

Annual Chapter Report Outline

Please complete your Annual Chapter Report and submit to the National Office by May 15.

Date of report submission: 2018-05-09

Name of School/College: Ohio Northern University

Chapter Name & region: Beta Psi, Region IV - E

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Introduction

This year was the first time the Beta Psi chapter implemented the use of an outreach chair as part of our executive officers. Having a member fill this position proved to be widely beneficial to the chapter by expanding outreach opportunities for all members. As allowed by our Dean in the pharmacy college just last year, organizations are now permitted to have members wear cords at graduation. We have started the tradition of Rho Chi graduation cords for the 2018 graduating members through allocation of chapter funds and creation of a program to ensure graduation cords for classes to come. Our long time advisor is will be retiring in August of 2019 and we found a professor who will co-advise with him for 2018-2019 and be prepared to take over the chapter the following year. Overall, we had another successful year of engaging the college of pharmacy, Ohio Northern University, and the surrounding community.

Meetings Please provide information on meetings held in the following tabular format

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
2017-08-21	Officers (6)	Officer meeting. Review semester events, finalize event planning, review semester budget and appropriations, briefing on outreach opportunities	Participate in and attend Faculty Welcome Back Breakfast and Intro to Orgs meeting, set chapter meeting date, allocated funds to semester's events
2017-09-07		Chapter meeting. Reviewed semester events, chapter vote on graduation cords, outreach training	Chapter voted to have one scholarship instead of two in order to purchase graduation cords. Entire chapter was trained for outreach events.
2018-01-23		New member initiation.Explain goals of the society and opportunities for new member involvement	Initiated new members
2018-02-26		Chapter meeting. Review officer duties and explain process for new officer elections. Explain chapter fundraiser. Discuss upcoming events for member involvement	Submit applications for new officers and participate in new officer elections. Participate in chapter fundraiser and upcoming community outreach events.

Strategic Planning: What goals were set that relate to the Rho Chi mission?

Encourage and recognize intellectual achievement by:
Initiating new members from the Classes of 2018 and 2019
Electing two recipients for the 'Outstanding Member of the Year Award'
Stimulates critical inquiry to advance pharmacy by:
Providing a lecture and student panel on preparing for upcoming therapeutics didactic work ("Introduction to Modules Lecture")
Distributing therapeutics references handbooks for students preparing for APPEs ("Peripheral Brain Booklets")
Contribute to the development of intellectual leaders by:
Organizing a college-wide meeting to promote involvement in campus pharmacy organizations to new and current pharmacy students ("Introduction to Pharmacy Organizations Meeting")
Hosting a breakfast that recognizes the contributions of our pharmacy faculty ("Faculty Welcome-Back Breakfast")
Organizing a mock interview session for upper-level students seeking to apply for pharmacy residencies/fellowships
Promote highest ethical standards by:
Thoroughly evaluating the candidacy of new members based on character and good-standing with the Raabe College of Pharmacy
Foster collaboration by:
Recruiting member involvement in various community outreach activities

Activities

Overall outreach impact (August 2017 – April 2018):

This past year our chapter had several events for our two outreaches of medication adherence and stress management. The medication adherence outreach focuses on increasing awareness of the issues associated with medication nonadherence as well as proposing various ways for patients to remember to take their medications. Stress management focused on the several aspects of stress such as causes, manifestations, and ultimately healthy ways to help reduce stress. Outreach events were performed in a variety of settings including pharmacies, on our campus, and local festivals such as the Ada Harvest and Herb Festival. A total of 30 students accomplished 56.5 hours of outreach and were able to reach 176 patients.

Introduction to Pharmacy Organizations Meeting (08/23/2017):

The Rho Chi Officers, lead by the vice president, organized and hosted a college-wide meeting introducing all thirteen of our college's professional pharmacy organization student chapters to new and current pharmacy students. A presentation was prepared including 3-5 presentational slides from each organization, describing its goals and objectives and opportunities for student involvement. Rho Chi was among the participating organizations in the presentation, as well. This activity helped facilitate student involvement in professional organizations and promoted leadership development. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Beta Psi Chapter Facebook Page (09/01/2015 – present):

The Rho Chi historian maintained a Chapter Facebook Page to document the Beta Psi chapter activities, such as health outreach events and new member initiation. The purpose of this was to provide an alternative platform for communication and a place to recall the activities of Rho Chi. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Faculty Welcome Back Breakfast (08/23/2017):

The Rho Chi officers organized a “Welcome Back Breakfast” for our pharmacy faculty and Rho Chi members early in the fall semester. The purpose of this activity was to recognize faculty appreciation as well as facilitate fellowship between the faculty and the Rho Chi members. At such an early point in the semester and academic year, members had the opportunity to discuss academic and professional goals with faculty in the upcoming years and seek guidance. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Introduction to Modules Lecture and Student Panel (11/30/2017):

The Rho Chi officers constructed and delivered a presentation to fourth-year pharmacy students on transitioning to coursework in the Therapeutic Modules format, compared to previous traditional semester-based didactic coursework. Therapeutic Modules are unique to the Raabe College of Pharmacy’s pharmacy curriculum, and this presentation intended to provide helpful advice for preparing for the new curricular format. Students were invited to participate in a question and answer session with the officers following the presentation. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Peripheral Brain Booklet Fundraiser (03/13-03/29/2018):

The Rho Chi Officers and faculty advisors constructed a handheld booklet containing shorthand of various updated therapeutic guidelines and drug information to accompany student preparing for clinical rotations. 70 ‘Peripheral Brain Booklets’ were sold. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Mental Health Week – Health Fair (03/20/2018):

Rho Chi members joined five other student pharmacy organizations in a health fair for the campus-wide, second annual Mental Health Week at Ohio Northern. Rho Chi members presented on ways to healthily manage stress. This activity is anticipated to continue next year. The Rho Chi President helped organize this event along with the presidents and outreach coordinators of several other pharmacy organizations. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Honors Day Pharmacy Ceremony (04/10/2018):

New Rho Chi members (most previous initiates) were recognized at the Raabe College of Pharmacy Honors Day Ceremony. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Residency Mock Interviews (4/16/2018):

The Rho Chi officers recruited pharmacy faculty to participate in providing stimulating interviews to any interested pharmacy students for postgraduate pharmacy jobs such as residencies or fellowships. Faculty members were recruited to participate and 13 students were interviewed. Participation is growing compared to past years, but we are still looking for ways to make this event more successful. This activity is anticipated to continue next year.

Financial Budgeting

At the start of the school year, the budget was \$3,188.54. After attending senate budget meetings, it was decided that we would receive about \$200 to cover both semester activities. The vice president hosted the Introduction to Pharmacy Organizations meeting in the beginning of the year and that generally cost around \$400. The historian also spent about \$100 for the faculty appreciation breakfast. The next major event was the scholarship which was a total of \$500 for the recipient. That semester we were also able to sell old booklets and deposited around \$100 into our account. For the spring semester, our major cost was the peripheral brain booklets,

which we spent about \$175 on. After selling the new booklets, we deposited \$660 into our account. This covers our typical yearly costs for Rho Chi.

Installation Function

The new member initiation ceremony took place at the Ohio Northern University Chapel on January 23, 2018. Family members of new initiates and faculty of the College of Pharmacy were invited to attend. The Rho Chi Officers and faculty advisor initiated new members, and the new initiates received their pins and certificates of achievement. The keynote speaker was Michael Storey, PharmD, MS, BCPS, Coordinator of Medication Use and Formulary Management at Nationwide Children's Hospital, who provided inspiring remarks. Refreshments were provided following the ceremony. New member initiates were again recognized during the College of Pharmacy's Honors Day Ceremony later in April.

Evaluation/Reflection

As President of the Beta Psi Chapter in the 2017-18 academic year, I believe that our chapter successfully achieved our strategic goals and objectives, which are consistent with the mission of Rho Chi. I consider several of our chapter activities incredibly successful, including the turnout and participation in the Pharmacy Organizations Meeting, Faculty Welcome Back Breakfast, Introduction to Modules Student Panel, numerous health outreach opportunities, and our continued participation in campus-wide annual Mental Health Week. I also consider there to be several areas of improvement, including participation in the Residency Mock Interviews and the continuation of the Rho Chi scholarship. As previously noted, participation in the Residency Mock Interviews would benefit with a rescheduling of the event to a time closer to actual interviews (January, February instead of being held in April). There was only one Rho Chi Scholarship awarded this year because the chapter voted to use the other funds to purchase graduation cords for the graduating class of Rho Chi for this year with a financial plan in place for each class then to purchase their cords, not at the expense of the scholarship. Next year, we plan to reinstate the distribution of two Rho Chi Scholarships. We also had a delegate attending the Rho Chi Annual Meeting this year. We also discussed creating a separate travel fund that would slowly accrue money over 3 years to help support travel for a delegate to offset costs. The addition of an outreach chair to our executive officers has increased membership involvement and enriched chapter members' experience by providing new opportunities for our members. With various events, we were able to reach 176 patients and counsel them on stress management and medication adherence. Involvement and opportunities regarding outreach has dramatically increased because of the hard work and dedication of this year's outreach chair.

Other Information

Not applicable