Gamma Beta Phi Minutes

February 17, 2016 Gamma Beta Phi held a meeting in room 108 of the Humanities building at Tarleton State University, Stephenville Campus. The meeting was the first to use livestream media to accommodate the needs of members who could not physically attend.

Ideas concerning the groups social media presence were discussed in an open floor format. Making the groups facebook page public to attract support and new members was discussed. It was determined that a social media chairperson would serve the group well. All members interested in running for social media chair should contact Officer Kelly. Social media chair will be in charge of all media presence: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram… ect. Deadline to volunteer is February 26, 2016.

The group was unable to discuss plans to volunteer for Habitat for Humanity because the community service members responsible for the presentation of information were not present. They had experienced unavoidable life circumstances.

Shirt designs were discussed in an open format. It was determined that because only ten members had voted on the previous shirt designs that a new vote would take place. Officer Kelly designed a new shirt and members present voted between it and the original winning design. The new shirt was selected with a slight modification to the back design as discussed and voted on in the meeting.

Officer Houston presented the idea of having special committee chairs for each project. This would give approximately two people per project the opportunity to increase their involvement. It will also help develop the volunteers resume. However, it is a considerable responsibility and whoever volunteers must be certain that they can handle the responsibility as you cannot withdraw once you begin. The chair person will be responsible for obtaining information, locating resources, and providing debriefing to the officers and members of GBP. Chairpersons are needed for the Habitat for Humanity project, the Kickball Tournament, and the Ronald McDonald House project. Please contact Houston with questions or to submit your name for consideration. Those selected will meet every two weeks or more to discuss progress and needs. This is an excellent step-up to an officer position.

The kickball tournament was discussed in an open format. A tentative date is April 9, 2016. However, this is subject to change. Advertising in the different papers on campus was discussed as was the need to share with other organizations that members are involved in. GBP is interested in obtaining both fields for use in the tournament. Each team that plays will consist of 9 members and will pay $100 to enter. The committee will be responsible for collecting the funds and submitting them to Houston. All proceeds will go to Ronald McDonald house. None will go to GBP.

Officer Stephanie spoke about the Ronald McDonald house and volunteer opportunities. Members interested may visit [www.mhfw.org](http://www.mhfw.org) To volunteer as an organization at least 8 members must volunteer together. There are multiple volunteer positions. GBP will go as a group on a Saturday prior to the kickball tournament. Date will be announced. However, members are encouraged to volunteer whenever they can, and as often as possible. The website list an age limit of 14-24 and involved in an educational facility but older individuals may volunteer as well.

Tarleton Round Up is happening soon. The deadline to volunteer is February 26, 2016. Several more volunteers are needed for GBP to receive an organization T-Shirt for the round-up. This does count for volunteer hours. When a member signs up they need to list Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society as the organization they are involved with. A round up location may be in Fort-Worth as well as Stephenville. Stephanie is gathering all of the details. There is a 6 hour community service requirement but there is no cap. Volunteering is strongly encouraged.

Please make sure Stephanie gets an email concerning any and all community service hours. They do not count if they are not submitted. The forms may be found under the forms tab on the website. Fill it out and submit it and contact Stephanie. [www.Tarleton.GBP.weebly.com](http://www.Tarleton.GBP.weebly.com)

Other volunteer opportunities include Angels and Outlaws Bully Rescue located in Hico. This rescue serves more than pitbulls. It is in need of multiple volunteers. Also the Relay for Life in Waco at Baylor McClain Stadium on March 12. Contact Lauryn for more information. The group Facebook page has many great volunteer opportunities listed.

Group meetings will occur every third Wednesday of the month with time and location to be announced in emails and on social media.

Please be kind and remember that last minute community service hours will create undue stress for the community service members during finals. Submit your hours. Failure to obtain or submit hours will result in probation.

Secretary Gamma Beta Phi,

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