

Alpha Phi Omega Region H
2021 National Voting Delegates
“APOke Spark Notes”

1. Important Delegate Dates

- a. National Candidates Forum 12/15 at 9:00PM EST. Register beforehand:
https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cpmgfAi1S_SKmYxkA-Wtuw
- b. Region Business Meeting 12/27 from 3:00-5:00PM EST.
- c. National Legislative Session 12/28 starts at 11:30AM EST. Log into Zoom early!
- d. Region H Chair Election 12/29 at 4:00PM EST.
- e. See full calendar for other optional events.

2. National Legislation Proposals

- a. 3 Proposed Bylaw Amendments:
 - i. Time & Place: Adds a phrase that says Convention shall be held in odd numbered years “unless cancelled or rescheduled by a unanimous vote of the National Board of Directors.”
 - ii. Board Meetings: Adds a phrase that allows special meetings to be called by the National President in addition to the current process for the board.
 - iii. National Board: Adds a phrase to include additional members on the Board of Directors: “one Regional Chair chosen by the Region Chairs, and one Program Chair chosen by the Program Chairs.” These will be nonvoting members added to the board to increase communication amongst the national organization.
- b. 3 Proposed Resolutions/Directives:
 - i. Add an illustration of material & placement for all our ceremonies.
 - ii. Edit the scripts in online resources for ceremonies to accurately match the Fraternity Ritual Book.
 - iii. National Service Week Theme 2022: Financial Literacy of College Students and 2023: Financial Literacy of Community Members.
- c. Key Reminders:
 - i. Read through each of the proposals to see the purpose & rationale.
 - ii. Keep in mind that revisions can be made during the live session, so wording can change from original submissions before a final vote takes place.
 - iii. If you want to propose an edit (an amendment), come prepared with what your revision will look like. You can also propose a different theme for NSW.

3. National Slate

- a. President Candidate: Melody Martin
- b. VP Candidate: Disraeli Smith
- c. Board of Directors Candidates:
 - i. North District: Jeremy Bingman
 - ii. East District: Padric Hall
 - iii. South District: Ken Tinkler
 - iv. West District: Chris Meschuk

- v. At-Large: Melissa Deluka
- vi. At-Large: Jeri Ogden
- vii. At-Large: Matthew Rom
- d. Key Reminders:
 - i. Read through everyone's bio & vision on the national website:
<https://apo.org/2022-23-board-slate/>
 - ii. Prepare any questions regarding candidates' experiences or visions for APO.
 - iii. These national roles are all volunteer positions and serve a 2 year term.
 - iv. Candidates can still be nominated from the floor – I will send out any new bios.

4. Region H Business

- a. Region Awards
 - i. Nominations are due by 12/14. Any brother from Region H can submit a nomination for a chapter or an individual. Award details listed here:
<https://www.aporegionh.org/region-h-awards>
 - ii. I will send delegates a copy of the nomination letters this week and an **electronic vote will be due by 12/23.**
 - iii. Awards will be presented during the virtual RH business meeting on 12/27.
- b. Region Policy Manual Revisions
 - i. I will send a copy of proposed changes via email this week.
 - ii. We will discuss these items during the virtual business meeting on 12/27 and take an electronic vote.
- c. Region Budget 2021-22 Update
 - i. Our 2 year budget was already approved at the Virtual Convention in 2020.
 - ii. I'm creating a new proposal to revise the Convention funds this year towards a new Chapter Operations Pandemic Relief Grant.
 - iii. We will discuss this during the virtual business meeting on 12/27 and take an electronic vote.

5. Serving as a Virtual Voting Delegate

- a. Watch the delegate training video from the national office:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hIRFf3ts9Ts>
- b. Each of the sessions will be held over Zoom. Participants' cameras will be off and mics will be muted until you ask to speak.
 - i. The chat feature should **only** be used to contact the Chair of the session.
 - 1. RH will use the Discord channel for chats throughout the day.
 - ii. Delegates need to use the 'Raise Hand' feature if you would like to speak or submit a proposed motion. Message the Chair of the session your name, chapter, and reason. (Ex: Brittany Ramsey, Alpha Gamma Xi Delegate, Green)
 - iii. Use colors to indicate reason:
 - 1. Green = To speak in favor of a motion on the floor or to make a motion.
 - 2. Red = To speak against a motion on the floor or to make a motion.
 - 3. White = To make a motion for general conduct of the meeting or to ask a question.
- c. Read through the proposed standing rules for additional info on the virtual legislative process (link below).