

## **GCP 2019-2020 Officer Election Biography**

Name: Brooke Gooderham

Chapter of Initiation: Psi

Date of Initiation (MM/YY) and Date of Graduation/Anticipated Date of Graduation (MM/YY): Initiation- 02/17, Graduation 05/20

What position(s) are you running for? Treasurer

Please list relevant Kappa Psi experience: (for an office or committee chair, please briefly describe what you did. If you were a member of a committee, please briefly describe what your role was in the committee) I served as Regent of Psi Chapter for the 2017-2018 term and am currently on the executive committee as our P3 Liaison. I am also a member of National Philanthropy Committee for the 2017-2019 term. I have worked with the committee to help develop a strategic plan for our national partnership with Reach out and Read, as well as assisting in the development of the new ROR service grant awards that were presented by nationals this year. Within our region, I have served as both a committee member of the Assembly Planning in 2017 and as the chair of the Finance/Auditing/ Fundraising committee for 2018. As an Assembly Planning Committee member I assisted Gamma Zeta from afar with the planning phases of this past Winter Assembly. As the Chair of the Finance/Auditing/ Fundraising this year I have overseen our fundraising efforts for the province with the creation of a new Kappa Psi T-shirt. I also assembled a packet of nationally approved vendors that can be used by our chapters as well as a written guideline on how to sell merchandise on the Kappa Psi chapter sales website.

In the last three years, what Kappa Psi events have you attended? (Please do not list individual chapter events. Examples include: GCC, Province Assemblies, Chapter Charterings, Special Anniversaries, etc.) 2017 GCC- Naples, FL, Zeta Upsilon Chartering, Winter Assembly- Gamma Zeta 2018

In the last three years, what workshops or special presentations have you completed for brothers? At Winter Assembly 2018 I presented a workshop on behalf of the Philanthropy Committee to introduce Reach Out and Read to our province. I also assisted GCP Philanthropy Chair Wade Dickerson in the creation of the Philanthropy/ Fundraising Workshop which was given at Summer Assembly 2018 by Wade and Connor Stuart.

If elected, what would be your plans for that office? (If running for more than one office, please give us your plans for each office). As Treasurer I hope to continue to expand our province's role in scholarship and travel stipend opportunities for our brothers. The ability to attend larger Kappa Psi events like GCC and Leadership Symposium are vital opportunities for our brothers to grow as leaders as well as create bonds with brothers from all over the country. I also want to open stronger communication channels

between our chapter treasurers to help them better share fundraising ideas and successes.

Why did you decided to become a candidate for your future office and why you are the best brother for the office(s)? From working alongside Treasurer Connor Stuart I have been given the chance to see firsthand the expectations of this position. I am running for the Treasurer position because I want to continue to provide our brothers with the funding our province needs to support scholarships and travel stipends that not only help strengthen fellowship and scholarship within our province but also keep our brothers engaged in our fraternity on a national level. I would love the opportunity to work with each of the chapters in our region to help strengthen their budget as well as increase their fundraising efforts. Effective fundraising can help our chapters accomplish so much more whether it be more service events, brotherhoods or donations to our national philanthropy. From working on local, province, and national committees I have gained so much respect and passion for Kappa Psi. I am continually learning and growing from the help and support of brothers from all over the country. I would love to give back to Kappa Psi and the GCP all of the encouragement and resources that have been given to me.

What do you feel has been your greatest accomplishment as a Brother of Kappa Psi, a member of a committee, or leader? My greatest accomplishment as a Brother of Kappa Psi was serving as Regent to the over 400 Brothers of Psi. Working with my EC to continue to push our chapter to grow and strengthen our fellowship truly changed me as a leader. I was able to oversee our chapter's implementation of Poison Prevention Week programing, fundraising efforts raising over \$4,000 for Make-A-Wish in 1 year, and implantation of our commitment to a partnership with Reach Out and Read among many other brotherhood events and milestones for Psi.

If your position oversees a committee(s), how will you incorporate members of your committee throughout the year? I plan to work with the Finance/Auditing/Fundraising committee to keep them as involved in possible with fundraising efforts for the province. During my time as Chair I was able to create a packet of merchandise vendors that can be utilized as a resource for our next Chair to hit the ground running with fundraising. I want to keep communication as open as possible with committee members so that we can discuss fundraising ideas and deadlines as efficiently as possible.

