

<b>Gamma Omicron Chapter at Large Sigma Theta Tau</b> <b>Presiding:</b> Tanya Lott, President <b>Date:</b> February 10, 2009 <b>Meeting Place:</b> Fairfield Park, West Ashley <b>Recording,</b> Tanya Lott, RN-BC, MSN <b>Quorum Established:</b> Yes	<b>Meeting Time:</b> 6:00PM Called to Order <b>Adjournment:</b> 7:00 PM <b>Attendance:</b> Tanya Lott, Linda Warren, Kris Douglass, Ginny Ledbetter, Wendy Young, Monika Dutton, Yvonne Martin, Bonnie Foulois, Laurie Zone-Smith
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Agenda/Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Follow-up
<b>Welcome/Introductions</b>	Tanya welcomed members and attendees.	
<b>Minutes approval</b>	January 13 <sup>th</sup> minutes approved with minor date correction.	
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	Bonnie Foulois gave the Treasurer's report: Business Economy Checking: \$11,323.31 Business Interest Maximizer: \$14,862.56 Fixed Term CD: \$9,518.48 (renewed Nov 08, new exp date Nov 10) Only one outstanding check not reflected in above amounts: Check to St. Francis Hospital in support of the Jean Watson International Caritas Consortium, \$500.	
<b>Old Business</b>	<b>a. Chapter Key Update:</b> Tanya reported that International did decide to lower the minimum number of points to apply for Chapter Key Award this year to 40. She still needs assistance from officers and members in collecting the data and accurately reflecting all of the wonderful things our chapter members do.	Ongoing collection of information- all members
<b>New Business</b>	<b>a. Mentoring Program:</b> The new Gamma Omicron at-Large New Member Mentoring program is ready to launch its first year. Each board member will be assigned 4 new inductees to contact. The information, along with tips for what to share with the inductees, will be emailed to all Board members this week. <b>b. New Member Drop-In/Welcome:</b> The following dates were voted on and approved by those present for 2 Member Drop-ins: March 19 <sup>th</sup> , MUSC CON Historical Library, 11a- 12p. March 23 <sup>rd</sup> , CSU SON Nursing lab, 11a-12p. Food: Bonnie Foulois is in charge of food for both days. The board approved providing lunch from Costco. Giveaways: The board approved \$100 towards the purchase of Sigma gifts as give-aways at	All Board Members are assigned. Contact should be made by the end of the month.  Bonnie Foulois- food  Tanya Lott- Sigma Giveaways

	<p>the drop-ins. Tanya Lott will purchase. The board also discussed sending 2 new members to the Biennium Convention in November. More discussion will take place next meeting. Communication: Tanya will communicate the dates to the new members, along with information about the Leadership Intern position. Each board member should also share the information with their assigned mentees and encourage their attendance. Any other form of communication (Catalyst, flyers, etc) are welcome. Other: The other details to think about and discuss/ decide at March meeting include sign-in/ name tag process, handouts, program of hour, area to have scrapbooks, and which board members will attend each of the drop-ins.</p> <p><b>c. Sigma T-Shirts:</b> The board discussed purchasing new Sigma T-shirts to wear to the Drop-ins as well as to the March of Dimes Walk. Monika Dutton will look into options.</p> <p><b>d. Leadership Intern Application and Selection Process:</b> Applications will be emailed to the new members and also placed on the website. Deadline for applications is March 30.</p> <p><b>e. May Annual Membership Meeting:</b> Monika Dutton will contact the Waters Edge to determine the possibility of having our meeting there. Kris Douglass will speak as one of our Research Award winners for 08. Laurie Zone-Smith will contact Theresa Kelechi to see if she can also present an update on her current research as another winner for 08.</p> <p><b>f. Community Event-March of Dimes Walk:</b> Group agreed to participate in this event again this year. Linda Warren updated the group on the specifics of this event. It will take place April 25 at Cannon Park. The link will be shared with the membership via email as well as on the webpage.</p> <p><b>g. International Achievement of Member:</b> Jennifer Shearer will be traveling to Ethiopia again this Spring/Summer. She is collecting nursing educational materials to take to the Shashemane School of Nursing. The Board decided to donate \$250 to go towards the purchase of needed items or assistance in shipping the items to Africa. The check will be given to Jennifer Shearer.</p>	<p>Tanya Lott: email to new members. All members communicate with mentees.</p> <p>Monika Dutton to look into information on t-shirts</p> <p>Tanya Lott: Info and application emailed to new membership</p> <p>Monika Dutton will contact Waters Edge Laurie Zone-Smith will contact possible speaker</p> <p>Linda Warren is our Team Leader</p> <p>Tanya Lott will send check and letter to Jennifer Shearer</p>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	*March 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2009 at 5:30pm at Fairfield Park	