HONOR CHAPTER CONSIDERATION: KAPPA PHI, FRIENDS UNIVERSITY

During the 2017-2018 semesters, Kappa Phi chapter of Sigma Delta Pi created and implemented a series of relevant projects based on the national mission of Sigma Delta Pi. Our constant focus is on encouraging our university students to enhance their interest and understanding of the Hispanic/Latino culture including a focus on those who have made impressive contributions. With each project, the officers of Kappa Phi chapter were involved totally in organizing and implementing activities and students continued to serve as peer tutors for students taking Spanish classes. Below are the minutes from the Cabinet retreats for both semesters; they were held in August 2017 and January 2018 to discuss activities and plans for the semester. During April 2018, after the 2018-2019 officers were elected, they met to begin planning possible activities and events for the 2018-2019 school year for all of the members. Below are summaries of the fall and winter meetings.
August 20, 2017

Sigma Delta Pi: Fall 2017

August

- 30th First Spanish Club Meeting 1:00 p.m. DAV 304. Intro to Spanish club and new officers; icebreaker game.

September

- 4th Labor Day (No Classes)
- 10th SDP Initiation Ceremony 2 p.m. Presidents Dining Room
- 19th Homecoming Float Planning Meeting. 12:00 p.m. LL Casado
- 22nd Cesar Chavez Movie Night 7 p.m.
- 29th Homecoming Float Decorating 5-10 p.m. Profa Molina's office

October

- 7th Homecoming Parade @ Parking Lot E 1:00 p.m.
- Service Project (La Familia Center?)
- 12th Fall Break (No Classes)

November

- 1st Día de los Muertos Fundraiser In Library
- 12th Spanish Church 5:00p 2900 N Rock Road
- 29th Christmas Tree Decorating Contest
- 6th Spring Registration opens

December

- 11th Reading Day

Other Stuff:

- T-Shirts (Coming Soon)
- Sigma Delta Pi members continue to peer tutor students taking Spanish in the Academic Resource Center

From: Jerry Smartt
Sent: Monday, January 15, 2018 9:36 AM
To: Bethany Gray <graybe@friends.edu>
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Subject: Re: SDP Cabinet Retreat Minutes

Wow! Excellent! And amazingly efficient! It is going to be a good semester!!
Sent from my iPad

On Jan 14, 2018, at 5:50 PM, Bethany Gray <graybe@friends.edu> wrote:
Okay, here are the minutes from today's great cabinet meeting, sign-up sheets for use in class and at induction ceremony (to be updated as information becomes available), and a flier of upcoming events to date for this semester.

Thanks for all your participation today, Bethany

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January 14, 2018

SDP Cabinet Retreat Agenda 14-01-2018 – Minutes
12:30p – 3:00 P.M. Dr. Smartt’s house

Attendees: Dr. Smartt, Grace, Aitken, Bethany Gray, and John Ralston

Lunch
Spring 2018 Activity Planning

Sigma Delta Pi Induction Sunday, January 28th 2p
Dr. Smartt will work with Bonnie Dexter to determine students eligible for the Spring 2018 induction and reserve the PDR for the event. She will also order certificates and pins which take approx. 2 weeks to obtain and compose and distribute the letter of invitation to eligible students. Bethany will obtain the Presidential box from Rachael Rood to inventory candles, plates, napkins, cutlery, and cups for the event. Set-up for the event will start at 1p for all SDP officers. Items to be determined: who will purchase: red carnations (1 per inductee) and food items (small dessert, chips, salsa, etc). Punch bowl and ladle are available for use on 4th floor. Sign-up sheets for each semester activity will be available at event. Email invite to be sent out to current members of SDP and Spanish Club members to attend in support of inductees.

Chili Cook-off Prep Tuesday, February 6th 7p
Dr. Smartt will contact her representative at Yoder Meats on 798 N. West St., Wichita, KS 67203. Phone: 316-942-1213 or email: YMW@YODERMEATSKS.COM in advance of our event. In previous years, Yoder has donated the hamburger for our chili. Grace will take the latest Chili Cook-off trophy from the 4th floor of Davis to Yoder Meats to report on last year’s win and share with them that the cash award goes to student scholarships. She will pick up the meat and can store at the school in the fridge on the 4th floor of Davis or in the Student Office of the MFT building. Dr. Smartt will purchase the amount of the ingredients for the chili: yellow onions, beans, tomato sauce, chilies, and cilantro. Bethany will purchase in advance of the prep date. Dr. Smartt and Bethany will both provide two crockpots for the event.

Chili Cook-off Wednesday, February 7th 6p
John will confirm with SGA the set-up time and place for the event. Dr. Smartt will furnish decorations for the booth for a tropical theme. Bethany will provide a tent, fishing line, and a fan for the event. Still needed: tropical music and player; choice decorations from Dr. Smartt’s office.

2018 KS Mission of Mercy Friday, February 9th and Saturday, February 10th TBD
The Kansas Dental Charitable Foundation (KDCF) contacted Dr. Smartt regarding the need for interpreters for this free dental clinic in Hutchinson, KS at the Kansas State Fairgrounds. She has responded to their inquiry and is waiting on more information from the KDCF regarding the event.

MICATA Conference Fundraiser Wednesday, February 14th 11am – 2pm
John will ask Ashley about setting up a table and chairs outside the cafeteria to sell goodies with 100% of the fundraiser going towards scholarships for the $40 student registration fee for the 2018 MICATA conference in Lenexa, KS. Bethany will provide cart for goodies not sold before 2p. Still needed: student volunteers to provide goodies, table managers, and cart managers after 2p.

BizFest Wednesday, February 21st-Saturday, February 24th TBD
Dr. Smartt introduced that Friends University will be hosting this event on campus for the next two years. Latino students participate in projects while working with area business mentors. More information should be available in the next couple of weeks.

MICATA Conference Saturday, March 24th TBD
More information to come regarding the details of the annual MICATA conference. Student registration is $40 for all day Saturday. Tentative plan is to go up Friday night and come back Saturday after the conference.

Movie Night Wednesday, March 28th 6p
Dr. Smartt will order the movie Coco through the library and reserve a room on campus. She will also inquire about inviting others to the event. Bethany will contact Lakepoint Nursing Home to inquire about community use of their theatre room. Participants will be encouraged to bring their own movie munchies.

Service Project April TBD
Bethany will contact Lindsey Williams about interpretation opportunities at Guadalupe Clinic in April. John will contact His Helping Hands to learn more about the non-profit, history, mission, purpose, etc. Dr. Smartt will then contact as potential organization to partner with for a future service project.

New Officer Elections TBD
New Officer elections will be held before the end of the semester for the 2018-2019 SDP Officers.

Minutes submitted by: Bethany K. Gray
Sigma Delta Pi induction of 11 “neófitos”. Following the ceremony, new members and their families were invited to a light supper of Hispanic dishes.

Peer Mentors of freshmen Latino Leaders

Sigma Delta Pi members served as peer mentors for a new program called Latino Leaders. They advised these talented freshmen with issues related to their first year in college whether academic, personal, professional, or financial.
October 6, 2017

- **Homecoming Parade**

![Homecoming Parade Float]

In collaboration with the Spanish Club, Kappa Phi chapter participates in the Homecoming parade and wins second place. Members decided on the theme, created or bought the decorations, decorated the float, and participated in the parade.

November 1, 2017

**MICATA Fundraisers & Conference**

![Fundraising Event]

**Career support**

For students who wish to be certified as a translator or interpreter, attending the MICATA (Mid-American Chapter of the American Translators Association) conference is essential. Kappa Phi Chapter decided to use all of its fundraising profits to support students who wished to participate in the annual conference of MICATA in Kansas City. The first fundraiser was on November 1, 2017.
• November 29, 2017

Christmas Tree Decorating

Kappa Phi chapter in collaboration with HALO wins first place in the Christmas Tree decoration contest. The decorations were mostly Mexican in nature and focused on the poinsettia flower as well as typical realia from that country. It was unique in comparison to the other trees and exemplified the exuberance of the Mexican culture in its bright colors and use of typical cultural realia.

• January 28, 2018

Sigma Delta Pi Induction Ceremony

Sunday, January 28 2018  2:00 P.M.
President’s Dining Room – Casado Upper Level

You are cordially invited to attend the Spring 2018 induction ceremony for Friends University’s Kappa Phi Chapter of Sigma Delta Pi Please let us know if you will be in attendance. Thanks, SDP Officers

As is traditional in Kappa Phi chapter, we began the year with an initiation ceremony. Two deserving students were initiated on January 28th. A reception for the new members, their families and friends followed the ceremony.
Every February, Friends University celebrates its annual Chili Cook-off. Members decided on the chili recipe and decoration theme and then spent an evening cooking it. The recipe had many revisions!

Kappa Phi chapter of Sigma Delta Pi wins second place at the 19th annual Chili Cookoff.
The second fundraiser for attending the MICATA conference was February 14, 2018. Students were able to raise enough money to assist each student desiring to attend the MICATA conference. This fundraising project was also supported by seed money awarded through one of the Friends University Innovation Grants as well the Student Government approved budget for Sigma Delta Pi. Support and collaboration at the University level was most appreciated.
Collaborative Community Outreach: Wichita BizFest

Kappa Phi members assisted Friends University in the first annual Wichita BizFest event. Working in collaboration with the Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the local public school system (USD 259), 22 area high school junior and seniors attended a four-day training on entrepreneurship in the business world. Students assisted in many ways to facilitate this important event.

Wichita BizFest celebrates its first year at Friends

Wichita BizFest 2018 has been deemed a success! Hosted at Friends University in partnership with the Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and others, 22 area high school juniors and seniors attended a four-day training on business and entrepreneurship Feb. 21-24. Thank you to all of the faculty, staff and students (including Sigma Delta Pi members) who helped make this event a success. Friends plans to host the event next year as well.
April 17, 2018

Collaborative Community Outreach: Cesar Chavez Day

César Chávez Day
April 17, 2018

In collaboration with HALO, Kappa Phi chapter assisted in honoring one of the heroes of the Hispanic culture, Cesar Chavez. Together the two organizations initiated, implemented, and executed a successful event in which members attended and participated. Ninety high school students also attended the event and extended the outreach to the greater Hispanic community. Seed money from a University Innovation Grant helped to defray expenses. The highlight was the keynote speaker, Gene Camarena, who is a successful, local entrepreneur who spends much of his volunteer time reaching out to young Latinos to inspire them to get an education and contribute to modern culture.

Cesar Chavez Day celebration successful

In celebration of Cesar Chavez Day, 90 students visited campus from Derby, East, Maize, North and South high schools April 17. Students who are members of Sigma Delta Pi and HALO as well as Dr. Jerry Smartt and Professor Teresa Molina facilitated the visit.
• Fall 2017 and spring 2018 semesters

**Collaborative Community Outreach and Visibility:** Kansas University Medical School Honorary students of Sigma Delta Pi at Friends University were invited to volunteer as interpreters in clinical situations of real-world simulations in examination and emergency rooms. Our University is the only one providing this service in the Standardized Patient Program for doctors in training. Also we were invited to provide interpreters for KU’s free clinics at the Guadalupe Clinic in the barrio as well. Many new opportunities for interpreting or translating for the local Hispanic Community are being offered to Sigma Delta Pi members as a result of this outreach.
Awards and recognition
All of these student-directed events and activities had an unexpected outcome as well. Friends University was nominated for and received the 2017 Partner Award from The Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. The President of the University accepted the award based contributions “toward the advancement of the Hispanic community.”

Kappa Phi chapter treasurer, Megan Hardtarfer won an undergraduate study abroad stipend to study abroad in Sevilla, Spain during the summer 2018. She was recognized at the Friends University annual awards ceremony along with the officers of Sigma Delta Pi for outstanding achievement during the 2017-2018 school year.
Spanish and accounting double major receives study abroad stipend

Megan Hardtarfer, senior in Spanish and accounting, was selected to receive an undergraduate study abroad stipend of $2,500 from Sigma Delta Pi, the national collegiate Hispanic honor society. She plans to study abroad next semester in Seville, Spain. In a highly competitive contest of more than 600 chapters, Hardtarfer was one of the few chosen to receive this generous funding.
Emilio Escamilla, member of Sigma Delta Pi, in a vigorous competition, is selected Outstanding Junior Man for 2018.
Visibility: Movie Night
COCO

The final activity for the spring 2018 semester was movie night for the entire student body. For no cost, all students were invited to view the award-winning movie COCO. Snacks were provided by the Friends Student Government Association. It was a wonderful way to end a busy but enriching year!