



The Rho Chi Society

# 95<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

## Minutes

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Seattle, Washington

The Rho Chi Society 2019 annual meeting registration began at 2:15pm with members of the Credentials Committee (Washington Chapters- Rho Chapter- Rosa Nguyen, Gabriel Wang, Ali Iceagle, and Michelle Lam and Epsilon Chapter Ji-Min Parl and Carolnn Warren). As delegates and guests were gathering videos from the finalist for chapter of the year were streaming. A light appetizer and dessert reception was served as the delegates and guests were assembling.

1. Call to Order: President Susan Meyer called the meeting to order at 3:00pm
2. President Meyer welcomed delegates, alternate delegates, members, advisors, deans and other guests for the lecture and awards presentations of the Society. She also acknowledged the host schools, which were the University of Washington and Washington State University.

### Presentation of Awards

3. President Meyer introduced Emmanuelle Schwartzman, President-Elect and Chair of the Chapter Awards Committee, to announce the recipients of the chapter awards. President-Elect Schwartzman introduced and thanked the members of the Chapter Awards Selection Committee composed of Regional Councilors.

Region I	Karl Fiebelkorn, University of Buffalo
Region II	Elena Umland, Thomas Jefferson University
Region III-E	Cynthia Phillips, South Carolina College of Pharmacy
Region III-S	Dana Brown, Palm Beach Atlantic University
Region III- W	Kim Lindsey Goodrich, Union University
Region IV-E	Penni Black, University of Kentucky
Region IV-W	Steven Scott, Purdue University
Region V	Michelle Bottenberg, Drake University
Region VI	Amanda Stahnke, University of Missouri – Kansas City
Region VII	Joshua Neumiller – Washington State University
Region VIII	Veronica T. Bandy – University of the Pacific

  - a. Chapter Achievement Awards: are based on the activities and accomplishments reported by the chapter for the preceding year (2017-2018) and their relationship to the mission of the Rho Chi Society. Chapter reports also include a description of how the chapter's activities add value to local member's Rho Chi experience. The achievements of the finalists for this award were shown on the video screens as attendees arrived for the meeting.

The finalists for the Chapter Achievement Award were introduced and representatives were asked to stand.

**2017-2018 Regional Finalists for Chapter Achievement Award**

Region I	Gamma Pi, MCPHS University--Worcester/Manchester
Region II	Alpha Eta, Rutgers University
Region III-East	Gamma Omicron, Shenandoah University
Region III-South	Zeta, Auburn University
Region III-West	Alpha Nu, University of Tennessee
Region IV-East	Alpha Xi, University of Kentucky
Region IV-West	Gamma Kappa, Midwestern University-Chicago College of Pharmacy
Region V	Alpha Alpha, Creighton University
Region VI	Gamma Omega, Texas A&M Health Science Center
Region VII	Beta Rho, University of Montana
Region VIII	Theta, University of Southern California

**The 2017-2018 Chapter Achievement Award is presented to:  
Alpha Eta Chapter, Rutgers University (SUNJ)**

A plaque was presented to the chapter representative. A representative of this chapter was invited to become a member of the Executive Council for the coming year.

- b. The Most Improved Chapter Award is awarded to a chapter that has been relatively inactive in past years, but current students/advisors have made great strides to increase the activities/projects of the chapter.

The finalists for the Most Improved Chapter Award were introduced and a representative was asked to stand.

**2017-2018 Finalists Most Improved Chapter Award**

Region I	Epsilon Beta, D'Youville College
Region II	Delta Tau, Notre Dame of Maryland University
Region III-South	Epsilon Delta, Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Georgia Campus
Region IV-West	Alpha Zeta, Purdue University
Region VI	Alpha Omega, University of Missouri-Kansas City
Region VII	Beta Rho, University of Montana
Region VIII	Gamma Rho, Loma Linda University

**The 2017-2018 Most Improved Chapter Award was presented to:**

## Alpha Zeta Chapter, Purdue University.

A plaque was presented to the chapter representative. A representative of this chapter was invited to become a member of the Executive Council for the coming year.

- c. Chapter Project Proposals: President-Elect Schwartzman explained that Chapter Project Proposal(s) are awarded to chapters for their submission of chapter projects that are consistent with the mission and vision of the Society. Chapters receive a \$500 award and plaque for successful submissions.

### ***Summer 2018 Submissions***

#### Alpha Xi, University of Kentucky

“Access for All” – Reducing disparities in access to care and medical literacy for underserved populations and minorities through community engagement.

#### Pi Chapter, University of Illinois at Chicago

“Health Management for Those in Need: Pacific Garden Mission Community Outreach”

### ***Spring 2019 Submissions***

#### Delta Gamma Chapter, University of British Columbia

“Demystifying Pharmacy Research”

#### Gamma Sigma Chapter, Western University of Health Sciences

“Implementation of a Marijuana Information Center”

A plaque was presented to each chapter. The \$500 award for implementation of the project has already been presented to the chapter.

- d. 2019-2020 Rho Chi Clinical Research Scholarship  
President-Elect Schwartzman explained “The Rho Chi Clinical Research Scholarship is applied toward fellowship funding or research costs during the second year of a clinical research fellowship. She thanked Andrew Smith, Chapter Advisor for Alpha Omega Chapter, and Ellen Woods, President of the American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education, who were on the selection committee. This year’s recipient is Michelle Vu, member of Gamma Alpha Chapter, Mercer University, she is in a clinical research fellowship at the Veterans Health Administration, Center for Medical Safety and Center for Health Promotion Research and Equity, Pittsburgh, PA. Michelle could not be here, but sent her heartfelt thanks for the opportunities that this funding will provide her.”
- e. National Faculty Advisor Award: President-Elect Schwartzman explained that the National Faculty Advisor Award recognizes that Faculty Advisor who

consistently makes unique contributions to the chapter and continuously supports the chapter in all of their endeavors. The 2019 National Faculty Advisor Award was presented to:

**Bradley Hein from Beta Nu Chapter, University of Cincinnati.**

President-Elect Schwartzman explained Dr. Hein could not be present, but sent his sincere thanks to the Society and especially the selection committee for this award. An engraved plaque and honorarium will be sent to Dr. Hein.

- f. Alumni Honor Roll: President-Elect Schwartzman explained that chapters choose to honor their outstanding alumni and it is the Society's pleasure to recognize them as members of the Alumni Honor Roll. Their names will be added to the Society's website and they will receive recognition through their chapters. President-Elect Schwartzman read the names of the 2019 Chapter Alumni Honor Roll designees and asked that any present stand to be recognized.
  - Karl D. Fiebelkorn, Omega Chapter, University at Buffalo
  - Jamie Lee Miller, inducted into Beta Upsilon Chapter, Southwestern Oklahoma State University, now faculty at the University of Oklahoma and associated with Gamma Chapter
  - Mohammad A. Rattu, Beta Delta Chapter, St. John's University
  - Brian J. Werth, Rho Chapter, University of Washington
  - Bradley M. Wright, Zeta Chapter, Auburn University
4. President-Elect Schwartzman recognized Gamma Iota Chapter, Campbell University or their 25<sup>th</sup> (Silver) anniversary in 2019
5. President Meyer called Victoria F. Roche to the podium for the introduction of the Rho Chi Society Lecture Award. Dr. Roche recognized the Lecture Award Committee consisting of Dr. James Dalton, Dr. Harold Godwin, and Dr. Amy Haddad. Dr. Roche, Chair of the Rho Chi Society Lecture Award Committee, introduced 2019 Lecture Award recipient.

2019 Rho Chi Lecture Award Recipient: Mary H. H. Ensom  
"How Kindergarten Prepared you for the Challenge of  
Responsibility Leading Our Profession"

Dr. Ensom presented her lecture and President Meyer presented the 2019 Lecture Award plaque and honorarium.
6. President Meyer announced that awards portion of the program is concluded and the meeting will re-convene with Chapter Delegates and Alternates after a short intermission.

7. President Meyer asked that the Delegates and members come to order and thus, announced that the 2019 House of Delegates of The Rho Chi Society is now in session.

8. Report of the Credentials Committee:

- a. President Meyer explains: The Society's Bylaws specify that any chapter absent from three (3) consecutive Annual Meetings of the Society is declared inactive and loses all privileges including the election of new members unless and until reinstated through petition to the Executive Council.
- b. President Meyer requests that the Chair of the Credentials Committee come forward and present the preliminary report of the Committee.
- c. A representative of the Credentials Committee brings forward the envelopes of those chapters who have not signed in and reads the names of the chapters and their universities.
- d. The following eighteen chapter names were read as not having a delegate present:

Delta Xi	Chisago State University
Epsilon Zeta	Concordia University Wisconsin
Epsilon Omicron	Fairleigh Dickinson University
Gamma Zeta	Florida A&M University
Epsilon Nu	Manchester University
Gamma Nu	Midwestern University- Glendale
Delta Tau	Notre Dame of Maryland
Delta Zeta	St. John Fisher College
Gamma Delta	Texas Southern University
Gamma Mu	Texas Tech University
Delta Theta	University of Findlay
Alpha Rho	University of Kansas
Beta Rho	University of Montana
Epsilon Pi	University of North Texas Health Science Ctr
Epsilon Kappa	University of South Florida
Beta Epsilon	University of Utah
Eta	University of Wisconsin
Gamma Epsilon	Xavier University of Louisiana

President Meyer requested that, if a representative of any absent chapter(s) whose name was read is present, please proceed to the delegate sign-in table to be credentialed.

- e. President Meyer declared there to be the required 42 chapters (1/3 of active chapters) to reach a quorum.

9. Reports:

- a. National President's Report: President Meyer gave her report. The complete report will be referred to the Executive Council.

President Meyer shares the news of Dr. Michael Wincor's passing and showed a short video tribute to Dr. Wincor.

President Meyer explains the process for selection of a new executive Vice President.

President Meyer announced the Executive Council has selected a new Executive Vice President: **Dr. Karen Farris from the University of Michigan**. Dr. Farris comes to the podium and makes brief remarks.

- b. Report of the National Office: The financial summary for the Society's finances for 2018 were included in the delegate packet and is represented by pie charts for income and expenses. The National Office is in good financial shape, in part because of being hosted by an academic institution.
- c. Auditing Committee: President Meyer stated that a letter has been received from the Society's Auditing Committee (Chair Paul A. Jungnickel) stating that the financial records of the Society are in good order.

President Meyer stated that both reports will be referred to the Executive Council for detailed review.

- d. Report of the Nominations Committee: Immediate Past President Boucher, Chair of the Nominations Committee, presented the report of the Committee. The Committee was composed of Councilors from the even-numbered regions. The report of the Committee was available to delegates and advisors in advance of the meeting as a sample ballot for the offices of:

Secretary: Andrew Smith (University of Missouri – Kansas City)\*  
Shauna Buring (University of Florida)

Historian: Cynthia Phillips (University of South Carolina)

Regional Councilors:

Region 1: Karl Fiebelkorn (University of Buffalo)\*  
Maria Kostka-Rokosz (Mass College of Pharmacy  
and Health Sciences University)

Region III E: Cathy Worrall (Medical University of South Carolina)  
Krista Donohoe (Virginia Commonwealth University)

Region III S: Lori Duke (University of Georgia)  
John Bentley (University of Mississippi)

Region III W: Kim Lindsey Goodrich (Union University)\*

Zachary Cox (Lipscomb University)

Region V: Michelle Bottenberg (Drake University)\*  
David Bruch (University of Wyoming)

Region VII: Joshua Neumiller (Washington State University)\*  
Catherine Oliphant (Idaho State University)

Immediate Past President Boucher thanked the Committee and in accordance with the Bylaws called for any nominations from the floor. No additional nominations were received. (National Bylaws – 2010, Article V: *Additional nominations from the floor of the Convention may be made by any delegate who presents a biographical sketch and a signed statement from the nominee agreeing to serve, if elected.*)

10. New Business:

- a. President Meyer informed the delegates that a petition to establish a new chapter from a fully accredited college Chapman University School of Pharmacy, Irvine, California, has been received, has been reviewed by the Executive Council, and is now presented to the assembled delegates for their consideration. Delegates found letters from the eligible petitioner and the dean from the petitioning college in their packets.

President Meyer called for a motion to establish a new chapter of the Society, a second, and vote. Petition was approved. Chapman University's chapter, Epsilon Rho, is the Society's 137<sup>th</sup> chartered chapter and the 129<sup>th</sup> active chapter. President Meyer called for a representative to be seated with the delegation.

- b. President Meyer stated that the report of the Nominating Committee is the ballot for new officers of the Society included in delegate's packet. Delegates should now mark their ballots.

All delegates are eligible to vote for Secretary and Historian. Only delegates representing chapters in odd-numbered regions may vote for their respective Regional Councilor. Ballots are attached or on the reverse side of the candidates' biographical sketches.

Interim Executive Vice President Pitman and members of the Credentials Committee circulated among the delegates to collect marked ballots.

11. President Meyer introduced the Chapter Delegate Listening Session on The Centennial Planning for 2022. The delegates were asked to brainstorm the following topics at their tables:
- ways in which individual chapters might contribute to the centennial celebration;
  - strategies the Society might use to stimulate engagement in Centennial activities; and

- what enduring "products" might be produced in advance of or during the Centennial year to document our history AND set a course for the next 100 years."

Following the brainstorming session, there was a 15 min discussion session where small groups reported out their ideas to the full body of delegates. Results of this brainstorming session will be shared with the Executive Council during the meeting 3/25/19 and with the Centennial Planning Task Force.

12. President Meyer announced the result of the election and installed the newly elected officers.

Executive Vice President Karen B. Farris (University of Michigan)  
Secretary: Andrew Smith (University of Missouri-Kansas City)  
Historian: Cynthia Phillips (University of South Carolina)  
Region I Councilor: Karl Fiebelkorn (University of Buffalo)  
Region III-E Councilor: Cathy Worrall (Medical University of South Carolina)  
Region III-S Councilor: Lori Duke (University of Georgia)  
Region III-W Councilor: Zachary Cox (Lipscomb University)  
Region V Councilor: Michelle Bottenberg (Drake University)  
Region VII Councilor: Joshua Neumiller (Washington State University)

President Meyer leads the new officers in repeating the Officer's Oath. President Meyer then expressed the appreciation of the Society and its members to those Executive Council members whose service concluded at this meeting:

Historian: Victoria Roche  
And completing terms as Regional Councilor:  
Cynthia M. Phillips – Region III-East  
Dana Brown – Region III-South  
Kim Lindsey Goodrich – Region III-West

President Meyer expressed special thanks to the members of the Executive Council, to Dana Coyle and Lindsey Nokes at University of Southern California, and very special thanks to Gail Moriarty and Wayne Pittman at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

President Meyer reminded members of the Executive Council, including newly elected Regional Councilors, those completing their terms of office, and representatives from the Alpha Eta and Alpha Zeta chapters, of the Society's Executive Council meeting on Monday, March 25, 2019, at 8:30 AM in Issaquah AB in the Sheraton Seattle. Breakfast will be served.

President Meyer thanked all in attendance and adjourned the meeting at 5:30 pm.