

# MEETING MINUTES

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<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	9/24/2024	<b>Start time:</b>	7:02pm EST
<b>Location:</b>	Google Meet & Rochester Masonic Hall	<b>End time:</b>	7:58 pm EST
<b>Chair:</b>	Mike Szettella	<b>Minute taker:</b>	Jeff Waite
<b>1. Attendance</b>			
<b>Present</b>			
Jeff Waite	Cory Heck	Mike Szettella	Tyler Reynolds
Nathan Miller	John Hendley (online)	Rob Pankau	Justin Doescher (online)
Shawn Pence	Jeff Powell	John Zielke	Mike Laferle
Mike Hoskins	Tristan Hoff	Ted Maier	Doug VanSlembrouck
Jason Taft	Amir Mitchell (A)		

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<b>3. Agenda, Decisions, Issues</b>			
<b>Topic/ Discussion notes</b>			<b>Discussion led by</b>
<p>VP Report (VP Not present – updates provided by others)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Golf outing update – 22 paid players. Need two more – one added during meeting. Outing to be held 10/5 at Pine Knob Golf Course</li> <li>• Scholarship committee update – No real update – accepting applications until 11/15.</li> <li>• 2025 Jimmy Johns Baseball Outing – Outing to be 6/20/2025. Received request from the facility to lock in our date/contract by the end of October. Decision needed on drink plan. Expect cost to rise slightly over the last couple of years.</li> </ul>			Van Acker
<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reviewed both July and August minutes due to power outage last month not allowing access to the documents at that time.</li> </ul>			Waite
<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• With the anticipated move to non-profit status soon, the organization needs a treasurer with an accounting background. If someone is interested, reach out to a member of the board.</li> <li>• Zeta Pi AA Checking - \$8069.20 Savings - \$4015.14</li> <li>• Zeta Pi HC Checking - \$3708.00 Savings - \$6647.62</li> <li>• 2024 Accounting Money In - \$9394.19 Money Out - \$2607.00</li> <li>• Golf Outing- 23 Currently Playing</li> </ul>			Heck
<p>President's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing update – House is in good shape. Grass is being cut, shoes don't stick to the floors, does not smell, etc. House could use some help – broken windows need to be replaced, really need a riding mower, etc. Communicate with the brothers before showing up. Reach out to Mike, Amir or Tyler to help out. Zielke agreed to take the lead on the issue.</li> <li>• Discovered that Actives cannot post to Facebook page – need to resolve.</li> </ul>			Szettella

Open Discussion:

- Presentation from Amir Mitchell on the State of the Active Chapter:  
I'd like to start by cordially giving thanks to the alumni association for helping the Zeta-Pi chapter
  - Securing deposit for the Grant house
  - Actively educating active brothers about techniques that'll expand efforts for the chapter
  - Alumni Work Force ProgramLets dive in:
  - In terms of our Executive Board → we are fixing a lot of issues from the previous administration, however some struggles
    - + Our board has been working round the clock to think of ways we each can help the advancement of our chapter
    - + We have been accurately and actively filing and keeping track of finances and making sure our chapter has an equitable budget
    - + We have been updating our bylaws extensively as a lot of laws have become outdated and or fairly vague
    - + 2nd councelor has taken the initiative to keep track of chairs more extensively as well as meet with them on a time to time basis
    - + One thing that still needs to be worked on is holding the integrity of decision making across E-board and chapter → we've had instances where decisions have been made without prior consent of E-board (more so last year)
  - The state of the chapter itself  
I would, with great confidence, like to say that the state of our chapter is improving from previous semesters
    - + We have a powerful and diligent Executive board (go into more explanation about each officer)
    - + We will unveil a 3 year plan to work on purchasing a chapter house with nationals. (Likely lease to own.)
    - + This pledge class in the fall will be in the double digits for the first time in 3 years, and probably top 3 of all time since chapter was founded
    - + Positive structural changes to chapter (bylaw changes, enforcing rules, open dialogue about serious topics, etc.)
    - + Learning from historical factors (what we should and should not in certain situations) we are more equipped for tough situations
    - + All around powerful group of actives
  - What areas that need some improvement:
    - + Ties with outside groups (Rest of greek life, the university, etc.)
    - + Academics
    - + Attitude towards the authority of executive board
    - + Philanthropy
    - + The amount of brothers we have
  - What were hoping to accomplish:
    - + A bigger induction of new members into our chapter
    - + An increase in the average GPA of our chapter
    - + Do more philanthropy!
- Pinning of pledges is this Friday at the house at 8pm.
- October Big/Little reveal – would be great to get any alumni with Littles in their lines to attend.
- Initiation is December 8 at 10am at the Masonic Hall in Rochester. (Need to communicate to the Masons).
- John Hendley suggested getting tables set up to the “Going for the Gold” events, which target incoming, prospective students. Amir stated that the chapter will look in to it, and noted that they have had tables at 7 events this semester.
- 11 pledges being pinned – confirmed to be the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest pledge class in 20 years.
- The Chapter was congratulated on their work overall, especially considering college enrollment being down across the country.

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- Possibility of a holiday season party was brought up, with comments made that it would be a great option to get the families together, since we haven't gotten plans for a summer picnic in place, yet. Any thoughts/ideas are welcome – please contact Mike Szettella.
- Discussion on the Pig Roast recap was postponed until next month due to time constraints. Lack of branding/letters was the major issue brought up tonight – more to come.

#### 4. Action Items

Action	Responsible	Due Date

#### 5. Next Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	10/29/24	<b>Time:</b>	7:00pm EST	<b>Location:</b>	Google Meet
<b>Objective(s):</b>					