

Working with Chapter Advisors

FarmHouse Fraternity

1. Facts about chapter advisors:

- A. Advisors volunteer to work with student organizations because they want to do it and because they feel they can make a contribution to the organization's success.
- B. Advisors are human.

2. The chapter can help the advisor by:

- A. Making clear the role they would like the advisor to have in the organization.
- B. Keeping the advisor informed of the organization's plans and challenges.
- C. Keeping the advisor in the loop with copies of minutes and notices of events.
- D. Making use of his/her background of experiences with the organization and at the college.
- E. Working out tentative solutions to problems before going to the advisor whenever possible.
- F. Observing lines of responsibility. Don't go "over his/her head" or by-pass him/her entirely.
- G. Taking the initiative in arranging for regular executive meetings with the advisor.
- H. Inviting him/her to all activities. Do not take his/her attendance for granted.
- I. Making him/her feel like a member of the organization.
- J. Showing an appreciation for his/her services--by a letter, by appropriate comments at meetings and other occasions , and personally.
- K. Ask his/her advice! Ask him/her to be a "sounding board" for various ideas.
- L. Review thoughts with him/her concerning the role of the advisor. Is he/she enjoying working with the organization? Would he/she like to change his/her advisory role in some way?