

<p><b>Gamma Omicron Chapter at Large Sigma Theta Tau</b>  <b>Presiding:</b> Tanya Lott, President  <b>Date:</b> January 13, 2009  <b>Meeting Place:</b> Fairfield Park, West Ashley  <b>Recording,</b> Jackie Romano-Dee, MSN, RN  <b>Quorum Established:</b> Yes</p>	<p><b>Meeting Time:</b> 6:00PM Called to Order  <b>Adjournment:</b> 7:00 PM  <b>Attendance:</b> Jackie Romano-Dee, Linda Warren, Ginny Ledbetter, Monika Dutton, Kris Douglass, Mary Fischer, Laurie Zone-Smith, Ramona Smith, Tanya Lott</p>
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Agenda/Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Follow-up
<b>Welcome/Introductions</b>	Tanya welcomed members and attendees.	Closed
<b>Minutes approval</b>	Jackie to send October 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2008 minutes out to the group for approval.	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Bonnie unable to attend. Will discuss at next meeting.	
<b>Old Business</b>	<b>a. Induction:</b> Went very well this year. Next year will be held at St. Lukes. Will alternate every other year between St. Lukes and Lightsey Chapel. From CSU: Michael Jennings received the Marian Larisey Award. From MUSC: Catherine Coker received the Paula Thielan Award and Erica Damico Gunnells received the Founders Award.	Closed
<b>New Business</b>	<p><b>a. Chapter Key Update:</b> We are 10 points short of applying. We are falling short on community and service. We do have 5 VIP profiles from last year, one this year by Ramona. Tanya needs ANY presentations done by members or community service done. Tanya recommends participating in online communities, possibly doing a Nurses' Walk as a service project, or the March of Dimes Walk this spring. Deadline is July. Tanya has contacted Headquarters with her concerns about changing the criteria mid-biennium. They are discussing at the next conference call.</p> <p><b>b. Research Awards for 09:</b> New Investigator, Research Grant, and Research Recognition Award. Winners must be Sigma members. Nancy Finch to work on this.</p> <p><b>c. 2008-2009 Goals Review:</b> Group discussed helping sponsor the International Jean Watson Caritas Consortium on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at Embassy Suites downtown. The Group is still in agreement to sponsor \$500.</p>	

	<p><b>d. New Member Drop-In/Welcome:</b> We need to develop drop-ins for new members at CSU and MUSC to explain what Sigma does. Laurie mentioned sponsoring a new member meeting at the schools where we will pay for food, have posters, raffles, possibly sponsor at least one person to go to Biennium, etc. We could possibly have these at the end of March. Nancy Duffy to look into dates for MUSC. She mentioned that the Historical Library would be a good location. Anita is looking into dates for CSU.</p> <p><b>i. Mentoring Program-</b>we need to look into this (how to reach new and old members to be mentors and mentees). The Board agreed to assigning board members as mentors for 3-4 people. Mentors would contact their mentees via e-mail.</p> <p><b>ii. Leadership Intern Application and Selection Process:</b> The Board decided that the Leadership Intern position would be a 2 year position with one being chosen each year. The Intern will be required to serve in a Board or Task Force position following their intern term.</p> <p><b>e. May Annual Membership Meeting:</b> Monika Dutton checking on the availability of the Water's Edge restaurant for the May 12<sup>th</sup> annual meeting.</p> <p><b>f. Community Event-March of Dimes Walk:</b> Linda Warren will be the team leader and will arrange our participation with the March of Dimes.</p> <p><b>g. 2009-2011 Election Process/Call for Nominations:</b> CSU VP, Secretary, Treasurer, CSU Counselor, Governance Committee Chair, and Leadership Secession Member positions will be open.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	*February 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2009 at 5:30pm at Fairfield Park	