

Annual Chapter Report Outline

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

Date of report submission: 2018-05-15

Name of School/College: D'Youville

Chapter Name & region: Epsilon Beta – Region I

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2018-04-30

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Introduction

As one of the newer chapters, we have put quite a bit of emphasis this year on becoming more involved on campus and within the community. Our focus has really been to work on giving back and helping others to be the best that they can be which we feel is an extremely important component in the field of health care that not everyone seeks to be a part of. However, putting in that little bit of extra effort really does go a long way and we are very excited for everything that Rho Chi has begun to and will continue to work on in the years to come. Each member is so incredibly important to this organization since there are so few of us, but with a group that is very dedicated to improving the field of health care, we are confident that this unified group of individuals can achieve great things.

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

| Date | Attendance | Agenda | Action Steps |
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| 2017-09-07 | 8 | We have other meetings but I cannot fit everything into these 5 template slots. We typically had monthly meetings. | I can provide meeting minutes in an additional document if requested (difficult to input appropriate information in this format). |
| 2017-10-30 | 9 | — | — |

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| 2018-02-15 | 9 | — | — |
| 2018-03-20 | 8 | — | — |

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

Our goals really aimed to target all components of the Rho Chi mission. We were very active as a chapter this year receiving much notable recognition from many administrators such as the Dean and Assistant Dean as well as many other faculty members. Our main focus this year was really to try to make a difference in the lives of others both on and off campus through continuing to tutor students and through our participation in service events which advance the field of pharmacy as well as have an impact on healthcare overall.

Activities

Please see Most Improved Chapter Form for more detailed descriptions in addition to what is provided below (to avoid repetitiveness and to view information in an organized format – I will attach the document in this report under the financial budget attachment for ease of locating the document).

1. Keys to Success – Talk given to P1 students at orientation to give students tips on various aspects of pharmacy school (including how to study, how to get involved etc.)
2. Flu shot clinics
3. Blood pressure clinic
4. Be The Match – we have proposed a plan to spread the word for Be The Match which is a program that helps match people in need of a bone marrow or stem cell transplant with a compatible healthy donor. While oftentimes, many of us do not realize how critical programs such as these are to people suffering from very debilitating illnesses, many of us have become more aware of the need to seek those willing to donate because there are most likely several people even in our own lives who may not be here today if it were not for those brave enough to register for this program.

Financial Budgeting

There was not much that we needed to spend money on this semester other than the induction ceremony. Exact information regarding expenses are still being processed by the college so we do not have exact information about the exact total costs at this time. They did however provide us with an estimated balance upwards of \$600 after all fees and payments have been applied.

Fundraising:

1. Dodgeball Tournament: Made t-shirts, sold tickets, sold concessions for the event
2. Dress-Down-Day: Our school enforces a dress code so a fundraiser that can be approved by the Assistant Dean allows an organization to charge students \$3 per person to wear more comfortable clothing as a form of a fundraiser. Many students participate in these events since they are only approved a couple of times per semester.
3. March Madness Pool: sold squares similar to Super Bowl Squares but instead applied this concept to the Championship game during the March Madness tournament.
4. Charitable donations: St. Jude – \$100 and D'Youville Annual Golf Tournament – Chocolate Lovers Raffle Basket (contributions to the raffle basket being donated by current Rho Chi members)

Installation Function

The Induction Ceremony took place at our school's banquet hall area on April 30th, 2018. Attendees included new initiates, current Eboard members, Rho Chi chapter advisors, various faculty members (including the Dean and Assistant Dean), and family members/friends of the new initiates. The speaker for the event was past Dean Dr. Gary Stoeher who helped to found our Rho Chi chapter.

Evaluation/Reflection

Rho Chi Epsilon Beta recognizes that our activities are the lifeblood of our organization. The activities conducted this year were multifaceted, consisting of charity, service learning, and fundraising. Although we acknowledge our accomplishments, we understand there is room for improvement. Our fundraiser consisted of the dodgeball tournament which raised over \$300 and involved over 24 participants and many more spectators. We expect to continue this event next year and expand the participation by advertising. We plan on posting flyers on campus and expanding beyond the School of Pharmacy to create an event that is an annual D'Youville event which includes all factions of the school. We also conducted charitable events such as our NCAA Men's March madness bracket. This event used randomized squares for students to test their luck in the championship game. The person whose square consisted of the last numbers in the final score won \$100. We then donated \$100 of the proceeds to St. Jude as charitable donation. We also plan on conducting this event in the coming years, however we want to expand on this idea and try to fill up two sets of squares in order to create a larger donation. Our students loved the idea of helping out this great charity and being a part of the March Madness fun. This event also displayed the work ethic that our chapter has in selling 100 squares within a couple days. In the coming years we also have talked about creating creative ways to donate money to other local foundations. We also conducted a bone marrow drive where we went around campus and swabbed people's mouths to sign them up for the national bone marrow registry. In pharmacy school we

learn about how important bone marrow transplants are to patients, therefore we wanted to do as much as we could in order to help. We also plan on continuing this event next year in order to get as many people signed up as possible. One idea planned for next year is creating a chili cooking competition in which our professors would make their best batch of chili and we would sell the chance to taste and vote on their favorite chili. The winner would be crowned the chili champion and all proceeds would go to a local charity. Our ideology with our events are to have as much fun with them as possible in order to attract as much participation as we can. We know that as Rho Chi members we can make a difference and we intend to put our best effort in doing so.

Other Information

Scholarship Fund:

As a chapter, we have done quite a bit of fundraising this year. From these additional funds, we have created a scholarship fund to be given out at next year's induction ceremony – The Rho Chi Continuous Commitment Award. This type of recognition further encourages our members to be go above and beyond to be involved in expanding our Rho Chi chapter in accordance with the Rho Chi mission. The scholarship fund has specific requirements that must be met: 3.0 GPA minimum, attend at least 1 Rho Chi service learning/co-curricular event within the application period, active participation in at least 1 Rho Chi Fundraiser (including but not limited to helping to raise money, set up for events etc.). Applicants are expected to submit a maximum of a one-page essay (single spaced) stating their involvement within Rho Chi and commitment to advancing within the field of pharmacy. Applications will be reviewed by the Rho Chi Advisors and up to 2 winners (potentially more depending on budget and advisor discretion) will be selected within 10 days of the application deadline.

New Position: with 2 concurrent major proposal ideas

As the current president (technically, now the immediate past president) I had reached out to the Rho Chi national office to discuss the idea of starting a new position within our chapter after reviewing the bylaws. "Chapter Proposal Liaison" is the new position that was voted on by the chapter which allows a member who would like to take on a greater responsibility within the chapter to work on the proposed ideas for the upcoming semester. I was voted into this position with the intentions of utilizing the help of such a strong group of intellectual individuals to further our Be The Match initiative as well as to work on starting up another new proposal called "Rho Chi – Going Places" which would be directed towards helping P1, P2 and even P3 professional students get into contact with preceptors of various specialties in order to set up "rotation-like" experiences for students which are often not available for students. Although this is difficult to explain on paper how this experience differs from actual rotations, the implications of this program provide much room for growth and opportunity for our students. For example, if a student is interested in psychology, there are not any available full IPPE rotation sites available for any students other than P4s. Through this program, we would have a predefined list of preceptors willing to take an eager student for a day or two on site. The student would have to submit a letter of interest through this

program in collaboration with our IPPE/APPE offices. This opportunity gives students greater access to more specialized care as opposed to general community or staff-hospital pharmacy and thus could encourage students to seek residencies or other forms of higher education in accordance with the Rho Chi mission.

SUBMISSION FOR MOST IMPROVED CHAPTER – SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Appendix 1

Chapter Activities Report Template

| Epsilon Beta, D'Youville College School of Pharmacy Activity Table | | | | | | | | |
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| Category of Activity ¹ | Title of Activity | Brief Description ² | 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.) | Keys to Success Talk | Activity at P1 orientation to give students tips on various aspects of pharmacy school (including how to study, how to get involved etc.) | Contributes to development of intellectual leaders – encouraging involvement in various pharmacy-related organizations. | First year that Rho Chi students were responsible for leading this speech. | n/a | 2 | ~45 students | n/a |
| Intellectual Leadership Activities | Tutoring | Holding review sessions open to an entire professional class as well as holding private 1 on 1 or group sessions for students requesting additional help. | Stimulates critical inquiry to advance pharmacy – promoting stronger students academically. | ~4 years | Review sessions open to an entire class are new this year. Improvements: 1 on 1 tutors have been encouraged to begin sessions much earlier in the semester. | ~7 | 30+ have attended/ have been impacted by review sessions. 1 on 1 tutoring has resulted in significant improvements for some students. | n/a |

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| College of Pharmacy Events [non-academic, non-patient outreach] | Be The Match Bone Marrow Drive | Set up a school-wide event with Rho Chi members present three different sites around campus to help educate and recruit individuals willing to provide a tissue sample with the possibility of donating bone marrow or stem cells in the future if they are a match for someone in need. | <p>Promotes highest ethical standards.</p> <p>This has been one of the most amazing things that our organization had the pleasure of being a part of. We would like to continue to expand this program and foster collaboration with other organizations and health professions to promote this cause for patients in need.</p> | <p>This is the first year we have started this program – we have plans to turn this into a proposal to make this even bigger than a college-wide collaboration.</p> <p>We have plans to reach out to other Rho Chi chapters as well to start a movement/ initiative.</p> | n/a | <p>11 for the event</p> <p>Ultimately, all of our members will be provided with the tools to educate the public and will be given test kits to pass along to those interested in the program. This allows us to get even more participation through word of mouth.</p> | Unsure of how many patients may be impacted by this program but saving even one life could be the difference in impacting many lives. | n/a |
| Patient Outreach Events/ Community Service | Flu Shot Clinics | Set up 2 flu shot clinics at the pharmacy inside of Target (associated with CVS pharmacy). Took place during the fall semester to educate patients on the influenza vaccination and encourage eligible patients to get vaccinated. | Collaborated with students from another pharmacy school (University at Buffalo) and stimulates critical activity to advance pharmacy. | First year | n/a | 4 | 40+ | n/a |

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| Patient Outreach Events/ Community Service | Blood Pressure Clinic | Held an event at a local independent pharmacy to take patients' blood pressure as well as to educate patients about how to monitor their blood pressure, and how to lower their blood pressure through diet/exercise (presented a poster, had healthier recipes for common favorite foods). | Contributes to development of intellectual leaders – presentation of materials in ways that foster patient understanding as well as practical incorporation into lifestyles of these patients. | First year | n/a | 3 | ~20 people | n/a |
| Fundraising Events | Dodgeball Tournament | Teams signed up and competed for championship t-shirts. We sold tickets for the event (teams paid to enter and spectators payed to attend). We also sold t-shirts and concessions. | Fosters collaboration | First year – very time consuming but this was a very successful fundraiser generating over \$300 total. | n/a | 8 | 50+ | n/a |
| Fundraising Events | Dress-Down-Day | Our school enforces a dress code so a fundraiser that was approved by the Assistant Dean allows organizations to charge students \$3 per person to wear more comfortable clothing to raise money. | Fosters collaboration | First year | n/a | 9 | 70+ participants | n/a |
| Fundraising Events | March Madness Pool | Similar to Super Bowl Squares – sold 100 randomized squares for \$3 each. Winner based on the outcome of the Championship game. | Promotes highest ethical standards – Donated \$100 of proceeds to St. Jude. | First year – Very successful, also generated over \$300 due to additional donations. | n/a | 11 | 50+ participants (some bought multiple squares) | n/a |