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Recommendation
October 5, 1989

SR-89-90-5 (SCW)

SCW RECOMMENDATION #3:

That a change be made in the alcoholic beverage policy of the President's Commission on Greek Life in order to bring it into conformity with practice at other universities nationwide.

- 1) The original text, page 9, of the 1987 revision of the document "Marshall University Greek Standards and Expectations" reads:

Marshall University expects all sororities and fraternities to be in compliance with the West Virginia Code regarding the sale, distribution, or provision of beer or alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of twenty-one (21). In addition, it is expected that no open parties as defined by the National Interfraternity Conference.....are to be held. The sale of beer or alcohol, either directly or indirectly, by the Greek Chapters is prohibited unless a legal license is obtained. *Beer or alcohol is not to be served to rushees during any FORMAL RUSH period.*

- 2) The following change was brought from the President's Commission on Greek Life by Randy Adkins:

Delete last sentence of (above) paragraph. Add the following sentence thereto: *All recruitment or rush functions at any chapter house, sponsored event, or at any event that an observer would obviously associate with the fraternity, by whomsoever sponsored (alumni, etc.) shall be DRY.*

DISCUSSION/RATIONALE: The requested change brings Marshall University's Greek Standards and Expectations into alignment with current practice nationwide.

Attached: copy of 1987 revision of "Greek Standards and Expectations".
copy of motion forwarded from President's Commission on Greek Life.

FACULTY SENATE PRESIDENT:

APPROVED BY SENATE: Kathryn Pliginsk DATE: 10/26/89

DISAPPROVED BY SENATE: _____ DATE: _____

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

APPROVED: [Signature] DATE: 10.31-89

DISAPPROVED: _____ DATE: _____

educational institution; any act which would degrade or otherwise compromise the dignity of the individual, including forced use and abuse of alcohol and drugs."

All complaints and/or requests for further information regarding hazing should be addressed to the Office of Greek Advisor.

*Beer and Alcohol Beverages

Marshall University expects all sororities and fraternities to be in compliance with the West Virginia Code regarding the sale, distribution, or provision of beer or alcoholic beverages to persons under the age of twenty-one (21). In addition, it is expected that no open parties as defined by the National Interfraternity Conference (See Appendix A) are to be held. The sale of beer or alcohol, either directly or indirectly, by the Greek Chapters is prohibited unless a legal license is obtained. Beer or alcohol is not to be served to rushees during any FORMAL RUSH period.

Continuous educational programs toward the responsible use of beer or alcohol are to be developed and implemented by all Chapters each semester. It is the responsibility of each Chapter President, working with his respective Chapter Advisor(s), to inform all members of the Marshall University Policy of Marketing (See Appendix B) regarding beer and alcohol.

As a method of reducing the Chapter's liability, it would be wise to formulate a Chapter policy regarding the responsible use of beer or alcohol. This policy should include the following components:

- (1) whether or not to purchase beer or alcohol with Chapter funds
- (2) safeguards, guidelines, and methods regarding the responsible use of beer and/or alcohol
- (3) other methods to reduce liability with the standards and expectations pertaining to the use of beer or alcohol issued by their respective National/International Fraternity.

*Added August 1986

PRES. COMM. GREEK LIFE
9/25/89

MOTION: Page 9 Greek Standards & Expectations "Beer & Alcoholic Beverages" Line 7. Delete last sentence of paragraph. Add the following sentence thereto: All recruitment or rush functions at any chapter house, sponsored event or at any event that an observer would obviously associate with the fraternity, by whomsoever sponsored (alumni, etc.) shall be DRY.

Motion by: Dr. Joseph Stone
Second by: Tony Davis

Don discussed incident during Rush with Sigma Phi Epsilon. They will present a program during National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week. Amanda will make a phone call and hand deliver a letter from the Commission.

Discussed Expansion - Pros and Cons. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Meeting time chosen: 1st Mon. of every month at 4:00 pm.

Discussion of Alpha Sigma Phi investigation and how it was handled. Joe suggested for Commission to send letter to Alpha Sigma Phi and Dr. Babb. Also, follow through on 8 recommendations made by Commission last semester. In addition a letter should be sent to all chapters stating that this behavior is not acceptable. Joe will draft letter by next meeting.

Amanda mentioned raising chapters GPA requirements to be discussed at a later date.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.