

Subject: Re: [afalistserv] Definitions of Co-Sponsorship

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Clever comments to Grahaeme Hesp aside, it really comes down to the weight of the evidence: Is it more likely than not that the organization had responsibility for the event?

Evidence of "co-sponsorship, in decending order of weight are:

1. Was co-sponsorship published?
2. Was it announced on campus?
3. Did chapter funds help pay for any aspect of the event?
4. Did it appear in chapter minutes?
5. What was the perception on campus?, of invitees?
6. Were chapter officers present?
7. Were a large number (plurality) of the guests of the sex of the chapter chapter members?

Based on the answers to those questions, if you were a disinterested trier of fact, what would you conclude?

Finally, even if you conclude the chapter was not responsible, is it worth taking the chance and having your reputation tarnished, or still paying huge legal fees? (losing lawyers get paid in civil litigation defense).

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