Annual Chapter Report Outline

Please complete your Annual Chapter Report and submit to the National Office via e-mail (RhoChi@unc.edu) by May 15.

Date of report submission: May 15, 2015

Name of School/College: Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine – Bradenton

Chapter name and region: Gamma Tau - Region II - East Coast

Delegate who attended the Rho Chi Annual Meeting: Ashley Cubillos

Date Delegate’s name was submitted to Rho Chi.: n/a

Past year’s officers and e-mail addresses:

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New officers and e-mail addresses for next academic year:

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

Anticipated Date of Initiation: October 10, 2015

Chapter advisor’s name and e-mail address:

Chapter Advisor Dr. Nina Pavuluri NPavuluri@lecom.edu

**Introduction**:

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

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| Date | Attendance | Agenda | Action Steps |
| 11/10/14  Executive Meeting | Chau Ong, Kelley Braden, Allen Michaels, Hoang-Yen Nguyen | * Officer Duties * Fundraising and Script Your Future Events * Bake Sale Donation * T-shirt sale Fundraising * Rx-Script Bowl Annual | * Set up next general meeting * Assigned tasks |
| 1/21/15  Executive Meeting | Chau Ong, Kelley Braden, Allen Michaels, Hoang-Yen Nguyen | * Officer Duties * Fundraising and Script Your Future Events * Bake Sale Donation * T-shirt sale Fundraising * Rx-Script Bowl Annual | * Event planning confirmation * Prepare for club announcements |
| 1/21/15  General Meeting | Chau Ong, Kelley Braden, Allen Michaels, Hoang-Yen Nguyen and members | * Officers Introduction * Fundraising and Script Your Future Events * Bake Sale Donation * T-shirt sale Fundraising * Rx-Script Bowl Annual | * Confirming locations for events to take place |

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

* Discuss the Vision and Mission with other Rho Chi members in the Gamma Tau Chapter
* Establish and discuss possible community outreach activities (including out-reach programs at high school career fairs)
* Creating activity committees (Script Your Future, Rx Bowl, and Fundraising)
* Continuing the Rx bowl to set precedence for the next set of members to keep the club as well as achieving recognition on campus.
* Setting up a panel for the first year students educate and prepare for pharmacy school by addressing any concerning questions about the beginning of their pharmacy careers.
* Create a legacy for Rho Chi, Gamma Tau Chapter and facilitate your identification as community scholars.

**Activities**:

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| **[Gamma Tau, LECOM-Brandenton, FL]** | | | | | | | |  |
| Category of Activity1 | Title of Activity | Brief Description2 | How Does This Activity Align With the Rho Chi Mission Statement? | Years the Activity has Been Ongoing? | If Activity has Been Ongoing for >1 Year, What Evaluations Have Been Done to Assess the Success of the Activity and What Improvements Have Been Done Over the Past Year? | How Many Members Participated in the Activity? | How Many Students (non-members) and/or Patients were impacted by the Activity? | Financial Information for the Activity [Budget Required, Fundraising Amount] |
| Intellectual Leadership Activities (i.e., tutoring, sponsored lectures, poster sessions, etc.) | Rx Script Bowl – 3r annual  (3/21/15) | A friendly competition between first year pharmacy students testing their drug card knowledge on the top 100 brand/generic drugs, drug indications/class, and side effects. | We hope to continue the tradition of preceding years to educate first year students on brand/generic names of drugs and promote intellectual achievement | 3 | Students who participate in the event are more successful in academic endeavors and more knowledgeable with brand/generic and drug indications in the future courses | 9 | 0 | Budget used: $71.86 |
| College of Pharmacy Events [non-academic, non-patient outreach] | Bake Sale for charity  (2/11/15) | We raised awareness for children suffering malnutrition and severe starvation in third world countries by donating all proceeds of our bake sale to UNICEF | Through this activity Rho Chi promoted awareness of poor living and health conditions around the world that requires more attention and help. We are fulfilling our ethical responsibility to inform and encourage our community to help improve the lives and well-being of those in needs. | 1 |  | 10 | 50 | Donation raised and donated: $101.52 |
| Patient Outreach Events/ Community Service | Script your future  at CVS  (2/27-28/15) | We educated patients on smoking cession and common chronic health conditions. We also offered blood pressure screening service. | Educated the public and raising health awareness. Promoted the pharmacy health profession in the community. | 1 |  | 3 | 30 | N/A |
| Fundraising Events | Rx T-shirt sale  (2/5/15) | Raised club funding for future events through t-shirts sale | Promoted the pharmacy profession and the Rho Chi reputation by selling pharmacy logo t-shirts | 2 | T-shirt sale is not as successful as last year due to many students already purchased last year. | 6 | 20 | Budget used: $449.43  Fund raised: $405 |

**Financial/ Budgeting**:

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| **ITEM** | **Amount Debited ($$ spent)** | **Amount Credited ($$ raised)** | **Balance** | **Comment** |
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| **Example** |  |  |  |  |
| **Balance forward** |  |  | **$1,665.16** | **Balance from last year** |
| **Initiation Dinner Funds** |  | **$2,450.00** | **$4,115.16** | **Payments from students** |
| **Initiation Dinner Costs** | **$327.00** |  | **$3,788.16** | **Catering Costs** |
| **Chapter Dues** | **$1,950.00** |  | **$1,838.16** |  |
| **Rho Chi T-Shirts** | **$449.43** |  | **$1,388.73** | **Cost of buying T-shirts** |
| **Rho Chi T-Shirt Sale** | **$405.00** |  | **$1,793.73** | **Funds raised via T-shirt sale** |
| **Unicef Bake Sale Fundraiser** | **$101.52** | **$101.52** | **$1,793.73** | **100% of the money we rasied for towards a Unicef donation** |
| **Rx Script Bowl Competition** | **$71.86** |  | **$1,721.87** | **This was to pay for food and an award for the winner of the competition.** |
| **SGA Funds** |  | **$290.00** | **$2,011.87** | **LECOM-SGA gave $290 in funds to support their school’s Rho Chi chapter.** |
| **PLS Donation** | **$20.00** |  | **$1,991.87** | **LECOM-PLS chapter gives gifts for all the pharmacy faculty on campus.** |
| **Leadership Dinner** | **$25.00** |  | **$1,966.87** | **LECOM-SGA held a leadership dinner for the pharmacy school.** |
| **Ending Balance for the year** |  |  | **$1,966.87** |  |

**Initiation Function**:

The initiation ceremony took place at Polo Grill, Lakewood Ranch, Bradenton, FL on

October 10, 2014. The initiation consisted of dinner, the initiation ceremony, and a speech from a guest speaker. Faculty in attendance of the function included: Dr. Nina Pavuluri, Dr. Michael Mueller, Dr. Sunil Jambhekar, and Dr. Julie Wilkinson. In addition to the new inductees, the past executive board were also in attendance of this function.

**Evaluation/Reflection**:

The third Rx Bowl was a successful event that not only benefited first year pharmacy students, but also helped promote Rho Chi as an honor society. We advertised early on in the semester through the pharmacy digest and by making announcements at the beginning of the first year’s classes.

We hope that next year that we can gain recognition as an honor society early on by the first year students by being active in during the fall semester. Many first year students stated being intimidated by participation and early recognition will help to clarify the purpose and intent of the event to educate. We received a lot of positive feedback from the LECOM administration for demonstrating our support for a high scholastic standard. Dr. Sunil Jambhekar attended the event and was very enthusiastic about our efforts, we will consider asking him back next year to judge the event.

We were able to expand our Script Your Future event to two including events at CVS stores. Both were also a great activity that allowed us to provide patient counseling on medication adherence and we were also able to work together with the DO students from LECOM.

Lastly, we promoted Rho Chi name and pharmacy profession through non-pharmacy related events such as fundraisings for donation to UNICEF in an effort to rescue starving children in third world countries and pharmacy student t-shirt sale to raise student school spirit.

**Most Improved Chapter Award.**

The Gamma Tau chapter of Rho Chi has demonstrated a concerted effort to strengthen the presence of the honor society both on campus and in the community. We continued our annual event the “Rx Bowl” which was a friendly competition between first year pharmacy students designed to quiz and reinforce drug information topics. This event was completely designed and executed by members of our chapter with the specific goal of supporting the academic success of the incumbent class of students during what can be considered a difficult transition process. We expanded upon this event by gaining interest early on in the semester and inviting faculty members to participate. We also established an Rx Bowl committee that allowed other Rho Chi members to actively participate as well.

We also established a new Script your future held at CVS pharmacies as part of an interdisciplinary team effort to educate the community on the importance of medication adherence. Members were given the opportunity to collaborate with other student professionals to sharpen their patient counseling skills. We also created a Script Your Future event that enabled our members to actively plan events that would further increase our honor society and chapter presence within the community.

In addition we also established two fundraising events that were highly successful. The one in particular that greatly generated positive feedback was the T-shirt sale with a pharmacy centered design. We hope to continue this fundraising event in the upcoming years.

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