First 5 Weeks

Week 1 The focus of week one is acclimation. Because Pi Kappa Alpha seeks involvement with the entire campus, extensive meetings with the Greek Life staff, campus administrators and faculty, campus organization presidents and Greek community leaders are conducted. The purposes of these meetings are numerous and varied. They serve to introduce the Fraternity to the campus community. Individual perception on the strengths and weaknesses of the existing Greek community and opinions on how a new fraternity can benefit the campus are sought. Also, constituents are asked to recommend potential men for the new colony. One-on-one alumni meetings will occur throughout the colonization. The host chapters (two area chapters) will be contacted and informed of specific plans. In addition, interested students and staff will meet as a group.

Week 2 Introductory meetings continue throughout this week. The consultants present the Fraternity and the colonization plans to the key campus organizations and recommendations are obtained. All men who are recommended will be contacted. The rush interview process begins. Individual meetings with alumni continue to be conducted.

Week 3 Concentrate on the recruitment of members. Recommended men will be contacted and invited to an interview meeting. The initial interview is an opportunity for the staff to evaluate an individual's principles and goals in life. The individual has the same opportunity to consider the appeal of the new Pi Kappa Alpha group at WVU. If there is mutual interest, a second interview will be conducted, which describes the inner workings of the newly founded colony. As invitations to join the colony are accepted, the staff will update the office of Greek Life. Simultaneously, appointments to the AAB and training will commence.

Week 4 Continuing recruitment. Members participate in the interview process. Initial colony meetings are held with members, prospective members and alumni. Some officers and committee chairmen are appointed and trained.

Week 5 Appointing and training colony officers and committee chairmen. Members of the colony will handle interviews with prospective members. Host chapters formally pledge new colony members. Alumni reception is held to introduce the colony to advisors and area alumni (campus leaders invited). A retreat with colony members and alumni advisors. Seminars will give expectations of both the individual and the colony. Retreat will also set goals on the colony and advisors.

Final focus is to wrap up recruitment and officer training. First official business meeting will take place. Items to be covered: Review of chartering goals, action plan to obtain goals, Roberts Rules of Order, and discussion of day-to-day activities.