

June 23rd Meeting Minutes STTI – Delta Omega Chapter

In Attendance: Carrie Scotto, Barb Brunt, Patrice McCarthy, Sandra Siedlecki, Peg DiMarco, Marcia Cornell, Lori Kidd, Margie Ford, and Dina Dornack

5:15 Call to Order

Introduced Carrie Scotto, new archivist. C. Scotto raised concern regarding her ability to fulfill the responsibilities of the archivist position due to having clinicals scheduled during our routine meeting times. Board members agreed to work with Carrie and re-evaluate at a later time if a new archivist would be needed.

Meeting minutes approved: 1st motion – P. McCarthy; 2nd motion – C. Scotto; no further discussion.

Treasurer's report is attached. Current checking balance is \$11,656.78 and total of all account balances is \$44,528.78. The proposed budget for 2008-2009 was provided and reviewed. Question regarding income for investments from Patrice; question regarding income for charities from Barb – white elephant sales, etc raised then donated. Motion to approve report – 1st motion – P. McCarthy; 2nd motion – B. Brunt; no further discussion.

Old Business:

Mentorship/Intern Program – P. DiMarco Plan to have a support group for new grads following the September Board Meeting – email to be sent to newly inducted members in early September. Would also like to do another mentorship program in January and/or April. Open forum format was suggested as a possible avenue. Need to also focus on mentoring new board members candidates. B. Brunt mentioned the Chiron Mentoring Program thru International. This information could be provided to newly inducted members as well. C. Scotto suggested a mentoring panel.

Logo – P. McCarthy reported the logo has not been approved by the University of Akron or by International yet therefore we've been unable to move forward with purchasing items for the chapter ways and means.

Website task force – L. Shanks is now setup to manage the website. She is continuing to work with John on getting the newsletter posted to the website. M. Cornell has been in contact with someone from Summa to help with web design.

Region 10 Research Evidence Based - Tentative date is March 21, 2009 in either Toledo or Detroit. Save the Date with call for presentations to go out in August. Each participating chapter has been asked to support the venue with a \$500 donation.

October Meeting – Dessert Reception with Kay Frances on Thursday October 9, 2008 at the Considine Building at Akron Children's Hospital. We will be sending out a flyer at the end of August or beginning of September to the membership. This event is co-sponsored by Delta Omega and Akron Children's

Hospital and is being held as the pre-conference event to their 15th Annual Pediatric Nursing Conference.

It was brought up that a camera was purchased at the silent auction at the last fall meeting that is now not working. Dina will have Karen have more conversation with the buyer and go from there.

New Business

Global Health Task Force Development – Discussion regarding supporting an International Foundation for healthcare. The Carter Center and Doctors without Borders were discussed with flyers provided to D. Dornack by M. Cornell. S. Siedlecki has a group in Iran asking for assistance with establishing a program or sister chapter of nurses in Iran. B. Brunt suggested contacting International to see if there are any chapters that are looking to be adopted in other countries. Will continue discussion at the August meeting.

Calendar of Events – reviewed. M. Huff to send out reminders about research grant deadline. A corrected calendar will be e-mailed to board members. The bylaws were reviewed to make sure we meet the requirements for programs for the Chapter Key Award.

Monthly Responsibility Calendar - reviewed by D. Dornack. Suggestion was made to invite newly inducted student members to Leadership Academy. Board decided that two officers plus two students would be financially supported to attend the Leadership Academy September 25th – 27th. D. Dornack will send out e-mail to the board members and B. Brunt/C. Buchanan will work on notifying and selecting the two students. Expenses for registration, travel and food will be paid.

Strategic Plan - Dina will make additions regarding mentorship. Reviewed the goals we've met on our strategic plan and opportunities for growth. Would like to expand our work with the community to include Habitat for Humanity. Targeting area hospital CNO's for recruitment of nurse leader candidates. D. Dornack and M. Ford to work on sending a letter with nurse leader recruitment posters to area CNO's at the end of September.

Announcements:

- ❖ There were 11 submissions for the Region 10 Showcase of Excellence Award. D. Dornack is serving as one of the reviewers at the regional level.
- ❖ The Chapter Key Award submission process has been tweaked. Submissions are due by July 15th of 2009. There is a \$50 fee. We can start submitting online November 1st, 2008.
- ❖ Email received from Lynn Lambuth from International regarding the Lillian DeYoung Leadership Education Grant recipient. Dr. Andejoke Ayola of Kappa Epsilon-at-Large Chapter in Grand Rapids, MI has received the grant to attend the research congress. Information will be forwarded to M. Cornell for inclusion in the next newsletter.

- ❖ Dina shared two letters of thanks from individuals who were awarded the Excellence in Nursing Practice Award and the Excellence in Nursing Education Scholarship.

Motion for adjournment made by S. Siedlecki and B. Brunt.

Recorded by M. Ford, Administrative Assistant

Approved by D. Dornack, President, Delta Omega Chapter STTI