Annual Chapter Report Outline

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

Date of report submission: 2018-04-19

Name of School/College: University of Minnesota

Chapter Name & region: Mu Chapter – Region V

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Introduction

The Rho Chi Mu Chapter is a dual-campus chapter that takes place on the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses of the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy.

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

| Date | Attendance | Agenda | Action Steps |
|----------------|------------|--|--|
| 2017- 05-09 | 3 | To establish plans for the 2017-2018 school year and roles of the new e-board members. | Designated donation allocations, create new Student of the Month initiative, determine location for 2018 initiation banquet |
| 2017- 08-24 | 5 | Discuss new initiatives & budget plans | Planned meeting with PLS to discuss dual speaker lunch meetings, planned fundraiser |
| 2017- 10-25 | 5 | Discuss plans for research day | Polled College of Pharmacy for suggested speaker topics & reached out to potential speakers |
| 2018- 01-18 | 6 | Plan initiation banquet | Determined budget, speaker, theme, and entertainment |

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

The Mu Chapter determined that we would like to contribute more to the general College of Pharmacy this school year. We did this by hosting our annual Research Symposium as well as starting a new initiative, "Students of the Month" that highlighted students that contributed to the College of Pharmacy and displayed academic excellence.

Activities

The primary event that Rho Chi Mu Chapter hosts each year is the Rho Chi Research Symposium that takes place on both the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses. In the Twin Cities, this consisted of morning seminars by graduate and pharmacy students, followed by a lunch and individual speakers, and an afternoon of poster session presentations by graduate and pharmacy student researchers. The Duluth campus had a lunch speaker brought in from outside of the University of Minnesota, followed by a poster session of graduate and pharmacy student research. The lunch speaker was determined by polling the College of Pharmacy students for research topics they were most interested in hearing about. Both events were open to all College of Pharmacy students, graduate students, local residents, and faculty within multiple departments at the University of Minnesota. Prizes were awarded for best posters and raffle prizes awarded to those attending. Our new initiative this year was "Students of the Month." Every month, we send out a form to the College of Pharmacy students, asking for nominations of students who displayed academic excellence and achievement. At the end of the month, one student is chosen from each campus and each graduation year (total of 6 students) to receive a \$10 gift card. The students also receive the comments regarding their nomination for Student of the Month.

Financial Budgeting

Our budget was determined by reviewing previous years' expenses and projected income. Our fundraising consisted of applying for grants, support from the College of Pharmacy and deans for Research Symposium costs, selling pharmacokinetic graph paper packets & lab value/pharmacokinetic reference cards.

Installation Function

The initiation banquet took place at Greysolon Ballroom in Duluth, MN, on March 24, 2018. Out of our 36 new members, 32 were able to attend the banquet and were allowed to invite up to 3 guests. Entertainment was provided during the dinner portion of the evening by an electronic violinist. Our speaker, Dr. Elliot Ballance (PharmD), spoke on appreciating accomplishments but encouraged students not to become complacent and always strive to better care for our patients. E-board members from the Twin Cities and Duluth campuses attended, as well as our Duluth campus advisor.

Evaluation/Reflection

Overall, I felt that our communication and meetings early on were very helpful to establish roles and responsibilities within the e-board. One initiative we wanted to start were monthly speaker lunch meetings with the leadership society, PLS. This is something that I think would be great to do in the future, but PLS and Rho Chi had different ideas for these meetings and were not able to collaborate on this at this time. While we had the goal of reaching out and supporting the College of Pharmacy more this past year, we also had more limited funds as we were no longer able to sell test packets, which was previously the largest portion of our income. This was certainly a hurtle and evaluating other methods for fundraising would be beneficial in the future.

Other Information

In the year prior, we had limited involvement of our advisors and they both stepped down summer of 2017. We were honored to invite our new advisors to join us and they have been very

supportive throughout the 2017-2018 school year.