

**Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity  
Grand Chapter Meeting  
New Orleans Marriott  
August 8, 2009**

The meeting of the Grand Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity was held August 8, 2009 at the New Orleans Marriott in New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Call to Order**

Grand Prytanis Mark K. Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:14 p.m. A quorum was duly constituted, with a majority of eligible chapters, alumni associations, lifetime members, and Grand Officers present.

**Officer Reports and Recognition**

Grand Prytanis Mark Johnson called forward Grand Grammateus Ed Moy, who in turn presented awards to chapters for excellence in various categories for the 2008-09 academic year. Moy further recognized TKE's most improved chapters and Top TKE Chapters. Each received a standing ovation from the Grand Chapter.

Grand Histor Rod Talbot recognized the students named to the All-Teke Academic Team for 2008 and 2009, as well as the key scholarship recipients from the TKE Educational Foundation. Talbot continued by recognizing the Top Teke Frater award winners (International Top Tekes). Each received a standing ovation from the Grand Chapter.

**Amendments to TKE Constitution & Bylaws**

Judiciary Committee Chairman Dan Levinson presented a series of proposed amendments to the Fraternity's Constitution and Bylaws (Black Book) for adoption. Following presentation and debate, with each motion being duly moved and seconded for adoption, the following occurred:

*Amendment 1: Amending the Constitution to allow for a representative of the Collegiate Advisory Committee plus two at-large alumni selected by the Grand Officers to serve as members of the Grand Council. Passed by a 330-39 vote and was therefore adopted.*

*Amendment 2: Amending the Bylaws to allow the Grand Officers to select the two alumni members, in good standing, to serve as members of the Grand Council. Passed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.*

*Amendment 3: Amending the Bylaws to update language related to the TKE Housing Corporation, LLC. Passed unanimously.*

*Amendment 4: Amending the Bylaws to allow for a chapter's Board of Advisors to select the Chapter Advisor, subject to the chapter's bylaws. Passed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.*

*Amendment 5: Amending the Bylaws to create the option of a chapter having an Assistant Chapter Advisor, who may be a graduating senior or an alumnus in good standing. Passed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.*

*Amendment 6: Amending the Bylaws to add the Chapter Hegemon to the Board of Advisors. The amendment failed by vote of 147-222.*

*Amendment 7: Amending the Constitution to allow a chartered alumni association to designate a collegiate member to vote on its behalf, if no qualified alumnus is present during a vote of the Grand Chapter. The amendment failed by a vote of 40-336.*

*Amendment 8: Amending the Constitution to allow chartered alumni associations to nominate and initiate men to become honorary members of TKE. While the amendment received a 218-149 vote, it failed to obtain the  $\frac{3}{4}$  vote required to amend the Constitution, thus the amendment failed to be adopted.*

Amendment 9: Amending the Bylaws to maintain a scroll of honorary members initiated into that alumni association. Failed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.

Amendment 10: Amending the Constitution to allow each alumni association two votes in the Grand Chapter. While the amendment received a 227-112 vote, it failed to obtain the ¾ vote required to amend the Constitution, thus the amendment failed to be adopted.

Amendment 11: Amending the Bylaws to allow collegiate delegates to opt-out of service on the Nominations Committee at Conclave. Failed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.

Amendment 12: Amending the Bylaws to require that a majority of the Nominations Committee be collegiate members. Failed by ruling of the Grand Prytanis with the concurrence of the Official Tellers.

#### **Election of the 2009-11 TKE Grand Council**

Bruce Melchert, PGP, Chairman of the Nominations Committee, presented the following slate of officers, all of which were approved by unanimous vote of the Grand Chapter:

Grand Prytanis – Herbert L. Songer  
Grand Epiprytanis – Edmund C. Moy  
Grand Grammateus – Bob Barr  
Grand Crysophylos – Rodney G. Talbot  
Grand Histor – Robert A. Jarred  
Grand Hypophetes – Christopher T. Hanson  
Grand Pylortes – James J. Hickey  
Grand Hegemon – Shawn A. Babine

#### **Resolutions Committee**

Numerous resolutions were adopted by acclamation, thanking those who had made the 2009 Conclave a success, as well as those who provided service to the Fraternity during the past biennium. Additional thanks were given to Ray Franklin and Mike Benson for their exceptional work on the Conclave shows.

With no further business, the Venerable Grand Prytanis adjourned the meeting at 4:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

/s/

Kevin M. Mayeux, CAE  
Chief Executive Officer  
Assistant Secretary / Treasurer

FOR EDMUND C. MOY, GRAND GRAMMATEUS