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This document publishes the statutory articles establishing and governing the following incorporated organizations:

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY,
INC., 5 November 1883 (the undergraduate chapter);
and

THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, INC., 9 March 1888 (the alumni
organization).

Statement of Effectiveness

The CHAPTER BYLAWS AND AMENDED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION were last amended and ratified on 9 April 1990.

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY

Tompkins Co. Clerk's Office¹
Filed & Entered November 7, 1883
(signed) P. J. Partenheimer, Clerk

STATE OF NEW YORK
Office of Secretary of State²
Filed and Recorded Nov. 20, 1883
(signed)
Deputy Secretary of State

In the Matter
of the Incorporation of
the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity
at Cornell University

State of New York
County of Tompkins

This is to certify that we, the undersigned, being citizens and residents of the United States of full age, and a majority of whom are citizens and residents of the State of New York, do hereby associate ourselves together, for this purpose of mental, moral and social improvement.

The name or title of this incorporation shall be the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Cornell University.

The business of said Incorporation shall be conducted at Ithaca, Tompkins County, New York.

The managers of this Incorporation shall be a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of seven members.

Those who shall constitute such Board of Trustees for the first year, or until their successors shall be elected, are³

Charles M. Tyler, Phi '55 Edwin Gillett '73
Henry W. Rolfe, Sigma '80 Ludlow E. Lapham '84
Howard E. Case '84 Edward E. Baker '85
Oscar D. Weed '84

¹320 North Tioga Street, Ithaca NY 14850.

²Division of Corporations and State Records, 162 Washington Avenue, Albany NY 12231-0001.

³Class years have been added to the transcription.

In testimony where of we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 5th day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-three.

Cyrus Randolph '84	(seal)
Howard E. Case '84	(seal)
Chas. M. Tyler, Phi '55	(seal)
Edwin Gillett '73	(seal)
Wilson M. Bering '84	(seal)
Oscar D. Weed '84	(seal)
Ludlow E. Lapham '84	(seal)
Edward E. Baker '85	(seal)
James R. Whaley '85	(seal)
George B. Davidson '84	(seal)
William C. Green '86	(seal)
Henry W. Rolfe, Sigma '80	(seal)
Henry M. Jackman '85	(seal)

State of New York
County of Tompkins

On this fifth day of November in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and eighty-three, before me the subscriber personally appeared Cyrus F. Randolph, Howard E. Base, Charles M. Tyler, Edwin Gillett, Wilson M. Bering, Oscar D. Weed, Ludlow E. Lapham, Edward E. Baker, James R. Whaley, George B. Davidson, William E. Green, Henry W. Rolfe and Henry M. Jackman. To me known to be the same persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and they severally acknowledged, that they executed the same.

Frank M. Leary, Notary Public

The within Certificate of Incorporation has my approval and I consent that the same be filed in pursuance of the Statute.

D. Boardman
Justice Supreme Court
6th Judicial District
State of New York.

State of New York
Tompkins County Clerk's Office

I, PHILIP J. PARTENHEIMER, Clerk of said County, do certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original record now on file in said office, and do certify that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and the whole of said original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed the Official Seal of said County at Ithaca, this eight [sic] day of November A.D. 1883.

(signed) P. J. Partenheimer, Clerk.

DELTA CHI CHAPTER of the
DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY at
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
13 South Avenue
Ithaca NY 14850-3985

CHAPTER BYLAWS and ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Article I —Name and Registry

Section 1. The full and proper name of this society, hereafter referred to as the Chapter, shall be THE DELTA CHI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 2. This Chapter is one and the same as THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY incorporated on 5 November 1883 in the State of New York.

Section 3. This Chapter, established by a Fraternity Charter granted on 11 February 1870, is an official constituent of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY founded at Yale College, New Haven CT, on 22 June 1844 and incorporated by a Special Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, Chapter 520, the Laws of 1884.

Section 4. The business office of the Chapter shall be located in the City Of Ithaca, Tompkins County NY.

Article II —Objects

Section 1. The objects of this Chapter shall be the cultivation of general literature and social culture, the advancement and encouragement of intellectual excellence, the promotion of honorable friendship, the maintenance of gentlemanly dignity, self-respect and morality in all circumstances, and the union of stout hearts and kindred interests to secure to merit its due reward.

Article III —Restrictions and Limitations

Section 1. The laws of the Fraternity set forth in the Constitution of Delta Kappa Epsilon shall prevail over any prescriptions set forth in these Bylaws.

Section 2. This Chapter shall not engage in any activity that conflicts with its status as a tax exempt organization under the provisions of paragraph 501(c)(7) of the United States Internal Revenue Service Code.

Section 3. This Chapter shall not obligate itself to liquidate or secure any debts that are in excess of its ready cash assets or scheduled receivables.

Article IV —Emblems, Arms and Mottos

Section 1. The Monogram of the Chapter shall be the interleaved Greek letters Delta Gules and Chi Azure in a field Or.

Section 2. The Arms of the Chapter as filed with THE AMERICAN COLLEGE of HERALDRY under Registration Number #715 on April 1988 shall be: -Or, between two chevrons counterpoint, the upper Gules and the lower Azure, as many men's hearts, issuant from each and pendant overall a chain of seven links, joining them in base as their fifteenth link the interlaced Greek letters "Delta" and "Chi" Gules, counterchanged Or over the lower chevron. At fess point an inescutcheon depicting a landscape, namely, Azure, the sun rising in splendour from behind three mountains Vert, and in base Sable, therein the sun reflected wavy Argent. Above the Shield is placed a helmet with visor closed, and in Escrol below the Shield this motto: "Not to seem, but to be," in Greek Letters.

Section 3. The Seal of the Chapter shall be a roundel incorporating the inscription, "DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY," the date 1844, the date 1870, and the Greek letters Delta Chi.

Section 4. The overt motto of the Chapter shall be the transliteration of *Me Dokein All Einai* into Greek lettering and shall be translated as: "Not to seem, but to be."

Section 5. There shall be a Secret Motto signifying the characteristic of this Chapter.

Section 6. There shall be a Secret Password that shall be required of all members seeking to gain admittance to the Chapter Room.

Article V —Membership and Qualifications

Section 1. There shall be the following types of regular membership: Pledge, Active, Affiliate, Alumni and Honorary.

Section 2. No person shall be accorded the distinction and privileges of Pledge Membership in the Chapter until such time as

- A. it shall have been established that the candidate is a male undergraduate matriculant in good standing with the University;
- B. the candidate shall have completed one full academic term in the University;

- C. the candidate shall have established that he has never heretofore been a member of any grade or degree in another Greek letter social fraternity;
- D. a ballot on the candidate's eligibility for membership shall have been conducted by a quorum of the Chapter with no more than two votes being recorded against said candidate; and
- E. a Bid to join the Fraternity shall be signed by Brother Beta, imprinted with the Seal of the Chapter and tendered to the candidate.

Section 3. No person shall be accorded the distinction and privileges of Active Membership in the Chapter until such time as

- A. the candidate shall have achieved the rank of Pledge Membership in the Chapter and shall have served in this capacity for a period of not less than sixty days;
- B. Brother Pi shall have certified that the candidate has demonstrated an adequate mastery of Fraternity and Chapter knowledge;
- C. the candidate shall have tendered such fees as are called for by THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY and pertinent House Rules;
- D. a ballot on the candidate's eligibility for membership shall have been conducted by a quorum of the Chapter with no more than two votes being recorded against said candidate; and
- E. the candidate shall have completed an Ordeal of Initiation in accordance with House tradition.

Section 4. No person shall be accorded the distinction and privileges of Affiliate Membership in the Chapter until such time as

- A. it shall have been established that the candidate is a male matriculant in good standing with the University or that the candidate is a member of the University faculty or staff;
- B. it shall have been established that the candidate has previously been initiated into THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY by some recognized chapter of said Fraternity and that said candidate is a brother in good standing with said Fraternity;
- C. the candidate shall have tendered such fees as are called for in pertinent House Rules; and

- D. the candidate shall have been favored with an invitation to join the Chapter as an Affiliate Member in consequence of a Special Act of Induction passed to that effect.

Section 5. No person shall be accorded the distinction and privileges of Alumni Membership in the Chapter until such time as

- A. the candidate shall have achieved the rank of Active or Affiliate Membership in the Chapter and shall have served in this capacity for a period of not less than one hundred days; and
- B. the candidate shall have either been accorded a baccalaureate degree by the University or shall have abandoned residence in Tompkins County NY for a period in excess of one year.

Section 6. No person shall be accorded the distinction and privileges of Honorary Membership in the Chapter until such time as

- A. a Warrant of Entitlement shall have been drawn up and signed by no fewer than seven-eighths of those members entitled to vote in Chapter Meetings;
- B. Brother Beta shall have certified the signed Warrant of Entitlement to be a true and correct document by affixing the Seal of the Chapter to same; and
- C. the Chairman of the Board of Directors of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY shall have certified the concurrence of the Board by affixing the Seal of the Fraternity to same.

Section 7. Persons who have withdrawn from membership in the Chapter or who have been named in a Special Act of Suspension shall be referred to as Inactives and shall be deprived of all privileges of membership in the Chapter.

Article VI —Obligations and Privileges of Members

Section 1. No member shall be a party to any act or association that is not in keeping with the Objects of the Fraternity.

Section 2. All members shall be obliged to submit to the provisions of these Bylaws and to the lawful directives of the Board of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY.

Section 3. All members shall be obliged to abide by lawful Resolutions, Special Acts and House Rules enacted by this Chapter under the provisions of these Bylaws.

Section 4. All members shall be obliged to render timely payment of all sums rightfully billed by the Chapter for dues, rent, board, lodge maintenance, special taxes, social entertainments, incidental charges and fines as established by Resolutions and House Rules.

Section 5. No member shall divulge any aspect of the business conducted during Chapter Meetings, matters of Fraternity ritual or the procedures of Initiation to any person who has not been initiated into THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY.

Section 6. Active, Affiliate, Alumni and Honorary members shall be admitted to all meetings of the Chapter.

Section 7. Active and Affiliate members shall be entitled to vote on Resolutions, Special Acts and House Rules presented during the course of Chapter Meetings.

Section 8. Active and Affiliate members shall be entitled to cast ballots in elections for Chapter officers.

Section 9. All members shall enjoy the right to withdraw from membership in the Chapter by submitting a signed Resignation to the Upperclass Committee.

Section 10. No person who has withdrawn from membership in the Chapter shall be allowed to resume any degree of membership until a Special Act of Resumption is so enacted.

Article VII —Officers and Functionaries

Section 1. There shall be the following elected officers:

- A. a President who shall be known and addressed as Brother Beta;
- B. a Vice-President and Curator who shall be known and addressed as Brother Sigma;
- C. a Treasurer who shall be known and addressed as Brother Kappa;
- D. a Recording Secretary who shall be known and addressed as Brother Rho;
- E. a Corresponding Secretary who shall be known and addressed as Brother Iota;

- F. a Registrar who shall be known and addressed as Brother Alpha;
- G. a Master of Ceremonies and Pledgemaster who shall be known and addressed as Brother Pi;
- H. a Librarian;
- I. a Steward;
- J. a Scholarship Chairman;
- K. a Rush Chairman; and
- L. a Social Chairman.

Section 2. There shall be the following functionaries who may be elected or appointed in accordance with prevailing House Rules:

- A. an Orator who shall be known and addressed as Brother Eta;
- B. a Poet who shall be known and addressed as Brother Epsilon;
- C. a First Guide who shall be known and addressed as Brother Mu;
- D. a Second Guide who shall be known and addressed as Brother Nu;
- E. an Editor of The Delta Chi Deke;
- F. a Chorister;
- G. a Chaplain; and
- H. a Sergeant-at-Arms.

Section 3. Brother Beta shall be obliged to appoint assistants to serve Department Heads and Committee Chairmen at the request of said Heads and Chairmen.

Section 4. The Chapter shall be empowered to augment the list of House officers and functionaries by Resolution as needs may dictate.

Article VIII —Departments and Standing Committees

Section 1. There shall be the following independent Departments:

- A. a Curator's Department that administers residential operations, maintains the lodge and cares for the grounds;
- B. a Steward's Department that manages the kitchen, pantry and refectory food service operations;
- C. a Librarian's Department that manages the library, procures books and periodicals and maintains selected records;
- D. a Fraternity Affairs Department that administers rushing, pledging, initiation, alumni relations, and intramural athletics;
- E. an Entertainment Department that organizes social functions; and
- F. a Treasurer's Department that administers the Chapter's accounts and financial affairs.

Section 2. Each Department shall be administered by a Head who shall be fully accountable to the Chapter for all funds received and expended on behalf of said Department.

Section 3. There shall be the following committees empowered with full authority to properly direct and administer their specific functions:

- A. an Executive Committee to handle the regular business of the Chapter;
- B. an Upperclass Committee to review Special Acts passed by the Chapter and to consider appeals for the reduction of fines and disciplinary actions imposed on members;
- C. an Audit Committee to examine the accounts of the Chapter's Departments;
- D. a Scholarship Committee to monitor the academic performance of underclassmen and facilitate their progress through the University curriculum;
- E. a Rush Committee to supervise the recruitment of pledges for initiation into the Fraternity;
- F. an Athletics Committee to arrange for intramural athletic competitions;
- G. a Fire Protection Committee to insure the adequacy and proper functioning of all fire safety equipment, apparatus and emergency procedures; and

- H. a Philanthropy Committee to devise and coordinate appropriate humanitarian activities.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of Brothers Beta, Sigma, Kappa, Pi, Mu, Nu, the Steward, the Rush Chairman, the Social Chairman and the Sergeant-at-Arms and shall be chaired by Brother Beta.

Section 5. The Upperclass Committee shall be comprised of all members who are registered in the University as Juniors or Seniors and shall be chaired by the eldest member.

Section 6. All committees other than the Executive and Upperclass Committees shall be headed by a Chairman who shall be specifically elected to serve by the Chapter and who shall preside over the deliberations and activities of his respective committee.

Section 7. All committees shall be empowered to establish their own rules for meetings and conducting business within the bounds of their individual charter.

Section 8. The Chairman of the Entertainment Committee shall be known as the Social Chairman.

Section 9. The Chairman of the Fire Protection Committee shall be known as the Fire Warden.

Article IX —Duties of Officers and Department Heads

Section 1. Brother Beta shall

- A. serve as Head of the Fraternity Affairs Department;
- B. convene and preside at all meetings of the Chapter and the Executive Committee;
- C. preside at all Chapter disciplinary hearings;
- D. appoint members to serve as functionaries and committee members in accordance with House Rules;
- E. establish ad hoc committees to deal with matters of a non-recurring nature;
- F. approve and execute all contracts, instruments and agreements on behalf of the Chapter;
- G. approve all expenditures of Chapter funds that are beyond the competence or authority of the Chapter's Departments;

- H. administer such disciplinary actions as are warranted and authorized by HOUSE RULES;
- I. take such actions as are required to further the purposes and achieve the Objects of the Fraternity;
- J. represent the Chapter in all substantive dealings with CORNELL UNIVERSITY, THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY and THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION; and
- K. report on the state of the Chapter to the membership of THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION at the Annual Meeting of same.

Section 2. Brother Sigma shall

- A. serve as Head of the Curator's Department;
- B. schedule, supervise and direct all lodge housekeeping, maintenance and repair activities;
- C. prepare proposals for lodge capital improvements and estimates of costs for same;
- D. maintain an inventory of all Chapter property and a record of said property's condition;
- E. regularly inspect all areas within the lodge and on the grounds for cleanliness and serviceability;
- F. hire, supervise and dismiss all housemen, bed makers, and servants employed by his Department;
- G. supervise the procedures for assigning residents to studies and bed chambers;
- H. administer the procedures for the allocation of vehicular parking spaces to members of the Chapter;
- I. preserve and protect the Seal of the Chapter; and
- J. convene and preside at all meetings of the Chapter and of the Executive Committee in the absence of Brother Beta.

Section 3. Brother Iota shall

- A. conduct the general correspondence of the Chapter;
- B. carry out all communications with CORNELL UNIVERSITY, THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY and THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION;

- C. prepare submissions for publication in The Deke Quarterly;
- D. transmit the annual Christmas greetings of the Chapter to the Alumni members; and
- E. convey all closed correspondence files to Brother Alpha for safekeeping in the Chapter Archives.

Section 4. Brother Rho shall

- A. record and keep the minutes of the Chapter's official meetings;
- B. maintain the definitive register of RESOLUTIONS, SPECIAL ACTS and HOUSE RULES enacted by the Chapter; and
- C. convey all closed record books and volumes of Chapter Meeting Minutes to Brother Alpha for safekeeping in the Chapter Archives.

Section 5. Brother Kappa shall

- A. serve as Head of the Treasurer's Department;
- B. take charge of all funds belonging to the Chapter;
- C. maintain the financial records of the Chapter;
- D. coordinate the annual budget planning process;
- E. supervise the filing of all association tax returns and reports mandated by law; and
- F. report the financial state of all Chapter accounts to the Executive Committee upon request from same and to the general membership of THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION at the Annual Meeting.

Section 6. Brother Pi shall

- A. devise and implement the Chapter's Pledge Program; and
- B. organize, direct and control all rites and rituals of Initiation.

Section 7. Brother Alpha shall

- A. maintain the official registry of members who have been initiated into the brotherhood;
- B. collect and safeguard all documents and records having historic value to the Chapter;

- C. administer the Chapter Archives and the DKE ARCHIVAL DEPOSITORY; and
- D. call the roll during Chapter Meetings to ascertain the presence of a quorum.

Section 8. The Steward shall

- A. serve as Head of the Steward's Department;
- B. hire, supervise and dismiss all cooks, kitchen help and servers employed by his Department;
- C. approve all menus;
- D. supervise all purchases of food and supplies;
- E. regularly inspect all food storage areas, kitchen spaces, pantry cupboards, scullery equipment and the refectory for cleanliness;
- F. conduct inventories of supplies and equipment;
- G. account for all monies received and spent for board; and
- H. prepare all budgets for his Department.

Section 9. The Librarian shall

- A. serve as the Head of the Librarian's Department;
- B. order all books and periodicals required by the Chapter;
- C. manage the maintenance and housekeeping of the Chapter's library; and
- D. maintain the Chapter's Preliminary Examination File.

Section 10. All Department Heads shall

- A. accept full responsibility for the conduct and efficacy of their respective Departments;
- B. fully account for all monies and materials allocated to their respective Departments;
- C. maintain appropriate records detailing all expenditures and disbursements made on behalf of their respective Departments; and
- D. prepare such Departmental operating budget estimates as Brother Kappa may require.

Article X —Duties of Functionaries

Section 1. Brother Eta shall deliver a literary reading or recitation when so required.

Section 2. Brother Epsilon shall compose and subsequently recite a poem when so required.

Section 3. Brothers Mu and Nu shall

- A. serve as Special Assistants to Brother Pi during rituals of Initiation;
- B. serve as tellers during elections; and
- C. tender advice to Brother Beta when called upon.

Section 4. The Chorister shall lead the brotherhood in the singing of Fraternity songs and care for the House piano.

Section 5. The Chaplain shall lead the brotherhood in prayer and care for the House clock.

Section 6. The Editor of The Delta Chi Deke shall publish the Chapter's newsletter.

Section 7. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall

- A. open the Chapter Room prior to meetings and secure the chamber afterwards;
- B. insure that the Chapter Room is clean and suitably outfitted at all times;
- C. properly maintain all stocks of the Chapter's ritual regalia and apparatus;
- D. eject persons from the Chapter Room when so instructed by Brother Beta; and
- E. take charge of all vending machines in the lodge.

Article XI —Duties of Particular Committee Chairmen

Section 1. The Rush Chairman shall schedule, direct and coordinate all aspects of the House's rush program.

Section 2. The Social Chairman shall perform the following functions:

- A. serve as the Head of the Entertainment Department; and
- B. schedule and coordinate social functions for the Chapter.

Section 3. The Fire Warden shall

- A. regularly inspect and test all lodge fire fighting and safety apparatus;
- B. direct the replacement of unserviceable equipment;
- C. arrange for evacuation drills; and
- D. report the status of House fire safety provisions to the Brotherhood when called up to do so.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Scholarship Committee shall

- A. regularly report to the Chapter concerning the academic standing of the underclassmen members;
- B. provide such counsel and assistance to the underclassmen as may contribute to the improvement of their scholastic standing in the University; and
- C. enforce Quiet Hours in the lodge in accordance with pertinent House Rules.

Article XII —General Powers

Section 1. The Chapter shall have the authority to enact and enforce Resolutions and House Rules by majority vote of a quorum.

Section 2. The Chapter shall have the authority to enact and enforce Special Acts by three-quarters vote of a quorum.

Section 3. The Chapter shall have the authority to enact appropriations for chapter dues, rents, board assessments, special taxes and social charges by passing Resolutions and House Rules.

Section 4. The Upperclass Committee shall have the power to render void any Resolution, House Rule or Special Act by a three-quarters vote of the Committee's membership.

Section 5. The Upperclass Committee shall have the power to reduce or nullify any punishment imposed upon a member by a three-quarters affirmative vote of the Committee's membership.

Article XIII —Enforcement Powers of Officers and Committee Chairmen

Section 1. Brother Beta shall be empowered to summarily fine members for acts of misconduct, negligence and violations of House Rules in accordance with the authority and limitations set forth in House Rules.

Section 2. Brother Pi shall be empowered to summarily fine members for acts of disobedience to his lawful orders during initiation in accordance with the authority and limitations set forth in House Rules.

Section 3. The Rush Chairman shall be empowered to summarily fine members for acts of disobedience to his lawful orders during rushing in accordance with the authority and limitations set forth in House Rules.

Section 4. The Chairman of the Audit Committee shall be empowered to call for and direct an audit of the House accounts at any time.

Article XIV —Chapter Meetings

Section 1. Brother Beta shall convene no fewer than six scheduled Chapter Meetings during the course of each Regular Academic Term.

Section 2. Chapter Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the prescribed Rituals and Rules of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Section 3. The business portion of Chapter Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised subject to such interpretations and modifications as the presiding officer shall see fit to order.

Section 4. A quorum for conducting the business of the Chapter shall be ruled to exist if and only if Brother Alpha, or in his absence, the presiding officer, certifies that no fewer than one half of the Chapter's combined Active and Affiliate membership is present.

Article XV —Qualifications for Election and Appointment

Section 1. No person shall serve as an Officer, Functionary or Committee Chairman who is not an Active or Affiliated member of the Chapter.

Section 2. No person shall serve in the office of Beta who is not an upperclassman during his term of office.

Section 3. No person shall be nominated for an elective office who is in a state of indebtedness to the Chapter or to the Fraternity.

Section 4. Brothers Beta, Sigma and the Steward may not fill a second office during their terms of service.

Article XVI —Elections and Appointments

Section 1. The offices of Beta, Sigma, Kappa, Pi, Steward, Social Chairman and Rush Chairman shall be elective and all other offices shall be elective or appointive in accordance with pertinent House Rules.

Section 2. Brother Beta will convene special Chapter Meetings for elections during each regular academic term with the specific times to be set forth in House Rules.

Section 3. The specific offices open during each election shall be identified in pertinent House Rules.

Section 4. The terms for all elective offices shall commence at midnight on the last day of the academic term during which the election was held and shall not conclude until such time as a successor is duly elected and installed in office.

Section 5. The terms for all appointive offices shall commence at midnight on the day of appointment and shall not conclude until a successor is duly appointed to serve in relief.

Section 6. No member shall be elected to office without having received a majority of ballots cast in his favor by a quorum of the membership.

Section 7. The presiding officer shall cast an electoral ballot only in the event of a tie result.

Section 8. No member may be elected to office involuntarily or *in absentia*.

Section 9. Procedures for elections shall be set forth in House Rules.

Section 10. The Upperclass Committee shall have the authority to void any election for cause with by a three-quarters affirmative vote of the Committee's membership.

Article XVII —Vacancies

Section 1. Brother Sigma shall serve as Beta *pro tempore* if the office of the Beta should fall vacant and shall possess all lawful powers previously assigned to the Beta during such time.

Section 2. Brother Beta shall schedule an election to fill an elective office falling vacant as soon as practicable and not more than thirty days subsequent to said office falling vacant.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall appoint a member to fill any appointive office within one week of said office falling vacant.

Article XVIII —Removal of Officers and Functionaries

Section 1. No member shall be removed from an elective office unless a Resolution of Impeachment is passed and a Special Act of Discharge is subsequently enacted.

Section 2. Brother Beta shall have the authority to summarily remove any functionary or appointee by decree.

Article XIX —Disciplinary Actions

Section 1. The Chapter shall have the authority to impose monetary fines upon members within the limitations set forth in House Rules.

Section 2. No monetary fine may adjudged against a member unless a House Rule calling for or allowing said fine is in force at the time of the infraction.

Section 3. The Chapter shall have the authority to impose Special Acts of Censure, Probation, Suspension and Expulsion upon members by an affirmative vote of three-quarters of a quorum.

Section 4. No Special Act of Suspension or Expulsion shall come into force until such time as the following actions have been taken:

- A. specific charges against the accused member have been drawn up and entered into the minutes of the Chapter;
- B. a brother has been appointed to represent the accused;
- C. a brother has been appointed to prosecute;
- D. a Chapter Meeting has been convened to consider the evidence; and
- E. a suitable hearing is conducted.

Section 5. All members shall enjoy a right of appeal to the Upperclass Committee regarding any disciplinary action taken against them. The ruling of the Upperclass Committee shall be final.

Section 6. Any member expelled from the Chapter shall be no longer be a member of the Fraternity.

Article XX —Dissolution

Section 1. In the event of dissolution of the Chapter, the remaining assets after the satisfaction of all obligations shall be distributed for purposes as set forth in paragraph 501(c)(7) of the United States Internal Revenue Service Code, or amendments thereof.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be fully empowered to administer the distribution of assets in the event of dissolution.

Article XXI —Ratification, Enactment and Amendment

Section 1. These Bylaws shall be adjudged as ratified upon the occurrence of an affirmative vote of three-quarters of all voting members present in a Chapter Meeting having a roll call quorum.

Section 2. Upon ratification, these Bylaws shall come into force at midnight of the first Saturday following.

Section 3. Upon coming into force, these Bylaws shall fully void and supersede all previous Bylaws of this Chapter.

Section 4. Upon coming into force and being properly filed with the Secretary of State of New York State, these Bylaws shall fully void and supersede the Articles of Incorporation of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 5. Brother Iota shall transmit conformed copies of these Bylaws to the Secretary of the Board of Directors of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY, to the Secretary of the Corporation for CORNELL UNIVERSITY, to the Secretary of State for NEW YORK STATE and to the Commissioner of the United States INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE within thirty days of their ratification.

Section 6. No Article or Section of these Bylaws shall be amended or nullified unless a Proposal for Amendment receives an affirmative vote of three-quarters of those members eligible to vote in a Chapter Meeting having a roll call quorum.

Section 7. No Proposal for Amendment shall be put to a vote until two weeks have passed subsequent to said proposal's introduction as a Resolution of the Chapter.

CERTIFICATE OF RATIFICATION

We do hereby certify that on April 9, 1990 these CHAPTER BYLAWS and ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of the DELTA CHI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY were ratified by the brotherhood of this Chapter in accordance with the provisions of Article XXI, Section 1.

(signed) Darin R. Spilman⁴
Brother Beta

(signed) Jeffrey F. Hyink
Brother Sigma

CERTIFIED on April 9, 1990.

(signed)
Dawn M. Dukeman
Notary Public State of New York
Certified in Tompkins County
Commission Expires March 14, 1992

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HOUSE RULES

This document records the House Rules enacted and enforced pursuant to the authority expressed in Section 1, Article XII (General Powers), CHAPTER BYLAWS AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of THE DELTA CHI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.⁵

House Rules are binding upon all members of the Chapter in accordance with Section 3, Article VI (Obligations and Privileges of Members), of said BYLAWS. All House Rules other than those VOIDED or AMENDED are in force from the date of ENACTMENT.

Resolutions calling for additions, deletions and amendments to House Rules should be forwarded to the Office of the Alumni Historian at the time of passage so that revised editions of this document may be distributed.

House Rules are classified in accordance with the following accession number sequence:

- 1XX. General
- 2XX. Curator's Department (Residential Operations)
- 3XX. Steward's Department (Kitchen and Refectory Operations)
- 4XX. Chapter Meetings
- 5XX. Elections and Appointments
- 6XX. Fraternity Department (Department, Decorum and Ritual)
- 7XX. Rushing, Pledging and Initiation
- 8XX. Entertainment Department
- 9XX. Treasurer's Department

Refer to the cited *Chapter Meeting Minutes (CMM)* by date of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon for antecedents or precedents to specific House Rules. New text introduced by amendments is denoted by background and deleted text is denoted by ~~strikeout~~.

⁵The Chapter reported these House Rules to be current and in force on 12 December 1994. Actions by the Chapter to enact, amend or void House Rules that have occurred since that date take precedence over these provisions.

100. GENERAL

101. Authority. House Rules shall be enacted, revised, suspended and voided in accordance with the current Bylaws of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

102. Temporary Suspension. Brother Beta shall be empowered to suspend the effect of any House Rule for a period not to exceed seven days when called upon to do so by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those Members entitled to vote in a Chapter Meeting having a quorum present. ENACTED as Article XII, Section 1, Bylaws of 1896, REAFFIRMED as Article VII, Bylaws of 1938, REAFFIRMED as Article XI, Bylaws of 1 May 1968 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

103. Announcement. No House Rule shall be in effect before it has been publicly posted within the Lodge of the Chapter. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

104. Posting. Brothers Beta and Sigma ~~Alpha~~ shall possess and make accessible ~~post~~ a list of all current House Rules ~~in an accessible common area of the lodge~~. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

105. Publication. The Alumni Historian shall revise the List of House Rules and print copies of same at the request of Brothers Beta, Sigma or Iota. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

106. Interpretation. The Upperclass Committee shall be empowered to render binding interpretations of House Rules. ENACTED as Article IV, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

107. Regular Academic Term. The Regular Academic Term shall be defined as the Fall and Spring academic terms when the University is in normal session. It does not include the University's summer session or periods of recess. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

108. Fall Recall Date. The Fall Recall Date is that date in August or September proposed by Brother Beta and endorsed by Resolution of the Chapter during the Spring Term when all resident brothers must be in Ithaca to ready to lodge for occupation. Cf. *CMM*, 5 June 1910. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

200. CURATOR'S DEPARTMENT (RESIDENTIAL OPERATIONS)

201. Room Rent. No boarder shall pay room rent at a rate less than an Active Member would be charged for the same accommoda-

tions. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

202. Residency Requirements I. Brother Beta shall be obliged to reside in the Chapter House throughout his term of office. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

203. Residency Requirements II. Brother Pi shall be obliged to reside in the Chapter House throughout the Spring academic term. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

204. Accommodations. No more than thirty-seven residents shall be accommodated within the Chapter's lodge during the Regular Academic Term. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

205. Priority. The procedure for determining which Members are permitted to live in the lodge shall be based on the following ranking of priorities, from highest to lowest:

- A. Elected officers;
- B. Active Members in their Sophomore year of the University;
- C. Active Members who have not previously lived in the lodge;
- D. Affiliate Members who have not previously lived in the lodge;
- E. Active Members who have previously lived no more than one year in the lodge;
- F. Active and Affiliate Members who have previously lived no more than one year in the lodge;
- G. Active and Affiliate Members in their Junior year of the University; and
- H. Active and Affiliate Members in their Senior year of the University.

ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

206. Room Capacity. No more than two men shall be assigned to occupy each second floor study except for the ~~two-north~~ eight rooms in the 1893 edifice which may be occupied by three men each. ENACTED on 27 Sep 1902. AMENDED as shown, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

207. Mandatory Residence. All Members shall submit to the will of the Brotherhood in regard to any Resolution requiring residence in the lodge during periods in the Regular Academic Term when unfilled vacancies exist. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

208. Alumni Suite. Brother Beta shall be accorded the privilege of residing in the 1910 Alumni Suite during his term of office. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

209. Room Usage. No second floor room shall be used as a resident's bedroom or sleeping quarters without the consent of the Chapter. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

210. Lodge Upkeep I. Resident Members shall be obliged to take on such lodge housekeeping and maintenance tasks as Brother Sigma, the House Manager (Curator), or the Sergeant-at-Arms may see fit to require. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

211. Lodge Upkeep II. Brother Sigma shall be empowered to summarily fine any resident Member a sum not to exceed three dollars for that Member's failure to appear at a scheduled work session or that Member's negligence in performing an assigned lodge upkeep task. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

212. Breakage. Brother Sigma shall immediately repair any furnishing, fixture, or portion of the lodge that is damaged by any person and if said damage is caused by a Member of the Chapter then said Member shall be charged for the full cost of materials and labor required to completely remedy the damage. ENACTED as Article IX, Section IX, Bylaws of 1896. REAFFIRMED, 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

213. Chapter Room. The Chapter Room of the lodge shall be used exclusively for the purpose of conducting Fraternity meetings. ENACTED on 15 January 1911, REAFFIRMED on 24 Nov 1974, 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

214. Smoking. No person shall smoke a tobacco product in the Chapter Room. ENACTED on 3 Jun 1871, REAFFIRMED on 15 April 1928, REAFFIRMED on 27 January 1975 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990. VOIDED, 14 November 1994.

215. Fire Hazard I. Brothers Beta, Sigma and Kappa shall each be empowered to summarily fine any Member who smokes a tobacco product or carries a burning article on the third floor, attic or roof levels of the lodge. Said fine shall not exceed fifty dollars. ENACTED as Article XV, Bylaws of 1938, and REAFFIRMED as Article XII, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, with unspecified fine. AMENDED to specify the fine on 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

216. Fire Hazard II. Brothers Beta, Sigma and Kappa shall each be empowered to summarily fine any Member who adversely tampers with any item of House fire detection or safety equipment. Said fine shall not exceed fifty dollars. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

217. Fire Hazard III. The Chapter shall be empowered to fine any Member who adversely tampers with any item of House fire detection or safety equipment by Resolution. Said fine shall not exceed one hundred dollars. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

218. Quiet Hours I. No Member shall create a disturbance or noisy disruption on the {second} floor of the lodge during periods designated as Quiet Hours. ENACTED as Article X, Section 1, Bylaws of 1896. AMENDED to read "third" vice "second" on 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

219. Quiet Hours II. Quiet Hours during the Regular Academic Term shall ~~commence at 10:00 PM and continue for the next fourteen hours on those evenings that precede days when the University has scheduled classes or examinations~~ be defined by the Executive Committee. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

220. Quiet Hours III. Brothers Beta, Sigma and the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee shall be empowered to summarily fine Members for creating disturbances or noisy disruptions on the third floor of the lodge during periods designated as Quiet Hours. Said fine shall not exceed one dollar per occurrence. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

221. Parking of Motorcars I. No Member shall park a vehicle blocking the passage through the carriage portal during the Regular Academic Term without first obtaining explicit permission from an officer of the Chapter. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

222. Parking of Motorcars II. No Member shall regularly park more than one vehicle on the grounds of the lodge during the Regular Academic Term. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

223. Overnight Guests. No Member shall harbor an overnight guest in the lodge who is not a brother in the Fraternity without first obtaining permission from an officer of the Chapter. Cf. *CMM*, 16 May 1909. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

224. Room Name Plates. Upon request, Brother Sigma shall procure a brass name plate bearing the brother's name, nickname and class year for each resident Member of the lodge. Said nameplate shall be attached to the Member's second floor study door before his term of residency expires. ENACTED, 17 March 1912. Cf. *CMM*, 14 May 1911. REAFFIRMED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

225. Summer Residence. No person shall be allowed to reside in the chapter lodge during the University's summer vacation period who has not first been granted permission to do so by a Resolution

of the Chapter. ENACTED 8 Nov 1937, REAFFIRMED as Article XXXV, Bylaws of 1938, REAFFIRMED as Article XXII, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, REAFFIRMED on 30 Mar 1972 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

226. Pets. Brother Sigma shall have the authority to permanently eject from the lodge any pet which the Executive Committee rules to be a nuisance. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

227. Newspapers. The Librarian shall obtain House subscriptions for The Cornell Daily Sun and such other publications as the Executive Committee may direct. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

228. Firewood. The House Manager (Curator) ~~Librarian~~ shall procure a supply of firewood for the library during the winter months. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

300. STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT (KITCHEN AND REFELECTORY OPERATIONS)

301. Board I. Members shall be charged an individual assessment for each luncheon and supper guest that dines in the House. Cf. *CMM*, 9 January 1897. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

302. Board II. No Member shall receive a rebate or credit for unconsumed meals unless he misses three or more consecutive days of dining in the House and has personally notified the Steward of his intended absence beforehand. ENACTED on 9 Jan 1897. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

303. Free Meals I. Visiting brothers from other chapters of Delta Kappa Epsilon shall be recognized as guests of the Chapter and shall not be charged for meals if their stay does not exceed four days in duration. ENACTED on 12 October 1919. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

304. Free Meals II. Non-resident Active and Affiliate Members shall each be entitled to take one meal per week in the House without charge. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

305. Free Meals III. Alumni and Honorary Members shall each be entitled to take one meal per academic term in the House without charge. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

306. Guests. No Member shall invite or bring any guest who is not a Deke to an Initiation dinner. ENACTED on 21 April 1975 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

307. Date Night. Friday evenings during the Regular Academic Term shall be designated as Date Nights. ENACTED on 15 Sep 1970 and VOIDED on 3 April 1990.

308. Apparel. Brothers Beta, Sigma and the House Steward are empowered to summarily order the ejection of any Member from the refectory or kitchen who is not attired in accordance with the prescriptions set forth in House Rules. Cf. *CMM*, 19 October 1913. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

309. Refectory Attire I. No Member shall dine at supper or at luncheon in the refectory during Regular Academic Term who is not wearing a shirt, trousers (or shorts) and shoes (or sandals). ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

310. Refectory Attire II. No Member shall dine at supper in the refectory during Regular Academic Term on a scheduled Date Night who is not wearing a shirt, jacket, tie, trousers, socks and shoes. VOIDED, 3 April 1990.

311. Kitchen Attire. No Member shall dine in the kitchen who is not wearing a shirt, trousers (or shorts), and shoes (or sandals). ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

312. Pets ~~Dogs~~. No pets ~~dogs~~ shall be permitted in the kitchen or food storage spaces at any time. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

400. CHAPTER MEETINGS

401. Frequency. Brother Beta shall convene Chapter meetings throughout the Regular Academic Term in accordance with a schedule that allows a lapse of no more than fourteen days between consecutive meetings. ENACTED as Article XIV, Bylaws of 1938, REAFFIRMED as Article XI, Bylaws of 1 May 1968 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

402. Attendance. All Active and Affiliate Members shall be obliged to attend Chapter Meetings. ENACTED as Article XIX, Bylaws of 1938, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

403. Unexcused Absence. Brother Beta shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member a sum of two dollars for unexcused absence from any scheduled Chapter Meeting. ENACTED as Article XIX, Bylaws of 1938, AMENDED on 15 Oct 1951, REAFFIRMED as Article XV, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

404. Disruptions. The Presiding Officer shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member a sum of one dollar for each act of disorderly or disruptive conduct occurring during the course of a

chapter meeting. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

405. Location. All Chapter Meetings shall be conducted in the Chapter Room of the lodge unless Brother Beta decrees otherwise. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

406. Roll Call. Brothers shall snap their fingers to answer the roll call during Chapter Meetings. ENACTED on 5 Oct 1901. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

407. Ritual. All Chapter Meetings that take place in the Chapter Room shall be concluded with ~~a ceremonial singing in unison of We Hail Thee, Holy Goddess led by the House Chorister~~ the Mystic Circle. Cf. *CMM* 8 Dec 1871 and *CMM* 21 Sep 1877. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

408. Format. Chapter Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the following sequence:

- A. call to order by the presiding officer;
- B. Invocation (from *DKE Rituals and Rules*, page 7);
- C. enumeration of duties;
- D. roll call by Brother Rho and declaration of a quorum by Brother Alpha;
- E. reading of the previous meeting's minutes by Brother Rho;
- F. call for vote of approval for the minutes;
- G. reports of Department Heads;
- H. reports of Functionaries;
- I. unfinished business from the previous meeting;
- J. new business;
- K. elections of new men (if during Rush);
- L. elections of officers (if scheduled);
- M. Literary Exercises (optional);
- N. adjournment; and
- O. M— C—.

ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

409. Chapter Room Department. When in the Chapter Room, all New Brothers, *i.e.* those who have not participated in an initiation of a new pledge class, shall sit on the South side of the room in white robes while the remainder of the brotherhood shall sit on the North side of the room in dark robes. In addition, no New Brother shall be allowed to cross any part of his body, *i.e.* hands, legs, *etc.*, or tread on the green carpet. CMM, 24 April 1979. ENACTED, 14 November 1994.

500. ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

501. Ballot Boxes. Ballot boxes shall not be employed during elections for new men. ENACTED on 9 Mar 1916. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

502. Schedule. Brother Beta shall schedule three regular elections during the Regular Academic Term: the first to occur during the Fall Term in November, the second to occur before Initiation in the Spring Term, and the last to occur after Initiation in the Spring Term. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

503. Circumstances. Elections shall occur during the course of a Chapter meeting having a quorum of Members present. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

504. Fall Term Elections. Elections for all offices except ~~Beta, Pi~~ Kappa and the Rush Chairman shall take place during the Fall Term Elections. Beta and Pi shall be elected and shall take office after the Spring Initiation. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

505. Early Spring Term Elections. Elections for all offices except those of Beta, Pi, Rho, ~~Iota~~, Alpha, Chaplain, Scholarship, Nu, one Social Chairman, ~~Chorister~~ and the Chairmen of the Athletic and Philanthropy ~~and Alumni Relations~~ Committees shall take place during the Early Spring Term Elections. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

506. Late Spring Term Elections. Elections for all offices except those filled during the Early Spring Elections shall take place during Late Spring Term Elections. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

507. Procedures. Elections for each office shall be conducted in accordance with the following procedures:

A. nominations shall be taken from the floor;

B. at the close of nominations, all nominees shall depart the Chapter Room;

- C. the presiding officer shall call for a general floor debate to discuss the qualifications of the various candidates;
- D. at the close of the floor debate, a vote shall be taken by Brothers lowering their heads and then raising their hands to signify their vote;
- E. a nominee obtaining a majority (more than half) of all votes cast shall be declared as the winner by the presiding officer;
- F. if a majority is not obtained by any candidate, the presiding officer shall strike the names of any nominee having the lowest number of recorded votes in the preceding ballot;
- G. another vote shall be called and the process repeated until such time as a nominee obtains the required majority for election.

ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

600. FRATERNITY DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT, DECORUM and RITUAL)

601. General Fines I. Brother Beta shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member a sum not to exceed fifty dollars for the violation of any Chapter Bylaw or House Rule omitting mention of a particular fine. ENACTED as Article X, Bylaws of 1938, and REAFFIRMED, 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

602. General Fines II. Brother Beta shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member a sum not to exceed fifty dollars for general misconduct or egregious misbehavior. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

603. Chapter Dues. No Member shall be excused from payment of Chapter Dues unless a Special Act of Dispensation has been passed by the Chapter. ENACTED as Article XXVIII, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

604. Notice of Expulsion. In the event that a Member is expelled from the Chapter, Brother Iota shall advise all fraternities at Cornell University of this fact and the circumstances surrounding same. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

605. Married Persons. No person who is married shall be tendered a Bid to join the Chapter or shall be initiated into the Fraternity. ENACTED on 3 Jun 1946. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

606. Academic Probation. No Pledge Member who is considered by

the University administration to be on Academic Probation or Warning shall be initiated into the Fraternity without a Special Act of Allowance passed by an affirmative vote of three-quarters of the Membership in a quorum. Cf. *CMM*, 15 May 1939 and 23 October 1939. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

607. Absence Fine. Brother Beta shall be empowered to summarily fine any Active or Affiliate Member a sum of five dollars per day for each day of the latter's unexcused absence subsequent to the Fall Recall Date. Cf. *CMM*, 2 Oct 1910. ENACTED on 5 Jun 1910, REAFFIRMED on 26 March 1916, on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

608. DKE Pin I. All initiated Members must own and possess a regulation Delta Kappa Epsilon badge, hereafter referred to as a pin. ENACTED on 29 Oct 1894. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

609. DKE Pin II. No Member shall give his pin to another person who is not a Deke without first obtaining permission from the Upperclass Committee. ANTECEDENT: Article XVI, Bylaws of 1896. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

610. DKE Pin III. No Member shall wear his pin unless he is attired in jacket and tie. The pin shall be worn on the Member's shirt over his left breast or over the right watch pocket of a vest. The pin shall be situated and aligned with a straight line running from the Member's left shoulder to his right hip. The angle of the pin's longitudinal axis with the vertical shall be referred to as the Alpha Angle. Cf. *CMM*, 4 Oct 1896. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

611. Insignia. No Member shall wear the insignia of any social organization other than that of Delta Kappa Epsilon during his period of matriculation in the University. ENACTED 4 Oct 1906. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

612. Letters of Condolence. Brother Iota shall send a letter of condolence on behalf of the brotherhood to the family of any Member who dies. Cf. *CMM*, 11 April 1920. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

613. Exclusivity. No Member shall join Theta Nu Epsilon, Phi Delta Phi, Delta Chi or any other social fraternity or club having a name comprised of letters from the Greek alphabet. ANTECEDENTS: *CMM*, 12 Jan 1872, 9 May 1896 and 18 April 1903; and Article X, Bylaws of 1896. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

614. Sexual Morality. No person of the female sex shall be brought into the lodge for immoral purposes at any time. ENACTED as Article XVI, Bylaws of 1938, REAFFIRMED as Article XIII, Bylaws

of 1 May 1968, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

615. Freshmen Conduct I. No freshman Member shall ignore or fail to heed any specific advice tendered by an upper-class Member concerning said freshman's deportment or behavior. Cf. *CMM*, 22 Oct 1898. ENACTED on 2 Oct 1896. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

616. Freshmen Conduct II. No freshman shall be allowed to partake of intoxicating liquors in any place where such liquors are sold. ENACTED on 2 Oct 1896. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

617. Reinstatement. No person who has been expelled from the Delta Chi Chapter or from the Fraternity may be reinstated as a Member without an Extraordinary Act of Reinstatement that is passed by a unanimous affirmative vote of the Chapter's entire active Membership. ENACTED on 27 Feb 1897. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

618. Stunt Book. Brother Alpha shall collect all published articles mentioning the Chapter or the Members thereof and preserve same in a permanent scrap book. Cf. *CMM*, 16 Oct 1910. ENACTED, Bylaws of May 1977, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

619. Grace. The House Chaplain shall deliver an appropriate grace before supper is served to the brotherhood. ENACTED, Bylaws of May 1977. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

700. RUSHING, PLEDGING AND INITIATION

701. Absence During Rush. The Rush Chairman shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member a sum not to exceed five dollars per day for that Member's unexcused absence from any scheduled rushing event or events. ENACTED on 26 May 1909. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

702. Pledge Pins I. Pledge Members shall wear the DKE Fraternity pledge pin on the left lapel of their jackets whenever they are attired in jacket and tie and are within the Chapter's lodge or on the campus of the University. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

703. Pledge Pins II. Pledge Members shall wear the DKE Fraternity pledge pin over their left breast, gules side upward, whenever they are in public view. This provision shall not apply when said Pledge Members are in athletic dress. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. AMENDED as shown, 14 November 1994.

704. Exclusion of Non-Members. No person who is not an initiated Member of the Fraternity may be present in the lodge during any part of Initiation. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

705. Initiation I. No Pledge Member who has failed to complete all requirements for one full academic term in the University shall be initiated into the Fraternity. Cf. *CMM*, 30 May 1925. ENACTED as Article 14, Bylaws of 1938, on 16 May 1938 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

706. Initiation II. No Pledge Member who is currently listed on the University's academic probation list shall be initiated into the Fraternity. ENACTED on 23 Oct 1939 and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

707. Initiation Fines. Brother Pi shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member any sum not exceeding five dollars for willful disobedience of his lawful instructions during the period of Initiation. ENACTED as Article XVIII, Bylaws of 1938, REAFFIRMED as Article XIV, Bylaws of 1 May 1968, and REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

800. ENTERTAINMENT DEPARTMENT

801. Narcotics. No person shall possess or use narcotic drugs in the lodge. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

802. Gambling. The Upperclass Committee shall have the authority to regulate gambling within the lodge. Cf. *CMM*, 10 October 1893, 30 October 1927, and 4 December 1939. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

803. Alcohol. Brothers Beta, Sigma and the Social Chairman shall have unrestricted authority to prohibit the possession and use of alcoholic beverages by specified Members and other persons in the lodge for a period not to exceed twenty-four hours. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

804. Conduct. Brothers Beta, Sigma and the Social Chairman shall have unrestricted authority to order and effect the ejection of any person from the lodge during the course of a social function. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

805. IFC Social Rules. Brother Beta shall be empowered to fine a Member the sum of twenty-five dollars for violating a social conduct rule of the Inter-Fraternity Council. ENACTED, 25 October 1937. REAFFIRMED, 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

806. Guests. No freshman Member shall bring a guest who is not a woman or a member of his family into the lodge. Cf. 14 April 1941. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

900. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

901. Billing Schedule. House Bills shall be issued to Members on a monthly basis, four times per semester, by Brother Kappa or by the University Bursar acting as the executive agent for Brother Kappa. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

902. Categories. House Bills shall include the following categories of charges: board, room rent, maintenance, chapter dues, social dues, telephone charges, guest assessments, supplementary taxes, athletic subscriptions, incidental fines and room deposits. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

903. Schedule of Charges. Brother Kappa shall post a consolidated schedule of charges applying to each grade of Membership and category of residency. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

904. Fines. Brother Kappa shall insure that all properly assessed fines are included on each Member's monthly bill and are duly collected by the Treasurer's Department. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

905. Payments. House Bills shall be paid in full not later than fourteen days after their date of issue. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

906. Financial Delinquency. Members having an indebtedness in excess of twenty-five dollars to the Chapter for a period of more than thirty days shall be assessed an accruing fine of 0.3% per diem on the unpaid balance thereafter up to and not exceeding 200% of the unpaid indebtedness. Cf. Article LI, Bylaws of 1938, and Article XXVI, Bylaws of 1 May 1968. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

907. Bad Checks. Brother Kappa shall be empowered to summarily fine any Member who tenders a check that is subsequently returned void for insufficient funds a sum of twenty-five dollars. ENACTED 18 May 1919 with a five dollar fine. ENACTED, 3 April 1990. REAFFIRMED on 12 December 1994.

908. Appeals. A Brother who has incurred the judgment of a summary fine may appeal to the Upperclass Committee for the revocation or reduction of said fine within fourteen days of the imposition. ENACTED on 16 May 1909. REAFFIRMED on 3 April 1990 and on 12 December 1994.

DELTA CHI CHAPTER of the
DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY at
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
13 South Avenue
Ithaca NY 14850-3985

From: Brother Iota

To: Alumni Historian, THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, 3237 East
Fox Street, Mesa AZ 85213

RE: Request for Publication of New, Amended or Voided House Rules

Pursuant to House Rule #105, the following addition, amendment or deletion of a House Rule is forwarded. Please amend the Register of House Rules as appropriate and forward copies of the new document for posting in the Chapter's lodge and for inclusion in the Turnover Notebooks of House officers.

This is (check one):

a new House Rule

an amendment to House Rule #

nullification of House Rule #

The text of this change follows:

I hereby certify that this addition, amendment or deletion of a House Rule was properly passed pursuant to Section 1, Article XII (General Powers), CHAPTER BYLAWS AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of THE DELTA CHI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Date:

Iota, ΔX of ΔKE

DELTA CHI CHAPTER of the
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From: Brother Iota

To: Alumni Historian, THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, 3237 East
Fox Street, Mesa AZ 85213

RE: Request for Publication of Reaffirmed House Rules

Pursuant to House Rule #105, the following House Rules have been reaffirmed by majority vote of a quorum of the membership. Please amend the Register of House Rules as appropriate and forward copies of the new document for posting in the Chapter's lodge and for inclusion in the Turnover Notebooks of House officers.

101	201	215	301	401	501	601	701	801	901
102	202	216	302	402	502	602	702	802	902
103	203	217	303	403	503	603	703	803	903
104	204	218	304	404	504	604	704	804	904
105	205	219	305	405	505	605	705	805	905
106	206	220	306	406	506	606	706	806	906
107	207	221	307	407	507	607	707		907
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I hereby certify that these House Rules were properly passed pursuant to Section 1, Article XII (General Powers), CHAPTER BYLAWS AND ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of THE DELTA CHI CHAPTER OF DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Date:

Beta, ΔX of ΔKE

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION

STATE OF NEW YORK
Office of Secretary of State⁶
Filed and Recorded Mar. 22, 1888
(signed)
Deputy Secretary of State

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, Julius Chambers, John De Witt Warner, Sigmund M. Lehman, James Ward Warner, Frederick M. Stevens, and John F. Hamilton,

all citizens of the United States, a majority of whom are also citizens of the state of New York, being desirous of forming ourselves into a Society or Club for social purposes, under the provisions of Chapter 267 of the Laws of the State of New York, of the year 1875, and the Acts Amending the same, hereby certify as follows:

1 —The name or title by which the Society or Club into which we desire to form ourselves as aforesaid, shall be known in law, shall be The Delta Chi Association.

2 —The particular business or object of such Society or Club shall be to promote social intercourse among ourselves and other members of the Delta Chi Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, to provide facilities for such intercourse, and in general to promote the welfare of such Delta Chi Chapter and of the Cornell University; and for such purposes to maintain the principal office of such Association in the City and County of New York and to maintain a Club House with the appurtenances and belongings usual to Club Houses.

3 —The number of Trustees, Directors or Managers to manage the said Society or Club shall be fifteen.

4 —The names of Trustees, Directors or Managers to manage the said Society or Club for the first year of its existence are—

Julius Chambers, Sydney Howard Soule, John De Witt Warner, Henry A. Monfort, Edwin Gillette, Emilius O. Randall, Frederick M. Stevens, Daniel J. Tompkins, Wilbray J. Thompson, Daniel O. Barto, Sigmund M. Lehman, John F. Hamilton, James Ward Warner, Rollin C. Horr, Herbert D. Schenck.

⁶Division of Corporations and State Records, 162 Washington Avenue, Albany NY 12231-0001.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have to this Certificate respectively signed our names this 9th day of March 1888.

(signed) Julius Chambers
(signed) John De Witt Warner
(signed) Sigmund M. Lehman
(signed) James Ward Warner
(signed) Frederick M. Stevens
(signed) John F. Hamilton

State of New York,
City and County of New York

On this 9th day of March 1888, Personally came and appeared before me, Julius Chambers, John De Witt Warner, Sigmund M. Lehman, James Ward Warner, Frederick M. Stevens, and John F. Hamilton, known to me and by me to be the individuals of such names respectively described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

Edward E—
Notary Public (77)
N. Y. Co.

DELTA CHI CHAPTER
DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY
DELTA CHI CHAPTER AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY
Office of the Alumni Historian

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS OF
THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION**

Article 1 —Name

The name of this association shall be THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION.

Article 2 —Purposes and Objects

Section 1. The purpose of this association is to promote the development and welfare of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY, said organization being incorporated in the State of New York on 5 November 1883.

Section 2. The objects of this association shall be consistent with those of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY founded at Yale College, New Haven CT, on 22 June 1844: the cultivation of general literature and social culture, the advancement and encouragement of intellectual excellence, the promotion of honorable friendship, the maintenance of gentlemanly dignity, self-respect and morality in all circumstances, and the union of stout hearts and kindred interests to secure to merit its due reward.

Article 3 —Restrictions

Section 1. The association shall not in any way manage the operations or direct the affairs of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 2. The association shall not engage in any activity that conflicts with its status as a tax exempt corporation under the provisions of paragraph 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Service Code.

Section 3. The association shall not obligate itself to liquidate or secure any debts that are in excess of its ready cash assets.

Article 4 —Membership

Section 1. Types of membership shall consist of active, inactive and honorary memberships and be accorded to persons meeting the

following standards:

- A. Active membership requires (1) that the prospective member is recognized by THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY as having been initiated into said organization, (2) that said person is recognized by THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL, INC., as having been a member or an affiliated member of that body, (3) that said person is not currently registered in a course of undergraduate instruction at any college or university, and (4) that said person be not more than twenty-four months in arrears for payment of association dues.
- B. Inactive membership requires that the prospective member qualifies for membership as an active member excepting the provisions for currency in the payment of association dues.
- C. Honorary membership requires that (1) that the prospective member not qualify as an active or inactive member, (2) that said person be certified as eligible by the Executive Committee of the association, and (3) that a Resolution of Honorary Appointment carry at an Annual Meeting of the association.

Section 2. Only active members and honorary members shall be empowered to vote in meetings of the association.

Section 3. There shall be no initiation fee for any type of membership.

Article 5 —Officers and Functionaries

Section 1. There shall be the following elected officers:

- A. President; and
- B. Treasurer.

Section 2. There shall be the following appointed functionaries:

- A. Scriba (recording secretary);
- B. Curator (capital projects administrator);
- C. Counselor;
- D. Historian; and
- E. Archivist.

Article 6 —Executive Committee

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee to handle the regular business of the association.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the President, the Treasurer and such other members as the President may see fit to appoint.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to establish and promulgate the association's policies, procedures, rules and practices.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to establish a schedule of dues and assessments for active members.

Article 7 —Duties and Powers of Officers and Functionaries

Section 1. The President shall perform the following functions:

- A. convene and preside at all meetings of the association and the Executive Committee;
- B. appoint members to serve as functionaries as set forth in these bylaws;
- C. approve and execute all contracts, instruments and agreements on behalf of the association;
- D. approve all expenditures of association funds;
- E. cast the tie breaking vote in the event of deadlocked motions and elections;
- F. notify all officers and functionaries of the association and the membership of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY concerning actions taken by the Executive Committee; and
- G. report on the state of the association to the membership at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The Treasurer shall perform the following functions:

- A. take charge of all funds belonging to the association;
- B. maintain the financial records of the association;
- C. propose budgets and plans for future expenditures of the association's funds;
- D. execute all checks and pay orders at the direction of the President;
- E. supervise the filing of all association tax returns and reports mandated by law;
- F. monitor the financial accounts of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY; and
- G. report the financial state of all association accounts to the Executive Committee upon request from same and to

the general membership of the association at the Annual Meeting.

Section 3. The Scriba shall record the minutes of the Annual Meeting and provide a copy of same to the Executive Committee not later than thirty days after the conclusion of said meeting.

Section 4. The Curator shall recommend, plan and, at the direction of the President, supervise the execution of capital projects to preserve and improve the lodge of the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Section 5. The Counselor shall advise the President and the Executive Committee concerning any issue, policy or circumstance that bears upon the affairs of the association or upon the affairs of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 6. The Historian shall, at the direction of the President, conduct studies, collect records and issue reports concerning the history of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 7. The Archivist shall report on the state of the DKE Depository in the Cornell University Library and the Fraternity records secured therein when so requested by any member of the association.

Article 8 —Meetings

Section 1. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the association.

Section 2. Said Annual Meeting shall be held at the Deke House in Ithaca NY at a date to coincide with the Cornell University Reunion Week.

Section 3. Said Annual Meeting shall be open to all members of the association and to all members of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Section 4. A quorum for conducting the business of the association shall be ruled to exist if the President and no fewer than five other members empowered to vote are present.

Section 5. Ordinary seconded motions shall be decided by simple majority vote with the presiding officer voting only in the event of deadlock.

Section 6. Members of THE DELTA KAPPA EPSILON FRATERNITY AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY may participate in the Annual Meeting as non-voting observers.

Article 9 —Elections of Officers

Section 1. All officers shall be elected or re-elected at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The terms for all elective offices shall commence on the day following the Annual Meeting.

Section 3. No member may be elected to office in absentia.

Section 4. All nominations rendered in writing by members in absentia or placed in motion by members present shall be considered valid.

Section 5. The following elective ballots shall be considered valid:

- A. those cast in person by members;
- B. those cast by members in absentia by written correspondence addressed to the President and received before the day of the Annual Meeting; and
- C. those cast by a present member who is serving as a proxy empowered with a written authorization that has been signed by an absent member.

Section 6. The presiding officer shall rule the nominee having the greatest number of votes cast as having been elected to office.

Section 7. The presiding officer shall cast an electoral vote only in the event of a tie result.

Article 10 —Vacancies

Section 1. The Treasurer shall serve as President pro tempore if the office of the President should fall vacant.

Section 2. The President shall appoint a member to serve as Treasurer if the office of the Treasurer should fall vacant.

Article 11 —Removal of Officers and Functionaries

Section 1. Officers and functionaries shall be removed from office with a resolution passed by simple majority vote of the members in any meeting.

Section 2. The President may remove any functionary by decree.

Article 12 —Dissolution

Section 1. In the event of dissolution of THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION, the remaining assets after the satisfaction of all obligations of the association shall be distributed for purposes as set forth in paragraph 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Service Code, or amendments thereof.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall be fully empowered to administer the distribution of assets in the event of dissolution.

Article 13 —Ratification, Enactment and Amendment

Section 1. These bylaws shall be adjudged as ratified upon the occurrence of an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all voting members present in an Annual Meeting having a roll call quorum.

Section 2. Upon ratification, these bylaws shall come into force at midnight of the day that they are filed and duly registered with the New York Secretary of State.

Section 3. Upon coming into force, these bylaws shall fully void and supersede all provisions of the Articles of Incorporation of THE DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION filed with the New York Secretary of State on 9 March 1888 and all other such bylaws and statutes of this association.

Section 4. These bylaws may be amended or revised by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all voting members present in an Annual Meeting having a roll call quorum.

DELTA CHI ASSOCIATION
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LAW AND ORDER IN THE CORNELL DEKE HOUSE

This short essay describes the origin and subsequent evolution of Bylaws and House Rules in the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

We can reasonably surmise from an examination of early chapter meeting minutes that the society did not initially compose a constitution or set of bylaws during its first year.⁷ In all probability, the only formal expression of chapter law was simply that of the original 1870 DKE Charter that established Delta Chi, but contained no formal prescriptions for the conduct of proceedings.⁸ Nevertheless, the society began life with three important elements of organizational equipment that would soon lead to the adoption of formalized written laws: officers with specific responsibilities, a relaxed form of parliamentary law and a medium to record the society's proceedings.

Five offices (presumably those of President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer) were created at the first business meeting held in the Ithaca House hotel on 10 January 1870. Brother Julius Chambers '70, Delta Chi's sole senior, most certainly served as the chapter's first president. The names for these offices would undergo two transformations. The first came in 1872 (Pater Primus, Pater Secundus, Scriba, Scriptor and Custos) and the second in 1884 (Beta, Sigma, Rho, Iota and Kappa) when Fraternity ritual was standardized by the new central government of Delta Kappa Epsilon. In the following years additional elective offices to manage a lodge, run dining services, conduct competitive rushing and deal with a broadening range of Fraternity matters. See the matrix at the end of this chapter for a complete tabulation.

The second factor, parliamentary law, led to orderly meetings that were taken seriously by the attendees.⁹ More importantly, most

⁷See *Chapter Meeting Minutes (CMM)*, Department of Manuscripts and University Archives, Carl A. Kroch Library, Cornell University, Ithaca NY 14853-5302. These minutes date from the first meeting of the chapter in 1870.

⁸The original DKE charter for Delta Chi was lost, but in 1909 a replacement was ordered for a cost of twenty-six dollars. Cf. *CMM* 24 January 1909 and 13 March 1910.

⁹In theory, the chapter's deliberations were conducted in

issues were framed in terms of motions that were subsequently voted on. We find motions of two basic kinds during these early years. The first represented resolutions to deal with some particular matter or called for a temporary expedient. As an example, the very first measure passed by the new chapter was a resolution "to fix our initiation [fee], including badges, at twenty-six dollars." The second kind of resolution aimed at establishing norms of a lasting nature. A prohibition against smoking during chapter meeting enacted in 1871 was the first of this type that would form the basis of the Chapter's laws and customs.¹⁰

The third factor, the commitment of the brotherhood to keep proper minutes of all meetings, provided the corporate memory that would keep future bylaws, rules and resolutions alive long after their originators departed. Much depended on the Recording Secretary (Scriba, and later, Brother Rho) who dutifully transcribed all motions and amendments into the bound pages of the Chapter Meeting Minutes. Future compilers of the House Bylaws would spend many hours combing these meticulously kept records for the wordings of Delta Chi law.

Thus, with these mechanisms in place, we are not surprised to find that a committee was formed in November of 1871 to draw "up a form of initiation, ... Rules and Regulations for the government of business meetings, ...and a code for Literary Exercises."¹¹ This was a natural outcome for a brotherhood that was clearly preoccupied with order and procedure. We can only speculate on the content of this first set of Chapter Bylaws. In all probability, they concerned only the basic governmental organization of the chapter. There was certainly no mention of any house management functions since the first Deke House was still years into the future.

A significant addition to the chapter's body of law came in 1882 with the organization of the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon and a system of centralized government for the Fraternity.¹² This

accordance with Roberts Rules as expressed in Robert's Rules of Order, Revised 1915. However, there is no record that the brotherhood ever employed any provisions other than those specified to introduce, second and vote upon simple motions.

¹⁰The prohibition against smoking in chapter meetings was thrice reaffirmed, in 1928, in 1975, and again in 1990.

¹¹*CMM*, 2 November 1871.

¹²Hawes, James Anderson, and Adelbert H. VanDuzer, "History of Delta Kappa Epsilon", *General Catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon —1918*.

resulted in a secret DKE Fraternity Constitution that established much in the way of chapter functions, duties of officers and the responsibilities of members. Further guidance came in 1915 when the Fraternity published a study of rituals that, in part, addressed the conduct of chapter meetings.¹³

The next line of innovation was the adoption of a permanent committee system to attend to specific affairs. The names and missions of these standing committees would change over the years, but their effect would be to bring increasing order to life in the lodge.

Introduction of Chapter Committees		
Committee	First Mention	Comment
Audit	6 Oct 1888	scrutinized House accounts
Catechism	5 Apr 1889	planned pledge syllabus
House	10 Jan 1891	planned for the new lodge
Tennis Court	13 Apr 1896	
Student	28 Sep 1907	monitored scholastics
Fire Protection	28 Sep 1907	
Finance	8 Jan 1905	planned expenditures
Building	2 Oct 1910	
Reunion	2 Oct 1910	
Chapter Letter	2 Oct 1910	
Picture	2 Oct 1910	
Junior Week	2 Oct 1910	
Grounds	2 Oct 1910	
Rushing	29 Sep 1912	
Entertainment	29 Sep 1912	became permanent on 1 Sep 1926
Upperclass Conduct	29 Sep 1912	

¹³*Delta Kappa Epsilon Rituals and Rules*, adopted on 9 October 1915, revised on 2 February 1928 and August 1948.

Introduction of Chapter Committees		
Committee	First Mention	Comment
Senior Class Conduct	19 Oct 1919	same as Upperclass Conduct
Steward's	13 Nov 1927	
House Policy	12 Feb 1940	
House and Grounds	15 Apr 1946	merger of House and Grounds
Scholarship	12 Apr 1949	revival of Student Committee
Finance	3 Jan 1955	revived and reorganized
Executive	10 Apr 1962	merger of Policy and Finance

All committees were accountable to the brotherhood and their chairmen were obliged to submit oral progress reports during chapter meetings. In addition to the standing committees, there were numerous ad hoc committees formed to handle special projects such as looking for a meeting hall (1870), building the Clifton Beckwith Brown memorial mantle (1898), organizing the chapter's semi-centennial celebration (1919) or supervising the repair of the House's sewer system (1952).

This system of committees was noted by Brother James Anderson Hawes, Phi '94, the General Secretary to the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon, in his 1911 report to the council:

The Chapter (Delta Chi) is quite large, but it can take care of a number of men because of the size of the house and strict discipline maintained. The members live well and perhaps I would place them among the first in regard to table and general style of living. The Chapter always carries on its business affairs in good shape, and especially its system of committees in charge of the House [and] table, and its Chapter accounts are probably the best in our Fraternity.

Bylaws and House Rules accumulated at a slow but steady pace throughout the first seventy years of the chapter. These prescriptions embraced all aspects fraternity life: conduct in the House and on the hill, dress codes, rushing, pledging, scholarship and, at times, prohibitions against gambling, drinking and unchaperoned women. Bylaws were enacted one at a time, often with considerable debate. On the other hand, House Rules addressing

particular subjects such as dining (1896), indebtedness (1900) and parties (1954) were sometimes introduced in comprehensive groups. The distinction between bylaws and rules was often lost because of the methods of record keeping in use. A table below summarizes the principal enactments not involving fines.

In November of 1896, the chapter appointed a committee "to fix up the bylaws."¹⁴ The need for this effort was chiefly administrative and would occur repeatedly in future years. The problem, of course, came from the fact that the process of adding new rules and amending old ones was continuous. In time, the written bylaws became a crazy quilt of voided sections, amended wordings and appended articles. Thus we find similar calls for a complete rewrite in 1911, 1938, 1968, 1970, 1977 and 1990.¹⁵ All but the 1911 bylaws have survived as documents of record.¹⁶

Some mention of the format and substance of these versions is warranted. The 1896 Bylaws were organized into eleven articles each having one or more sections just as the Fraternity's Constitution was.¹⁷ In time, nine more articles were added and several substantial amendments effected. The 1938 Bylaws abandoned this traditional format in favor of a simple listing of fifty-one individual articles to which at least three more were subsequently added. The 1968 Bylaws followed this new scheme, but thirty-five articles were found to suffice.

In 1970, Brother Robert Charles Platt '73 took on the job of completely revising the Bylaws and returning them to the traditional format. This resulted in a document of fourteen articles

¹⁴*CMM*, November 1896.

¹⁵*CMM*, 8 January 1911 and 14 January 1912.

¹⁶There is some possibility that the Chapter's secret motto was compromised in 1913 when Cornell's chapter of the Zeta Psi fraternity obtained a copy of a document referred to as a "constitution." This document, more likely a copy of the chapter's bylaws, was recovered by Brother George Gifford Inglehart '15 and the motto was stricken from same. Neither this document or the motto has survived. *Cf. CMM*, 9 March 1913, 23 March 1913, 20 April 1913 and 27 May 1913.

¹⁷These articles were: I. Name, II. Officers, III. Meetings, IV. Elections to Membership, V. Initiation, VI. Finance, VII. Resignation, Suspension and Reinstatement, VIII. Rules for Conduct of Freshmen, IX. House Rules, X. Joining of Other Societies and Fraternities, XI. Miscellaneous, and XII. Amendments to the Bylaws.

that was finally enacted after a long and intricate debate.¹⁸ These statutes were replaced by the 1977 Bylaws organized into eight articles.¹⁹ Finally, 1990 saw the introduction of computer technology when the Alumni Historian, acting as a temporary recording secretary for the Chapter's Executive Committee, took on the task of compiling the Bylaws and House Rules as separate documents.²⁰

Enacting bylaws and House Rules was one thing, but obtaining compliance was quite another. The following penalties evolved over time and became legitimized through law and application.

Introduction of Enforcement Powers	
Date	Disciplinary Action
21 May 1874	expulsion (Eaton La Rue Moses '75)
28 Jan 1881	monetary fines for specified infractions
9 May 1896	suspension (James Edwin Coursen '97)
14 Nov 1908	censure (Charles Robinson '11 and Coleman Keeler '10)
circa 1930	forced tubbing in ice water
16 May 1938	monetary fines for general misconduct
3 Dec 1951	House social probation
Mar 1956	tubbing is banned in favor of the Schultz ²¹
19 Sep 1962	trial for expulsion <i>in absentia</i> is authorized

¹⁸These articles were: I. Definition of Bylaws, II. Membership, III. Chapter Meetings, IV. Elections of Officers, V. Brother Beta, VI. Brother Sigma, VII. Steward, VIII. Brother Kappa, IX. Obligations and Responsibilities of Brothers, X. Appeals, XI. Pledging and Initiation, XII. Living in the House During Vacations, XIII Bidding, and XIV. Amendments.

¹⁹These articles were: Preamble, I. Authority, II. Membership, III. Election of Officers, IV. Officers, V. Meetings, VI. Committees, VII. Discipline, and Finances.

²⁰The revised Bylaws were ratified on 9 April 1990 and the House Rules were individually enacted, reaffirmed or voided with an effective date of 15 April 1990.

²¹The Schultz was a form of corporal punishment reported to be severe and memorable by those who were subjected to it.

Expulsion, the most severe punishment, was administered with the formal proceedings of trial and appeal during the early years of the chapter.²² Suspension and censure required formal resolutions passed by a majority of the members present. Tubbing was a severe form of corporal punishment where the miscreant was forcibly immersed in a tub filled with ice and water.²³ This penalty was frequently applied to offenders of the House's Anticoedism rules that prohibited underclassmen from dating University coeds.

Of all enforcement measures, monetary fines were the most effective and appropriate for dealing with minor crimes and misdemeanors. Although many fines were enacted in the years following their first introduction (1881), the number of applications was remarkably few. We conclude that the establishment of a fine for a given offense and the clear willingness of the brotherhood to apply this remedy created an adequate deterrent in most cases. A list of the various fines that were enacted over time follows this chapter.

The general power to adjudge fines rested with the chapter, but in time the Beta was given authority to summarily fine brothers, initially for specific offenses (1909) and later for misconduct in general (1938). Similarly, Brother Pi eventually obtained the power to levy fines for disobedience exclusively during initiation (1968). These delegations did much to bolster the authority of the House's officers and make the process workable. To insure fairness, a procedure allowing brothers to appeal for the rescission of their fines was put in place in 1909.

Historically, the periods of greatest prosperity for the chapter have corresponded with the times when legislative efforts were taken most seriously. When the rule of law fell into desuetude, the discipline of the House would collapse. This happened during the nineteen-fifties and Delta Kappa Epsilon at Cornell came dangerously close to ruin. To some degree each of the three factors noted in the beginning of this study that contributed to the origins of Deke House law and order fell into decay during the post World War II era.

Although the essential elements of House organization survived, many of the functions that contributed to efficient management did not. The posts of Iota (Corresponding Secretary), Alpha (Registrar and House Historian), Librarian, and Fire Warden were often left vacant. Alumni relations eventually became quite haphazard for

²²See the following chapter.

²³Stothoff '38, George, and Warren Conrad Smith '37, Oral History Program Recording, 15 February 1989.

want of any brother to handle the required communications. The Guides, now called Mu and Nu, became little more than an election time joke. The excellent committee system developed during the first half of the century was all but forgotten in the second half. The up and down state of finances, dependency on boarders for income and physical decline of the lodge became symptoms of this internal unraveling.

Chapter meetings became increasingly casual and less dignified in time. Attendance declined and quorums could not always be counted on. Ritual was often mocked and there were seldom enough robes for the few brothers present. Decorum deteriorated as first smoking and then drinking (1967) were permitted. Few of the participants possessed any understanding of parliamentary law and Brother Beta often found himself presiding over chaotic debates. The quality and sense of motions and proposals for new bylaws suffered much during this era.

Finally, the critical written minutes of chapter meetings degenerated into a scurrilous, often humorous, sometimes vulgar, scrawl of character assassination and witticism. The old practice of Brother Rho first taking notes during the meeting and later transcribing them into a readable form for entry into the bound book of minutes gave way to the sloppy writing of a running account of the meeting as it happened. Afterwards, it often became impossible to glean any sense of what business was conducted in a meeting from reading Brother Rho's records. Thus the minutes eventually became quite useless as a mechanism of preserving the House's enactments.

Despite these adverse circumstances, the need for the House to devise rules and live by them persists. The procedures for accomplishing the codification of chapter law will change with the times, but memory and custom have a surprising capacity to preserve what is indecipherable or lost from the annals. Chapter law is a House tradition, perhaps the oldest and most established. It will survive in one form or another.

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Introduction of House Officers and Functionaries		
Office	First Mention	First Known Incumbent
President	19 Apr 1870	James Julius Chambers '70
—Pater Primus	26 Jan 1872	John Dewitt Warner '72
—Beta	17 Jan 1885	Francis Madison Larned '85
Vice President	19 Apr 1870	Charles Victor Parsell '72
—Pater Secundus	23 Feb 1872	Eaton LaRue Moses '75
—Sigma	17 Jan 1885	James Higgins Whaley '85
Corresponding Secretary	19 Apr 1870	Ambrose Clothier Pike '72
—Scriptor	12 Apr 1872	Edwin Gillette '73
—Iota	13 Apr 1885	Edwin Lemuel Dolson '88
Recording Secretary	19 Apr 1870	Patrick William Cullinan '72
—Scriba	12 Apr 1872	Henry Brooks Knight '75
—Rho	13 Apr 1885	Guy Sterling '87
Treasurer	19 Apr 1870	John Dewitt Warner '72
—Custos	15 Mar 1872	Ambrose Clothier Pike '72
—Kappa	15 May 1897	Dean Clark '98
Orator (Eta)	19 Apr 1870	Darius Adams Ogden, Jr. '72
Poet (Epsilon)	19 Apr 1870	James Julius Chambers
Guide(s)	25 Jun 1870	Frank DeElwin Nash '72
Mu	11 Jan 1954	Thomas Walter White '56
Nu	11 Jan 1954	George A. Nicholson, III '56
Essayist	11 Nov 1870	William McKenzie Hughes '73
Registrar	10 Nov 1871	Henry Kinney Hause '73
—Alpha	24 Apr 1927	Denison Eldredge Avery '27
Critic	2 Nov 1872	Daniel James Tompkins '75
Chorister	2 Nov 1872	Henry Amos Wilmont '75
Chaplain	2 Nov 1872	Henry Brooks Knight '75
Historian	21 Sep 1877	George Alexander Dounce '79

Introduction of House Officers and Functionaries		
Office	First Mention	First Known Incumbent
Librarian	21 May 1882	Albert Ankeny Hartzell '85
Curator	12 Feb 1887	Isaak Curtis Brewer, Jr. '89
—House Manager	14 Apr 1912	Paul Nichols '13
Initiation Director	12 Mar 1887	Willet Warren Read '88
—Pi	7 Mar 1890	George White Haynes '92
Principal Rusher	16 Jun 1891	George White Haynes '92
Steward	6 Jan 1897	John N. Stockwell, Jr. '97
Fire Warden	6 Mar 1910	Charles Martin Gilchrist '13
Alumni Class Secretary	16 Dec 1946	unknown

Notes:

1. Several informal names for House officers have been used from time to time. Brother Rho was often referred to as "Scribe" in the nineteen-sixties and Brother Beta was occasionally called "Browbeater" during the following decade.
2. The duties of Curator (House Manager) have traditionally been assigned to Brother Sigma.
3. In accordance with Fraternity ritual, Brother Alpha has the responsibility of acting as the House Historian.

Summary of Enactments Governing Conduct

These laws can generally be divided into two categories: prohibitions and requirements. The following list, although certainly incomplete, identifies most of the important measures enacted during the chapter's first one hundred years. Many of these regulations have been relaxed or voided over time.

General Prohibitions	
Date	Prohibition Against
3 Jun 1871	smoking in Society Hall (chapter room)
10 Oct 1893	attendance of freshmen in saloons
10 Oct 1893	gambling, gross immorality and discreditable acts
9 May 1896	joining the Theta Nu Epsilon fraternity
2 Oct 1896	freshmen joining the Scruigs eating club
2 Oct 1896	freshmen frequenting bars without upperclassman escort
1896	making noise after 7:30 PM any night except Saturday
1896	entering a study without first knocking
1896	littering the halls with coats, hats, baskets, etc.
1896	leaving a room without turning down the light
1896	joining the Delta Chi fraternity
1896	giving a pin, badge or other emblem to a non-Deke
9 Jan 1897	bringing liquor into house without beta's consent
27 May 1900	membership of active not registered in the University
27 May 1900	joining any kind of underclassmen's society
9 Mar 1901	unauthorized presence of women in the house overnight
18 Apr 1903	joining the Delta Chi law fraternity
4 Oct 1906	wearing any other insignia other than the Deke fob or pins

General Prohibitions	
Date	Prohibition Against
15 Jan 1911	using lodge room for anything but fraternity meetings
19 Dec 1915	the use of cedar oils in the house
9 Mar 1916	the use of ballot boxes in votes for new men
19 Mar 1916	taking off collars after dinner downstairs
8 May 1921	dating University co-eds (Anticoedism)
30 May 1925	bidding a man who has not completed one term in the University
3 Jun 1946	initiation of married men (even if they are legacies)
21 Apr 1975	attendance of non-Deke guests at initiation dinners
30 Oct 1927	gambling for money in the house
4 Dec 1927	presence of unchaperoned women in House without Beta's permission
15 Apr 1928	smoking during meetings before the general criticism
25 Mar 1929	allowing salesmen to display merchandise in the House
22 Nov 1927	living in the lodge during vacation without permission
16 May 1938	bring a woman into the House for immoral purposes
15 May 1939	initiating a man not in good standing with the University
23 Oct 1939	initiating a man on academic probation with the University
4 Dec 1939	gambling on all days except Saturday and Sunday
14 Apr 1941	allowing non-Deke freshmen to enter the House
3 Jun 1946	initiation of married men (even if the are legacies)
8 Mar 1954	organized parties on the outside grounds
21 May 1961	compensating brothers (except Steward) for their work)

General Prohibitions	
Date	Prohibition Against
7 Sep 1967	brothers wearing garish clothing to dinner & on hill
22 Sep 1969	use or possession of narcotic drugs in the House
21 Apr 1975	attendance of non-Deke guests at initiation dinners
15 Sep 1970	allowing dogs in the kitchen
1 Dec 1970	allowing inactive members to enjoy social privileges
7 Apr 1971	allowing dogs in the common rooms of the House
24 Nov 1974	using chapter room for anything but chapter business
27 Jan 1975	smoking in the chapter room
21 Apr 1975	having guests at initiation and official DKE dinners
21 Apr 1975	attendance of non-Deke guests at initiation dinners

General Requirements	
Date	Requirement For
8 Dec 1871	beginning and ending meetings with a song
24 Sep 1881	care of the lodge room by a lower-classman
10 Oct 1893	deference of underclassmen to upperclassmen
29 Oct 1894	all brothers to own and possess a DKE pin
2 Oct 1896	deference of freshmen to upperclassmen
13 Jan 1900	brotherhood to sing songs every night for 15 minutes
13 Jan 1900	brotherhood to remain in House on Saturday nights
27 May 1900	suspension of brothers in arrears to the House
20 Oct 1900	placing roses on C. B. Brown's tablet in U. library
10 May 1903	dressing formally for chapter meetings
16 Apr 1904	suspension of brothers who bring liquor into the house
15 Mar 1908	wearing tennis shoes when fencing in the parlor
17 Apr 1910	giving the Delta Chi yell to visiting brothers
23 Oct 1910	reporting of underclassmen's marks to student committee
12 Feb 1911	confinement of a brother with venereal disease
17 Mar 1912	mounting brass name plates on study doors
9 Nov 1924	wearing stiff collars at chapter meetings
8 Mar 1925	paying initiation fees before the end of initiation
24 Apr 1925	wearing coats and ties to dinner
9 Oct 1928	wearing stiff collars at meals (Sundays and Wednesdays)
30 Apr 1935	a 1/4 vote of 2/3 of the House to break a man's pledge
25 Nov 1935	snapping fingers if without comment during discussion
9 Nov 1936	grace to be said on Sunday by an appointee of

General Requirements	
Date	Requirement For
	Beta
11 Dec 1950	singing a song at the beginning of chapter meetings
9 Jan 1961	organizing the House as per fraternity norms
18 Feb 1963	wearing of coat and tie at class and in the House
23 Feb 1964	Brother Sigma to assume duties of House Manager
7 Sep 1967	wear coat and tie on the hill and at all House dinners
1 May 1968	all officers to live in the House during their terms
19 May 1969	establishment of House Quiet Hours (7 PM to 7 AM)
15 Sep 1970	Friday evenings to be designated as Date Nights
10 Nov 1970	a 3/4 vote of brothers to bid a man
10 Nov 1970	a 1/4 vote of brothers to ring a pledge
3 Mar 1971	residents to sign individual room leases
28 Sep 1971	wearing coat and tie on Wednesday & Friday evenings only
30 mar 1972	approval of summer boarders by majority vote
17 Feb 1979	mandatory weekly chapter meetings

House Rules Incorporating Fines

The following tables summarize the use of monetary fines as an enforcement tool.

Introduction of House Rules Incorporating Fines		
Date	Amount	Infraction
28 Jan 1881	\$0.50	neglect of duties regarding Literary Exercises
16 May 1909	1.00	harboring an overnight guest who is not a Deke
26 May 1909	5.00	failure to return to Ithaca in time for Rushing
27 Feb 1910	2.00	neglect of duties regarding Literary Exercises
5 Jun 1910	5.00	failure to return to Ithaca by sep. deadline
31 Jun 1911	5.00	failure to return to Ithaca by sep. deadline
16 Nov 1913	10.00	neglect of duties regarding literary exercises
22 Feb 1914	50.00	bringing immoral women into the house
18 May 1919	5.00	passing bad checks on the house
8 Nov 1937	25.00	violation of the IFC social rules
22 Nov 1937	25.00	harboring unchaperoned women into house after 8 PM
16 May 1938	50.00	general misconduct or breaking house rules
16 May 1938	indef.	carrying any burning article to third floor
16 May 1938	5.00	delinquency of ten days in paying House Bill
16 May 1938	10.00	delinquency of twenty days in paying House Bill
1 May 1939	0.50	neglect of Literary Exercises (geometric progression formula)
27 Oct 1947	4.00	neglect of duties regarding Literary Exercises
27 Oct 1947	1.00	missing chapter meeting (geometric

Introduction of House Rules Incorporating Fines		
Date	Amount	Infraction
		progression)
15 Oct 1951	2.00	missing chapter meeting (each occurrence)
5 Oct 1953	5.00	missing a joint-chapter alumni meeting
23 Feb 1964	5.00	bringing a noise making instrument into C-room
1 May 1968	5.00	disobedience to Brother Pi during initiation

Examples of Special Judgments of Fines Against Brothers		
Date	Amount	Infraction
5 Nov 1916	\$5.00	misconduct (four brothers)
12 Oct 1919	5.00	violation of House Rule (ten brothers)
30 May 1920	5.00	insubordination (W. E. Kugeman '22)
21 Nov 1920		failing Literary Exercises (C. Grasselli '22)
20 Feb 1921	2.00	failure to wear stiff collar (C. Grasselli '22)
20 Feb 1921	0.50	failure to paint C-room floor (all sophomores)
22 Mar 1937	5.00	failure to deliver Constitutional Oath (three)
5 Dec 1938	25.00	harboring unchaperoned women (two brothers)
29 Nov 1948		neglect of guides to clean chapter room
21 Apr 1952		missing the Faculty Tea (nine brothers)

Notes:

1. A bylaw calling for a system of fines "in arithmetic progression" to be levied against brothers for unexcused absences was enacted on 14 April 1912.

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EXPULSIONS, SUSPENSIONS AND CENSURES

This study records the various formal disciplinary actions that have taken place within the halls of the Delta Chi Chapter of DKE at Cornell University.

In general, the miscreants received a fair hearing with surprisingly formal due process procedures observed. In the major cases, proper written charges were drawn up by a committee appointed for that purpose, an indictment was voted, prosecutors and defenders were appointed, the defendant was summoned to the trial, and the brotherhood voted a verdict. Acquittals, while feasible in theory, have never occurred. Appeals were possible, and in one case, eventually successful.

The following brothers have stood before their peers and been judged for their offenses in the history of the Delta Chi Chapter.

Member	Action	Date
Potter, K	Expelled ²⁴	circa 1872
Eaton La Rue Moses '75	Expelled	21 May 1874
John Henry Humphries '83	Resigned	6 Feb 1882
Lewis G. Fay '82	Expelled	30 Jan 1882
William Frederick Rackemann '89	Expelled	29 Jan 1887
Clinton Bachus Struble, BΦ '91	Expelled	12 Jan 1889
John Archibald Lockard '92	Expelled	4 Jun 1893
Edgar Fay Whitney '94	Expelled	14 Mar 1896
James Edwin Coursen '97	Suspended	9 May 1896
Hayward Hutchinson Kendall '00	Suspended	9 Jun 1900
Charles Remson Robinson '11	Censured	4 Nov 1908
Coleman Clark Keeler '10	Censured	4 Nov 1908
Raymond Elliot Lawrence '15	Expelled	10 Oct 1915

²⁴In all cases except for that of Struble, expulsion implied dismissal from the Fraternity as well as the chapter.

Member	Action	Date
Oscar Pierson Vatet '28	Expelled	16 Dec 1926
Charles Andrew Tang '68	Expelled	circa 1965

Formal expulsions were not uncommon in the world of Greek societies during the early days of Cornell. The DKE chapter frequently received notices informing them of expulsions effected by sister fraternities.²⁵ This public notice of disgrace was considered to be part of the punishment visited upon the adjudged who was then considered to be forever "untouchable" by the leading houses.

The formalities of trials, hearings and due process did not endure. The brotherhood devised "tubbing" as an expeditious means of conveying the chapter's displeasure to the offender in the nineteen-thirties. This procedure involved throwing the victim into a tub of ice and cold water and keeping him there (sometimes below the surface) for a few minutes. As a form of communication, the experience was unrivaled, and afterwards the survivor was still a serviceable member capable of paying dues, rent and board. However, the severity of this punishment was bothersome to many, and in 1956 the House voted "that the tub be banned" and replaced with the Schultz.²⁶ The nature of this latter measure is not known at the time of writing.

The Case of Potter

In 1872, Delta Chi took note of a certain Mr. Potter, originally a Kappa (Miami University) Deke, who transferred to Ithaca and joined the Chi Phi fraternity without making himself known to the Cornell chapter of DKE.²⁷ This was an intolerable offense. Delta Chi pressed Kappa to expel Potter and this was done forthwith.

²⁵*CMM*, 16 February 1871: "a communication from the Chi Phi fraternity was read announcing the expulsion of H. C. Johnson." *CMM*, 6 May 1875: Delta Chi receives a letter from the Chi Phi fraternity certifying that Mr. Barnard '77, Mr. Morgan '78 and Mr. Beggs '78 were expelled from same.

²⁶*CMM*, March 1956.

²⁷*CMM*, 12 January 1872: Delta Chi decides "to send officially the facts concerning Mr. Potter '75 to the Miami [University, Kappa] chapter & at the same time recommending his early expulsion from DKE. Said Potter was a DKE at Miami, came to Cornell & joined Chi Phi without making self known to Delta Chi as such." Cf. G. P. Colman, Cornell University Archivist, letter dated 12 January. The Potter in question might be Ellis Miller Potter '72, Isaac Bucklin Potter '73 or William Reckner Potter '73. The

The Case of Eaton La Rue Moses '75

Inevitably, Delta Chi would face a day when one of its own members would run afoul of the chapter's unflinching standards. This came to pass in 1874. The miscreant was Brother Eaton La Rue Moses '75 who was later described as "uncouth, but very brilliant." Moses was elected as editor of *The Cornell Era* and it was said that he "wrote with such freedom about the members of the faculty that he was advised not to try to come back for his senior year."²⁸ Moses apparently annoyed his brothers in DKE as well because the chapter asked for his resignation in lieu of formal expulsion on 16 March.²⁹ He replied with a hand written message to the brotherhood: "I shall not now resign from D.K.E. [signed] E. Moses."

The chapter now had no recourse but to convene a special court to try Moses.³⁰ Brothers were appointed to prosecute and to defend the troublemaker and a committee consisting of Brothers Emilus Oviatt Randall '74, Daniel James Tompkins '75 and Walter Justin Sherman '77 drew up the following charges against the defendant:

- I. That by his dishonorable action and unworthy conduct among the society men of other institutions, especially of the East, he has caused himself to be held in great odium, and has reflected much discredit on the Delta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon,
- II. That he has injured the Fraternity among business men by his continued course of dishonesty and irregularity, by borrowing money under false pretenses, and by general unreliability in business transactions,
- III. That he injures the standing of the Fraternity among the students of the University by his low reputation, thus injuring our prospects for obtaining new members,
- IV. That he spends his time as a vagrant while at the same time [being] heavily in debt, [and]

expulsion of Potter from the Kappa chapter's rolls is inferred from the omission of his name in the 1918 DKE Catalog.

²⁸"Baker '74 Recalls Early Deke History," *The Delta Chi Deke*, December 1936, p. 2.

²⁹*CMM*, 16 May 1874.

³⁰*CMM*, 21 May 1874.

- V. That he has become a burden to the Delta Chi chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and is unworthy of continued membership.

On 21 May 1874, a formal trial was conducted and Moses was expelled from the chapter. The transgressor appealed his case by letter, but Delta Chi was adamant; there would be no reversal.³¹ A second appeal was summarily rejected by the chapter in the following fall.³² A third was spurned almost a year later.³³ This should have put the matter to rest, but some three years later, in 1878, the chapter appointed a three-man committee to review the affair and "draw up definite charges to be presented at the next convention."³⁴ Apparently, the chapter was determined that Moses be formally expelled from the Fraternity *ex cathedra*, as if expulsion from the chapter was not in itself sufficient. In the spring of 1879, Delta Chi appointed Brother William Stirling Ostrander '81 to reopen the investigation and collect written testimony from alumni that could be introduced as evidence in an expulsion proceeding at the next DKE Convention.³⁵

Ostrander made his report to the chapter on 20 October 1879, three days before the 33rd DKE Convention hosted by the Pi chapter (Dartmouth) was to convene.³⁶ Beyond this, we know little save that Brother John DeWitt Warner '72, "a warm friend of Moses," argued forcefully against the chapter's decision.³⁷ Delta Chi won its case; the name of Eaton LaRue Moses was stricken from the rolls of Delta Kappa Epsilon and, after a Literary Exercise report of "The M Trial," he was not heard of again.³⁸

³¹*CMM*, 6 June 1874.

³²*CMM*, 26 September 1874.

³³*CMM*, 22 September 1875 and 1 October 1875.

³⁴*CMM*, 8 November 1878.

³⁵*CMM*, 25 Apr 1879 and 16 May 1879.

³⁶*CMM*, 20 Oct 1879.

³⁷*The Delta Chi Deke*, December 1936.

³⁸*CMM*, 19 November 1879.

The Cases of Lewis G. Fay '82 and John Henry Humphries '83

The chapter was confronted with several disciplinary problems in the eighteen-eighties. Lewis G. Fay '82 was expelled for unknown reasons with a simple motion to that effect in a special chapter meeting convened on 30 January 1882.³⁹ Within a week, Brother John Henry Humphries '83, noted for his sarcasm and disrespect for the chapter's proceedings, resigned from Delta Chi.⁴⁰ The disposal of these blackguards marked the beginning of a five year interval of fraternal tranquility.

The Case of William Frederic Rackemann '89

This pleasant interlude came to an abrupt end when, on 28 January 1887, a committee consisting of Brothers Guy Stirling '87, Winchester Fitch '88, Walter Leslie Puterbaugh '88, Henry Rueben Ickelheimer '88, Mario Garcia Menocal '88, Willett Warren Read '88 and Charles Foote Mack '90 drew up the following charges against Brother William Frederic Rackemann '89:⁴¹

- I. That Brother Rackemann, after having been excused from payment of dues, absents himself from meetings,
- II. That Brother Rackemann refuses to do his share of fraternity work,
- III. That Brother Rackemann does not associate with the members of the chapter, but instead with those who are not his social equals, thereby bringing discredit on the Chapter,
- IV. That he has acted in an ungentlemanly manner towards an upperclassman (Brother Fitch) when said upperclassman attempted, with the sanction of the Fraternity, to reprove him.

³⁹*CMM*, 30 January 1882: A motion introduced in a special meeting "that Lewis G. Fay '82 be expelled from the Delta Chi Chapter of DKE" carries.

⁴⁰*CMM*, 1 October 1881: Humphries was elected to the office of scribe and used this opportunity to write derogatory comments about the brotherhood in the otherwise serious volume of Chapter Meeting Minute. *CMM*, 6 February 1882: a motion introduced in a special meeting that the "resignation of J. H. Humphries '83 be accepted and that his bill be sent to him" carries. The Scriptor is instructed to write a letter of acceptance to Humphries.

⁴¹*CMM*, 28 January 1887.

The charges were serious and the chapter conducted a lengthy debate over the matter.⁴² Rackemann was described as "a coarse unmannerly person" who "bummed down town and neglected his University work" by his detractors who feared that the alumni would move "to withdraw the [chapter's] charter unless Brother Rackemann is removed." Brother Isaac Curtis Brewer, Jr. '89 spoke in defense of the accused, claiming that he had "not been fairly treated" and that the brothers really did not know the man sufficiently. The brotherhood voted (with twelve yeas and three blanks) to prefer the charges; Rackemann was indicted and the trial was scheduled for the following night.

The trial was a curious affair. Rackemann appeared before the brotherhood and, acting as his own counsel, defended himself against each of the charges. His opening statement was conciliatory and his arguments were well presented. He admitted to having "differences with the brothers," that he had "associated with outsiders," and finally that he had "allowed his temper to get the better of him," but he clearly expressed a desire to make amends. Nevertheless, the prosecution was relentless and after a lengthy period of accusation and rebuttal, Rackemann came to realize that his case was hopeless. Brother Stirling, reading from the DKE Constitution, pointed out that there was no provision for a Brother to resign from the Fraternity. Rackemann, fatalistically noting that "this uncongeniality [sic] has lasted since his swing," then asked the brotherhood to expel him. He conceded that he felt no maliciousness on the part of the chapter and promised "to be friendly to the brothers after the expulsion, if there be one."

Rackemann was then excused from the chapter's deliberations. A vote of eleven yeas and four blanks affirmed that the charges against the man were sufficiently grave as to warrant the measure of expulsion. The subsequent vote to expel Brother William Frederic Rackemann '89 carried unanimously. A motion to privately inform the four Star League members of this result then carried.⁴³ Rackemann was permitted the dignity of circulating "resignation notices" to the other fraternities and, on 1 February 1887, with the advice of Brothers Claude Jones '89 and Brewer, he joined another Cornell fraternity (Psi Upsilon).

⁴²*CMM*, 29 January 1887: a detailed account of the Rackemann indictment hearing and trial is contained in the last pages of Volume I.

⁴³The Star League was a cabal of the five leading fraternities at Cornell: Zeta Psi, Kappa Alpha Society, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Psi Upsilon. This group was explicitly and correctly identified in the record of the Rackemann trial.

The Case of Clinton Bacus Struble, Beta Phi '91

The next brother to experience Deke House justice was Clinton Bacus Struble, Beta Phi '91, a transfer student from the University of Rochester, who was summoned on 7 January 1889 to answer to the following charges drawn up by Brothers Ludlow Eliakim Lapham, Jr. '84, Isaac Curtis Brewer, Jr. '89 and William Root Everett '91:⁴⁴

- I. That by his dishonorable and unworthy conduct he has caused himself to be held in great odium by all members of Delta Kappa Epsilon and has reflected much discord in the Delta Chi chapter of said Fraternity,
- II. That he has injured the standing of this chapter at Cornell University by his gross misrepresentations to independent students and members of other fraternities of the conduct of members of said chapter,
- III. That by word and deed he has on many occasions endeavored to culminate [sic] the good name of said chapter and the Fraternity as a whole,
- IV. That he has proved a traitor to the Fraternity in that by false statements he tried to persuade two members of this chapter to resign, [and]
- V. That he has become a burden to the Fraternity and a reproach to this chapter and is unworthy of continued membership.

The trial was scheduled for 12 January 1889.⁴⁵ Brother Louis William Marcus '89, elected to serve as "Attorney for the Fraternity" to prosecute the case against Struble, found that the evidence was more than sufficient. Testimony that the defendant "failed to recognize brothers on the campus," that he "made bets which he refused to pay," that he "drew Alpha Delta Phi emblems which he put up in his room," that he had said "that Alpha Delta Phi is better than DKE," and that "he regretted that he did not join Alpha Delta Phi" was readily produced. The charge that Struble had encouraged Brothers Allan Jay Horner '91 and Percival Henry Chandler '91 to defect with him to Alpha Delta Phi was the

⁴⁴*CMM*, 5 January 1889, 7 January 1889 and 8 January 1889.

⁴⁵*CMM*, 12 January 1889: a detailed account of the Struble trial is contained in the last pages of Volume I.

final straw. The brotherhood was understandably outraged with this story of treason and subversion.

Clinton Bacus Struble, charged with these five general counts of "dishonorable and unworthy conduct," was promptly expelled from the chapter and, *ipso facto*, from the Fraternity by vote of the brotherhood on that cold January day. However, this was not to be the end of the matter. Struble successfully appealed to the Council of Delta Kappa Epsilon on the grounds that the Delta Chi Dekes had no authority to expel a member of the Beta Phi chapter.⁴⁶ The Council agreed, and Delta Chi was advised by letter in April that the expulsion was ruled as void.⁴⁷

This did not satisfy the Cornell Dekes. A motion "that copies of charges [against Struble] be sent [to] Beta Phi and also copies of the minutes of the trial and that a request be also sent to Beta Phi for them to set a night and summon Brother Struble for trial, and that a member of Delta Chi will be sent to the trial to support these charges" carried. However, after further consideration the brotherhood rescinded the above resolution in favor of a motion "that a copy of charges be sent [to] Beta Phi and a request for them to take a vote as to whether they (the charges) are sufficient to sanction Brother Struble's expulsion, and if they vote unanimously that they are sufficient, then Delta Chi will send a member to substantiate said charges on any convenient night of trial" carries.

This trip to Rochester never materialized; Struble remained a member of the Fraternity and, surprisingly, was not stricken from the rolls of the Delta Chi chapter.⁴⁸ As would be expected this litigious fellow also joined the forbidden Theta Nu Epsilon as well as Phi Delta Phi, took up a career in law, and became the President and Trustee of Penn Yan NY in Yates County.

The Case of John Archibald Lockard '92

The strange case of John Archibald Lockard '92 began in 1889 and

⁴⁶*CMM*, 23 February 1889: the Scriptor "reports that he has answered the Council's letter in regard to Mr. Struble.

⁴⁷*CMM*, 5 April 1889: a motion "that a copy of charges be sent [to] Beta Phi and a request for them to take a vote as to whether they [the charges] are sufficient to sanction Brother Struble's expulsion, and if they vote unanimously that they are sufficient, then Delta Chi will send a member to substantiate said charges on any convenient night of trial" carries.

⁴⁸General Catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon —1918, pp. 456 and 547.

did not reach a conclusion until 1897. The chapter records indicate that he was initiated into DKE at Cornell on 17 May 1889, but almost three years passed before the brotherhood got around to ruling "that Brother Lockard '92 be given notice that unless his initiation fee be paid in one month, he must appear to answer charges why he should not be expelled."⁴⁹ An investigation continued over the course of some six months, a committee was appointed to draw up charges and, on 4 June 1893, he was expelled *in absentia*.⁵⁰ The record is unclear about the nature of his offense, but an unsettled debt to the chapter is the most likely cause for all of this unpleasantness.

The case was re-opened in 1897, presumably at the request of Lockard.⁵¹ A committee was appointed to investigate and in April, some two months after hearing a report presented by Brother Maurice Francis Connolly '97, Lockard was re-elected to membership in the Delta Chi chapter.⁵² However, within a month the brotherhood imposed the condition that Lockard pay the sum of \$65 "before 12 June or his election shall be null and void."⁵³ The defalcator never paid and Delta Chi struck the name of John Archibald Lockard from the rolls for the last time.

The Case of Edgar Fay Whitney '94

Brother Edgar Fay Whitney '94 discovered just how long the arm of DKE law could be. His crime was to leave the University without paying off his substantial House bill. The brotherhood drew up

⁴⁹*CMM*, 23 January 1892.

⁵⁰*CMM*, 25 February 1893. *CMM*, 22 April 1893: a motion "that Brother Lockard '92 appear before the chapter in person, or in writing, three weeks from tonight to show reason why he should not be expelled" carries. *CMM*, 6 May 1893: motions "that Brother Lockard's time be extended two weeks longer" and "that a very explicit telegram be sent to Brother [Charles Shaw] Horner '94 in Philadelphia to see Brother Lockard personally concerning his case" carry. *CMM*, 27 May 1893: a motion "that Brother Lockard '92 be instructed to appear here in person one week from today or else to write and show cause why he should not be expelled from Delta Kappa Epsilon" carries. *CMM*, 3 June 1893: a motion "that a committee be appointed to draw up more specific charges" carries. *CMM*, 4 June 1893.

⁵¹*CMM*, 5 December 1896.

⁵² *CMM*, 23 January 1897, 30 January 1897 and 10 April 1897.

⁵³*CMM*, 1 May 1897 and 8 May 1897.

appropriate charges and, on 14 March 1896, Whitney was expelled from DKE.⁵⁴ This action, while it satisfied the needs of fraternal honor, did not compensate the chapter for the monetary loss. Nothing further was done until February 1897 when a committee was formed to take up the matter.⁵⁵ This body, headed by Brother David Rader Thomas '01 decided "to proceed with the [civil] suit against Whitney." The litigation was ably handled by Brother Daniel Sanford Tuttle '92 who by this time had finished his legal studies and established a practice in Watkins Glen.⁵⁶

The Case of James Edwin Coursen '97

Brother James Edwin Coursen '97 became involved in a "fracas on State Street" in downtown Ithaca on 25 April 1896.⁵⁷ The brotherhood drew up formal charges against him after considering evidence from several brothers who witnessed the incident. Two brothers were sent downtown to interview a certain Mike Casey (probably a local bartender) who corroborated the story. Brother Otho Carlton Snider '94 "spoke of how much the good name of the Fraternity had been injured" and Brother Frank Warren Cool further stated that it was "time to establish a precedent."

On 9 May 1896, Brother Coursen, charged with "general immoral, loose and unguarded conduct," was suspended from membership in the Delta Chi Chapter of DKE.⁵⁸ Brother Beta further ruled that Coursen's right to wear the DKE pin was immediately abrogated. In time, Brother Coursen was reinstated.⁵⁹

⁵⁴*CMM*, 22 February 1896, 7 March 1896 and 14 March 1896.

⁵⁵*CMM*, 7 February 1897.

⁵⁶*CMM*, 17 April 1897: Brother Edward Hubbard Fitch, Jr. '97 reports having received "a letter from Brother Daniel Sanford Tuttle '92 concerning the [Edgar Fay] Whitney affair and says that they have not been able to collect so far."

⁵⁷*CMM*, 26 April 1896.

⁵⁸*CMM*, 9 May 1896.

⁵⁹*CMM*, 19 April 1897: a motion is made "that a committee of three be appointed to draw and replace as nearly as possible the resolutions in the Coursen trial which were torn out of the book by Brother [Robert Julius] Thorne '97." Brother Arthur Tirrell Hellyer '01 completes this task later in the year.

The Case of Hayward Hutchinson Kendall '00

A substantial unpaid house bill cause a brief period of embarrassment for Brother Kendall.⁶⁰ On 2 June 1900, the chapter passed a general bylaw stating, "That any member of the chapter [who] at the end of his Junior year being more than \$25 in arrears stand suspended until such dues be paid unless extension of time be granted by a four-fifths (4/5) vote of the active chapter." Exactly one week later, just as classes broke off at the end of Spring term, Kendall became the first target of this new legislation. Happily he was able to return in the fall, liquidate his debt and resume full membership in DKE.⁶¹

The Cases of Charles Remson Robinson '11 and Coleman Clark Keeler '10

Censure was reserved as a lesser penalty for crimes of youthful spirit and excess. Brothers Charles Remson Robinson '11 and Coleman Clark Keeler '10 were among the first Dekes to discover the pleasure of life in the fast lane. Thus, on 5 November 1908 the chapter enacted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS Brother Robinson has been very careless in his conduct, and

WHEREAS he has broken his promise to the Delta Chi chapter of DKE by using his automobile, and that the faculty will not permit such conduct, therefore be it RESOLVED that the Delta Chi chapter of DKE request a humble apology from Brother Robinson, and be it further RESOLVED that Brother Robinson take a written promise that he will not, during the present semester of the University, use his automobile while in Ithaca, and will attend all of his classes except when it is utterly impossible, and be it further

RESOLVED that he will not remain downtown after eight thirty in the evening until he has satisfied the Student Committee that his work will warrant such privilege, and be it further

RESOLVED that the above resolutions be read before the Delta Chi chapter of DKE assembled in meeting and inscribed in the minutes of the meeting of the

⁶⁰*CMM*, 9 June 1900: A motion "that Kendall be suspended for six months or until the payments be made" carries.

⁶¹*CMM*, 29 Sep 1900: Brother George Edmund Chatillon '01 reports that Brother Kendall's indebtedness to the House has been completely liquidated whereupon the Brotherhood strikes the motion of 9 June 1900.

above chapter together with Brother Robinson's [sic] written promise and apology.
RESOLVED this fourth day of November, Nineteen Hundred and Eight Anno Domini and Sixty-Four Anno Fraternalis.

WHEREAS Brother Keeler has acted in a way unbecoming a gentleman and a true Deke, and

WHEREAS he has broken his solemn promise to the Delta Chi chapter of DKE in going riding with Brother Robinson in the latter's automobile, and

WHEREAS Brother Keeler has caused, among the faculty and students of Cornell University, a great deal of undesirable comment concerning himself and the laxity of the Delta Chi chapter of DKE in permitting such conduct by one of its members, and

WHEREAS he is guilty of bringing the said chapter of the said fraternity into disrepute, therefore be it RESOLVED that the Delta Chi chapter of DKE request a humble apology of Brother Keeler, and be it further RESOLVED that Brother Keeler shall give his solemn promise in writing to the said chapter that he will neither ride in an automobile with Brother Robinson nor will he drink any intoxicating liquors when in the company of Brother Robinson during the present semester of the University, and be it further

RESOLVED that the above resolution be read before the Delta Chi chapter of DKE assembled in meeting and inscribed in the minutes of the meeting of the above chapter together with Brother Keeler's written promise and apology.

RESOLVED this fourth day of November, Nineteen Hundred and Eight Anno Domini and Sixty-Four Anno Fraternalis.

These brothers eventually came back into the good graces of the chapter. Sadly, Robinson would come to an early death just after graduating from Cornell.⁶²

⁶²*CMM*, 1 October 1911: Delta Chi enacts the following resolution: WHEREAS it has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to take from us our beloved brother Charles Remson Robinson of the Class of Nineteen [Hundred and] Eleven, be it RESOLVED that we extend out most heart felt sympathy to the family of the deceased, and be it RESOLVED that in his death our chapter loses a faithful and earnest alumnus and the fraternity a true and loyal brother, and be it further RESOLVED that copies of these resolutions be recorded in the archives of our chapter and published in the *Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly*.

The Case of Raymond Elliott Lawrence '15

Lawrence was expelled for unknown reasons on 10 October 1915 in a summary proceeding.⁶³ But this was not to be the last of the matter; he apparently went on to commit an outrage of some kind at a social event attended by his former brothers in Cleveland OH during the following Christmas recess.⁶⁴ The chapter felt obliged to send him a letter of censure for this transgression. Lawrence eventually took up farming in Ohio. Oddly, his name was retained on the rolls of the Delta Chi Chapter.⁶⁵

The Case of Oscar Pierson Vatet '28

The chapter records are uncharacteristically mute about the circumstances surrounding Vatet's separation from the Fraternity. It is certain that he submitted his resignation on 24 October 1926 and that the brotherhood voted to accept it some five days later.⁶⁶ However, this done, it is unclear why Vatet was subjected to the further disgrace of a formal expulsion vote on 16 December 1926.⁶⁷

⁶³*CMM*, 10 October 1915: a motion introduced by Brother Joseph Guy Shaeffer '16 "that Brother Raymond Elliott Lawrence '15 be expelled from the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity" carries unanimously.

⁶⁴*CMM*, 18 January 1916: a motion "that [a] note be sent to Mr. [Raymond Elliott] Lawrence '15 expressing our feeling in regard to his conduct at Cleveland during the Christmas vacation" carries. Note: Lawrence's home was Cleveland OH.

⁶⁵General Catalogue of Delta Kappa Epsilon —1918, pg. 555.

⁶⁶*CMM*, 24 October 1926: a "general discussion [within the chapter] of Brother Oscar [Pierson] Vatet '28 who asked that he be allowed to resign from Delta Kappa Epsilon" takes place. *CMM*, 29 October 1926: a motion "that Brother Oscar [Pierson] Vatet's resignation from DKE be accepted" carries unanimously.

⁶⁷*CMM*, 16 December 1926: Delta Chi takes further action against Vatet by voting to formally expel him from the chapter and the fraternity. Note: correspondence exchanged between the chapter and Vatet has been lost.

The Case of Charles Andrew Tang '68

Little substantive is known about the circumstances surrounding the expulsion of Tang in the late nineteen-sixties.⁶⁸ The Deke House's procedures for dealing with disciplinary problems were considerably less elaborate (and perhaps more forceful) in this era.

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⁶⁸*CMM*, 5 May 1965: the chapter considers expulsion of an unidentified brother for egregious behavior. Tang's expulsion may have been an exceedingly informal event. Former DKE cook Florence Lansdowne recalled the general course of events in conversations with HWF. Tang may never have regarded his expulsion as a fact, a conclusion that might be drawn from a letter from him that was published in *The Delta Chi Deke* (Winter 1992-93, p. 4).

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