



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Minor changes to improve the document were recommended by the Committee.

The Committee endorsed the recommendation to adopt the identity theft prevention program that will be advanced to the full Board by the Fiscal Affairs Committee.

Fraternity and Sorority Life

Theresa O'Bryant provided an overview of College policy as it relates to Greek life and updated the committee on the current state of Greek life on campus.

In 2009, President Grant convened a study group of faculty, staff, and students to assess the ways that Greek life at MCLA reflects, supports and advances the MCLA mission. On the basis of this study, the group offered recommendations for the structure and supports for Greek life at the College.

Currently, the College recognizes two Greek organizations: Beta Lambda and Pi Upsilon Pi. These are local organizations, and are not affiliated with national fraternity or sorority organizations.

College policy established the Inter Greek Council (IGC) as the mechanism for relations between the College and Greek organizations. IGC also supports self-governance among the organizations, which is a key tenet of Greek life.

An important area of focus for Greek life at MCLA is raising academic standards among the members of these organizations. The Order of Omega exists to recognize the academic achievements of Greek organization members.

Other goals of the IGC include fire safety and substance abuse prevention programs, marketing Greek life, and this year's program and compliance review. Through IGC, the College's Greek organizations also undertake a range of service projects that make a difference in the community.

Assistant Dean O'Bryant suggested that funding to support an office of Greek life would be desirable. President Grant indicated that while this is desirable, additional resources for such a small group is not likely, but there is College support provided.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.