Minutes for Phi Theta Kappa (9/5/2013)

1) Meeting called to Order at 4:09 pm

2) Attendance
   a) Officers Present:
      i) Vahid Hamzeheinejad (President)
      ii) Ryan Arroyo (VP of Honors-in-Action Project)
      iii) Ryan McPeters (ICC Rep/IT Officer)
      iv) Jessie Warme (Secretary)
      v) Shawnee Stump (Marketing and Recruitment Officer)
      vi) Juan Pablo Castillo (Financial Officer)
      vii) I acknowledge we had quorum.
   b) Advisor Present:
      i) Dr. Goldbert

3) Officer Introduction

4) Announcement: General Meeting Room will be LTLC-133

5) Introduction to Phi Theta Kappa and Description of Club Objective, Mission and Purpose
   a) COC Chapter is part of California-Nevada Region
   b) Dr. Goldbert explains the research component of PTK
      i) Research problem in community and possible solutions for said problem, including a written paper portion and volunteer portion (Honors-in-Action Project)
      ii) Helping the college (College Honors Project)
         (1) Plan – involvement in Environmental Fair
      iii) Some students will travel for the competition for Honors-in-Action Project
         (1) This year: Orlando, FL

6) Vahid describes benefits of being involved in Phi Theta Kappa
   a) Involvement and Research
   b) College Fish
      i) A college planning tool and scholarship search engine dedicated to Phi Theta Kappa members
         (1) Announcement: Detailed presentation on College Fish will be available next meeting (9/19/2013)
   c) Five Star Competitive Edge
      i) Lessons in soft skills – interview skills, research, applications, etc.
      ii) Scholarships and recognition available

7) Honors-in-Action Project
   a) Ryan Arroyo presents topic: Green Infrastructure
      i) Ground water depletion can be recharged by replacing “Gray infrastructure” (cement, tunnels, etc) with “green infrastructure” (plants, trees, swales, etc).
      ii) Club members will be involved in research and community awareness
      iii) Plan to collect pledges and present research and signatures to City Council
iv) Vahid emphasizes the necessity of awareness and member-involvement

8) Point System
   a) Vahid explains that students receive “points” when they are involved in activities through Phi Theta Kappa to add PTK to Student Development Transcript
   b) Members must have 75 points each semester to have PTK included in SDT
   c) Opportunities to earn points: Fundraisers, meetings, volunteer work

9) College Project
   a) Vahid explains that College Project is meant to help the school
   b) Plan: Involvement in Environmental Conference, River Ralley and Honors Conference

10) Updates/Announcements
    a) Utilize Facebook page: Alpha Nu Xi Chapter
    b) Website on canyons.edu

11) College Project Vice President
    a) Explanation of open position: to run College Project events and organization
    b) David Kim speaks on his qualities as a possible VP of College Project
    c) David Kim unanimously elected College Project Vice President

12) Ice Breaker/Introduction
    a) Harlem Shake lead by Shawnee Stump

13) Open for Questions, Comments and Concerns

14) Meeting adjourned at 4:38 pm