

Rho Chi Annual Report Draft – Due 5/15/18

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Introduction:

The Delta Pi chapter upholds the vision of the Rho Chi Society to achieve universal recognition of its members as lifelong intellectual leaders in pharmacy. As a community of scholars, the Society will instill the desire to pursue intellectual excellence and critical inquiry to advance the profession. Furthermore, Lipscomb University College of Pharmacy is a premier Christian university whose vision is to promote not only excellence but spiritual growth of each individual.

The Delta Pi chapter also upholds the mission of the Society to encourage and recognize excellence in intellectual achievement and foster fellowship among its members. Further, the Society encourages high standards of conduct and character, and advocates critical inquiry in all aspects of pharmacy.

Meetings:

Date	Attendance	Agenda	Action Steps
10/2/2017-10/13/17	Done via email	Provide our service to P3 students by helping them with the editing of their abstracts for practice seminar	Read abstracts, provide feedback and suggestions for editing
10/30/2017	Rho Chi initiates, executive officers, and faculty alumni	Initiation	Initiate new members, recognize new officers, and provide reception to attendees
02/15/2018	Rho Chi executive officers	Discuss the role of new officers, bylaws, events, and goals of the organization	Set goals, plan new initiatives for the upcoming year, and identify ways to improve
04/16/2018	Current preceptors who practice in different areas of pharmacy, current P4's, third-year students	Advanced pharmacy practice experiences (APPE) readiness panel. Panel composed of preceptors and P4 students answering questions about APPEs	Provide upcoming P3 students with best practices and tips to be successful P4 year

Strategic Planning (Limit to 0.5 Page)

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

Rho Chi's mission is focused on promoting a culture of academic excellence within our college. We tried to exemplify this mission by providing rising P4 students with the best practices to succeed during rotations as well as raise awareness for Rho Chi. We also we conducted reviews seminar abstracts for third year pharmacy students which helps with building literature evaluation skills. Lastly, an APPE preparation panel discussion with preceptors, residents, and the third-year pharmacy students was done to communicate important information that would be beneficial to P3 students. The chapter also wanted to raise awareness about Rho Chi by trying to let the incoming students know that the organization exists.

Activities

Focus of the report. Detailed descriptions of all activities developed and conducted to further the society's mission. Must include whether the activities are on-going (and for how long) or are new initiatives.

Members of our chapter gladly spent time reviewing the P3 Practice Seminar abstracts for proper formatting, accurate reporting of results and statistics, and cohesive flow. This has been an ongoing activity for the past five years that is designed to aid fellow classmates in evaluating primary literature and the writing of an abstract. This activity not only helps them in Lipscomb University College of Pharmacy's Practice Seminar course, but also prepares them for future journal club activities and encourages academic excellence. Delta Pi has also done an APPE preparation panel including local preceptors, faculty members, and a current P4 who demonstrates excellence during his or her rotations. This is a recurring event that has been done for the past 6 years. This panel allows P3s to ask questions detailing how to prepare for the first day of a rotation, how to navigate issues that may come up during a rotation, and how to go above and beyond to make a positive, lasting impression on preceptors.

Financial Budgeting

How budget was determined; fund-raising?

The budget was determined by the executive officers at the beginning of the year. No fundraising was required for activities and events.

Delta Pi 2017-2018 Budget

Source	Income	Expenses	Balance
Beginning Budget 5/1/2017			247
Office of Student Affairs Annual Financial Support	500		747
New Initiate Fees ± honor cords fees	1232		1979
National Initiation Dues		910	1069
Honor Cords – Class of 2018		113	956
Initiation		509	447
New Officers' Strategic Planning meeting (Lunch) 2017		58	389
New Officers' Strategic Planning meeting (Lunch) 2018		53	336
Online Banking Fees		12	324
018 Ending Balance			324

Initiation Function (Limit 0.5 Page)

When/where/who attended/speaker if applicable

We conducted initiation on 10/30/2017 at Lipscomb University. Our chapter advisor, Dr. Zac Cox along with the officers presided the meeting. Initiates received their certificates, a welcoming letter and their pins. The dean of our college, Rho Chi faculty members, current Rho Chi members, new initiates, and some personal guest attended the initiation ceremony.

Evaluation/Reflection (Limit 1 page)

Reflective paragraph that evaluates the effectiveness of your activities and ways to improve. Number of members; recipients of outreach; feedback from members

The effectiveness of our activities is discussed at the officers meeting. The seminar abstract review and the APPE panel were helpful to the students judging by the feedback that we have received. We want to improve our communication with the entire College of Pharmacy by raising awareness about Rho Chi. Our plan for that is to have an information booth during P1 orientation. Our chapter currently has 113 student members with the following class breakdown:

Class of 2012: 11
Class of 2013: 12
Class of 2014: 16
Class of 2015: 16
Class of 2016: 14
Class of 2017: 16
Class of 2018: 13
Class of 2019: 15

Other Information (Limit 1 page)

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