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SIGMA TAU DELTA
ALUMNI CHAPTERS POLICY
Adopted by the Board of Directors March, 1998, Anaheim, CA

Be it resolved:

As per Article VIII, Section V of the Sigma Tau Delta Constitution, which states, "alumni chapters may be established... in conjunction with a collegiate chapter or independently," that the alumni be organized by regions and that membership be open to all initiated Sigma Tau Delta members. Alumni chapters may also initiate members who were not active student members of the Sigma Tau Delta chapters at their institutions, but whose academic records meet the requirements.

Mission Statement:

The Alumni Chapters will seek to promote interest in literature and the English language in surrounding communities and to provide means for alumni to stay involved with Sigma Tau Delta and the field of English.

Goals:

Alumni Chapters will

- * encourage continuing scholarship, provide a forum for shaping issues, and promote the joy of English studies,
- * facilitate a network through which alumni may serve as speakers, help local chapters arrange programs, act as mentors for undergraduate Sigma Tau Delta members, and otherwise serve the goals of Sigma Tau Delta,
- * allow alumni participation in convention activities such as making presentations and participating on panels.

Alumni Committee:

The Alumni Committee shall be comprised of a representative from each region appointed by the President. These persons shall serve as officers of their respective alumni chapters.

Chartering a Chapter:

A group petitioning for an alumni chapter charter shall be represented by an alumni member (either faculty or non-faculty) and shall have the endorsement and approval of the regent in the region that the chapter will serve. If an alumni chapter is to be housed at a college or university, the petition for chartering shall have the endorsement and approval of the administration of that institution. If an alumni chapter

is to exist independent of an institution, the endorsement of the regent alone is sufficient. A petition bearing the minimum of six signatures of persons qualified for membership in an alumni chapter shall be sent to the Executive Director of the Society.

A petition for a charter to establish an alumni chapter of the Society must be accompanied by the charter fee established by the Alumni Committee.

When the Executive Director has received a petition and the designated charter fee, he/she shall ascertain that the petition meets the criteria set forth above. The responsibility for approval of new chapters rests with the Alumni Committee. The Executive Director shall prepare the charter and send it to the newly accredited chapter.