MEMORANDUM

To: President Suresh  
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From: Lauren Lesko, Financial Assistant, Administrative Assistant to Greek Life

Subject: Fraternity and Sorority Life Five-Year Assessment

Date: July 25, 2016

Attached, please find the information on chapters that comprised the fraternity and sorority community at Carnegie Mellon University for academic years 2011 – 2016. This report is shared with University administrators, faculty and staff, the fraternities and sororities, chapter advisors, chapter presidents, and (inter)national offices as a way to raise awareness of the contributions to Carnegie Mellon University made by our fraternities and sororities.

This report will comment on trends, both positive and negative, in an effort to identify the strengths and weaknesses of our community in regards to recruitment, scholarship, and involvement on campus.

Membership data was collected from chapter rosters each semester. QPA averages were collected from SIO, with the exception of Spring 2016, which was collected from Student Data Warehouse. Involvement data is self-reported each semester by chapter leaders. All data was compiled from existing Greek Reports from each semester.

Chapter-specific reports and data sheets are available upon requests.

If you have any questions about the information contained in this report, please contact Lauren Lesko at llesko@andrew.cmu.edu or by phone in the Student Life Suite at (412) 268-2142.

Best Wishes,

Lauren Lesko

Attachment
Highlights

The number of participating Greek members was at a five-year high in Spring 2015 with 1,298 members.

Greek Life currently represents 21% of the total Carnegie Mellon undergraduate student population.

Panhellenic, Interfraternity, and Multicultural Greek Councils are all earning QPAs that are trending upwards in recent semesters.

No council average QPA has been below 2.8 in the past five years.

Consistently, around 70% of Greek members report involvement in other organizations on campus.

Participation is consistent across grade levels and semesters, implying consistent recruitment and good retention of members throughout their college career.
Consistent breakdown by class level across semesters keeps organizations representative of the campus undergraduate community.

Following Fall 2013, upperclass students make up a greater percentage of the overall community.
Membership by Council

*Chapters disbanded: Pi Delta Psi (F12) Kappa Phi Lambda (S14), Beta Theta Pi (S13), Triangle (S14)
**Chapters founded: Alpha Phi (F12), Delta Xi Phi (F15), Alpha Sigma Phi (F14), Alpha Tau Omega (F15), Triangle (F13)

Size of community is increasing overall.

Both IFC and MGC have been growing consistently.

PHC and NPHC have seen decreases in membership over the past 2 years.

Spring 2014 had the highest participation in PHC and NPHC.
Percentages of Greek Students out of Undergraduate Populations

*Due to lower membership and dual-gendered affiliation, MGC and NPHC membership is not displayed, but is included in overall Greek totals.

Community presence is trending slightly upwards over the past five years, remaining consistently around 19% of the total undergraduate population.

IFC membership is increasing above the rate of male undergraduate growth, meaning high participation in IFC.

PHC is decreasing in percentage of undergraduate women in the previous two years.
PHC has maintained the highest consistent GPA of all the councils.

IFC and MGC have shown steady improvement in recent semesters.
*Not all chapters/councils reported, which lowers averages.

Unable to draw meaningful conclusions because reporting for each full academic year is inconsistent within chapters, and council-wide totals are lacking.
Service Hours for Community

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There is notable involvement in other organizations on campus, maintaining numbers of participants in high 60% - low 70%.

Greek members holding positions of leadership outside of their chapters has decreased in recent years.

*Numbers for Fall 13 unavailable*
All councils have seen reduced outside involvement on campus in the past two years.

PHC maintains the highest percentage of otherwise involved members, though the percentage of members in leadership within IFC make up a greater part of involved members.
PHC consistently maintains a QPA above the All Women’s university average.

PHC and New Member QPAs have remained above 3.1 for the past five years.
*Chapters founded: Alpha Phi (F12)

Chapters are recruiting consistent new member class sizes across the fall and spring semesters.

Overall participation has been decreasing in the past year and a half.
**Panhellenic Involvement on Campus (%)**

*Numbers for Fall 13 unavailable*

PHC has consistently high numbers of members involved in other campus organizations.

There was a sharp decrease in involvement in Fall 2014, from which leadership is still climbing to reflect previous years.

Greater than half of all participants also hold leadership in those organizations, with the exception of Fall 2015 and Spring 2016.
IFC QPA is above 3.0 for all semesters in the past five years.

IFC has seen a gradual increase in QPA over the course of five years, with sharper improvement in the past year and a half.

New Member QPA is trending upwards in the past 5 years.
The IFC community has been increasing in size since Fall 2013. Spring new member classes are also growing in size, meaning a sizable addition to the community in both the fall and spring semesters.
IFC Involvement on Campus (%)

*Numbers for Fall 13 unavailable

IFC sees consistent participation in outside organizations, averaging 60-70%.

Greater than half of involved members held leadership roles over the past five years, with the exception of Fall 2011, Fall 2015, and Spring 2016.

IFC saw a large drop in involvement in Fall 2011.
MGC’s QPA stays competitive with CMU’s overall undergraduate QPA over five years, but remains slightly below.

There has been a steady increase in MGC’s QPA since Fall 2015.

There was a notable drop in New Member QPA in Spring 2015.
MGC community decreased in size considerably following closing of Pi Delta Psi and Kappa Phi Lambda, but has been increasing in recent semesters.

New Member Class size has been consistently small in recent years, with a large increase in Fall 2015 (18 members compared to 4 the semester before).
MGC Involvement on Campus (%)

*Numbers for Fall 13 unavailable
**No information reported for Spring and Fall 2014

Over half of all MGC members are involved in other on campus organizations, with the exception of Spring 2016.

MGC leadership outside of Greek life has decreased significantly in recent years.
NPHC has seen increasing QPAs as well as ranking above the all-undergraduate QPA in the past two years, with the exception of Spring 2016.

Active members are consistently averaging above a 2.8 QPA.
There has been a lack of intake classes for many of the previous five years, causing NPHC presence on campus to decrease.