Epsilon Psi
Minutes of August 25, 2009 Meeting

Members Present:
Ginger Burgraaff  Erin Cruise
Janice Mooney  Kris Conrad
Sharon O’Donnell  Linda Ely
Trish Conklin  Kim Carter
Deborah Bratton  Mary Hope Gibson
Elizabeth Vest  Tony Ramsey
Stephanie  Laura LaRue
Kereen Mullenbach  Sallie Strauss
Maggie Bassett  Katie Katz

1. Introduction of Officers
- Ginger Burgraaff, President
- Pam Lindsey President elect
- Deborah Bratton Vice President
- Leonita Cutright, Recording secretary
- Patti Hill, Corresponding secretary
- Kereen Mullenbach, Treasurer
- Katie Katz, Governance
- Sharon O’Donnell and Trish Conklin, Nominating
- Sarah Gilbert first faculty counselor
- Janice Moonery second faculty counselor

2. Katie Katz and Deborah have looked at and revised Bylaws of the organization. Special thanks!

3. Treasurers Report—Kereen reviewed the treasurers report deficit spending this past year…we cannot continue part of the expense was due to paying for the inductees brunch. Our CD does keep some income flowing

4. Fundraising: Sigma Wine Tasting @ Bed and Breakfast: Linda Ely has investigated..building and grounds in Dublin off Route 100 Rockwood B & B….website available. Fee is $300.00 to use the facility for the day. Would want to invite vineyards to come in. Many are booked. Facility is booked until Fall 2010. Need a committee to run this.

5. Ginger is currently looking at our WEB page. This needs updating. Save the dates to be posted on this. December 4th is the Research Symposium @ RHEm speaker; April 16th research symposium @ Radford; April 17th Induction

Looking to collaborate with other nursing organizations for educational symposiums
6. Regional director from Jefferson College – difficulty with communication. Will look into trying to collaborate with Jefferson. Our alumni @ Carilion are joining with Jefferson - Kim will discuss with School of Nursing Director @ Jefferson to see if she can pave the way for collaboration.

7. Sigma has grant money….need to look at website. Ginger will try and address this with members.

8. Need to try and reach out to HCA facilities, other Carilion facilities, nursing homes, public health.

9. Challenges is the cost of continuing education programs. $200 for each program to obtain CEUs. Must submit 3 months in advance. We can create a certificate instead of trying to obtain CEUs for educational programs.

10. Handout that is given to incoming students was distributed. Ginger feels this needs to be revised.

11. Will be sending Kereen and Ginger to the annual meeting in Indianapolis.

12. Ginger’s objectives for 2009-2010 her last year as president were distributed and reviewed.

13. Fundraising ideas…ideas for fundraising were brainstormed - Bingo, selling nuts (pecans, peanuts), Mary Hope has donated a quilt to raffle off.

14. Future Meetings: suggestions for days and time - Dovetail meetings with faculty meeting and RUNSA meeting. Can we make it a more social event?

Tony suggested having a booth at the School of Nursing Picnic…..and all Sigma members dressing up and /or painting face with purple to challenge students to some type of event…like a bean bag toss, horseshoes, etc.

Mary Hope suggested inviting Lucy Kelly to come down to speak…she has recently moved to Charlottesville.

Sigma give away items were suggested: pencils, bookmarks, Erin will work with Ginger on the September 12th program.

We will meet once when RUNSA meets and once when faculty meets.

Need a board meeting in late winter to review students who will be invited to join Epsilon Psi.

16. All members will wear purple on the first day of school and introduce themselves as a member of Sigma.
Meeting adjourned @ 5:39 PM

Respectfully submitted

Leonita Cutright

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Research Evening; December 3, 4:00-7:00 PM at the Roanoke Higher Education Center.