

TAU BETA SIGMA

Northeast District Convention

Minutes from the 2011 Meetings

Held April 1-2, 2011

Hosted by James Madison University

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SECTION ONE: JOINT AND SEPARATE MINUTES

The minutes for each meeting are placed in chronological order. The following schedule was used:

Friday, April 1

Opening Joint Session
Opening Separates Session
Separates Session
Joint Session

Saturday, April 2

Separates Session
Closing Joint Session
Closing Separates Session

Opening Joint Session

Friday, April 1, 2011

Wilson Auditorium, James Madison University

The 2011 Northeast District Convention was called to order at 8:33 AM on Friday, April 1, 2011 at James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA with Stephanie Vinci, TBΣ NED President, and Brett Zawilski, KKΨ NED President, as presiding officers.

Welcome from District Presidents:

Stephanie Vinci (TBΣ) and Brett Zawilski (KKΨ)

Introduction of District Councils:

TBΣ–

President: Stephanie Vinci
Vice-President of Membership: Jackie Ziegunfus
Vice-President of Special Projects: Kat Tribulski
Secretary: Emily Myren (Sit In)
Treasurer: Kristen Ulloa
Alumni Secretary/Historian: Colleen Williams
Outgoing and Incoming Webmaster: Jesse Mayer
Outgoing Parliamentarian: Andrew Landry
Incoming Parliamentarian: Bobbie Cheetham
Counselor: Tom Franklin

KKΨ–

President: Brett Zawilski
Vice-President: Rachel Dashnaw
Secretary/Treasurer: Nicholas Rorrer
Member at Large: MariAnne Sullivan
Alumni Liaison: Meghan Bowers
Governors: Marie Burleigh and Dr. Hubert Toney

Recognition of Dignitaries by District Presidents:

TBΣ -

Kathryn Garrett Kelly, National Vice President for Special Projects, Past NED Counselor
Sue Robash Carr, TBΣAA, Past NED Counselor
Marcus Wyche, NEDAA
Steve Hrabak, NEDAA
Nicole Kemp, Past NED President and Vice President of Membership
Emily Myren, Past NED Secretary
Chris Vanacore, TBΣAA, Board of Trustees
Kristine Franklin, Past NED Vice President of Special Projects

KKΨ -

Derrick Mills, National President
Adam Cantley, National Vice President for Colonization and Membership
Christine Beason, National Vice President for Programs
Jack Lee, National Vice President for Student Affairs
Malinda Matney, Immediate Past National President
John Finnicharro, Past Vice President of Student Affairs
Mike Osborn, Chair, Board of Trustees
Chris Haughee, Trustee, Board of Trustees
Zack Humphry, Chapter Field Representative
Marcus Wyche, NEDAA President
Eric Paradis, Past NED Secretary/Treasurer
Ben Stoltoff, Past NED Secretary/Treasurer
Arlene Snow, Past Alumni Chair
Ed Savoy, Past NED President and Secretary/Treasurer, Alumni Advisory Committee
Marco Kractovich, Alumni Board
Marci Jones, Alumni Board

Call for Northeast Notes Publisher Bids

No bids received for 2011 Northeast Notes Publisher.

Call for Northeast District Convention Host Bids

Bid received for 2011 Northeast District Convention Host from:

Epsilon Rho (TBΣ) and Zeta Psi (KKΨ)
Beta Eta (TBΣ) and Gamma Xi (KKΨ)

Call for NEDAA Award Applications

Application received from Delta Delta (TBΣ)

Welcome from Host Chapter presented by host chapter co-chairs:

Kayla Payne (TBΣ) & Daniel Singer (KKΨ)

Remarks from JMU Chapter Sponsor/Assistant Director of Bands, Scott Ridders

Remarks from NEDAA presented by Marcus Wyche, NEDAA President

NEDAA Keynote Speech

Winner is Carl Mead from the Epsilon Nu chapter of KKΨ at the University of Massachusetts. Speech read by David Thaller.

General Announcements from the Floor

Remarks from NED Counselor and Governors presented by Tom Franklin and Marie Burleigh

Host Chapter Announcements

The Opening Joint Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was recessed at 9:14 AM on Friday, April 1, 2011.

TBΣ Opening Separates Session

Friday, April 1, 2011

Grafton Theatre, James Madison University

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called to order 9:40 AM on Friday, April 1, 2011 at James Madison University.

Recognition of Dignitaries

Sue Robash Carr, TBΣAA, Past NED Counselor
Chris Vanacore, TBΣAA, Past NED Treasurer
Tamara Henry, TBΣAA, Past NED Vice President and Treasurer
Kathryn Garrett Kelly, National Vice President for Special Projects, Past District Counselor
John Malkowski, Past NED Vice President
Nicole Kemp, Past NED President and Vice President of Membership
Emily Myren, Past NED Secretary
Tyra Yiare, TBΣ National Advisory Panel
Jessica Smith, Past NED Treasurer
Erica Abbey, NEDAA
Steve Hrabak, NEDAA
Kristine Franklin, Past NED Vice President of Special Projects
Trevor Angood, Western District Counselor
Anthony Barbeir, Past Western District President

Roll Call and Seating of the Delegates:

Absent: Delta Nu
Proxy to Gamma Kappa

Absent: Delta Omicron
Proxy to Epsilon Upsilon

Absent: Delta Omega
Proxy to Epsilon Rho

Absent: Epsilon Epsilon
Proxy to Zeta Upsilon

Absent: Epsilon Sigma
Proxy to Epsilon Rho

Absent: Theta Phi
Proxy to Epsilon Upsilon

Absent: Theta Pi
Proxy to Zeta Omicron

Absent: Iota Alpha
Proxy to Gamma Kappa

Absent: Iota Kappa
Proxy to Eta Rho

Absent: Iota Pi
Proxy to Zeta Omicron

***At the 2010 NED Convention, the seating rotation ended with the Delta Nu. The next chapter in the seating rotation will be Delta Omicron. At the end of roll call and delegate seating of the 2011 NED Convention, the seating rotation ended with the Zeta Omicron. The next chapter on the seating rotation will be Zeta Upsilon for the 2012 NED Convention.**

Welcome from District President & District Council delivered by Stephanie Vinci

Welcome from District Counselor, Tom Franklin

Announcement of Parliamentarian

Bobbie Cheetham from the Delta Delta chapter

Announcement of Webmaster

Jesse Mayer from the Eta Sigma chapter

Officer Announcements

Call for Spirit Banners

Call for Past Awards

Call for Golden Typewriter Submissions

Motion to Accept the 2010 Northeast District Minutes as Written:

First: Delta Nu

Second: Iota Alpha

Motion passes. The 2010 NED Minutes will be placed on file.

Announcement about Committees/Workshops

Officer Awards:

Vice President Membership: Katrina Koernig, Eta Alpha

Vice President of Service: Alana Leeti, Zeta Upsilon

Treasurer: Morgan Voth, Zeta Upsilon

Alumni Secretary/Historian:

Alumni Correspondence: Victoria Wolk, Delta Delta

National District Knowledge, Chapter: Beta Eta

National District Knowledge, Individual: Zaria Simpson, Beta Eta

District Officer Final Reports

Reports available in Section IV

Vice-President of Membership: Jackie Ziegumfus

Vice-President of Special Projects: Kat Tribulski

Treasurer: Kristen Ulloa

Alumni Secretary/Historian: Colleen Williams

Call for Officer Candidate Packets

Given to Nominations Committee

Introduction of Candidates and Overview of Election Process

Board of Trustees and National Council Presentation presented by Kathryn Garrett Kelly, National Vice President for Special Projects

TBΣAA Presentation presented by Chris Vanacore, TBΣAA Chair

General Announcements from the Floor

Host Chapter Announcements

The Opening Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was 11:10 AM recessed at on Friday, April 1, 2011.

Separates Meeting, Second Session

Friday, April 1, 2011

Grafton Theatre, James Madison University

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called out of recess at 1:33 PM on Friday April 1, 2011 at James Madison University

Roll Call of Delegates:

Absent: Delta Omicron
Proxy to Zeta Omicron

Absent: Eta Iota
Proxy to Zeta Upsilon

Absent: Theta Pi
Proxy to Eta Alpha

Women in Music Speaker: Dr. Christine Ennis Carrillo, Instructor of Music, James Madison University

Pinning and Induction of Dr. Christine Ennis Carrillo as a National Honorary Member

Nominations Committee Preliminary Report delivered by Catherine Freeman
All candidates are eligible to run.

Explanation of Election Process and Nominations Committee by Tom Franklin

General Announcements from the Floor

Announcements from Host Chapter

Announcements from Council

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was recessed at 2:25 PM on Friday April 1, 2011.

Joint Meeting, Second Session
Friday, April 1, 2011
Wilson Auditorium, James Madison University

The Joint Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called out of recess at 3:55 PM on Friday April 1, 2011 at James Madison University.

Theta Pi and Iota Pi arrive and are seated.

Preliminary Report of the Joint Committee for Convention Site and Publication
delivered by Phil Fagundes (KKΨ) and Caity Bogdan (TBΣ)

NEDAA Final Report delivered by Marcus Wyche, NEDAA President
Report available in Section XII

Motion to accept report as written

First: Eta Alpha (TBΣ)

Second: Gamma Psi (KKΨ)

TBΣ

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

KKΨ

Oppose: 2

Abstain: 2

Motion passes.

General Announcements from the Floor

Host Chapter Announcements

The Joint Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was recessed at 4:05 PM on Friday April 1, 2011.

Separates Meeting, Third Session

Saturday, April 2, 2011

Grafton Theatre, James Madison University

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called out of recess at 9:16 AM on Saturday April 2, 2011 at James Madison University.

Roll Call of Delegates:

Absent: Theta Pi
Proxy to Zeta Upsilon

Absent: Iota Pi
Proxy to Zeta Omicron

Alumni Affairs Committee Final Report presented by Ronald Cousins

Motion to accept report as written

First: Eta Chi

Second: Eta Alpha

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section VIII

Sisterhood and Spirit Committee Final Report presented by Crystal Samuels

Motion to accept report as written

First: Zeta Omicron

Second: Zeta Upsilon

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section VIII

Programs Committee Final Report presented by Allison Leemann

Motion to accept report as written

First: Beta Eta

Second: Eta Rho

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section VIII

Expansion and Membership Committee Final Report presented by Kristen Thewes

Motion to accept report as written

First: Epsilon Omega

Second: Eta Delta

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section VIII

Ways and Means Final Report presented by Pamela Cutler

Motion to accept report as written

First: Gamma Kappa

Second: Epsilon Epsilon

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section VIII

2011 – 2012 NED Proposed Budget presented by Pamela Cutler

Motion to accept the budget as proposed:

Friendly amendment to change date to 2011-2012.

First: Delta Omega

Second: Theta Phi

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Report available in Section X

Announcement about National Convention by Tom Franklin

Jurisdiction Final Report presented by Bobbie Cheetham

Motion to accept revision to 9.104

First: Eta Iota

Second: Gamma Chi

Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 3.407

First: Epsilon Sigma

Second: Eta Sigma

Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 8.204

First: Zeta Omicron

Second: Eta Delta

Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 8.101

First: Delta Nu

Second: Iota Kappa
Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 8.205
First: Delta Delta
Second: Epsilon Omega
Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 3.203
First: Eta Gamma
Second: Zeta Upsilon
Motion passes.

Motion to accept revision to 1.303
First: Theta Phi
Second: Eta Chi
Motion passes

Motion to accept report as written
First: Epsilon Rho
Second: Zeta Omicron
Oppose: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion passes.
Report available in Section VIII

District Officer Final Reports

Reports available in Section III and IV

President: Stephanie Vinci
Counselor: Tom Franklin

Nominations Final Report presented by Catherine Freeman

Motion to accept report as written
First: Eta Chi
Second: Delta Nu
Oppose: 0
Abstain: 0
Motion passes.
Report available in Section VIII

Nominations Slate presented by Catherine Freeman

President: Kristen Ulloa
VPM:
VPSP: Allison Leeman
Secretary: Victoria Wolk

Treasurer: Pamela Cutler
Alumni Secretary/Historian:

Nominations and Elections

President

Motion to open the floor for nominations for President

First: Eta Iota

Second: Iota Alpha

Floor opened for nominations of NED President:

Kristen Ulloa automatically nominated by Nominations Committee, accepts

Retention of motion to open floor for nominations for President by Stephanie Vinci

Motion to accept the nominations slate as written

First: Eta Chi

Second: Delta Omega

Oppose: Eta Alpha

Abstain: 0

Motion passes.

Motion to open the floor for nominations for President

First: Eta Rho

Second: Gamma Omega

In Favor: 13

Abstain: 9

Floor opened for nominations of NED President:

No nominations.

Floor closed for nominations of NED President.

Open elections for NED President.

Motion to accept Kristen Ulloa as NED President by acclamation

First: Eta Gamma

Second: Iota Kappa

In favor: 10

Oppose: 4

Motion fails.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District President: Kristen Ulloa

Elections closed for NED President.

General Announcements from the Floor

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was recessed at 11:44 AM on Saturday April 2, 2011.

Closing Joint Session

Saturday, April 2, 2011

Wilson Auditorium, James Madison University

The Joint Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called out of recess at 1:32 PM on Saturday April 2, 2011 at James Madison University.

Roll Call of Delegates

Host Chapter Announcements

Announcement of Precinct Dates and Locations delivered by Tom Franklin

Central Precinct: February 12, Hosted by Kappa Gamma (KKΨ) at Lehigh University

Northern Precinct: February 18, Hosted by Epsilon Nu (KKΨ) and Delta Delta (TBΣ) at University of Massachusetts

Southern Precinct: February 25, Hosted by Eta Gamma (KKΨ) and Epsilon Omega (TBΣ) at Morgan State University

Recognition of Dignitaries

Derrick Mills, KKΨ National President

2012 District Convention Site Bid Presentation:

Presentation by Beta Eta (TBΣ) and Gamma Xi (KKΨ) from University of Maryland

Question & Answer Session Followed:

Q: It is the 25th Anniversary of the NED, what will be done at this convention to celebrate this?

A: Possibly commissioning a piece with the reading band.

Q: Will the registration cost be lowered?

A: It is over estimated to make sure we are covered but it should be lowered by \$20.

Q: There are a lot of schools with pep bands during your dates; is there a way to move the convention to a later date?

A: Parking would be a problem if not hosted over spring break. We want to make it easier on everyone and have it over spring break.

Q: What is included in the budget?

A: Banquet, gifts, rentals for rooms, and other items and awards. This is overestimated.

Presentation by Epsilon Rho (TBΣ) and Zeta Psi (KKΨ) from Virginia State University

Question & Answer Session Followed:

Q: What was going on in the video?

A: We were so excited for districts that we came the week before and no one was there. We are also showing the locations.

Q: Do you have the funds?

A: Yes. We always fundraise and plan on fundraising.

Q: How many food locations on campus?

A: There are two dining halls and two other locations with food.

Q: Did you host any past precincts or districts?

A: 2010 southern precincts, 2006 NED convention

Q: How far away are hotels?

A: 5-15 minutes away.

Q: Is parking an issue?

A: No issue. It is our spring break.

Q: Will the dining halls be closed since it is spring break?

A: No.

Q: How far away is it from the northern precinct?

A: It depends on where you are coming from.

Q: What are your current finances?

A: TBΣ: \$500 and KKΨ: \$300. A lot of activities are planned to prepare for convention.

Joint Convention Site & Publication Committee Final Report presented by Phil Fagundes (KKΨ) and Caity Bogdan (TBΣ)

Beta Eta (TBΣ) and Gamma Xi (KKΨ) from University of Maryland are slated.

Report available in Section IX

Motion to accept report as written:

First: Beta Eta (TBΣ)

Second: Alpha Omega (KKΨ)

TBΣ:
Oppose: 0
Abstain: 1
KKΨ:
Oppose: 1
Abstain: 1
Motion passes.

Nominations for 2012 District Convention Site

Floor opened for nominations of district convention site.

Iota Psi (KKΨ) nominates Virginia State.
Second: Eta Chi (TBΣ)
Virginia State accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of district convention site.
Two Minute Caucus.
Ballots given to delegates for voting.

2012 District Convention Site: University of Maryland

District Daze Presentation presented by MariAnn Sullivan, KKΨ NED Member at Large,
and Kat Tribulski, TBΣ NED VPSP

Two Options were presented: Allaire State Park, NJ and Wildwood, NJ

Motion to vote for District Daze Site to be held at Wildwood, NJ on June 17th-June 19th

First: Gamma Omega (TBΣ)
Second: Gamma Psi (KKΨ)
TBΣ:
Oppose: 0
Abstain: 2
KKΨ:
Oppose: 4
Abstain: 3
Motion passes.

2011 District Daze: Wildwood, NJ on June 17th-June 19th

Final Joint Presidents Report delivered by Stephanie Vinci and Brett Zawilski

Report available in Section V

Motion to accept report as read

First: Iota Delta (KKΨ)
Second: Gamma Kappa (TBΣ)

KKΨ:

Oppose: 1

Abstain: 1

TBΣ:

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes.

General Announcements from the Floor

Motion to adjourn Joint Session

First: Eta Omicron (KKΨ)

Second: Eta Alpha (TBΣ)

KKΨ:

Oppose: 3

Abstain: 7

TBΣ:

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes.

The Joint Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was adjourned at 2:38 PM on Saturday April 2, 2011 at James Madison University.

Closing Separates Session

Saturday, April 2, 2011

Wilson Auditorium, James Madison University

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was called out of recess at 2:48 PM on Saturday April 2, 2011 at James Madison University.

Roll Call of Delegates

Absent: Epsilon Sigma
Proxy to Zeta Upsilon

Absent: Eta Iota
Proxy to Epsilon Omega

Epsilon Sigma and Eta Iota arrive and are seated.

Discussion of Election Process and Vacant Positions by Tom Franklin

Nominations and Elections

Vice President of Membership

Floor opened for nominations of NED Vice President of Membership:

Eta Delta nominates Crystal Samuels

Second: Delta Omega

Crystal Samuels accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of NED Vice President of Membership.

Open Elections for NED Vice President of Membership.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District Vice President of Membership: Crystal Samuels

Elections closed for NED Vice President of Membership.

Vice President of Special Projects

Floor opened for nominations of NED Vice President of Special Projects:

Allison Leemann automatically nominated by Nominations Committee, accepts

Delta Delta nominates Eva Gleason

Second: Eta Iota

Eva Gleason accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of NED Vice President of Special Projects.

Open Elections for NED Vice President of Special Projects.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District Vice President of Special Projects: Allison Leemann

Elections closed for NED Vice President of Special Projects.

Secretary

Floor opened for nominations of NED Secretary:

Victoria Wolk automatically nominated by Nominations Committee, accepts

Eta Gamma nominates Pamela Cutler

Second: Eta Alpha

Pamela Cutler accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of NED Secretary.

Open Elections for NED Secretary.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District Secretary: Pamela Cutler

Elections closed for NED Secretary.

Treasurer

Floor opened for nominations of NED Treasurer:

Zeta Omicron nominates Sydney Plackett

Second: Delta Nu

Sydney Plackett accepts.

Gamma Kappa nominates Rachel Grimes

Second: Eta Delta

Rachel Grimes accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of NED Treasurer.

Open Elections for NED Treasurer.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District Treasurer: Rachel Grimes

Elections closed for NED Treasurer.

Alumni Secretary/Historian

Floor opened for nominations of NED Alumni Secretary:

Iota Alpha nominates Ronald Cousins

Second: Eta chi

Ronald Cousins accepts.

Eta Alpha nominates Victoria Wolk

Second: Iota Pi

Victoria Wolk accepts.

Floor closed for nominations of NED Alumni Secretary.

Open Elections for NED Alumni Secretary/Historian.

Three minute platform presentation and two minute question and answer session.

Two Minute Caucus.

Ballots given for voting.

2011 – 2012 Northeast District Alumni Secretary/Historian: Ronald Cousins

Elections closed for NED Alumni Secretary/Historian.

Presentation of Certificates of Service to the 2010-2011 NED Council by Tom Franklin

Presentation of the Alumni Secretary/Historian Slide Show

Officer Installation led by Tom Franklin, NED Counselor

Closing Remarks

Motion to adjourn Separates Session

First: Eta Rho

Second: Beta Eta

Oppose: 1

Abstain: 0

Motion passes

The Separate Session of the 2011 Northeast District Convention was adjourned at 4:51PM on Saturday April 2, 2011.

SECTION TWO: AWARDS

Awards were handed out by members of the District Council, District Counselor and National Council throughout the convention.

Outstanding Service Award was presented by Kat Tribulski, TBΣ NED Vice President of Special Projects. It was awarded to the Zeta Upsilon chapter at West Chester University.

Music Education Awareness Award was presented by Kat Tribulski, TBΣ NED Vice President of Special Projects. It was awarded to the Eta Delta chapter at Howard University.

Unsung Hero Award was presented by Kat Tribulski, TBΣ NED Vice President of Special Projects. It was awarded to Jessaa Stewart from the Eta Gamma chapter at Boston University.

Phenomenal Sister Award was presented by Kat Tribulski, TBΣ NED Vice President of Special Projects. It was awarded to Genera Barnes from the Eta Delta chapter at Howard University.

The Golden Typewriter Award was presented by Colleen Williams, TBΣ NED Alumni Secretary/Historian. It was awarded to the Delta Delta chapter at University of Massachusetts.

The Most Spirited Chapter Award was presented by Stephanie Vinci, TBΣ NED President. It was awarded to the Eta Delta chapter at Howard University.

The Most Improved Chapter Award was presented by Stephanie Vinci, TBΣ NED President. It was awarded to the Gamma Chi chapter at Mansfield University.

The Counselor's Award was presented by Tom Franklin, TBΣ NED Counselor. It was awarded to the Beta Eta chapter at University of Maryland.

The Baton was presented by Kathryn Garrett Kelly, TBΣ National Vice President of Special Projects. It was awarded to Kat Tribulski from the Zeta Upsilon chapter at West Chester University and Stephanie Vinci from the Delta Delta chapter at University of Massachusetts.

SECTION THREE: COUNSELOR'S REPORT

Tom Franklin, TBΣ NED Counselor, presented the Counselor's Report as a powerpoint presentation during Separates Session. No written Counselor's Report was submitted.

SECTION FOUR: DISTRICT OFFICERS' REPORTS

The final reports of each district officer are represented below.

Northeast District President Final Report

My Beloved Sisters,

If someone had told me 5 years ago that I would be standing before you today as your NED President I would have laughed and called you crazy. Being a sister in Tau Beta Sigma defined my undergraduate career. I would even dare to say that being a sister taught me more than any class ever did. I was a shy membership candidate and I remember turning to my big sister and telling her that I just wanted to be invisible. She looked right at me and told me that being invisible wasn't an option if I was going to be a sister. Back then I did not understand the true meaning behind those words. The sisterhood gave me a voice and showed me that speaking out loud and standing up for myself was not only something I needed to do, but was encouraged. I began to grow in my chapter and learned that I have a natural ability to think outside the box (perhaps because I am a musician). My first office was Secretary, then Vice President of Service, and then I took the leap into being Chapter President. At that point a strange thing began to happen, Sisters started to look up to me...even fear me. I realized then that I was the example and that it was my time to encourage others as sisters had done for me. When my presidency was coming to an end in my first senior year, I knew I needed to take it to the next level and show the younger members of my chapter to step it up and not be afraid to try. I became the NED Vice President of Special Projects and helped our district expand their service to a wider base. After having that experience I knew that I wanted to be your District President. I talked with my closest colleges including Nicole Kemp, former NED President, and Stephanie Chueng, former NED Treasurer and Delta Delta Chapter President. I compiled my ideas and I hope that I have been able to take our district to the next level.

Change is a very difficult thing to accept and, the larger the group, the harder it becomes to implement. I have been truly blessed to have a council that was willing to go with change and help to bring our district to another level. Each of them has their own creative thoughts and each of them would approach me to help them bring their platforms to fruition. Jesse transformed our website...twice. He would constantly text me or message me about these ideas for cross communication to improve our district and help sisters find out what is happening across the northeast. Kat kept me on my game. She is a wonderful VPS and a fantastic Sister. She will undoubtedly do great things in her life and for our Sisterhood. Kristen and Colleen both would help me to make sure my mind was in the right place. Colleen, I love being in one on ones with you. And Kristen you saved me this week! Of course there is Tom, who I talked to on the phone and via email more times than I can count. He let me do what I felt was right and would guide me, never really telling me what to do. That is what makes a great counselor. He is always there to support me and answer my billion phone calls, but never fed me what to do with the district. And, lastly, Jackie. Jackie and I have been officers together since I can remember. She was VPM with me

when I was chapter president and watching her grow into the Sister that she came to be is amazing. She is the best VPM I have seen in a long time. She cares more about this Sisterhood and our bond than anyone I know. I look up to her. Although I am president, I would be nothing with the individuals seated with me. Thank you all for the time you put in this year and for putting up with my craziness.

Of course, I could never leave this office without thanking my chapter. Delta Delta is a great chapter and they have fully supported me in everything I have done in the Sisterhood. They keep me in check by yelling at me, "It's not all you!" But when push comes to shove, those are the people I rely on. They are my family, my best friends, and my support system. Thank you for being the wonderful Sisters you are, never stop striving for greatness.

This year has been a wonderful term. My platform, The keys to success: Efficiency, Evaluations, and Resources took off the day after I was elected. I began to think of everything I either couldn't find or didn't know we had when I was not on council. I polled our sisters to find out how the council was doing and if each of you knew about the available resources. I tried my best to make this *your* district. I hope that each of you has been able to see the changes and effort put in by myself and the council.

I wish next year's council the best of luck. Take risks. Remember that the thing you are most afraid to do is probably the thing you are most meant to do. Work together and keep each other in the loop. Each of our offices are interconnected; one could not survive without the other. And never forget the love that binds up together; far apart, close at heart.

As I leave this office, I am realizing that I am about to begin a part of my life where I am not actively involved in Tau Beta Sigma. This is a very bizarre feeling to me. Last year, Nicole Kemp said that she wished she could have majored in Tau Beta Sigma. I remember laughing and thinking to myself, I basically did. It's scary when you don't know what will come next, but the best part of life is that it is what you make of it. The end is always bittersweet. The Sisters have been everything to me, made me into the person I am today. It has truly been an honor to have been selected to serve. Thank you my sisters for allowing to spend my last senior year in the midst of such phenomenal people.

Respectfully Submitted with All my Love in the Bond,
Stephanie Vinci
Tau Beta Sigma, Delta Delta, Beta Psi Class
Northeast District President
2010-2011

Northeast District Vice President of Membership Final Report

To the Sisters of the Northeast District,

It has been an absolute honor to be selected to serve as your Vice President of Membership. I couldn't ask for a greater bunch of VPMs to have worked with. We managed to get every chapter's membership education plan reviewed, with most chapters hitting the September deadline. That's a pretty awesome accomplishment with 27 chapters. I asked a lot about Post Membership Education, and wanted to know what each chapter is doing to keep their active Sisters informed. Unfortunately, despite my searching, I was unable to locate the PME database of ideas that we add to in Expansion and Membership, but I'm hoping I was still able to give each chapter that asked a variety of good ideas for PME. I enjoyed making my online workshop about the ways you can use Project Good Member, and I think as a district we can continue to look to online communication and workshops to keep ourselves informed and communicating with each other. If you still don't know what's in Project Good Member, you should check out the video up on the shiny new NED website. The fall semester yielded some great conversations on the VPM list-serve, with topics such as Bigs and Families, and Rush and Recruitment. We utilized the Google group to our best advantage by having all important files and links in one place. Unfortunately, the functions we used most on the group are now disabled, but I hope it's a concept that can be continued with both the website and the wiggio group. Thanks must go out to this year's district council, as I definitely had a lot of fun traveling and getting to know all of you. I'll even miss Jesse's car-cam. And tom, I really enjoyed working with you this year, and I'm sorry I feel the need to yell into a speaker phone. As a sort of PSA, I'll say that getting to know Sisters from chapters very different than yours is so incredibly helpful and refreshing, and we should all make that effort.

These are my charges to the next VPM:

- Locate the PME database of ideas or create a new one based on recent expansion and membership reports and current VPM ideas
- Remind chapters of which schools without TBS they're supposed to be reaching out to
- Continue to make Project Good Member accessible to chapters

Respectfully Submitted,

Jackie Ziegenfus
Tau Beta Sigma – Delta Delta Chapter
NED VPM – Fall2010- spring2011

Northeast District Vice President of Special Projects Final Report

Dear Sisters of the NED,

I meet you today with mixed emotions. I am excited to be standing in front of you all, but sad to be leaving all of you at the end of this convention. Throughout my term I accomplished all of my platform goals and more. I've completed a list of service for the district to those chapters who choose to participate I thank you, an award list from nationals awards and district awards, helped to explain national and district projects successfully, and I also presented service projects and wksp's at all three precinct meetings and at this convention I will present a ritual workshop and carry out PPM.

I would like to thank the dedicated members before you, each one of these people have helped to bring forth an excellent districts for you and have dedicated themselves to the Ned. I would like to especially thank my travel partner Colleen Williams from Zeta Upsilon for putting up with my driving and Stephanie Vinci for serving with me for two years. My thanks also to Tom Franklin who has allowed me to serve and also who has but up with my brazen and blunt personality for the past two years.

As I leave this district convention I want to lecture you one last time about service if I may. Coming into the sisterhood I had a single sisterhood supporting me, and a big that wasn't very involved and an interesting process. I stand here today able to say I have two strong littles who have been leaders, 2 grandlittles, an adoptive big and an entire DISTRICT in front of my not a single sisterhood, this is a huge jump. As you get to my advanced age of 23 remember where you have come from. In my keynote last year I asked not to be forgotten, this year I ask you not to forget your sisters. As you graduate remember the struggle of WIM help to donate to your chapters both time and money. To the district to nationals, even if your path doesn't follow the sorority into your careers remember music in your lives.

It's not often that a group of people gets to make a large impact. We are large enough to do so. When you vote, vote for budgets that allow music education in your communities, let your children have music. As a new alumnus the best feeling I had was taking money I would have had to pay for my dues and paying it forward so my chapter could help a high school. Remember to help bands and continue service after graduation day. To those of you who are MC's or new sisters this seems worlds away but in a blink your active time is over, but don't make that mean your service to music is over. Every single person can serve in many capacities be it monetarily, time or voting. Never forget your sisters who are "coming together one and all with music in their hearts to sing out loud and be heard", even if your sisters are hours away your actions will always be heard.

It has truly been an honor to be selected to serve for the nations elite district.

Respectfully Submitted

Kat Tribulski TBS NED VPSP 2010-2011

Northeast District Secretary Final Report

A final report from the NED Secretary was not submitted this year.

Northeast District Treasurer Final Report

To the Sisters of the Northeast District,

It has been an unforgettable journey serving as your district treasurer. Working with the wonderful sisters elected to the district council has been a pleasure, and I'm glad that I can consider these sisters great friends. Throughout this past term, I have collected budgets, fundraising ideas, and spent lots of time helping develop more accurate budgets with individual treasurers. I know I have pushed a lot of treasurers to think outside the box, and I am grateful to have received so many great responses. I asked for a description of what each part of the budget was designated for; helping each treasurer re-evaluate how much they are budgeting, and as they pass this information on to their chapters next treasurer, I am confident that there will be more progress in the coming years. I have communicated with many chapters on their fundraising efforts and added to the database of fundraising ideas. I hope every chapter has enjoyed working with me, as I have thoroughly enjoyed working with everyone I have come in contact with.

In addition to working with chapters, I have revisited the NED budget and ledger system, making it more user friendly and easier for the next treasurer to jump right in. I have also developed a "how-to" for the NED treasurer manual, detailing the "little things" that a great district treasurer must know. I hope that these changes make the transition of officers that much easier.

I have served as your treasurer to the best of my ability, and I say that looking back on this term, I am proud of my accomplishments. I charge the next district treasurer to never settle for mediocrity, and to strive to always do new and better things.

And to end with thanks. Thank you to the district for giving me the opportunity to serve on your council this past term. Thank you to the council, for being a great support system the most hardworking people I know, I'm so honored I could be a part of this group. For my chapter, Eta Sigma, thank you for the support to go above and beyond our chapters needs, and to trust that I could be your president and on council simultaneously, an interesting feat to say the least. I couldn't ask for a better home.

Good luck to the next council, I hope you have a wonderful experience bettering our district.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Ulloa

Northeast District Treasurer 2010-2011

Northeast District Alumni Secretary/Historian Final Report

Hello Sisters of the Northeast District,

It has been both an honor and a privilege to serve as your NED Alumni Secretary and Historian. Continuing to expand the office of Alumni Secretary and setting the foundations for the newly added position of Historian has made this past year both challenging and rewarding. Thank you for intrusting me with this task.

I'd like to thank my fellow council members and Tom Franklin for their support, especially Kat Tribulski. I had a million questions over this past year and she has been patient and answered them all. Thank you to Chris Vanacore for working with me and setting up the alumni workshops for this convention. Thank you to Emily Myren for saving my wrists from further damage by coming to convention and taking minutes. I wouldn't be here without my big, Nicole Kemp. She has helped me to see and ideal, to seize upon it, and to follow it wherever it may lead me in Tau Beta Sigma. And last, but not least, my family, Nick Lepkowski, Kelsy Reisinger, and, especially, Alana Leeti for their support and encouragement throughout this past year.

Alumni are the backbone to this organization. If it weren't for their effort, countless hours of service, and love for Tau Beta Sigma, we wouldn't be sitting here right now. We should all be extremely grateful for their contribution. As a recent alumna myself, I have seen how the transition from active to alumni status effects sisters. It is extremely hard. You go from investing so much time and work into something and then suddenly nothing. I honestly didn't know what to do with myself for awhile. I needed a step down program. Luckily I was still involved on the district level, but obviously not everyone has that opportunity. My main goal for the office of Alumni Secretary was to promote alumni involvement on the chapter and district level. They should be rewarded for their hard work. There should be ways for them to still be involved. I worked with TBSSA to provide workshops geared towards alumni's needs and wants. There will be three during this year's convention and I hope that this continues and grows in the future. I also listened to the alumni responses from the NED Alumni Survey I sent out asking for an alumni only list serve. There is now one on Google and it currently has 32 members and hopefully will continue to grow also.

I also sent out various ways to get more alumni involvement on the chapter level through the Alumni Secretaries list serve and Turtle Talk. It is extremely sad when alumni feel ignored or forgotten. I created a database that includes planning alumni events, creative communication ideas, and how to find missing alumni to help Alumni Secretaries. I encourage all alumni to communicate with their chapter and I encourage all actives to communicate with their alumni. They are a great resource for information, fundraising, and service. Ask them for help and they will do as much as they can to help you. I also encourage all alumni and graduating seniors to join one of the alumni associations, especially if you want to stay involved. They have various opportunities to socialize, network, and do service.

I was so excited when I found out that the position of Historian was going to be added to this office. History is one of my passions and I was honored to be the first Tau Beta Sigma Historian for the Northeast District. Having been the Historian for Zeta Upsilon for two years I had the knowledge and work ethic to build the foundation for this new position, which will ensure its success in the future. My main goals for this side of my office was to fill in as much missing information as possible, restore and digitalize NED documents, and promote NED history. I am happy to say that most the documents have been restored and have digital backups. After much research and investigating I have filled in as much missing information as I could over the past year. I wanted to make NED history fun, so I decided to create the fun fact trivia game over the list serve to see how much information we all know and to educate those of us who didn't know much. I hope you all learned at least one knew thing about our district through this activity and I hope to see this activity continued in the future. Our past *is* a history bold and we should be knowledgeable about it. It serves as a reference and a learning tool. It shows us how awesome the Northeast District really is and without it we wouldn't be the "Nation's Elite District" that we are today. Be proud of where we came from and our journey and always remember no matter how big or small, you all are a part of this history.

I charge the next Alumni Secretary/Historian to continue to promote alumni involvement on the chapter and district level, to promote NED history and continue the fun fact trivia, to continue to research and document our history, and continue to build upon the foundation of the new historian duties of this office.

I charge the district to build upon their knowledge of NED history and to make next year's fun fact trivia even more competitive than it was this year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Colleen Williams
Tau Beta Sigma Life Member # 2889
Northeast District Alumni Secretary/Historian 2010-2011

SECTION FIVE: JOINT PRESIDENTS' REPORT

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of the Northeast District,

We, as the Presidents of the Northeast District of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma, want to first and foremost thank each and every one of you for your attendance at this convention and for all of your participation and efforts over the past year. We have had an amazing time this year, and we hope that you have, too.

We started out the term quite strong in a meeting with the Presidents, Governors, and Counselor for the Northeast District while at the National Convention in Phoenix, Arizona this past summer. It was there that the bunch of us sat and decided that we needed a concrete set of goals for the joint organization that we as your Presidents would see through. We wanted an action plan that we could give to all of you- with ideas and resources to make our joint chapters and our joint district stronger and more united.

We brainstormed five specific projects to carry out for the year, and though not every single one of them was a hit, it was a great start that we were determined to offer programs that would help us to celebrate one another in the Bond. We created a Joint Celebration Week, a Joint Music Appreciation Month, Joint Service ideas, a expansion of the Reading Band to a District Intercollegiate Band, and transforming the Joint Step-show to a Joint Showcase Event.

We'd like to highlight that our Joint Celebration Week was a great success with us having each chapter post pictures up on facebook to highlight ways that they celebrate one another. Our District Intercollegiate Band was a bit too much to take on, and so we transformed the Reading Band to include Student Conductors, though we would like to charge that the next set of councils really dive into the idea of holding a District Intercollegiate Band.

More importantly than the specifics of each of the projects that we laid out, were the lessons that we learned working together as Joint Presidents. We came into the term fully intending to work together in the best way that we could, and anyone who has worked with us would hopefully tell you that we were great partners. A great respect for one another and each of our ideas was always on focus, and we always worked with the greater goal of the Joint District in mind. Furthermore, we developed a lovely friendship ourselves and were able to have a lot of fun this year. This carried over into much of our joint councils, particularly in the work of planning the District Daze and the Conventions. We decree that in terms of our Joint Councils, we have had a wonderfully successful year.

Thank you all for your wonderful love and support throughout the year. Let all of our successes carry over and our Joint District and Joint Chapters continue to grow and celebrate one another!

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Vinci, TBS NED President, and Brett Zawilski, KKΨ NED President

SECTION SIX: COMMITTEE WORKSHOPS

There were no notes from Specific Committee Workshops this year. All committee business is given in the committee's final reports.

SECTION SEVEN: COMMITTEE CHARGES

The following section lists the charges for each committee. The chair, advisor and delegates were assigned by the District President. The charges were outlined by last year's committee, and new charges were added by the 2010-2011 NED Council.

Expansion and Membership: *Kristen Thewes- Chair, Jackie Ziegenfuss - Advisor*

Charges for the 2011 Expansion and Membership Committee:

1. Review the NED Constitution
2. Review the 2010 NED Expansion and Membership reports
3. Discuss briefly chapters' involvement with district membership programs, and how to expand;
4. Make a list of ways that chapters could go about visiting schools without TBS and expand
5. Keep updated database of schools contacted for expansion
6. Update the Post Membership Education database of ideas
7. Create ways to help chapters (big and small) to help one another to help recruit based on both quality and quantity
8. Discuss colony progress if there are any at the time of convention

Nominations: *Catherine Freeman- Chair, Tom Franklin - Advisor*

Charges for the 2011 Nominations Committee:

1. Review district and national constitution
2. Carefully investigate eligibility of candidates for election
3. Review/create questions to interview candidate (general, president, VPM, VPSP, treasurer, alumni secretary, secretary)
4. Conduct the meet the candidate session
5. Interview all candidates found eligible
6. Create a slate of recommended candidates

Ways and Means: *Pamela Cutler- Chair, Kristen Ulloa- Advisor*

Charges for the 2011 Ways and Means Committee:

1. Review the 2010 NED Constitution
2. Review the 2010 Committee Report
3. Perform Audit
4. Review and Recommend a budget for 2010-2011
5. Match all Joint Line Items with Kappa Kappa Psi if necessary
6. Create a list of individual chapter's successful fundraisers

7. Brainstorm ideas for the 2010-2011 district fundraiser to be researched by the incoming District Treasurer
8. Try to experiment with fundraisers that do not need support from the band programs or individual chapters
9. Request that each individual chapter participates in District fundraising.

Sisterhood and Spirit: *Crystal Samuels- Chair, Emily Myren- Advisor*

Charges for the 2011 Sisterhood and Spirit Committee

1. To come up with different ways to help actives communicate with alumni
2. Come up with ways to better joint relations.
3. Make a NED unity movement (by step or chants).
4. What social activities can closer sister bonds within a chapter
5. Continue sisterhood spirit contest.

Programs Committee: *Allison Leemann - Chair, Kat Tribulski- Advisor*

The charges for the 2011 Programs Committee are as follows:

1. Evaluate the Website
2. Evaluate the Joint and TBS only Listservs
3. Reviews the golden typewriter requirements
4. Review Precinct and District Convention
5. Review and update the Life Membership Scholarship as needed
6. Evaluate new programs proposed by the District Counselor, President or District Council
7. Create new projects for NED
8. Review 2010 NED Constitution
9. Review NED Programs including
 - a. Precinct Convention
 - b. District Convention
 - c. Sisterhood Week
 - d. District Daze
10. Review NED service projects and update service database as needed

Jurisdiction: *Bobbie Cheetam - Chair, Jessica Smith- Advisor*

The 2011 Jurisdiction Committee is charged to:

1. Review section on District Convention, make sure it aligns with newly written Precinct section.
 2. Review 1st edition of Guide to Policy and Procedure
 3. Include in the constitution a presentation on a chapter's qualifications to publish Northeast
- Notes to match the KKΨ Constitution

Alumni Affairs: *Ronald Cousins- Chair, Colleen Williams- Advisor*

The 2011 Alumni Affairs Committee is charged to:

1. Review newly instated Historian duties
2. Evaluate NEDAA and new activities they have done throughout the year
3. Review projects done by the Alumni Secretary/Historian
4. Discuss ways to encourage alumni to obtain a Life Membership when the price changes to \$500
5. Review alumni events and workshops available at all precincts and district Convention

Joint Committees

Convention Site and Publication *Phil Fagundes(KKΨ) and Caity Bogdan (TBΣ)- Chairs, (KKΨ)- Advisor*

For the 2011 Joint Convention and Publication Committee we have the following charges:

1. Review all complete bids for district convention and recommend one site for the 2012 NED Convention
2. Review all complete bids for the publishing of Northeast Notes and recommend one host chapter for the publication
3. Review sites for District Daze
4. Review the Northeast District Constitution as it pertains to convention sites and publications.

SECTION EIGHT: COMMITTEE REPORTS

In accordance with the district Constitution Section 2.801, the following committees were active and have submitted oral reports to the delegation along with their written summaries below: Expansion and Membership, Nominations, Programs, Ways and Means, Sisterhood and Spirit, Alumni Affairs, and Jurisdiction.

Note, no special committees were appointed under the direction of the District President.

Expansion and Membership

Expansion and Membership Committee
April 1, 2011

Chaired by Kristen Thewes – Eta Sigma
Advised by Jackie Ziegenfus – Delta Delta, NED VPM '10-'11

The 2011 Expansion and Membership Committee was charged to:

1. Review the NED Constitution
2. Review the 2010 NED Expansion and Membership reports
3. Discuss briefly chapters' involvement with district membership programs, and how to expand;
4. Make a list of ways that chapters could go about visiting schools without TBS and expand
5. Keep updated database of schools contacted for expansion
6. Update the Post Membership Education database of ideas
7. Create ways to help chapters (big and small) to help one another to help recruit based on both quality and quantity

1. Review the NED Constitution

8.201 The Expansion/Membership Committee shall be charged with the recruitment of new members and new colonies. At the discretion of the committee chair and advisor, the committee may split into an Expansion subcommittee and a Membership subcommittee in order to accomplish the goals set forth.

- a. The Expansion/Membership Committee shall be responsible for the continual development of membership education according to the national guidelines, and address issues regarding membership education at the chapter and district levels. This committee will also be charged with discussing

possibilities for expansion, identifying potential locations for new colonies and assisting current colonies with issues pertinent to them. This subcommittee may meet jointly with the Expansion Committee of Kappa Kappa Psi as necessary.

We reviewed the appropriate section of the NED constitution, shown above, and determined no changes were necessary.

2. Review the 2010 NED Expansion and Membership reports

During the committee meeting we have reviewed the information in the 2010 report and determined changes where needed which are discussed below.

3. Discuss briefly chapters' involvement with district membership programs, and how to expand

- Promote programs such as Project Good Member by editing membership program materials for public use and then putting them online. The original version should be accessible to the VPM's only.
- Utilize the corresponding secretary on the chapter level to make sure the officers are on the respective district listserv.
- Control the NED listserv email overflow so that the information is pertinent. Doing this makes Sisters is more likely to see important e-mails about membership.
- Project Good Member information could be passed down to each chapter's VPM by the previous VPM.
- Chapters can add to Project Good Member and send additions to the district VPM.
- Snail mail copies can be an option for chapters who request it

4. Make a list of ways that chapters could go about visiting schools without TBS and expand

- Chapters can request that their band director contact other school's directors.
- Chapters don't need to rely on contacting only band directors of schools without Tau Beta Sigma . They can contact students from the school, as well as department heads and deans.
- Chapters can travel as a chapter to visit band members from those schools.
- Chapters can see if the perspective school's Kappa Kappa Psi chapter is supportive of the colonization of Tau Beta Sigma and would be willing to help spark an interest in band members.
- Chapters can introduce themselves to visiting or home bands at games when universities are playing each other.

5. Keep updated database of schools contacted for expansion

We have changed the list of chapter relations as follows:

Delta Delta- University of Delaware / College of the Holy Cross

Delta Nu-University of Southern Maine

Delta Omicron-Allegany University/ Shippensburg University

Epsilon Rho-Virginia Commonwealth University/ Old Dominion University/
Virginia Union
Epsilon Sigma-Old Dominion/Christopher Newport University
Epsilon Upsilon – Susquehanna University
Epsilon Omega-Coppin State
Zeta Omicron – Radford/ University of Mary Washington
Zeta Upsilon-Villanova/ Temple University
Eta Alpha- College of St. Rose
Eta Gamma – Holy Cross
Eta Delta-Georgetown University/University of the District of Columbia/George
Washington University
Eta Iota-University of Delaware/ University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Eta Sigma-Catholic University
Eta Chi- Central Connecticut
Theta Phi-Christopher Newport University / College of William and Mary
Gamma Kappa- Central Connecticut/ Stonybrook
Gamma Chi-Performing Arts College of Pennsylvania
Gamma Omega- Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Cornell University has been removed from Eta Alpha's relations due to the fact that Cornell's band program is student run and hard to get in touch with. Eta Alpha has been trying to contact Cornell for 4 or 5 years and has been unsuccessful. They believe that contacting St. Rose would be more beneficial.

University of Massachusetts Lowell was removed from Delta Delta's relations due to the fact that University of Massachusetts Lowell is not allowed to have Greek Organizations. They will contact the University of Delaware and Holy Cross instead.

6. Update the Post Membership Education database of ideas

- Games and workshops about Roberts Rules
- Study sessions for Sisters as well as MCs – this can include games and snacks
- Competition-based learning – such as 'Battle of the Classes'
- Requiring Big Sisters to pass Membership Education tests before they can receive a little
- Workshops where MCs teach active sisters
- Hazing workshops with skits and discussions
- Having Sisters evaluate themselves and reflect on their progress using the 8 & 5 as a guide

7. Create ways to help chapters (big and small) to help one another to help recruit based on both quality and quantity

- Evaluate other chapters' sets of guidelines for handing out bids and determine if it fits with your chapter at that time
- Base recruitment of members off the 8 & 5
- Advertise using the phrase 'it is an honor to be selected to serve'

- Strengthen relationships between you and your Big Sister chapter as support
- Host workshops held by a Sister from another Chapter
- Work events into your schedule in which you invite other chapters to attend
- Create an excel spreadsheet of chapters close to you, what their numbers of active members are like, and see if either(a) you'd like them to help you recruit (b) you'd like to offer help in their recruitment

Charges for the 2011 Expansion and Membership Committee:

1. Review the NED Constitution.
2. Review the 2011 NED Expansion and Membership reports.
3. Discuss how chapters can improve participation within district membership programs.
4. Make a list of ways chapters could visit/communicate with schools that do not have Tau Beta Sigma, in order to spark an interest in colonization.
5. Update the database of schools contacted for expansion.
6. Update the database with Post Membership Education ideas.
7. Create a list of ways that chapters, both big and small, can assist themselves and each other in recruitment, based on quality and quantity.
8. Discuss ways to keep MCs informed about and involved in District Events.
9. Discuss colony progress if there are any at the time of convention.

Charges for the 2010-2011 NED VPM

- 1) Revise and continue Project Good Member, and combine it with the Guide to Being an active Sister to create a single document.
- 2) Encourage chapters to reach out to their big and/or little Sister chapters.
- 3) Make Project Good Member / Guide to Being an Active Sister easily accessible to the District.

Respectfully Submitted,

Committee Chair – Kristen Thewes , Eta Sigma

Advisor – Jackie Ziegenfus, Delta Delta, NED VPM '10-'11

Committee Members

Katie Sclafani, Zeta Upsilon

Tenisha Taylor, Epsilon Rho

Debra Luckett , Eta Iota

Juleesa Crankfield, Eta Iota

Shekinah Rauizee, Eta Iota

Heather Llewellyn, Epsilon Upsilon

Emily McCosby, Gamma Omega

Corry Lynn Casperson, Gamma Omega

Katrina Koerting, Eta Alpha

Janay Johnson, Eta Delta
Debra Samuel, Eta Delta
Eriesha Artis, Iota Pi
Chelsea Johnson, Gamma Chi
Michelle Minnich, Zeta Omicron
Fallon Kiehl, Eta Gamma
Beth Schwartz, Beta Eta
Kristine Schumacher, Beta Eta

Nominations

Nominations

Chaired by Katherine Freeman

Advised by Tom Franklin

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your nominations chair and thank you to the candidates who submitted packets.

Charges for the 2011 Nominations Committee:

1. Review the district and national constitution
2. Carefully investigate eligibility of candidates for election
3. Review/create questions to interview candidates (general, president, VPM, VPSP, treasurer, alumni secretary/historian, secretary)
4. Conduct the meet the candidate session
5. Interview all candidates found eligible
6. Create a slate of recommended candidates

The Committee read the charges and executed each as follows:

1. Reviewed and discussed the District and National Constitution in regards to the requirements to determine eligibility of office candidates. To be found eligible for office each candidate must:

3.2 Candidacy (2008 NED constitution)

3.201 A candidate for District Office shall be an Active member of a chapter in the Northeast District, regardless of permanent residence when elected.

3.202 A candidate for District Office shall have completed one (1) semester of active membership in the sorority and served as an officer or head of a committee.

3.203 A candidate who wishes to be slated for District Office must submit ten (10) copies of the following to the Nominations Committee, one (1) copy of each must also be submitted to each delegate, and District President prior to the close of first separates:

- a. A letter of intent
- b. One (1) letter of recommendation from the chapter
- c. One (1) from either the Chapter's Sponsor or Director of Bands
- d. A resume of her activities and qualifications.

2. Investigated the eligibility of the candidates for election.

Candidates

- President
 - Kristen Ulloa - eligible
- VPSP
 - No candidates
- VPM
 - No candidates

- Secretary
 - Victoria Wolk – eligible
 - Allison Leeman – eligible
 - Pamela Cutler - eligible
- Treasurer
 - No candidates
- Alumni Secretary
 - No candidates

3. Discussed and revised interview questions

Questions:

President

- How would you delegate responsibility within the councils?
- How would you work to maintain good joint relations with the district KKPsi council?
- How well can you communicate and work with other districts?
- What can you bring to the council that is unique about your chapter experience?

VPM

- How would you encourage different chapters of different sizes in the district to participate?
- What support do you offer small chapters?
- How familiar are you with MEPs from other chapters? Do you have active communication with other chapters?
- Describe some plans you have to reach out to individual VPMs.

VPSP

- What projects from the current VPSP would you like to continue?
- How would you work to continue Project Protect Music?

Treasurer

- If there were two fundraisers that you would choose to be beneficial for the district, what would they be? Please elaborate.
- How do you plan to spread budget awareness to chapters across the district?
- How would you communicate between chapters with good fiscal responsibility/good fundraising and chapters with little money?

Secretary

- How would you refine the pen pal system to encourage more chapters to participate?
- How would you encourage intra-chapter communication within Tau Beta Sigma and jointly with Kappa Kappa Psi?
- How would you use social media to communicate within the district?
- How active would you be on the listserv/how would you communicate

other than the listserv?

Alumni Secretary/Historian

- How do you plan to improve alumni relations within a specific chapter?
- How do you plan to continue with the fun facts and how will you change or improve it?
- What do you plan on doing to preserve our district history?
- How would you help chapters preserve/know/keep their history?
- How would you deal with the different “attitudes” of alumni such as overly involved all the way to wanting nothing to do with the chapters?

General Questions

- Are you in good standing with your chapter? If so, have you been active for at least one semester? If you are a graduating senior, would you have intentions to apply for life membership? If you are a graduating senior, will you still reside in the district?
- Can you commit enough time to travel and to your office?
- Would you accept a nomination to another position, and which one?
- What type of leadership qualities do you have?
- What is a difficult leadership experience you’ve had and how did you handle it?
- How accessible/open to communication are you?
- What online tools would you use if elected?

4. The Committee conducted the meet and greet the candidate session:

Duties of committee for separates

- Saturday separates AM: meet the candidates
- 30 minutes total for candidates to speak and do question and answers
 - 2 minutes to talk per candidate
 - 3 minutes of question and answer per candidate
 - If more than one candidate is running for a position, then both candidates speak (2 minutes each) and the answer questions together (6 minutes for question and answer). This would allow for a 10 minute block for the two candidates.

5. The Committee interviewed all candidates:

- Notify candidates of interview times during Friday afternoon separates.

6. The Committee created a slate of recommended candidates:

2011-2012 Tau Beta Sigma Northeast District Convention Harrisonburg, VA candidates from Nominations Committee:

President: Kristen Ulloa

Vice President of Membership: No candidate

Vice President of Special Projects: Allison Leeman

Secretary: Victoria Wolk

Treasurer: Pamela Cutler

Alumni Secretary/Historian: No candidate

7. The Committee sent the following recommendations to the Jurisdiction committee:
 - Have candidates submit their packets by 3 pm the first day of convention to have the ability to be slated.
 - Submit one digital copy of platform and 5 additional paper copies for the nominations committee in addition to the copies for each delegate.
 - Have President, VPM, and VPSP be active for at least two semesters to be eligible to run.

Committee Responsibilities:

Make charges for the next year, follow same format as years previous.

1. Slate needs to be in a separate document
2. Send minutes, questions, slate, etc. to nedconvention@yahoo.com by separates Saturday morning

Charges for the 2012 Nominations Committee:

1. Review the district and national constitution
2. Carefully investigate eligibility of candidates for election
3. Review/create questions to interview candidates (general, president, VPM, VPSP, treasurer, alumni secretary/historian, secretary)
4. Conduct the meet the candidate session
5. Interview all candidates found eligible
6. Create a slate of recommended candidates

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Freeman, Eta Chi – Committee Chair

Sarah Hines – Beta Eta

Ben Carraher – Gamma Kappa

Renee Gafford – Zeta Omicron

Angelina Decristofaro – Eta Chi

Tom Franklin, NED Counselor - Advisor

Ways and Means

Ways and Means

Chair:

Pamela Cutler – Eta Alpha

Adviser:

Kristin Ulloa – Eta Sigma

NED Treasurer 2010-2011

Duties of the Committee Outlined by the NED Constitution:

- 8.206 The Ways and Means Committee shall submit an annual budget for the allocation of funds. In addition, the Ways and Means Committee shall consider district fund-raising possibilities, bookkeeping innovations, and other related items as charged. Revision and implementation of reimbursement deadlines shall be considered and charged to the Jurisdiction Committee as needed. The Ways and Means Committee shall also conduct an annual audit of the District Books.

Charges for the 2011 Ways and Means Committee:

1. Review the 2010 NED Constitution
2. Review the 2010 Committee Report
3. Perform Audit
4. Review and Recommend a budget for 2010-2011
5. Match all Joint Line Items with Kappa Kappa Psi if necessary
6. Create a list of individual chapter's successful fundraisers
7. Brainstorm ideas for the 2010-2011 district fundraiser to be researched by the incoming District Treasurer
8. Try to experiment with fundraisers that do not need support from the band programs or individual chapters
9. Request that each individual chapter participates in District fundraising.

Discussion:

The Committee reviewed the NED Constitution and saw that there need not be and changed to the duties of the Ways and Means Committee or the Duties of the District Treasurer.

The Committee reviewed the 2010 committee report.

The Committee performed an audit for the 2010-2011 budgets and proposed a budget for 2011-2012.

Budget

The Committee created a list of fundraisers that have worked well for their individual chapters. They are as follows:

Pi Day – Hosted halfway through the marching band season; Allowed band members to pitch various band staff and leadership

Female Auction – Female members auction themselves to complete tasks such as going on a date or clean a house

TBSnacks – Selling food to marching band members

Cymbal Run – Sisters walked around with cans to collect money; the more money raised, further a member would run down the football field while banging cymbals

Snack room inside music school – Sisters would sell snacks inside the music school so students did not have to leave the building; competed with vending machines by purchasing bulk foods to offer lower prices

Band Survival Kits – Kits included snacks, waterbottles, pins, dot books; allowed members to purchase at the beginning of band camp

Stress Baskets – sold during finals weeks to members of the band; allowed for parents to purchase for their student

Coloring in the Cage – Sold water at a spring colorguard event

Birthday Cakes – bake cakes for members of the band

Late Night Bite – sold food to band members after rehearsal

Womanless Beauty Pageants – Men compete in a Q&A, talent, fashion; attendance members pay \$1 per vote

Student Section Penny Wars – Students vote for which pep tone they would like the band to add to their repertoire

Work at Concession Stand – Major event centers allow groups to work at concession stand to earn money

Relay for Life – walk around with empty soda bottles asking for loose change to donate

Stick to a wall – duck tape members to a wall, and raise money to see how long they will remain up

Karaoke Night – admission for attending event

Interaction live game show – recreate games shows such as “Whose line is it anyways”, or “Family Feud”

\$0.50 Bake Sales – price items at \$0.46 cents; customers usually do not want loose change and keep a profit of the extra pennies

Sponsoring a free activity to see if there is interest; redo the activity as a fundraising event by charging admission

The Committee discussed fundraisers to be considered by the 2011-2012 NED Treasurer. They are as follows:

Pie in the Face – auction NED officers for the chance to pie them in the face

Product Sale - Sell items with a Tau Beta Sigma design printed; survey the District what items sisters are most interested in purchasing; examples include umbrellas, tote bags, laptop bags, accessories

NED History booklet – Compile our NED history into a booklet for chapters to purchase

The Committee discussed fundraisers that do not need support from the band programs or individual chapters. They are as follows:

Campusfundraiser.com – Free online site that allows members to take surveys to earn cash

igive.com – A search bar that allows members to earn money for each online search

Car Wash – to be done during the fall or spring

Walmart Fundraiser – stand outside Walmart stores asking for donations; some locations will match amount raised

Can Recycling – In states that are applicable, return soda cans & bottles; also can collect can tabs

Ink Recycling – Ask businesses to donate empty toner, or ink cartage to return for profit

The Committee discussed unsuccessful fundraisers that have not worked well for their individual chapters. They are as follows:

Tabling in the Student Center – students usually don't stop to check out tables

Pictures with Santa – tried to earn money for taking photos with Santa during the Holiday season

Hoagie fundraiser – lack of interest from marching band to purchase sandwiches

Reselling fabrics – old fabrics resold in Student Center; ended up only brothers and sisters were purchasing fabrics from each other

Movie Night – unsuccessful at selling snacks at the screening of a film

Avoid fundraisers that draw too much from the band programs

The Committee discussed ways to promote fundraisers held by individual chapters. They are as follows:

Posters posted all around campus; approval may be need on certain university/college campuses

Chalk the sidewalk

Chapter or band listserv

Announcements during marching band practice

Sisters stand with posters to advertise fundraisers while they occur

The Committee encourages the NED to participate in the current 2010-2011 fundraiser.

Charges for the next Ways and Means Committee:

1. Review the 2011 NED Constitution
2. Review the 2011 Committee Report
3. Perform Audit
4. Review 2011-2012 budget and recommend a budget for 2012-2013
5. Match all Joint Line Items with Kappa Kappa Psi if necessary
6. Create a list of individual chapter's successful fundraisers
7. Brainstorm ideas for the 2012-2013 district fundraiser to be researched by the incoming District Treasurer
8. Try to experiment with fundraisers that do not need support from the band programs or individual chapters
9. Request that each individual chapter participates in District fundraising.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Cutler – Eta Alpha
Chair

Kristin Ulloa – Eta Sigma
Advisor

Committee Members

Eva Gleason – Delta Delta
Morgan Voth – Zeta Upsilon
Malaka Koonce – Epsilon Rho
Kaitlyn Geary – Delta Delta
Brittany McKie – Epsilon Rho
Rachael Grimes – Gamma Chi
Jasmine Scott – Eta Delta
Veronica Edwards – Eta Delta
Shoshana Levine - Eta Gamma
Emily Laughren – Eta Gamma

Sisterhood and Spirit
Tau Beta Sigma
National Honorary Band Sorority, Inc.

From the Desk of the Sisterhood and Spirit Committee Chair:

The Sisterhood and Spirit committee is established to create enthusiasm at districts through spirited activities and bonding. It is also responsibility of this committee to keep spirits up during districts and provide chapters with unique ways to increase chapter relations.

The 2011 Sisterhood and Spirit Committee was charged to:

1. To come up with different ways to help actives communicate with alumni.
2. Come up with ways to better joint relations.
3. Make a NED unity movement (by steps or chants).
4. Perform social activities that can closer sister bonds within a chapter.
5. Continue sisterhood spirit contest.

In response to the charges, we have a list of suggestions for each chapter to try. Since social networks seem to be a growing way to communicate, we suggest that each chapter form a facebook and or twitter page. This page will be open to alumni and will be a great way to keep them involved with current chapter activities. We also concluded that an updated phone tree with emails will be helpful. This list could possibly be used to establish pen pals with the alum and will help keep the information and history current.

To improve joint relations, it was suggested that each chapter have at least one joint activity with their brother chapter, in addition to one joint meeting. Cross organization families would also be a way to establish a tighter bond.

To improve chapter relations amongst sister, it was suggested that at least one holiday party is thrown per year. Pick a day that means the most to your chapter and celebrate it with your sisters. Date nights and chapter retreats are also a great way to keep your sisterhood alive in among the actives.

The unity step for this year's committee was an alphabet step! It was taught to everyone on the committee and was suggested as a creative way to teach the Greek alphabet to membership candidates.

In continuing sisterhood and spirit, we reviewed the official cheer of Tau Beta Sigma. We also judged the banner competition and while all eight submissions were nice, it was decided that the Eta Alpha Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma was the 2011 banner competition winner!

We charge the 2012 Sisterhood and Spirit committee to:

1. Create a spirit box. This box will be used to submit compliments to other

- chapters.
2. Provide one random act of kindness before the end of district convention
 3. Discuss ways to effectively plan joint social
 4. Define what sets our district apart from others and make up and NED chant
 5. Continue sisterhood and spirit contest

We charge the 2011-2012 District Council to:

1. Have more icebreakers at the beginning of separates and joints.
2. Increase the number of team building workshops
3. Plan a set of fun activities to be called the “Districts Relays”
4. To have an arts and crafts station to make pins, cards, and other fun gifts for sister, brothers, and or new members in the bond.

We charge each chapter in the NED to:

1. Improve joint relations
2. Make a name for yourself! This is something that your chapter can be known by.

We suggest using the first letter in your chapter name as a start.

Ex. Eta Sigma would use “Hot & Sassy” or Eta Delta would be “Elegant Divas.”

Overall, this committee had a lot of great ideas and fun while planning ways to help our district thrive. We hope the next committee has just as much fun.

Respectfully Submitted,

Crystal Samuel- Eta Delta
Committee Chair

Emily Myren- Zeta Upsilon
Committee Advisor

2011 Sisterhood and Spirit Committee Members

Amanda Weiser- Epsilon Upsilon
Charissa Moye- Eta Delta
Ashley Jones- Eta Sigma
Porsche Hancock- Eta Delta
Camille Crichlow- Eta Iota
Angela Johnson- Eta Delta
Marnae Brown- Epsilon Rho
Asia Quick- Eta Delta
Susan Davis- Eta Rho
Ashley Butler- Eta Rho
Casey Wesselman- Eta Rho

Phylicia Townes- Epsilon Omega
Catherine Marner- Epsilon Omega
Keigenley Clark- Zeta Omicron
Taylor Light- Zeta Omicron
Cassie Broschious- Gamma Chi
Alana Leeti- Zeta Upsilon
Christine Jenkins- Eta Delta
Victoria Samuels- Eta Delta
Jerrica Jeint- Iota Pi
Emily Myren- Zeta Upsilon (advisor)

Epsilon Omega Membership Candidates:

Jameela Hendricks
Janelle Stewart
Laura Edet
Erica Ennis

Programs

Programs Committee - 4/1/11

The charges for the 2011 Programs Committee are as follows:

1. Evaluate the Website
2. Evaluate the Joint and TBS only Listservs
3. Reviews the golden typewriter requirements
4. Review Precinct and District Convention
5. Review and update the Life Membership Scholarship as needed
6. Evaluate new programs proposed by the District Counselor, President or District Council
7. Create new projects for NED
8. Review 2010 NED Constitution
9. Review NED Programs including
 - a. Precinct Convention
 - b. District Convention
 - c. Sisterhood Week
 - d. District Daze
10. Review NED service projects and update service database as needed.

Programs Committee reviewed the minutes of NED Program Committee 2010 and approved them.

The Committee reviewed the 2010 NED Constitution, particularly section 8.205. Our suggestions which will be submitted to the Jurisdiction Committee include:

- Changing the word "District President" to "District Council" in 8.205 so it would read, "The Programs Committee shall review the Chapter Operations Materials Binder, and shall propose any necessary revisions. The Programs Committee shall review and revise the job descriptions of existing District Officers and create job descriptions for any proposed offices, first determining whether the new office is necessary to the operation of the District. Finally, the Programs Committee shall consider and/or review new programs as charged by the District Council."

The Programs Committee reviewed the website (tbsned.org). Suggestions will be passed on to the District Webmaster and include:

- Complete pages for District History and District Council
- Complete biography of District Officers

Programs Committee reviewed the TBS and Joint list-servs. We feel that the Wiggio group is very organized and it is easy to access information. The Joint list-serv has even discussion between organizations, but is difficult to gain access to. Suggestions for improvement include:

- a "How-to use the Wiggio group" instruction set (Ex: How to respond to emails without responding to the entire list-serv, etc.)
- creating a joint Wiggio group for the Joint list-serv

Programs Committee reviewed the requirements for Golden Typewriter. We feel that the electronic media is a positive change from last year's requirements and that it allows more creativity and easier access to information. A concern we have is that facebook correspondence can be impersonal and lack quality. We recommend the requirements remain the same and the NED Secretary be able to adjust them as necessary.

Programs Committee reviewed the Life Membership Scholarship requirements. Currently they are as follows:

1. Letter of recommendation from either your Sponsor or Director of Bands.
2. Letter of recommendation from you Chapter.
3. Letter of recommendation from another Sister.
4. Curriculum Vitae.
5. Essay Portion – answer each question in 500 words or less
 - a. What was your greatest accomplishment in your Active time as a Sister and how did it benefit you on an individual level?
 - b. If you were to receive this scholarship how would you use it to continue to better serve the Sisterhood?

Changes to requirements as per Programs Committee 2011 include:

- Requiring only one recommendation from either the Sponsor or the Director of Bands
- The letter of recommendation from the Chapter must come from an Executive Board member
- No longer requiring a letter of recommendation from another Active Sister.
- For the Essay portion only require one essay of 500 words or less with questions being
 - a. What was your greatest accomplishment in your Active time as a Sister and how did it benefit you on an individual level?
 - b. If you were to receive the Life Membership Scholarship what do you plan on contributing as an active Alumnus?
- Applicants must be Active at the time of their submission.

Programs Committee reviewed Precinct and District Conventions. Overall, the Precinct Conventions were enjoyable and beneficial to all who attended. At Southern Precinct Convention there was a lot of activity on campus that allowed for Sisters to be active during One-on-Ones and lunch. The website presentations were very helpful. Suggestions for Precinct Conventions include:

- Distributing schedules earlier for planning purposes
- Having an activity going on while the One-on-One sessions are occurring.

Suggested workshops for Precinct Conventions include:

- Chants

- Stepping
- Ways to promote Sisterhood within a Chapter
- Ways to promote Joint Relations

The District Convention was reviewed as well. The Convention was assessed based on the schedule for this weekend and the Programs Committee's opinion of events that occurred and our expectations of future workshops. Positive aspects of the District Convention include:

- Distributing officer Awards in the beginning of Opening Separates. It was a positive way to begin Separates and will alleviate time pressure during the Election process.
- Women in Music Speaker was excellent. Her speech was to the point, engaging, and something that every Sister could relate to.
- The Membership Candidate social during Ritual is a very good idea and allows them to still be active and improves their experience while at Convention.

Suggestions for Districts include:

- Improved organization for Registration.
- To improve the attendance at the Masterclass workshops ask local Chapters if they can bring instruments with them for Sisters who are traveling greater distances to get to Convention.

Programs Committee reviewed Sisterhood Week. Due to the variation in when Chapters typically have Sisterhood Week we suggest:

- VPSP make a list of suggested activities and projects for Sisterhood Week and send to VPS list
- Chapters be responsible for planning their own Sisterhood Week using the suggestions from the VPSP
- Chapters send pictures, video, etc. to the VPSP after their Sisterhood Week so we can share our projects and experiences with one another

Programs Committee reviewed District Daze and the presentation from VPSP. We recommend Site #2.

Programs Committee reviewed the NED Service Projects and feel that they should all be continued. The service projects include:

- Project Protect Music
- Instrument drive
- Composing Our Future
- Spirit Banner
- Letters to Soldiers
- National History and Archives Project

- Women in Music Speaker Series
- National Intercollegiate Band
- Mentoring Program

The Programs Committee was charged with creating new projects for the NED. Our suggestions include:

- An NED CD that highlights each Chapter and contains music or video clips of our work. It can be distributed to:
 - a. Letters to Soldiers
 - b. Local highschools

Charges for NED Programs Committee 2012:

1. Review prior charges to Programs Committee
2. Review NED Constitution 2011.
3. Evaluate the website and make suggestions to Webmaster if needed.
4. Evaluate TBS and Joint list-servs.
5. Review Golden Typewriter requirements.
6. Evaluate new programs presented by the District Counselor, District President, or District Council.
7. Create new projects for the NED.
8. Review Sisterhood Week.
9. Review District Daze.

Charge for NED VPSP 2012:

1. Have an awesome Programs Committee.
2. Create and distribute a flyer or advertisements for District Daze by May
3. Continue Project Protect Music.
4. Continue Letters to Musical Soldiers.
5. Create a Cohesive NED CD that highlights each Chapter that can be sent to soldiers abroad and to high schools.

Respectfully Submitted,
Allison Leemann, Eta Gamma (Chair)
Kat Tribulski, Zeta Upsilon (Advisor)
Nicholas Lepkowski, Zeta Upsilon
Jaime Hughes, Zeta Upsilon
Malikah Shabazz, Iota Pi
Courtney Buchanan, Gamma Omega
Brittany Weikel, Gamma Omega
Becky Davidson, Gamma Omega
Mouna Coulibaly, Gamma Omega

Alexandria Daniel, Eta Delta
Genera Barnes, Eta Delta
Alison Varner, Eta Alpha
Stacey Kopp, Delta Omega (proxy)
Katie Cleveland, Iota Pi (proxy)
Amanda Hobbs, Zeta Omicron
Jasmine Johnson, Zeta Omicron
Laura Fry, Eta Sigma
Chelsey Eccleston, Eta Gamma

Jurisdiction

Original

- 9.104 The following criteria shall be included in bids:
- a. Current and projected financial status of separate chapters and the joint chapter, if one exists.
 - b. Projected membership of separate chapters and the joint chapter, if one exists.
 - c. Letters of support from the Faculty Advisor and Chapter Sponsor(s), and Director of Bands.
 - d. Projected cost of publication.
 - e. Proposed publishing facilities.
 - f. Sample newsletter reflecting Chapter's publication ability.

Proposed change

- 9.104 The following criteria shall be included in bids:
- a. Current and projected financial status of separate chapters and the joint chapter, if one exists.
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 - c. Letters of support from the Faculty Advisor and Chapter Sponsor(s), and Director of Bands.
 - d. Projected cost of publication.
 - e. Proposed publishing facilities.
 - f. Sample newsletter reflecting Chapter's publication ability.
 - g. Presentation to the Convention Site and Publications Committee.

Adding "g. Presentation to the Convention Site and Publications Committee."

Rationale: This is a joint publication, and the requirements should match the requirements listed in the Kappa Kappa Psi constitution.

Original

- 3.407 The responsibilities of the Alumni Secretary and Historian shall be as follows:
- a. To gather and distribute information regarding application to the TBΣAA, NEDAA, and local alumni associations located within the Northeast District and Life Membership.
 - b. To communicate with each chapter's alumni contact regarding guidance of graduating seniors, ways to involve and contact alumni, and resolving difficulties with alumni.
 - c. To communicate with each chapter's history contact regarding historical archives to research and update chapter history.
 - d. To create an alumni resource, such as a binder, containing instructions and advice on local alumni associations, NEDAA, Life Membership, alumni communication, and alumni events.

- e. To act as a liaison between the NEDAA, District Council, and actives.
- f. To act with the Kappa Kappa Psi counterpart to improve alumni relations on a joint basis.
- g. To work with District Webmaster to create and maintain a page on the district website with the information contained in the items above.
- h. To compile, enlarge and maintain a Historical Archive of the Northeast District.
- i. To collect a copy of the most current District Convention Minutes and Constitution to include in the Historical Archives.
- j. To be responsible for providing access to the Historical Archives upon request.
- k. To be responsible for collecting and compiling information from the past academic year for addition to the Historical Archive and for a presentation in the form of a slide show to be displayed at the closing separates session of that year's District Convention.
- l. To serve as the advisor to the Alumni and Historical Affairs Committee, and to invite a representative of NEDAA is present at the Committee meeting.

Proposed change

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- d. To create an alumni resource containing instructions and advice on local alumni associations, NEDAA, Life Membership, alumni communication, and alumni events.
- e. To act as a liaison between the NEDAA, District Council, and actives.
- f. To act with the Kappa Kappa Psi counterpart to improve alumni relations on a joint basis.
- g. To work with District Webmaster to create and maintain a page on the district website with the information contained in the items above.
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- i. To collect a copy of the most current District Convention Minutes and Constitution to include in the Historical Archives.
- j. To be responsible for providing access to the Historical Archives upon request.
- k. To be responsible for collecting and compiling information from the past academic year for addition to the Historical Archive.

- l. To be responsible for collecting and compiling information for a presentation in the form of a slide show to be displayed at the closing separates session of that year's District Convention.
- m. To serve as the advisor to the Alumni and Historical Affairs Committee, and to invite a representative of NEDAA and a representative from TBΣAA to be present at the Committee meeting.

Strike from d. "such as a binder"

Rationale: Because we have the Wiggio group which has a file posting feature; sending out physical binders to every chapter is an unnecessary expense.

Strike from k. "at the closing separates"

Rationale: This would promote a Joint slideshow created by both officers to be shown at a Joint session.

Separate k. into two parts, k and l, the first ending at "Historical Archive".

Rationale: These two items are unrelated duties.

Add "and a representative from TBΣAA" to m.

Rationale: This will encourage having a representative from both alumni organizations present at the meeting of the Alumni and Historical affairs Committee.

Original

- 8.204 The Nominations Committee shall investigate the eligibility of all candidates for election to the offices of District President, District Vice President of Membership, District Vice President of Special Projects, District Secretary, and District Treasurer. The Nominations Committee may nominate no more than one (1) person for each office and shall present this slate of names to the Convention. Nominations Committee shall also investigate the eligibility of candidates nominated from the floor during elections. Nominations shall be a closed committee.

Proposed change

- 8.204 The Nominations Committee shall investigate the eligibility of all candidates for election to the offices of District President, District Vice President of Membership, District Vice President of Special Projects, District Secretary, District Alumni Secretary/Historian and District Treasurer. The Nominations Committee may nominate no more than one (1) person for each office and shall present this slate of names to the Convention. Nominations Committee shall also investigate the eligibility of candidates nominated from the floor during elections. Nominations shall be a closed committee.

Add "Alumni Secretary/Historian"

Rationale: This reflects common practice.

Original

8.101 Standing committees appointed for the District Convention shall be:

- a. Expansion & Membership Committee
- b. Joint Convention Site and Publications Committee
- c. Jurisdiction Committee
- d. Nominations Committee
- e. Programs Committee
- f. Ways and Means Committee
- g. Alumni Affairs Committee
- h. Sisterhood and Spirit Committee

Special committees may be appointed at the discretion of the District President

Proposed Changes

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- e. Programs Committee
- f. Ways and Means Committee
- g. Alumni and Historical Affairs Committee
- h. Sisterhood and Spirit Committee

Special committees may be appointed at the discretion of the District President

Revise g. to "Alumni and Historical Affairs Committee"

Rationale: The committee name has changed since the addition of the Historian.

Original

8.205 The Programs Committee shall review the Chapter Operations Materials Binder, and shall propose any necessary revisions. The Programs Committee shall review and revise the job descriptions of existing District Officers and create job descriptions for any proposed offices, first determining whether the new office is necessary to the operation of the District. Finally, the Programs Committee shall consider and/or review new programs as charged by the District President.

Proposed changes

8.205 Programs Committee shall review the Chapter Operations Materials Binder, and shall propose any necessary revisions. The Programs Committee shall review and revise the job descriptions of existing District Officers and create job descriptions for any proposed offices, first determining whether the new office is necessary to the

operation of the District. Finally, the Programs Committee shall consider and/or review new programs as charged by the District Council.

Revise “District President” to “District Council”

Rationale: This reflects common practice.

Original

- 3.203 A candidate who wishes to be slated for District Office must submit ten (10) copies of the following to the Nominations Committee, one (1) copy of each must also be submitted to each delegate, and District President prior to the close of first separates:
- a. A letter of intent
 - b. One (1) letter of recommendation from the chapter
 - c. One (1) from either the Chapter’s Sponsor or Director of Bands
 - d. A resume of her activities and qualifications.

Proposed changes

- 3.203 A candidate who wishes to be slated for District Office must submit five (5) copies of the following to the Nominations Committee, one (1) copy of each must also be submitted to each delegate, and District President by 3:00pm of the first day of District Convention:
- a. A letter of intent
 - b. One (1) letter of recommendation from the chapter
 - c. One (1) from either the Chapter’s Sponsor or Director of Bands
 - d. A resume of her activities and qualifications.

Revise “ten copies (10)” to “five copies (5)”

Rationale: To conserve paper.

Revise “prior to the close of first separates” to “by 3:00pm of the first day of convention”

Rationale: This gives the opportunity for Sisters who arrive late for convention to still submit their platform for slating.

Original

- 1.303 This Constitution was officially revised at the annual convention of the Northeast District, held March 6, 2010 at University of Maine, Orono. It becomes effective immediately upon revision, and supersedes all previous editions.

Proposed changes

- 1.303 This Constitution was officially revised at the annual convention of the Northeast District, held April 2, 2011 at James Madison University. It becomes effective immediately upon revision, and supersedes all previous editions.

Revise “March 6, 2010 at University of Maine, Orono” to “April 2, 2011 at James Madison University”.

Rationale: The constitution was revised at this District Convention.

Preliminary Charges

1. Review the 2011 NED Constitution.
2. Check that all information in the constitution corresponds with current practices in the district.
3. Revise the constitution so that it corresponds with any changes made to the National Constitution at National Convention.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bobbie Cheetham ΔΔ, Chair
Jessica Smith, Advisor

Delegates
Justin McManus ΓΚ
Brittany Ganther ΘΦ
Kamilah Brown ΕΣ

Alumni Affairs

The 2011 Alumni Affairs Committee was charged was charged with the following:

1. Review newly instated Historian duties
2. Evaluate NEDAA and new activities they have done throughout the year
3. Review projects done by the Alumni Secretary/Historian
4. Discuss ways to encourage alumni to obtain a Life Membership when the price changes to \$500
5. Review alumni events and workshops available at all precincts and district convention

The Alumni Affairs Committee had two productive meetings. All participating members had great input on each topic touched upon by the committee. The committee evaluated the constitutional duties of the Alumni Secretary and Historian, and discussed changes proposed by the current Alumni Secretary and Historian, Colleen Williams. The proposed changes were found to refine the duties of the office, and were submitted to the Jurisdiction Committee.

The committee moved on to evaluate NEDAA and new activities they have done through the year. The committee expressed appreciation towards NEDAA for purchasing TBS flags for newly installed chapters. The current shirt sale fundraiser was noted by the committee as one that was sure to be beneficial. The committee also discussed the carnation and rose sales at district convention, and also responded positively to this service to the district. The committee agreed that the keynote speech is something that should be continued for the foreseeable future. The committee discussed a suggestion for a NEDAA page on the District website, as well as a networking database for graduating seniors and actives looking for internships.

The committee reviewed the projects done by the Alumni Secretary and Historian, such as the fun fact trivia, the creation of the alumni list serve, the alumni survey, the restoration and digitalization of documents and placing them on a photobucket account, the historian list serve, and workshops for alumni at convention. The committee especially discussed their enjoyment of the fun fact trivia, and wished to see it continued by the next officer.

The committee reviewed all workshops for alumni at district convention, including “Unwritten Rules of the Workplace”, “How to Find Mentors and Network” and “TBSAA Association and Life Membership Overview”. The committee deemed these to be

workshops alumni would be interested in, and suggested having a survey for alumni workshop attendees to further evaluate them.

The Alumni Affairs committee charged the next NED Alumni Secretary/Historian with the following:

1. Work with NEDAA and the website chair to create a web page for NEDAA on district website.
2. Create and send survey for alumni to evaluate respective workshops at district convention.
3. Work with KKPsi counterpart to create next year's district slideshow.
4. Continue to provide fun fact trivia and other district history activities.
5. Continue to award and pass on NED History Award.
6. Continue to digitize and restore NED documents and materials.

The 2012 Alumni Affairs Committee is charged with the following:

1. Discussion on how to communicate with alumni (activities, ideas, etc).
2. Review NEDAA and any new activities.
3. Review duties of the Alumni Secretary/Historian
4. Discuss ways to get alumni to purchase life membership if the price increases.
5. Review projects of the Alumni Secretary/Historian
6. Review alumni workshops at precincts and district convention

Respectfully submitted,

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SECTION NINE: JOINT COMMITTEES

In accordance with the district Constitution Section 2.801, the following joint committee was active and submitted an oral report to the joint delegation along with their written statements below: Convention Site and Publications. Note, no special committees were called into existence by either the TBΣ or the KKΨ District Presidents.

Joint Convention Site and Publications Committee

Brothers and Sisters of the Northeast,

The Joint Convention and Publication Committee met regarding the 2012 District Convention and Northeast Notes. We discussed two possible sites for the 2012 Northeast District Convention.

We received no bids to publish Northeast Notes. We urge any chapters interested to send their packet to their District Governors for the Brothers and District Councilors for the Sisters.

For convention site, we would like to thank the chapters at both Virginia State University and University of Maryland for their excellent presentations. Both groups put forward a strong packet and platform.

The committee recommends the University of Maryland as the site of the 2012 Northeast District Convention, hosted by the Gamma Xi chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi and the Beta Eta Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma.

We are confident that these chapters will go above and beyond our expectations for this coming year. We would like to thank our committee: Martina Lunkin, Marie Reed, Kaela Crystal, Hayley Roder, Veronica Graves, and Amy Weidman. Your contributions were helpful and integral to our decisions. We would also like to thank our advisor Chris Pratt for all of his knowledge and help in the running of the committee.

For the 2011 Joint Convention and Publication Committee we have the following charges:

1. Review all complete bids for district convention and recommend one site for the 2013 NED Convention
2. Review all complete bids for the publishing of Northeast Notes and recommend one host chapter for the publication

Respectfully Submitted,

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SECTION TEN: 2011-2012 BUDGET

2011-2012 Budget		Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed
		2009- 2010	2010- 2011	2010- 2011	2011- 2012
Beginning Balance (from HQ 6/4/08)		4180	4904.38	6402.48	4000
Income					
	Fall Allocations	1191.5	1200	1199.33	1200
	Spring Allocations	?	200	0	200
	NEDAA donation	0	0	0	0
	Fundraising	150	1000	0	1000
	Convention Income	0	0	0	0
	Delegate Fee	750	750	0	810
	Project Protect the Music Collection	100	0	0	0
	Misc.	888.72	0	0	0
Total Income		2930.22	3150	0	3210
Total Assets		7110.22	8054.38	7601.81	7210
Expenses					
District Projects Allocations					
	Summer Meeting	215.5	700	213.93	500
	Winter Meeting	336.62	600	687.23	500
	Delegate Fund	200	200	200	200
	Mediation	0	250	0	250
	NE Notes Reimbursement	0	0	0	0
	Life Membership Scholarship	0	350	350	350
	Fundraising	12.5	350	974	750

	Project Protect Music	0	0	0	0
	New Projects	0	0	0	0
	NED Convention Activites	0	0	0	0
	Project Protect Music Donation	0	100	0	100
	Save our Rep contribution	0	50	0	25
	National Convention/ DLC	438	700	0	700
	Honorary Member Dues	0	150	0	150
	Website Material	0	72	83.4	100
	Constituion Mailings	0	0	0	0
	Misc.	0	100	30	100
Total Project expenses		1202.62	3622	2809.96	3725
Officer Budgets	President	0	100	7.05	50
	VP of Membership	0	30	0	25
	VP Special Projects	0	100	0	50
	Secretary	0	75	0	30
	Treasurer	11.5	30	32.09	30
	Alumni Secretary	0	20	0	20
Travel	Officer Travel	991.72	1300	1151.16	1300
Total Officer Expense		1003.22	1655	1190.3	1505
Total Expenses		2205.84	5277	4000.26	5230
Remaining Available Funds		4904.38	2777.38	3601.55	1980

Bold = New Categories/ different designations

SECTION ELEVEN: CHAPTER REPORTS

Each chapter is asked to submit a one-page review of their activities from the past year. The following reports were received by the opening gavel of separates.

Gamma Chi

Activity Summary
Mansfield University
Gamma Chi

10 Active Members
2 Conditional Members
1 Probation Member
1 Suspension Member
2 Membership Candidates

Service:

Our service activities this year began at band camp. We hosted a picnic for new members to meet and greet each other and returning members. We opened a water and refreshment stand under a tent on the field. We cleaned up trash and lined the field. We also helped the pit tear down and set up and helped the guard move flags throughout the marching band season. We provided receptions for concerts both by ourselves and with our brother chapter. We periodically have time to clean the music building and the theater. We keep and empty trash cans in practice rooms. We are currently raising money for Relay for Life and we are hosting a team for the event this April.

Membership:

In membership, our activities included a game night, a snowball fight, a service project night, and the formal information night. Once a week our candidates meet with the sisters to play games and go over information. We also have 'fun visits' with the candidates in which we spend time getting to know each other.

Fundraising:

For fundraising, we have had multiple nights where we work at a local pizza shop and make a dollar from every customer plus tips. We stood outside of WalMart collecting donations to Project Protect Music. We recently held a fundraiser where volunteers played Whose Line is it Anyway and we collected admission. We have an ongoing fundraiser with our brother chapter called Soupy Sales where we sell snacks and drinks. In soupy, we have had a Bop-It tournament and we sell tickets for our Pie-A-Sister Fundraiser.

Gamma Omega

Gamma Omega
University of Pittsburgh

31 Active Members
1 Conditional Member
10 Membership Candidates

Service:

Gamma Omega is heavily involved with uniform distribution throughout the fall marching band season. After the band's last performance, we coordinate the uniform reconciliation process. We also host a Recognition Ball for the members of the band in January to celebrate and remember the season past. Additionally, we are regularly involved with Fiddlesticks, a monthly program hosted by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra that teaches young children to appreciate music. Many Sisters also volunteered their time to clean up Pittsburgh by being a part of Pitt Make a Difference Day. This year we became more involved with Joint service projects, which we performed with the Alpha Omega chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi here at the University of Pittsburgh. One of these projects was to provide help at high school band competitions in the Pittsburgh area. We look forward to a few more service projects this year.

Membership:

The Gamma Omega Chapter of Tau Beta Sigma takes two membership classes every year. In the fall, there were 8 members of the membership candidate class, and we currently have 10 members in the Alpha Phi membership candidate class. Our rush included an informal informational meeting as well as an ice cream party. This was followed by our bi-annual Invite Party, a pot-luck dinner where the Sisters can spend time meeting the potential candidates for membership. This spring, the Alpha Phi class has been very enthusiastic about attending conventions. Something new we tried this year was a formal social called the Dapper Dance that was planned, executed, and hosted by the membership candidate class. It was a fantastic social, which will more than likely continue in the future.

Fundraising:

Gamma Omega has launched numerous fundraising projects this year. Our most profitable fundraising projects included T-shirts for the band members designed by one of our artistic Sisters, as well as Pitt Band Fleece Blankets to keep bandies and their friends and family members warm during the colder football games. We also continued our always-popular Carnation Sale, which is open to the band members and their parents. Individuals can purchase carnations and include a personalized message. The flowers are distributed to recipients before the last football game of the season. Outside of the marching band setting we hosted a Jewelry Party for Sisters and Alumni that proved to be very successful. We also organized a plant sale. Students on campus could purchase small houseplants for their dorms or apartments.

Delta Delta

Tau Beta Sigma-Delta Delta, University of Massachusetts Activity Report

Active Sisters: 17

Conditional Sisters: 6

Membership Candidates: 5

Service: Our Chapter has been putting on receptions for University concerts, doing day to day service for the marching and concert bands like field lining and chair set up, and also helping run the audition days for the music department. At the audition days we do set up, take down, and also guide students and their parents through the building all day. Some new projects that we have taken on this year are playing at a battered women's shelter around Christmas, and we are in the process of forming a reading band for music education majors to practice conducting.

Membership: This fall we had a class of three MCs, all of which became Sisters. We currently have a spring class of 5 MCs, who are doing quite well. Our rush activities include BYOB (Bring Your Own Banana for sundaes), a game night, and a karaoke night. We also had an ice skating pre-rush event at the end of the fall semester to get people interested in rushing in the spring. We found these to be very successful events.

Fundraising: In the fall, we tried creating two positions out of the office of treasurer: treasurer and fundraising chair. This worked well, but when our treasurer stepped down due to class overload in the spring, our fundraising chair was elected and the new position was dissolved back into the original office. This also seems to be going well. We do an on-going fundraiser which involves us taking marketing research surveys from a company called Campus Fundraiser. We also do smaller fundraisers like a Valentines Day game table in our campus center, and selling lanyards at precinct meetings.

Delta Nu

University of Maine — Delta Nu

Service: During the fall semester, Delta Nu provides breakfast of muffins and water for the marching band when they have 8 am practices. We also provide snack packs for the bands when they travel; for instance this basketball season, the Pep Band traveled to Hartford for playoffs. We also provide a Spirit Pack for the Pep Band so students can show their school spirit.

In conjunction with Kappa Kappa Psi Epsilon Upsilon, we set up scaffolding for the marching band director to stand on for each marching band rehearsal. We keep the band uniforms in top condition for performances. We also sponsor Band Banquet at the end of the season for the marching band to celebrate a season well done and a pizza party for the Pep Band.

Social: We have movie nights and ice cream socials as a chapter. We also have had game nights and have gone apple picking. We also do what is called “Absolute Sister” where everyone draws a sister’s name out of a hat and that person creates something that shows what a great person that sister is according to the 5 and 8.

Financial: This semester we have done a few fundraisers. We constantly collect bottles to return for money at the school’s recycling center. We do “Beta Mart,” a fundraiser where people bid on sisters for two hours of appropriate service; Dinner Date, where people bid on sisters to make or buy dinner; and we clean the sports arena after basketball games. We also have bake sales and clean alumni sisters’ and professor’s houses for donations.

Musical: This semester we had 20 out of 22 sisters participate in Marching Band. All sisters participate in Pep Band and just about half of us participate in other bands on campus: Symphonic Band, Jazz Ensemble and other smaller ensembles on campus.

Leadership: This year both of our drum majors in Marching Band were Tau Beta Sigma sisters, as well as over half of the section leaders. We also have sisters who take on leadership roles in Symphonic Band; they help order dresses and tuxedos and help with the planning of Symphonic Band tour.

Epsilon Rho

Epsilon Rho
Virginia State University
16 Active

Service:

September: Meet and Greet ERHO, Hosted a lock in for the band and, had a pageant

August: Assisted with registration for band camp, Had a girl talk with the new ladies of the band, Turtle taxi, when we took students to get anything they needed (groceries, personal supplies, etc.), an end of band camp social and, Had a movie night for the band "Trojan Cinema".

October: Hosted a homecoming end reception room for alumni member, participated in the King and Queens Ball, Participated in the Aids Walk and, Participated in the Walk for Hunger"

November: Hosted an auction with Iota Phi Theta Fraternity Inc., Hosted a bake sale, Hosted a movie night, "Trojan Cinema", "Win a Date with Mr. ERHO" and, Interest meeting

December: Hosted a Christmas party for the band and, Assisted with an elementary school play

January: Went to Honda Battle of The Band which we made bags for the band and, had an Etiquette forum for chapter members

February: Forum on careers in music, Forum on blacks in music, Forum on love and, Sold Donuts as a fundraiser

March: Coming out show for the spring 2011 membership candidates

Membership:

Epsilon Rho has one membership class this year, we have 6 spring members. We had an informal and formal interest meeting. Informal we played family feud with guest, name that sister, and gave a brief description on why we joined TBS. Formal we had our advisor speak and each officer gave an outline of their duties and then question and answer period. This way it opened up many opportunities to gain knowledge they did not already know.

Fundraising:

Epsilon Rho's main fundraisers are 46 cent bake sale and our auctions. We also sold Krispy Kream Doughnuts from Feb. 8 until Mach 9. We will soon be selling Avon Cosmetics for 3 weeks. They money that is raised will be held until next year's band season and a small amount will be used for the 1st annual alumni dinner. Other things we will be during to raise money is sell Chick-Fil-A, snow cones and cotton candy at the dance try outs this year. We also will be doing Turtle Thrift which is like a thrift store where we will be selling things.

Epsilon Sigma

Epsilon Sigma
Norfolk State University

11 Active Sisters

Service:

The year for Epsilon Sigma truly begins during the last week in June for our High School Summer Band Camp. Some sisters serve as camp counselors, section leaders, assist our band secretary (who is an alumnae sister) with registration, and plan a host of activities during the week for the campers. We are responsible for the distribution, hemming, and collection of uniforms throughout the season. Our big sister program allows us to develop bonds with the freshman in the band, be a role model, assist them with time management, or just be someone for them to talk to. Epsilon Sigma has also provided sheet protectors and binders for bandsmen to help them organize their music, and we are constantly cleaning and organizing our music library. During the HBCU-NBDC conference held every year in Atlanta, some sisters help our secretary and staff with preparation for and throughout the convention (making name tags, designing programs, running errands for guest directors/conductors). We also provide snacks for away trips, and distribute meals and drinks after performances. Epsilon Sigma has also had several volunteering opportunities such as working at a local High School Band Competition, the Shamrock Marathon and 5K run (we didn't run), Aids Awareness Walk, and the upcoming Relay for Life.

Membership:

Epsilon Sigma takes 1 membership class each year. This year's spring class consisted of 3 members, adding to our grand total of 11 active sisters. Rush week events include a "Meet TBS" informative session, a spades tournament/game night, and Ladies Night. After intake, our VPoM conducts post membership classes where we reflect on the sorority's information (mission and vision statements, 8 to 5, purposes, rituals, and sisterhood. We have tests, play charades, and jeopardy, which are also used as a bonding tool to learn more about our chapter history and each individual sister.

Fundraising:

This year's fundraising has been a bit difficult due to our new school policies and hectic band schedule. Epsilon Sigma's ongoing and most successful fundraisers are selling waters at the High School Band Camp finale performance, raffling a Band Camp survival kit, selling frozen drinks during our open mic nights, selling Spirit Links during homecoming, and having auctions for way trips, which is done jointly with Kappa Kappa Psi. Other fundraisers we have done are selling valentine packages, pictures, and "boo" grams. Some of the proceeds go to a scholarship to sponsor our Pageant winner (Mr. TBS), and for a token of appreciation to the ideal bandsman (1 girl and 1 boy) we select at the end of the marching season.

Epsilon Upsilon

Epsilon Upsilon Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania

Active Members: 8

Conditional Members: 1

Membership Candidates: 3

Service: Epsilon Upsilon fits our band twice a year with uniforms for Marching and Symphonic Band as well as hemming and pinning those who need alterations. Along with uniforms, the marching band music was sorted and collected and our music library was cleaned up and alphabetized. Jointly, Epsilon Upsilon and Kappa Kappa Psi- HA have cleaned both the band room as well as school owned instruments. When it comes to upcoming joint events both Tau Beta Sigma, Kappa Kappa Psi and fellow band members will take part in Relay for Life at the end of March.

Membership: Epsilon Upsilon took one membership class this year. Our spring class currently has 3 members. The first rush is a meet and greet where we did a candy dissection and have an opportunity to talk and answer any question that anyone may have about the organization. From that point rushes consist of a Wal-Mart scavenger hunt, in which potential members are paired with active sister. Together they try to find different things in the store. Other rushes such as, be a kid again night and a possible tie dye night. A joint rush with our associate Brother organization is done every year; at this rush we play a big game of Sardines.

Fundraising: Epsilon Upsilon does several fundraisers. In the fall semester marching band show shirts are sold as well as Absolut band shirts (shirts that describe the band and its members). When it comes to the spring semester LHU band sweatshirts are sold. Penny Wars and Murder Mystery occur twice a year. The fall semester Penny Wars is used as a fundraiser for the sorority but in the spring semester 100% of the money collected is given to Relay for Life. Other fundraisers are friendship bracelets, curse jar and baked good bingo. 2011 will be the first in several years that Epsilon Upsilon will be attending District Convention and friendship bracelets of white and blue as well as the color of the flag (red, white, blue, gold for the lyre, green, black) friendship bracelets will be sold at Northeast District Convention.

Epsilon Omega

Epsilon Omega Chapter – Tau Beta Sigma National Honorary Band Sorority, Inc.

Morgan State University

4 Active Sisters

6 Membership Candidates

Service:

Since the last District convention Epsilon Omega has held many service projects. We helped to disassemble the marching band uniform parts to get them ready to go to the dry cleaner. We helped with taking instrument inventory over the summer as well. During band camp we take a very active role in the registration process which includes things such as gathering personnel information, measuring, and distributing uniforms. During long bus trips we provide the band with light refreshments and some fun activities such as crossword puzzled to keep them entertained during the ride. We did a joint service project with Kappa Kappa Psi where we provided bagged breakfast to the band for our trip to North Carolina A&T.

Membership:

Morgan State University mandates that we only take in new membership classes in the spring. Last Spring, spring 2010, we initiated one new member, Phylicia Townes. This spring we have 6 perspective members. Every year we hold a P.I.N.T. Week which includes various events that share information about the sorority and chapter as well as allowing people to get together and have a good time. One event was band charades where we had people act out band terms like “to the rear”, “drum major”, etc.

Fundraising:

One of our most profitable fundraisers is the selling of our “Band Supporter T-Shirts” during our marching band show. We have a high amount of alumni and parental support and we always make a good profit from those sales.

Eta Alpha

Eta Alpha
Syracuse University

30 Active Members
8 Conditional Members
17 Membership Candidates

Service:

Each year we arrive early to band camp to sort through the uniforms, hand them out, and help new members move in. During band camp, we provide dinner each night with the help of the brothers of Eta Phi. Throughout the year, we have glued new patches onto our shakos, fixed any uniforms that need new buttons, and sorted through the uniforms after they have been dry-cleaned. This year, we still provide the receptions for all of the concerts of our main ensembles and we also provided the reception for the Prism concert, which featured student performers in all different styles of music. In order to promote better joint relations, we've had brothers and sisters share the responsibilities of setting up and taking down chairs for the concerts and providing the reception afterwards. This year, we also held a bake sale to help raise money for the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra, which is the professional orchestra nearby, and is at risk of closing. We helped out at a local high school's winter guard show by assisting with concessions and security. This year we are especially excited to be traveling to Saratoga in April, to help a Girl Scout troop earn their music badge.

Membership:

Our Alpha Zeta membership class is huge this year with 17 MCs, including our first male member. Just like in past years, we only take one membership class each year. Our rush events included game night, speed dating and tie dying, a joint trivia night, and a joint switch night, in which we got to know the Kappa rushes better and the brothers got to know our rushes better. We had a progressive dinner, in which we ate appetizers, dinner, and desert at different sisters' houses. We also incorporated service events into the rush period, including cleaning the band office and other rooms in the music school.

Fundraising:

We have been fundraising quite a bit this year. We sold DVDs of our marching band show to members, which gave us extra funds and allowed members to have a permanent reminder of all their hard work this season. We are also currently working on getting season tickets for the upcoming football to raffle off. All of our fundraising money for the rest of the year is going to the Syracuse Symphony Orchestra, to make sure that they do not close next year.

Eta Gamma

Eta Gamma
Boston University

13 Active Sisters
3 Conditional Sisters

Service:

Eta Gamma begins service at band camp by providing first aid and water coolers for the students at band camp, as well as assisting our staff in other operations of the week. As the school year begins, we measure for, distribute and maintain the uniforms for the band, at home and when we travel. We host a reception for the attendants and participants at all Concert Band Concerts, as well as at a multitude of different Jazz Events. During Pep Band season we maintain a first aid kit, and bring our "Goalie/Sieve" sign to all home hockey games. We also make a concerted effort to continually offer new acts of service to generally support the participants of the bands and encourage a happy atmosphere within the band, including donating snacks, drinks and ice pops, making signs for use at sports games, doing face paint, helping maintain pep books and maintaining upkeep of band space.

Membership:

Eta Gamma takes one membership class each year. Our fall class had four members. This year rush events included a trip to the Boston Children's Museum and our annual Tea, and joint rush events co-sponsored with our local Kappa Kappa Psi chapter included providing a pep band for a soccer game and a band room cleaning day.

Fundraising:

Eta Gamma's main fundraiser is our pie day; at the end of each marching band season, after one rehearsal we sell pies for students to pie members of staff and student leadership. We also sell stress baskets before each semester's finals period for students and parents to buy. In addition to crafting magnets and pillows for sale at conventions, this year we have focused on how to increase fundraising outside of the band and student population. We have begun an ink fundraiser, where we have started soliciting businesses and departments on campus for used ink cartridges which we recycle for money. We also utilize igive, which is a search/tool bar which donates a small amount of money to our chapter for each use.

Eta Delta

Eta Delta
Howard University

16 Active Sisters
1 Conditional Sister
0 Membership Candidates

Service:

Eta Delta begins every year by having our band camp meeting before officially starting band camp where we hand out band goodie bags to the members of the band. These bags include things that'll help you throughout band camp—bottle of water, socks, tampons (for the ladies), deodorant, peanut butter or cheese crackers, etc. At the start of the semester we fit all members of the SHOWTIME Marching Band for uniforms and make all necessary alterations to each uniform. We also fit the concert band members for uniforms and order them for all incoming freshman. To keep the season full of additional fun, we host events including our annual chant contest, women's forum, lip syncing contest, SOS (Sisters Of Showtime) Program, and Mr. and Mrs. Showtime Pageant (which is a joint event with Kappa Kappa Psi). We also make an effort to hold our annual Musical Toy Drive during the holiday season in which we donate toys to a daycare or kids at the children hospital.

Membership:

Eta Delta takes one membership classes every year—spring semester intake. This year our membership class consists of 5 membership candidates that were initiated on March 4, 2011. Our rush events include an interest meeting, a night out with SHOWTIME, and any active member with an apartment host a lunch or dinner where all are welcome to come feast and fellowship. We also had an icebreaker at our rush along with a reception at the end where we all told life stories and shared stories of our love for music and the band. This helped facilitate first contact and made a more comfortable environment for approaching sisters.

Fundraising:

Eta Delta's main fundraising events include our female auction and our bake sales (everyone loves our cooking!) This year we had a Battle of the Band with our local high schools where we, along with Kappa Kappa Psi, facilitated the concession stand. We also had our Ice Ice Baby fundraiser where we sold fruit smoothies during the hot weather. This year, we held a Valentine's Day fundraiser where we sold cupcakes with a bear, candy, and a love note. Some other things we are doing is participate to be valet's for major events in downtown District of Columbia.

Eta Rho

Eta Rho

James Madison University

27 Active Sisters

2 Conditional Sisters

4 Membership Candidates

Service: Two of our largest service projects are running the Marching Royal Dukes band camp and POC (Parade of Champions, a high school band competition held at JMU). During band camp week we do a lot of joint service with our brothers involving registration, freshman move-in, freshman shuttles, and uniform nights. We have two sisters this year that are the uniform managers that are in charge of fitting over 400 members of the band, so we do a lot of service with uniforms jointly and separately. In October we host POC, and do a lot of work through guiding bands through the campus, and helping the judges. This year we went caroling at the Mercy House. In the spring we participate in Relay for Life and help out during the Virginia All-State auditions (VBODA). Both semesters we do Adopt a Highway as a joint project with our brother chapter.

Membership: Eta Rho takes two membership classes every year. Our fall class had three members and our spring class currently has four members. During rush we have an informal tea, a service night, one or two social events (this year it was joint kickball on the quad in the fall, joint roller skating and sister bowling in the spring), Mocktails, interviews, and formal tea. New membership candidates are given a kin sister in addition to their big sister and brother. Kin sisters are alumni of the chapter who correspond with the MCs in order to give the candidates a stronger tie to the chapter history.

Fundraising: By far our most successful fundraising activity is selling bagels in the music lounge every Wednesday morning. We purchase three dozen bagels from Mr. J's Bagels at a discounted rate of about \$4.25/dozen and both regular and strawberry cream cheese from Walmart and sell the bagels for \$1.00. We also fundraise at functions associated with the Marching Royal Dukes and JMU School of Music. TBS has a table at the Parade of Champions competition, where we sale MRD merchandise and homemade fleece blankets, among other items. We also sell snacks during VBODA All-State Auditions.

Theta Phi

Theta Phi

Hampton University

Active Sisters: 6

Conditional Sisters: 3

MC: 5

Service:

Theta Phi started out the year with its Big Brother Big Sister pairing, where we take upperclassmen and pair them with a freshman band member to help get the acclimated to college life. We hosted various social activities and had many activities planned in the lines of service and social work for the band. We were unable to host many of our normal service and social events as allegations were placed on our chapter early in the school year which halted the functioning of our chapter. As of being brought back to Active status, our chapter has been working hard to plan service and social events. Thus far we have passed our boxed lunches during basketball games, participated in the recruitment fair in Atlanta, Georgia, planned a clean/decorate the band room day, helped set up for the annual IMA concert band and planned the annual end of the school year band "Force Finale" banquet.

Membership:

Theta Phi has one membership education class in the fall of each school year. This year we began our membership education program with 5 ladies. Events with our ladies included a Ladies Night, movie night, and craft events to help in preparation for the Mr. TBS pageant. We were however unable to finish our fall education classes due to allegations placed upon us which halted our chapter events as well as education classes. As of being brought back to Active status we have not yet completed our membership education classes with our MC candidates. The necessary plans have been made to finish our education classes within a timely manner.

Fundraising:

The Theta Phi chapter of Tau Beta Sigma has hosted a few fundraising events this past school year. During band camp, our most successful idea was the school supply book bag raffle, where the winner received a backpack filled with candy, chips, juices, pens, pencils, paper, binders, and other such useful school items. Another good idea that we came up with was called penny wars. Each of our five buses were given a jar with which to fill pennies and for an away game, a cooler full of snacks was awarded to the bus with the highest amount of points. Lastly, we had a regular raffle for another cooler full of snacks and candy that was given to the bus with the most raffle ticket sales for our final away game to South Carolina State's Homecoming.

Theta Pi

Tau Beta Sigma- Theta Pi Chapter Activity Report

1. We have continued our presence in moving the band from place to place and keeping the band area clean and organized.(Reorganizing music for all ensembles: jazz, marching, pep and concert band)
2. As always, we clean the band room, send uniforms for repair and other jobs around the band as needed/ directed by staff and directors.
3. Fundraiser and Recruitment: We created and hosted a program called Adopt-A-Pup How Well Do You Know Your Pup/Vet Game Show? This was an extension from the Adopt-A-Pup program we implemented during band camp.
4. The BSU band program and TBS created cards for the troops around the Valentines week.
5. Fundraiser: For our CIAA tournament in North Carolina, we held a fundraiser to keep the uniforms clean by washing the uniforms at the laundry mat.
6. Service Project: Clothing drive for young adults and children.
7. We hosted an educational forum for the band members to discuss band member retention and grades. We sponsored Pizza for all members in attendance.
8. Service Project: We have supported Bowie State University First Lady for Women's History's Month Tea. (Created programs, invitations, flyers, etc.)
9. We always look for programs and other greek and non greek organizations on campus to support.
10. Fundraiser: Sold refreshments during the 2011 drum major and auxliary tryout clinics.
11. Service Project: Recuitment Task Force- responsible for all contact with potential band members for all ensembles. We are the head committee members of the project. We contact local high schools, conduct on-campus and off-campus recruiting, arrange visits and performances for BSU band program at local and distant high schools.

Iota Alpha

13 Active sisters

7 MCs

Service:

Our chapter proudly serves the Marist College Band. We prepare the rehearsal space Monday and Thursday nights so that there is a more efficient rehearsal; this includes setting up the chairs in the cafeteria, putting out stands, distributing music, as well as cleaning up. We also play pep music at all of the home football games and basketball games to support the teams. Before one of the games we held a breakfast for the band as well as TBS info session for those interested in the sorority. In the fall we supported the women's breast cancer awareness soccer game by playing at that as well. TBS also hands out goody bags to the band on trips away from home. In a few weeks we will be participating at Relay for Life on campus.

In the community, we have volunteered with a Girl Scout troop. We made tissue-box guitars, played Yankee Doodle madlibs, and made paper plate maracas. We also showed them the different instruments. Besides the service to the Girls Scouts, we have sent our concert music overseas to support the U.S. troops. We are also very proud that the school we submitted was chosen for the Project Protect Music. We are continuing to collect money/music books for them as well.

Membership:

This semester we have 7 wonderful MCs; we only take in a spring class. We held rush week the second week of the semester, in which we had milkshakes at a diner, game night, and a breakfast. They've been attending education classes since then. After 1st degree they received a gig book from their big sister, in which they must record their interviews between all of the sisters, 10 of the brothers, the band director, sponsor, and head of the music department. The sisters of TBS are very close; we've had a pool party and a holiday party as well earlier this year.

Fundraising:

We have sold music wristbands, Marist Music sweatpants to band members, raffle baskets at the winter concerts, and shell NED turtles at Northern Precincts. Overall the raffle baskets have always been the most successful fundraiser.

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Activities:

Aug:

Band Camp Check-in/Freshman Move in: We help with getting band member check-in for band camp as well as freshman and assisted the freshman in moving into their dorms.

Coin Drive: We did a fundraiser called the coin drive during the summer which ended as soon as we returned to school.

Late Night Bite: Is a fundraiser that includes the selling of snacks after band practice. Snacks included chips, juice, water, and fruit snacks.

Oct:

Band freshman awards: Gave the freshman awards saying welcome to the band and becoming full band members.

Nov:

Band Spirit Week: We had a week of events that the section could compete in and the most spirited section will be awarded the title of most spirited section at the Band Banquet.

Jan:

L.I.T.: Was a program to invite the ladies of the band to express their interest in Tau Beta Sigma

Feb:

Movie Night: Did a fundraiser on Valetines day which was a love movie.

Guessing Jar: Did a Valetines day guessing jar. Pay 1 dollar to guess how many pieces of candy was in the jar, the closes guess won the jar.

"Let's Talk About it" Forum: was a discussing about the different things that had happened during the past band season and way to improve on it and grow as women in the band and as a band as a whole.

Mar:

Big Sister/Little Sister Sleepover: Invited all the ladies in the band to sleepover and have a bonding night with Tau Beta Sigma.

"Band Life!" Is it really that serious forum: A forum opened to the campus about the different things it takes to be a band member. Was a panel discussion that included a member of Kappa Kappa Psi, Tau Beta Sigma, Phi Mu Alpha, our band director and the drum major.

SECTION TWELVE: ALUMNI ORGANIZATIONS' REPORTS



NORTHEAST DISTRICT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO JOINT SESSSION 2011 NORTHEAST DISTRICT CONVENTION JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

In the Opening Joint Session, and at the Senior Luncheon, most of you heard about what NEDAA does: the annual Keynote Speech Contest; Alumni Communication and Participation Awards; National Convention grants for NED delegates and NIB participants. These are ways in which we, as Alumni, serve as an additional resource to the Active membership and District.

NEDAA has talked about and is engaging in planning on how to take our service to the next level and beyond our primary activity in the Precinct/District season. Last October, for example, we had a display table at the Allentown Band Festival for the second year in a row. In our business meeting, we have worked out a game plan for improving operations (like getting our website back online), and have agreed upon upcoming initiatives to help you become familiar with our membership, and for our membership to be even more of a resource, and throughout the year.

All of this we are proud to do. And we hope that the other Local Alumni Associations are making themselves available as a resource. But whatever the situation may be with your Alumni, what exactly do we mean by “resource”? How much is enough, and how much is too much?

When asked, everyone will tell you Alumni are important to their chapters, and to the Fraternity and Sorority. It's almost become a stock answer. But I ask that you consider this: Alumni may have wisdom and experience, and function as the National leadership, but does that not mean that you, the Active membership, are the lifeblood of the Fraternity and Sorority? Alumni offer ourselves to serve, but shouldn't it be, in part, up to *you* to decide what place Alumni will have, and what place we will not have?

Alumni are older and more experienced, but it doesn't mean we're always right. Alumni can bring life and living history to a chapter, but sometimes they don't know when they are overstepping their bounds. Alumni can advise the chapter, but they can't run it.

The second point of the Preamble to NEDAA's constitution states, "To Assist the Northeast District, local chapters, and the National Chapter with chapter visitations, expansion, revitalization efforts, and to act as advisors, but only if called upon by the local chapters, National Headquarters, District, or National Councils." Implicit in this, I think, is that we are here as an additional resource, not a primary one. We look for you to show us what you need and how to serve you better, but acknowledge that we can only take you so far. So then the question that has to be asked, by everyone—Actives and Alumni—is "Where do Alumni fit in?"

There is no right or wrong answer to this question. And the answer may change as timing and circumstances dictate. But I think we should ask the question. For Actives, it will help them balance their priorities with working with their Alumni. For Alumni, it will help find our niche in relating to the Actives, individually and collectively.

What do you think?

My thanks to the District Alumni Officers, Meghan Bowers and Colleen Williams for their support, and to this past year's NEDAA officers for their service. The NEDAA officers for 2011-2012 are:

- Continuing as NEDAA Webmaster is *Jess Smith* (Epsilon Epsilon, TBΣ, and Zeta Mu Honorary, KKΨ, Kutztown University);
- Returning as 2010-2011 Treasurer is *Steven Hrabak* (Eta Omicron, KKΨ, James Madison University);
- Your new 2010-2011 Secretary is *Sarah Fitzgerald* (Iota Delta, KKΨ, Towson University);
- Your new 2010-2011 Vice President for Tau Beta Sigma is *Kat Tribulski* (Zeta Upsilon, TBΣ, West Chester University);
- Returning as Vice President for Kappa Kappa Psi is *Erica Abbey* (Iota Delta, KKΨ, Towson University);
- Returning as NEDAA President is *Marcus Wyche* (Gamma Xi, KKΨ, and Beta Eta Honorary, TBΣ, University of Maryland).

As always, we welcome your questions and input, and continue to serve.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcus Wyche
President, 2010-2011
Northeast District Alumni Association

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