

## Regents Committee Meeting Minutes, Spring 2016

### Charge

To work for the development and promotion of the Society within each region. To provide regional information and serve as liaisons with the Central Office. To communicate regularly with chapters and Sponsors in the region. To provide information and encouragement to chapters. To encourage reactivation of inactive chapters and formation of new chapters. To encourage involvement in Society opportunities and activities. To serve on standing committees.

### Meeting Minutes

1. We reviewed the Outstanding Chapter Award process and ways to encourage applications –and exemplary activity. This year we had only one -- but very worthy – applicant. Regents agreed to try to encourage specific chapters we knew had been active to apply. We also agreed to move the application deadline from Fall to late Spring, tentatively June 1, to coincide with the opening of the annual online chapter survey. Glen proposed to consult with the Central Office staff on the website announcement and the optimal date.

2. We discussed other matters related to Regent work, including the use of Regents Funds, including the appropriate amount to give to Associate Student Representatives who had done exemplary work throughout the year—general agreement was \$250-350.

3. Though a joint meeting between Regents and the Student Leadership Committee had not been scheduled in advance this year due to the time devoted to the Strategic Planning process, Glen and SA Tim Leonard agreed in advance to bring the two groups together at 10:15pm. The Student Leadership Committee brought up several initiatives they had been developing for the Regents' consideration. The Regents supported their ideas about using Regents funds to encourage alumni activities in each region and to consider using Regents funds for chapters who had experienced natural disasters or tragic events, such as campus shootings. We agreed that there was no need for a motion to the Executive Board, since Regents have discretion for the use of their annual funds, but that language encouraging these efforts should be added to the *Regents Handbook* which is now online to guide current and future Regents.

The students also informed us of several of their activities at the upcoming Convention, such as using Regional poster-boards to show activities in each region and to raise money for the international service project.

(Submitted by Glen Brewster, Chair)