

<p><b>Gamma Omicron Chapter at Large Sigma Theta Tau</b>  <b>Presiding:</b> Laurie Zone-Smith, President  <b>Date:</b> April 16, 2008  <b>Meeting Place:</b> Sunfire Grille  <b>Recording,</b> Jackie Romano-Dee, MSN, RN  <b>Quorum Established:</b> Yes</p>	<p><b>Meeting Time:</b> 6:00PM Called to Order  <b>Adjournment:</b> 7:00 PM  <b>Attendance:</b> Jackie Romano-Dee, Catherine Ling, Cindy Plavney, Jennifer Shearer, Laurie Zone-Smith, Linda Warren, Lisa Irvin, Mary Fischer, Monica Dutton, Nancy Finch, Patricia Cathcart, Peggy Williams, Ramona Smith, Rebecca Maddox, Tanya Lott, Kris Douglass, Cindy MacDonald, Ginny Ledbetter, Kathy Simon, Sheila Smith, Rebecca Crighton</p>
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Agenda/Topic	Discussion	Recommendations/Follow-up
<b>Welcome/Announcements</b>	Laurie welcomed and thanked all those attending:	Closed
<b>Minutes approval</b>	Laurie reviewed the March 19th meeting minutes.	Minutes approved
<b>Treasurer's Report</b>	No report this meeting.	Closed
<b>Elections 2008-2010 Chapter Board Results</b>	Ramona Smith-President Elect (2 years) Monika Dutton-Vice President (2 years) Nancy Duffy-MUSC Faculty Counselor (2 years) Cameron Willard (1 yr.), Cindy MacDonald & Ginny Ledbetter (1yr.)-Governance Committee Kris Douglass, Linda Warren, & Nancy Finch-Leadership Succession Committee (2 years)	Closed
<b>Review of Strategic Goals/ Research Award Announcements</b>	a. Research Awards Recipients: 1) New Investigator Award-Kris Douglass 2) At-Large Research Award-Laurie Zone-Smith, Mary Fischer, & John Welton 3) Research Recognition Award-Teresa Kalechi 4) Karen Stanley and Dr. Mary Martin received "Honorable Mention" for poster presentation.	Closed       Chapter sponsored poster \$200.00.
<b>Educational Presentation</b>	Catherine Ling provided educational presentation on pedometers and weight loss based on research she is collecting for her dissertation. Catherine was the recipient of the 2007 Research award for New Investigator.	Thanks to Catherine for a very interesting and informative presentation!
<b>Old Business</b>	a. Community Sigma Project <u>March for Babies</u> Sat. 4/26 Team formation: Linda Warren has set up a Sigma walking team to walk together Sat. 4/26. Purple t-	Walkers signed up: Linda, Laurie, Monika, let's keep adding to the list. See

	<p>shirts were provided for walkers. Donations can be made by visiting the following link: <a href="http://www.marchforbabies.org/s_team_page.asp?seid=518511">http://www.marchforbabies.org/s_team_page.asp?seid=518511</a></p> <p>b. 6<sup>th</sup> Annual SC Magnet Conference “Evidence of Excellence” 4/10-4/11  *Members attending: Nancy Finch, Amy Joseph, Monika Dutton, Laurie Smith, and Lisa Irvin</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Speakers: Amy, Monika and Laurie</li> <li>2) Poster Presentations by Nancy Finch: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. “Intravenous Insulin Protocol in Diabetes and Renal Transplantation”</li> <li>b. “Creating an Office Nurse Role in the Heart Transplant Program”</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>c. Leadership Intern Nominations for 2008-2009 Chapter Leader Academy 9/25-27:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ii. Kathy Wanstall RN</li> <li>iii Yvonne Martin MSN, RN</li> </ol>	<p>you there!! Come and get a T-shirt</p>
<p><b>New Business</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sigma Gamma Omicron At Large Chapter Celebration <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i The Dockside Club Room and surrounding deck is \$50.00 to rent, live music is allowed.</li> <li>ii Available on both Saturdays, June 21 and June 28<sup>th</sup></li> </ol> </li> <li>b. Sign up for Nurses Week Sigma Theta Tau Professional Organization Booth @ MUSC for re-recruiting members and potential community Nurse Leaders</li> </ol>	<p>Group voted against June dates for celebration and opted for August instead.</p> <p>Kim Harris-Eaton, Tanya Lott, Jennifer Shearer, Monika Dutton</p>
<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Celebrating the Science and Art of Caring (Mu Rho Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau) Spartanburg, SC – April 29, 2008, keynote speaker, Jean Watson PhD, RN, AHN-BC, FAAN. Contact: Crystal Green 864-560-6282.</li> <li>b. Sigma Theta Tau 19<sup>th</sup> International Research Congress Focusing on Evidence-Based Practice, Singapore - July 7-11, 2008</li> <li>c. Uniting Practice, Education and Research (Beta Omicron Chapter and Pi Lambda Chapters of University of South Carolina-Aiken) 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference; Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, Doubletree Hotel and Conference Center, Augusta, GA</li> <li>d. Educational and Organization Fair at MUSC May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008</li> <li>e. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nursing Research Conference, “Come with a Nursing Question...Leave with a Research Proposal”, Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 8am-4:30pm</li> </ol>	<p>Our chapter is a Bronze sponsor with Beta Omicron and will have a table at the event. Nancy Finch is presenting a poster.</p> <p>Kim Harris-Eaton coordinating a Sigma Organization table at Nurses Week to attract members.</p>

	<p>Tyner Auditorium, Spartanburg Regional Medical Center, Spartanburg, SC. Contact Jo Vaughn 864-560-6021.</p>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<p>Laurie was honored with a “Past President ” bar to add to her Sigma pin for service as President.</p> <p>Summer 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration- To be announced by New President, Tanya Lott, via e-mail. Enjoy your summer!</p>	<p>Presented by Tanya Lott</p>