Miami University
Mark Hasegawa-Johnson, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Joe Fugate, Kalamazoo College
Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe, Northwestern University

*When introducing herself, Michigan State delegate, Alison Rautman, wished to record her chapter's dismay that the university has disbanded the Classics Department.

4. The delegates present approved the minutes of the East Central District held in Austin, Texas in October 2009.

5. Vice Chairman Fugate presented Chairman Greg Gocek's report:

Basically there is no activity to report since the Austin triennial. No one ever contacted me about substantive matters about the district, either from the National Society or our member organizations, in that time. I have never heard anything from our district Senator McNitt since October, 2009, nor from our fellow district member President Cate. None of our chapters ever inquired about

our dues subsidy program or submitted inquiries on any topics, beyond just an introductory message from the new president of the Wittenberg University chapter in July 2010 when I was in the midst of addressing all manners of issues related to my dad's passing away the prior month. After I replied to the Wittenberg officer, I have heard nothing from her subsequently.

Financially, as of today, the ECD organization has balances of \$1212.75 in the CD account and \$1099.26 in the checking account at Charter One Bank, for a combined total of \$2312.01. I believe my only transaction since Austin was depositing 1 cent to keep our accounts active. Our CD is now earning a current rate of 0.05% for annual interest receipt of about \$.085 yearly. I do not anticipate any transaction activity prior to the August District meeting, so today's totals should basically be equivalent as of Palm Beach. Looking at the 2009 minutes, our account balances then were \$1099.25 checking and \$1208.75 CD. So our resources have expanded by \$4.01, a net return of 0.017%. No exactly the record of financial empires, but no grounds for investigatory scandal either, and by in large even somewhat than the record of financial markets trying to recover to their historical highs post the crash of 2008-09. On this auditing I feel a bit like the servants in the Gospel story of the parable of the talents, but transparency and accountability must be served.

On the website, our Ohio University volunteer has retired since the last Triennial and the website is not supported there, so the District no longer has a presence online. (Submitted in writing by Vice Chair Fugate on 7 Aug 2012)

Discussion of Chairman's Report:

David Burkam from University of Michigan inquired if such inactivity is typical? Vice Chair Fugate testified to greater activity between 2006 and 2009. Mark Hasegawa-Johnson from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign hypothesized that Chair Gocek drove the 2006-9 activity, which abated with his father's illness and death. Further discussion clarified the ability of chapters to apply for funds from the district in order to subsidize initiates' dues or other proposals.

6. Report from District Senator McNitt of the Eastern Central Illinois Association:

PBK seeks new ways to promote liberal arts education via new online technologies. The American Scholar's web version demonstrates the potential in this arena. New initiates receive free online subscriptions, which 20 percent accept. PBK has established chapters at most private colleges and flagship state universities. PBK intends to include other public and Catholic institutions as a means to encourage liberal arts curricula through the establishment of chapters. In the nineteen-sixties, PBK advocated for the NEA and NEH and wants to play role now in support of the liberal arts. PBK can develop an intellectual justification for the liberal arts as well as mechanisms for outreach.

Discussion of Senator's Report:

Vice Chair Fugate from Kalamazoo College noted that the move towards technology adds burdens on chapters and adds chapter costs. Some documents previously prepared by national now incur charges to chapters if home institutions will not absorb the administrative costs. Upon inquiry, Fugate later offered the example of posters announcing visiting scholars. Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe from Northwestern asked if there are any set parameters for chapter websites. The associations have a standard format for websites and could share the template and thus the cost of development. No previous discussion had delimited which information can be public on a PBK website. Senator McNitt suggests anything sent to University Relations could appear for example meeting and speakers. Tom Walter from Purdue University noted his institution's focus on liberal arts AND sciences. He suggested that the nation needs more students with STEM competency and thus PBK should advocate for sciences as well. Discussion ensued as to why PBK placed less emphasis on the sciences but all agreed to the need for an increase in science advocacy.

Allison Blakely, former President and observing Senator, noted that Science education is subject to fewer political attacks. Concern over PBK avoiding political stances clarified PBK's desire to do base level advocacy in collaboration with other non-political groups such as the National Science Foundation. Delegates desired that National Headquarters become aware of this suggestion as it currently places a perceived emphasis on the preservation of liberal arts and arts in general. David Burkam from the University of Michigan attributes this to a recent shift in definition whereby liberal arts became just humanities and suggests we reincorporate the sciences and revert to the initial all-inclusive meaning of liberal arts. Burkam and Pardoe discussed the comparative openness of the Michigan and Northwestern Chapters. Pardoe stressed only the selection process at Northwestern takes place in secret. Further comments came from the floor. University relations could host PBK websites and departments cover the poster costs for visiting scholars. The website at Ohio University went defunct when the webmaster retired.

7. No Old Business
8. New Business
- A. No Presidential Overview due to Chair's Absence.
- B. Vice Chair Fugate moderates District Outlook

Vice Chair Fugate suggested that we proceed to the election of district officers. There were no objections as we needed to elect slate of officers in order to provide impetus for future development. Fugate appreciated the role Chair Gocek played in motivating activities between 2006 and 2009 such as a District meeting at Wabash College and events held in tandem with the Chicago Association.

David Burkam of University of Michigan inquired what other districts do and

whether our district is exceptionally inactive. Senator Whitaker said our district does not stand out due to the minimal money available for initiatives.

While the district structure may not have anticipated activity, the national office seems to desire it now.

Discussion confirmed the Districts constituent states: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan & Ohio. Barbara MacLeod from Ohio Wesleyan University suggested a student conference. Tom Walter from Purdue remembered the focus of the Wabash College District meeting as means to raise campus profiles and construct websites. Vice Chair Fugate noted that as most inductees are seniors (all at Kalamazoo) there are no student PBK members on campus. Suggestion came from the floor that PBK could sponsor events that included non-members. Suzie Park of Eastern Illinois University and the Association of East Central Illinois reviewed the activities of alumni associations such as dinners, scholarships, visiting lectures, and films. She noted that such activities are easier in Chicago than in small communities. District resources could promote local chapters on campus and the visiting scholars program offers great speakers at little cost.

David Burkam of University of Michigan suggested that the district could help chapters with the details of the selection process under the new criteria. He observed current discussion takes place between chapters and the national office without district involvement. Our district could orchestrate a workshop to review our own criteria and parameters to ease the selection process at our institutions with breakout sessions for small and large schools.

Election of District Officers for the next Triennium:

Vice Chair Fugate called for the nomination of a Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary and noted the greatest burden of time and energy falls upon the Chair.

Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe from Northwestern University nominated David Burkam from University of Michigan for Chair. The nomination received a second and Burkam was elected chair by acclamation.

Amy Jones Richardson from the Alpha Association of Indiana nominated herself for Vice Chair. She noted her previous experience on a national council on undergraduate research. The nomination received a second and Jones was elected by acclamation.

Vice Chair Fugate from Kalamazoo College nominated Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe from Northwestern University for Secretary. Pardoe stressed her lack of secretarial skills and available time. The nomination received a second and Pardoe was elected by acclamation.

C. Chapter Stipulations

Vice Chair Fugate noted another discussion would take place on Saturday in which chapter delegates would meet with others from institutions of similar size.

Fugate reviewed the history of election standards at Kalamazoo, where the college removed most distribution requirements. The PBK chapter now has trouble finding students with adequate breadth and depth. As chapter secretary, Fugate reviewed about 100 transcripts. Fifty percent with GPA eligibility failed to demonstrate the PBK curricular standards.

The question was raised as to how many chapters in our district came into existence before the stipulations took effect and thus did not employ them. Kenyon engaged in discussion about the math requirement. University of Cincinnati's decision is pending that institutions semester conversion. Purdue found that when they prohibited remedial classes from filling the requirement their eligible students dropped from 100 to 11. Thus they reinstated them. At University of Michigan the college of liberal arts focuses on the humanities and 90 percent meet the math requirement with algebra. Oberlin and Trinity University in San Antonio held publicity campaigns that their chapters had raised their requirement and more students took the requisite courses as a result. Purdue had a different experience. Wittenberg requires calculus and considers algebra and trigonometry to be high school math. Chapters desire for more specific guidelines and rules of thumb.

Discussion shifted to eligibility of students outside colleges and majors of liberal arts and sciences. Can business majors qualify? Mark Hasegawa-Johnson from UIUC says consideration of students from beyond LAS is optional. A statement came from the floor that only those who met the GPA, language, and math requirements would count. Oberlin's chapter invites the dean or chair of the professional schools to nominate students who meet the base requirements. University of Michigan uses the same practice. The dean's office sends a list. Some send no name; some send 10-15.

Betsy Hilles Hughes from Marietta College expressed concern over cost-driven pressures to finish fast. She wants to advocate for liberal arts and sciences but knows that her students don't have the resources to pursue the high number of credits cited in the preceding session by the delegate from the University of Vermont.

From the floor, a small school reviews the rising juniors and tells the top 10 to make sure they meet the language and math requirements for selection.

Alison Rautman from Michigan State University expressed surprised at the focus on math. Michigan State focuses on language. Only arts and letters students have a language requirement. Only 1-2 students would meet the requirement in the colleges of natural and social sciences.

David Burkam (Chair-elect) from University of Michigan asked again if the District delegates desire a forum to further discuss this issue. Bob Geitz of

Oberlin College and Fred Tiffany of Wittenberg University answer in the affirmative.

9. Election of District Officers for the next Triennium:
As the officers were elected during the discussion of the District' Outlook, Vice Chair Fugate took this time to offer his formal thanks for Chairman Greg Gocek's and Secretary Rosalie Vermette' s service with whom he served during the 2006-2012 Triennia.

10. Adjournment:
Vice Chair Fugate entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion passed by acclamation shortly before 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Lewis Pardoe, District Secretary-Elect

and

Joe Fugate, District Vice Chair

NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

In the the absence of District Chair Judith Sebesta, the district meeting was facilitated by Michael Gauger, North Central District Senator, and Calvin Van Niewaal, District Secretary. The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. in Ponce de Leon room 1 of The Breakers, Palm Beach, Florida, on Thursday, August 2, 2012.

It was announced that District Chair Sebesta had canceled her plans to travel to Florida for the Triennial Council Meeting after her husband was admitted to the hospital earlier in the week, and that District Treasurer Chett Breed was unable to attend due to a conflicting family obligation.

An attendance sheet was circulated. Signing the attendance sheet were the following:

Alpha of Iowa, University of Iowa: Julie Claus
Beta of Iowa, Grinnell College: Andy Hamilton
Gamma of Iowa, Drake University: Leslie Mamoorian
Delta of Iowa, Cornell College: David Yamanishi
Epsilon of Iowa, Coe College: Calvin Van Niewaal & Wendy Dunn
Alpha of Kansas, University of Kansas: Janet Riley
Beta of Kansas, Kansas State University: Marsha Frey
Beta of Minnesota, Carleton College: Elizabeth McKinsey
Zeta of Minnesota, Hamiline University: Arthur Guetter
Theta of Minnesota, College of St. Benedict / St. John's University: Thomas Kirkman

Alpha of Missouri: Julie Melnyk
Beta of Missouri, Washington University: Erin Finneran
Delta of Missouri, Truman State University: Dereck Daschke
Alpha of Nebraska, University of Nebraska: Stephen Lahey
Alpha of Wisconsin, University of Wisconsin-Madison: Alison Rice
Epsilon of Wisconsin, Ripon College: Diane Beres & Karl Beres
Gamma-Delta of Wisconsin, Lawrence University: Scott Corry
Zeta of Wisconsin, Marquette University: Douglas Smith
Eta of Wisconsin University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee: Sonia Khatchadourian
Greater Milwaukee Association, District Senator: Michael Gauger
Omaha Association: Jennie Schlossman
Senate Nominee: John Bruer
Twin Cities Association: Barry Lawson

The minutes from the 2009 District meeting at the Forty-Second Triennial Council in Austin, Texas, were circulated. It was noted that the minutes incorrectly indicated that the meeting had occurred during the Forty-First Triennial Council. Alison Rice (Alpha of Wisconsin) asked that her name be added to the list of those who had been in attendance. The secretary noted those changes and the minutes were approved as corrected.

The next order of business was the election of District Officers. Following a short discussion on the duties of the officers over the upcoming triennium, the following nominations were made: District Chair – Calvin Van Niewaal (Epsilon of Iowa); District Secretary – Judith Sebesta (Alpha of South Dakota); District Treasurer – Chet Breed (Delta of Missouri). These individuals were elected.

The third item on the agenda was a discussion of the unspent grant funds in the District's treasury. In 2006 the national office gave the district \$2,500 to use for grants to chapters and associations. During the 2006-2009 triennium grants were awarded to Alpha of South Dakota for the purpose of exploring the creation of an Association in South Dakota and to Epsilon of Iowa for a project in which students in a communications class created promotional material for the chapter including a short video, a brochure and a promotional display. During the 2009-2012 triennium the newly chartered chapter at the College of St. Benedict and St. John's University (Theta of Minnesota) requested a grant to help the chapter obtain a banner and roll book to use at chapter initiations. Approximately \$2000 remains in the fund.

During the last triennium a proposal was made to create a list of speakers who would be available to give presentations to chapters and associations in the District. Grant funding could then be used to help cover travel costs for these speakers. While a list of names was created, the process stalled out and no presentations were ever given. A number of those in attendance thought that that the idea had potential and it was decided to try it again in the upcoming triennium. The newly elected chair agreed to send out information chapters and associations in the District during the fall term.

The floor was opened for delegates to discuss their concerns and to share ideas on how to improve awareness of PBK. Among the ideas shared were:

- Janet Riley: At the University of Kansas graduates are regularly invited to attend initiations
 - Julie Claus: At the University of Iowa there is an emphasis on having good speakers for ceremonies. Lead time is important for event planning. Dues from faculty on campus help to defray costs.
 - Jennie Schlossman (Omaha Association) asked whether parents might be contacted. She also encouraged chapters to work with associations on improving awareness.
 - Regarding dues for faculty members: On many campuses it is difficult to get faculty members to pay dues and many fail to do so. One suggestion was to ask departments to pay part of the dues.
 - o Andy Hamilton – At Grinnell faculty who are sustaining members (\$50 or more) are recognized on the website.
 - o David Yamanishi – At Cornell faculty dues are handled through the college's development office.
 - o Dereck Daschke: At Truman State a small additional charge is added to cost of banquet, etc., to cover costs
 - David Yamanishi – At Cornell Phi Beta Kappa chapter hosts a reception at homecoming. The Phi Beta Kappa initiation ceremony is held as part of the student symposium day on campus and so is included in the publicity for that event.
 - Andy Hamilton – The development office at Grinnell is interested in knowing which alumni are Phi Beta Kappa members.
 - Create posters of famous members of Phi Beta Kappa to help emphasize that Phi Beta Kappa is not just another honor society.
- It was suggested that an email be sent out to chapters and associations in the district asking them to share two or three of their best ideas.

Discussion turned to the newly revised stipulations for membership in course. Concerns included: how AP credit should be treated, transfer credit – making assumptions about the content of courses taught at other institutions, and determining second language competence for foreign students. Several delegates advocated for using the stipulations to help push the curricula at our institutions.

As time ran out it was agreed that chapters and associations would benefit from more frequent opportunities to share ideas and that the District should create a listserv or other method of electronic communication for sharing information. The new chair agreed to take on that task.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:32.

Respectfully submitted,

Calvin Van Niewaal
North Central District Secretary, 2009-2012

SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

Chair Susan Hagen called the meeting to order at 4 pm and welcomed delegates. The minutes from the district meeting at the 2009 Triennial Council were approved as corrected.

Susan Hagen announced that the district has a bank account with a \$2,500 balance and asked for suggestions on how to use the funds. Delegates discussed generating a newsletter or organizing a small gathering. No decision was made. Delegates were briefed on the Key Reporter digitization project.

Delegates discussed the new stipulations expressing the following concerns:

1. Implementation guidelines need to be easier to find on the website and through emails.
2. Math requirements should be reconsidered with an axiomatic approach course.
3. Concern about how to check for academic integrity before conducting new members since some schools do not release the information.
4. Need to determine what classes count toward PBK within the school's curriculum since most schools lack a good system.
5. Even pre-1952 chapters must follow the new stipulations.

Delegates considered nominating officers for the next three years. Marc Lochbaum from the Texas Tech chapter was nominated for chair. Joyce Pulich from the Austin Area Alumni Association was nominated for secretary. Both candidates were elected by acclamation.

Delegates continued discussing options for using the district funds such as developing a district website with a discussion board or sponsoring district gatherings but no decision was reached.

Delegates approved the establishment of a Facebook page for the South Central District.

Matt Malcyskei, delegate from Auburn, offered to setup a list serve for the district members. Delegates approved his effort.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Pulich, Secretary

WESTERN DISTRICT

The meeting was called to order by the chair, Katheryn A. Lehman, at 4:00 p.m. on August 2, 2012. Those present, as indicated on the attendance sheets, were:

Michael R. Arias, University of California, Irvine
 Norman G. Arkans, University of Washington
 Jeffrey A. Becker, University of the Pacific
 Gloria E. Blumanhourst, Colorado State University
 Janis B. Breckenridge, Whitman College
 Kim B. Bruce, Pomona College
 Anna S. Blount, Southern California Association, Western
 District Secretary
 Steven Brody, San Diego Association
 John H. Churchill, Secretary Phi Beta Kappa Society
 Gregory P. Corning, Santa Clara University
 John Doner, University of California at Santa Barbara
 Kimberly S. Drake, Scripps College
 Kathleen A. French, University of California at San Diego
 Mary Turner Gilliland, Northern, California Association
 Sandra C.T. Greer, Mills College
 Alexander A. Grillo, University of California at Santa Cruz
 Aleksandra Gruzinska, Arizona State University
 Bette Napoli Harris, Southern California Association, Chair
 of the Conference of Association Delegates
 Kevin D. Hatfield, University of Oregon
 Kimberly A. Holapa, Washington State University
 Richard Holder, University of New Mexico
 Hon. Margaret M. Houghton, University of Arizona
 Alexander E. Koonce, University of Redlands
 Hannah Kosstrin, Reed College
 Katheryn A. Lehman, Senator, Arizona State University,
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 Sharon L. Underdahl, University of California, Los Angeles
 Linda Willenberg, Puget Sound Association
 Kathleen Woodward, University of Washington
 Elena Zee, Phoenix Metropolitan Area Association

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Katheryn A. Lehman, chair of the Western District. After a brief introduction and welcome, Anna Blount, secretary, was introduced by Chair Lehman. Chair Lehman then asked that each member introduce him or herself and state his or her affiliation.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of October 1, 2009, as published in the Council Bulletin of the Forty-Second Triennial Council, and as made available online and in hard copy at this meeting, were approved upon motion of Bette Harris, seconded by Roy Peterson.

Discussion Topics

Chair Katheryn Lehman introduced and led discussions of the Stipulations Concerning Eligibility for Membership in Course that were adopted in 1970 and 1991 and reviewed again in 2011. She asked that members present their views and concerns regarding their impact on future eligibility for membership in Phi Beta Kappa. Todd Silverstein from Willamette University suggested that a university should have flexibility in the final determination of eligibility wherein there could be stricter requirements than those found in the Stipulations, as they outline only the minimum requirements. John Doner from the University of California at Santa Barbara explained the process used at Santa Barbara to determine eligibility and was recognized by the Chair for his years of service to the Society. Chair Lehman then stressed the importance of faculty buy-in on the issue of a Liberal Arts education as the major requirement for eligibility for membership. She explained the process used by Arizona State University. First the chapter looks at students marginally eligible from the junior and senior classes and then asks for faculty input. External transcripts are also reviewed. Basically, they use a computer program identifying juniors with at least a 3.85 GPA and seniors with a 3.7 GPA, which yields between 750 and 1000 students. Every transcript is reviewed and the number is narrowed down to three or four hundred students. The committee looks for the depth and breadth of coursework before a final decision is reached. However, the overall decisions are still somewhat subjective.

Norman Arkans from the University of Washington raised questions concerning the guidelines of the pre-1952 and post-1952 Stipulations. John Churchill, Secretary of the Phi Beta Kappa Society, responded by giving a brief history of the evolution of the Society's Stipulations Concerning Eligibility for Membership in Course. In 1952, the Council adopted national stipulations and therefore chapters should feel bound to recognize those stipulations. Chapters founded since 1952 are required to observe the Stipulations which include revisions made in 1970 and amendments adopted in 1991.

Hannah Kosstrin from Reed University stated that the university's Foreign Language Department at the major level includes a wide application of the Stipulations. She raised the concern of how to best explain the implementation of post-1952 Stipulations to her chapter when the Chapter was chartered in 1938,

pre-1952. Classes that contain reasoning, logical arguments, i.e., proofs and include coursework in a second language, mathematics, logic and linguistics are all grouped together.

The Honorable Margaret Houghton from the University of Arizona raised the issue of student information in regards to eligibility which includes a reference to good moral character mentioned in the Stipulations. Students have the right to privacy because of FERPA. There are no moral records upon which to judge a student's character.

Kim Bruce from Pomona College, a pre-1952 chapter, mentioned that there are difficulties in getting nominated students to join the Society. Students are invited but many are not aware of the history or prestige of membership. The Phi Beta Kappa Society needs to become more visible on campus. Membership would expand if it were better known. Chair Lehman suggested that an information table be set up at the student union for inquiries.

Alexander Koonce from the University of Redlands wanted clarification on the language in the Stipulations regarding what is meant by the term "applied course." He wanted to know how creative writing was different from creative art or music. In response, Secretary Churchill commented that the Stipulations were written so as to maintain a consistency among chapters. The intent was to exclude courses that emphasized practical skills. He added that to make decisions "under a cloud of imperfect understanding" would never get one to final and clear answers. However, he also acknowledged that one should never expunge "judgment calls." The issues would always be consistency versus doing the right thing or consistency versus circumstances.

Edward Rubin from the University of Utah asked if American Sign Language could be considered as a second language to fulfill the language requirement. The general consensus was that the issue involved the academic rigor of the course and therefore the course could be considered by a particular institution if certain agreed upon criteria were met.

Tomi-Ann Roberts from Colorado College expressed concern that narcissism was now very prevalent among students. She observed that many students would find out the criteria for election to membership and then simply fulfill the requirements as a checklist rather than in the spirit of the guiding principles of Phi Beta Kappa. This could be a problem when selecting a new generation of candidates. Roy Peterson from the University of Colorado mentioned that any member who is a Phi Beta Kappa on campus can nominate a student in order to catch any who may be overlooked. Todd Silverstein noted that at his university the registrar makes a spreadsheet for the levels of courses with a definition of applied liberal arts and then asks the departments for their input. Norman Arkans, responding to comments by Todd Silverstein, stressed the importance of creativity, the need for students to be creative and therefore as a result, the creative arts should be considered as fulfilling requirements for eligibility of membership.

District Officers Election

Bette Harris, Chair of the Conference of Association Delegates, described the various duties of the Western District Chair which included maintaining contact with Associations and Chapters within the District, doing outreach to determine their needs, overseeing the publication of the District's newsletter which is distributed by email and creating an agenda for the next Triennial Council. Chair Lehman suggested using blogs and social media to share information in-between Council meetings. She provided her email address so that members could contact her directly at kate.lehman@asu.edu. Secretary Churchill added that the Western District needed a nominating committee in order to solicit potential nominees for a district senator to serve a six-year term for the next triennial. Anna Blount described the duties of the Western District Secretary which included recording the minutes of the Western District meeting and maintaining contact with the former and current presidents for any corrections or additions to those minutes before the next triennial.

As no nominees were proposed in advance of the meeting, Chair Lehman entertained nominations from the floor. A motion by David Rose, seconded by Bette Harris, that Linda Willenberg be elected Western District Chair for the triennial period 2012-2015 was approved unanimously. A motion by Daniel Melia, seconded by Margaret Houghton, that Anna Blount be elected Western District Secretary for the triennial period 2012-2015 was approved unanimously.

Additional Discussion Topics

Chair Lehman introduced the idea of creating better affiliations between chapters and associations to improve the effectiveness of each organization. She mentioned that a new affiliation of chapters and associations at Arizona has been created and that joint events have been successful. John Doner raised the issue of the privacy of personal student data between chapters and associations, especially for scholarship awards. Members offered various suggestions on how chapters and associations could work together. Bette Harris encouraged associations to reach out to chapters by soliciting chapter members for association board positions. Association board members should request to attend initiation ceremonies whenever possible to explain the role of the associations in Phi Beta Kappa. Some associations offer a complimentary one year membership to initiates. There could be joint sponsorship of events. As an example, Bette mentioned a successful program put on by the Southern California Association in conjunction with the UCLA Chapter. The topic of exoplanets was presented by two scientists at a wine and cheese reception held at the UCLA Faculty Center. Association members had the opportunity to meet with key chapter members afterwards. Sharon Underdahl from UCLA thanked Bette for her efforts on behalf of the UCLA Chapter.

Elena Zee from the Phoenix Metropolitan Area Association spoke about her association's help with scholarships for graduate students. Margaret Houghton encouraged associations and chapters to take advantage of the visiting scholar program sponsored by the national organization. Bette Harris noted that the

Southern California Association connects with chapters by giving graduate study awards and international scholar awards. Chapters assist in administering those awards. Mary Gilliland from the Northern California Association said that they have a board position called chapter liaison who is sent out to all schools in area to talk about programs scholarships. They awarded a total of \$50,000 to PhD candidates (\$5,000 per student) and they were able to speak at the initiation ceremonies. Daniel Melia thanked the Northern Association for its very successful scholarship program. Alexander Grillo from the University of California-Santa Cruz expressed his great pleasure with the program and was very grateful for their efforts on behalf of students.

Edward Rubin reiterated the need to enhance the recognition of Phi Beta Kappa among younger students so that they aspire to become eligible for membership. He expressed his concern that many students are not accepting invitations for membership into the Society. Suggestions were offered for improving outreach to potential members. Personal notification of the invitation could educate students about Phi Beta Kappa. Letters of nomination could be sent to the parents as well as the students. Some chapters pay for the key and any fees for the first year. Gregory Corning from Santa Clara University stated that they do not send letters to parents but rather they send out letters via email to all students in honors program. They also put their names in the newspaper and have had a good outcome as a result of this outreach. Margaret Houghton stated that this year the Arizona chapter had a good number of initiates. They contacted every dean and department head who explained to students that a member of the board offered to pay for the all the initiation fees. Donald Sullivan from the University of Denver stated that their honors program works closely with administrators and meets with honor students.

Roy Peterson mentioned that the Colorado chapter has a new undergraduate scholarship from the estate of Hazel Barnes a long-time PBK senator. There was also information presented about the efforts of the faculty senates of the Pac 12 universities to form a coalition of faculties to balance the influence of athletics and it was suggested that Phi Beta Kappa chapters organize themselves in a similar manner.

John Churchill, in closing statements, responded to some of the issues and concerns raised during the meeting about the Stipulations Concerning Eligibility for Membership in Course as of 2011. He reiterated the national Phi Beta Kappa Society's desire for consistency among local chapters in observing these Stipulations while acknowledging that chapters may occasionally consider individual circumstances when determining eligibility for membership in the Society. Chair Lehman thanked the members for expressing their concerns and contributing to the discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Blount, Secretary

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATION DELEGATES

August 2, 2012

The Conference of Association Delegates (COAD) of the Phi Beta Kappa Society met during the Society's 43rd Triennial Council on August 2, 2012 in Palm Beach, Florida. Chairman of the COAD Bette Napoli Harris (Phi Beta Kappa Alumni in Southern California) called the meeting to order at 2:20 p.m. in the Mediterranean Ballroom on the first floor of the Breakers Hotel. In addition to the Association Delegates, Vice-President Kate Soule (Northern New England Association), Senator Theo Fair (Delaware Valley Association and Middle Atlantic District), and Senator Michael Gauger (Greater Milwaukee Association and North Central District) were in attendance. Judi Strauss-Lipkin, Secretary of the COAD (Phi Beta Kappa Association of the Chicago Area) kept the minutes.

Those officially in attendance, numbering forty-two (42):

Daniel L. Hurst	West Texas- Eastern New Mexico
Mary Jane Hurst	West Texas- Eastern New Mexico
Mary Turner Gilliland	Northern California
Christel McDonald	D. C. Area
Geoffrey Klopp	D. C. Area
Paul Lubliner	D. C. Area
Roselind Lindau	Chicago
Judi Strauss-Lipkin	Chicago
Jeb Joseph	Oklahoma City
Lois Badey	Richmond
Linda Hubert	Atlanta
Susan Carlisle	Atlanta
Steven Brody	San Diego
Jenni Schlossman	Omaha
Carol O'Donnell	Greater Maine
Andy Masich	Pittsburgh
Mary Alice Morgan	Middle Georgia
David Davis	Middle Georgia
Suzie Park	East Central Illinois
Andrew McNitt	East Central Illinois
Barbara Frank	Delaware Valley
Anna Blount	Southern California
Bette Napoli Harris	Southern California
Monica Tarasco	Cleveland
George Pruden	Coastal Georgia
Jim Brawner	Coastal Georgia
Nancy Gold	Sarasota-Manatee
Barry Lawson	Twin Cities
Rob Dillon	Lowcountry
Linda Willenberg	Puget Sound
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Comm. on Assoc.

Harris welcomed the Association Delegates and asked each delegate to introduce him/herself. The delegates running for Senate seats, Mary Jane Hurst, Andrew Masich, and Demetrios Melis identified themselves. The minutes of the COAD meeting of October 1, 2009 in Austin, Texas were unanimously APPROVED as submitted by MOTION of Daniel Hurst of West Texas- Eastern New Mexico Association with a SECOND by Diane Wesson of the New York Association.

Report of the Chair: On behalf of the Associations, Harris thanked Phi Beta Kappa Society's Lucinda Cassidy, Alumni Relations for her constant support. During this Triennium, Cassidy has visited Associations in Texas, Ohio, North Carolina, Northern and Southern California, Washington, Tennessee, and Minnesota to attend programs and learn about Association needs. Also, during this Triennium, the Society created the Phi Beta Kappa Lecture Series to help Chapters and Associations provide unique opportunities for members. Over seven lectures have been presented since 2009.

Harris discussed the state of the Associations and announced the newest, Twin Cities in St. Paul, MN. She congratulated their Delegate, Barry Evan Lawson, who was in attendance. Harris noted that the Society's website lists fifty-six (56) Associations, but the Delegates Manual indicates fifty-nine (59) chartered, two (2) unchartered, and several groups in the provisional stages. Cassidy clarified that there are actually fifty-nine (59) Associations with two (2) on hold. Harris also discussed the role of the constitutionally mandated Senate Committee on Associations, chaired by Senator Theo Fair, which meets regularly in connection with the Senate meetings. The Committee reviews applications for new charters; recommends granting and withdrawing charters with Senate approval; guides unchartered Associations; investigates the status and practices of Associations; and offers assistance to existing Associations. Harris added that revision of Association By-laws requires approval by the Senate Committee on Associations.

Harris stated that the Society encourages the formation of new Associations. A core group of interested individuals in a geographic area not currently served may initiate the process of obtaining a charter. Resource material is available to developing and existing Associations on the Society's website,

including Association Best Practices and the Association Handbook. Harris also recommended making use of the Society's social media to publicize programs and to network. She suggested informing Olivia Kent at the PBK Society of Association events by adding Ms. Kent to e-mail lists. Ms. Kent may then Tweet the information to Society members and also post it on Facebook and LinkedIn. Harris also recommended keeping Kelly Gerald, Editor of The Key Reporter informed of successful programs.

Finally, Harris reported on the results of two surveys the COAD has conducted during the past Triennium. Feedback from a brief initial survey included: significant decline in membership; difficulty recruiting board members and volunteers; difficulty attracting recent graduates; strong interest in the Society's website template; interest in networking with other Associations to share ideas and solutions to common problems; interest in communicating with members and prospective members through e-mail and social media. The COAD subsequently prepared a SurveyMonkey questionnaire, which was distributed by Lucinda Cassidy in early 2012. The fourteen (14) responses received, indicated that Associations are doing well; are fair to strong fiscally; 85% have websites; 61% do not use social networking tools; and 93% use both U.S. Postal Service and e-mail communication. Greatest successes include scholarships; teaching excellence awards; book awards; educational programs; and electronic communication. One Association reported success in attracting all age groups. Greatest challenges include increasing and maintaining membership; attracting younger members; and attracting younger, reliable Board members.

Harris thanked those who participated in the survey and commented that although response was low, the process was helpful and started a productive dialogue. She added that she was impressed with the commitment and dedication of Association leadership.

Vice President Soule offered remarks to Association delegates in the absence of Secretary Churchill. She shared the Society's outreach to alumni (coordinated by Olivia Kent), through Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter, all of which are available to Associations and are growing in popularity and usage. The Facebook page has 8,000 likes, up 22% in 2012; Twitter news has 3,000 likes and links to articles and interviews. There are over 14,000 in the Society's LinkedIn group. Soule also indicated that videos of the Visiting Scholars will be uploaded on YouTube so alumni may be able to watch the speeches and hear the discussions that follow. She stated that her hope, as President Elect is to create more two-way communication between Associations and the Society, including snail and email address integration so that Associations can have access to accurate data in seeking new members.

Association Awards:

Senator Fair, Chair of the Senate Committee on Associations discussed the Association awards process for 2012 and added that he would make the announcement of the recipients during the Plenary Sessions. He noted that Associations are considered for the awards based on consistency over the years,

including scholarship programs, member programs, newsletter, website, and accuracy of annual reports. He said that three awards would be given in total; one each to a small, mid-size, and large Association, not previously honored. Harris noted the three Associations that had been honored at the last Triennial, citing the Forty-Third Triennial Council Delegates Manual. However, Christel McDonald stated that the information was incorrectly published on pages 15 and 16 of the Forty-Third Triennial Council Delegates Manual. She named the correct award-winning Associations honored at the Forty-Second Triennial Council in October of 2009: Indianapolis – small Association; Kentuckiana – mid-size Association, and D.C. Area – large Association, as correctly reported in the Council Bulletin of the 42nd Triennial Council.

Election of COAD Officers:

Harris indicated that she and Strauss-Lipkin would like to continue their work as COAD Officers for another term in keeping with precedent. However, she invited nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a MOTION to reelect Harris as Chair and Strauss-Lipkin as Secretary for 2012-2015 was made by Klein and SECONDED by Masich. The motion carried.

Other Business:

Harris stated that it was her understanding that the website template developed by the Society in collaboration with the D. C. Area Association is currently on hold.

Fair announced that if elected, Soule would be the first PBK Senate President from an Association.

The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing common issues and sharing solutions. The D.C. Area leadership reported good results in using VerticalResponse software for sending e-mail to members. The D.C. Area Association has also recruited a significant number of recent initiates through its Young Professionals Group and has had positive reactions to the Association's website. The Chicago Association has also been successful with its Young Professionals Group. Western New York has developed a winning formula for well-attended monthly meetings -- booking interesting speakers at an attractive venue with an appealing menu at reasonable prices. Harris offered a reminder that the Society had planned an Association Forum to be held on Saturday, August 4th.

Adjournment:

Rogers made a MOTION to adjourn with a SECOND by Blount. The motion PASSED and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Judi Strauss-Lipkin
Secretary

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