### Annual Chapter Report Outline

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

**Date of report submission:** 2016-05-12

**Name of School/College:** Southwestern Oklahoma State University

**Chapter Name & region:** Beta Upsilon Region VI

**Delegate who attended the Rho Chi Annual Meeting:** Sarai Flynn

**Date Delegate’s name submitted:** 2016-02-23

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(If not yet elected, please indicate date of anticipated election and report names within one week of election)
2016-09-30

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**Introduction**

The Beta Upsilon Chapter is a relatively small chapter with about 17 new members elected each fall semester. However, as in the past, we have excellent students who have great leadership and organizational skills. In addition to our traditional Rho Chi Spelling Bee, the chapter ventured into other activities during the 2015-2016 academic year, including a community service project and sponsoring an ice skating night for the entire College of Pharmacy.

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

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| Date | Attendance | Agenda | Action Steps |
| 2015-10-06 | 17 | Officer elections and planning | Officers elected; finalized banquet plans; discussed community service project (Children's Rehabilitation Center collection of needed items); preliminary planning for annual spelling bee; discussed T-shirt designs |
| 2016-03-09 | 12 | Planning for spelling bee | Finalized spelling bee date and format; discussed awards for top three winners of the spelling bee |
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**Strategic Planning:** What goals were set that relate to the Rho Chi mission?

As in the past, our main goal is to foster recognition of outstanding
academic achievement in the professional curriculum. In addition, we strive to provide
meaningful service to the College of Pharmacy, the profession, and the local
community. The College of Pharmacy and the Beta Upsilon chapter have a relatively
small number of students and many Rho Chi members are active in other organizations.
As a result, our activities must be focused and well organized. Our major goals for the
2015-2016 academic year were (1) review the popular Rho Chi Society Spelling Bee in
order to enhance publicity, (2) plan for a community service project, and (3) have at least one fellowship event outside of scheduled chapter
meetings. These goals will also carry forward for the upcoming 2016-2017 academic year.

**Activities**

On April 12, 2016 the chapter held the sixth annual College of Pharmacy Spelling Bee. As in the past, the event was successful and showcased how our students have mastered complex medical and pharmaceutical terminology. Eleven pharmacy students entered as contestants and students and faculty were present as audience members. College of pharmacy faculty served as moderators and spelling word presenters. The top three spellers received awards for their accomplishments and were recognized at the College of Pharmacy Awards and Scholarships Convocation in late April. The awards were academically oriented (e.g., Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy). Chapter President Vonya Streetz and her fellow officers and members did an outstanding job of organizing and planning the activity. The Beta Upsilon Chapter also sponsored three additional activities during the academic year: (1) a community service project which collected items for the Children's Rehabilitation Center in Bethany, Oklahoma, (2) an ice skating night for the entire bCollege of Pharmacy, and (3) customized T-shirts or hoodies for each member.

**Financial Budgeting**

The Beta Upsilon Chapter is primarily supported by an allocation from the College of Pharmacy Student Activity Fee (approximately $900 per year) and membership dues.

**Installation Function**

The Beta Upsilon Chapter holds a joint initiation ceremony every fall semester with our Phi Lambda Sigma chapter. This approach has been highly successful and has led to excellent attendance by faculty, students, families, and friends of inductees. The evening begins with a buffet dinner, followed by recognition of faculty and dignitaries and the initiation ceremonies for the Rho Chi and Phi Lambda Sigma chapter. As in the past, the initiation banquet and ceremony featured an alumnus who spoke about setting and achieving professional goals, an ideal topic for members of Rho Chi and Phi Lambda Sigma.

**Evaluation/Reflection**

During the 2015-2016 academic year, the Beta Upsilon chapter continued to provide chapter members with an opportunity for leadership and service to the College of Pharmacy and the local community. The vast majority of Rho Chi members are also active members and leaders in other student organizations. The Rho Chi Spelling Bee continues to be a successful and fun event. The College of Pharmacy has also expressed appreciation for our joint Rho Chi/PLS honors banquet. The additional activities, including the collection for the Children's Rehabilitation Center and the College of Pharmacy Ice Skating Night completed a successful and productive year.

**Other Information**

The College of Pharmacy is working on new web site content. It is possible that all of the student organizations, including Rho Chi, may be able to better highlight activities and accomplishments.