**September 2016 Minutes: August 24th, 2016**

**Exec Chair Reports**

**-Most Worthy Master & Alpha Master of Candidates, Joe Cacioppo**: Welcome!

1.) Introduction video played :<http://youtu.be/CRgcS0QNXJ8>

2). Introduction to OTS – what we do and who we are: education, philanthropy, wet labs, social.

3). Welcome from **Faculty Advisor, Dr. Michael Biehl-** gave history of OTS and how much it has grown in past years.

**-Beta Master of Pledges, Annie Ryan:** Yay new recruits! Gave reasons on why to join OTS.

Family, easy time commitment, education- especially the anatomy review,

Pledging process, pledge survey were described.

**-Worthy Master, Jeff Hess:** Discussed committee and the different duties.

[Committee List here](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1em7YqMbmV4Cz-Fsv7oR5cO0-m7COA9syPWaOQ5-Xmrg/edit#gid=0); [Committee Duties here](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Xlca2AwZ2UP5LtYYaleF49-zJsfhZdJT4XwKI5prjnE/edit?usp=sharing).

**-Alpha Master of Finance, Katie Duda:** Get your dues in! $75 dollars for the full year or $40 per semester. Due September 9th at 5pm. This is a national organization so dues cost more than other clubs. An additional $50 must be paid for Grand Council if you want to be included in the events. This covers dinner, drinks, transportation, gift bag, t-shirt, etc. This is an optional fee. It will be mandatory to help somehow with Grand Council but it is optional if you want to partake in the events.

**-Beta Master of Finance, Rachel Vandermyde**: Dues to Rachel’s mailbox too (BSB)

**-Master of Records and Seals, Jordan Belden:** Once dues are paid notes will be sent out. Will get access to the google calendar, google drive, and be added to Facebook page.

**-Master of Ceremonies, Leah Kruckman:** Clothing sale update. Booth at Open-house. Fall sale will be for all of Vet Med. Spring sale is OTS only clothes.

**-Master of History, Darcy Stephenson:** Kick-butt award- Kathleen Keene for work on the summer newsletter

-**Master of the Web, Mark Sadler**:<http://publish.illinois.edu/omegatausigma/>

**Committee Chair Reports**

**-Alumni, Kathleen Keene:** SummerNewsletter went out this month. Alumni committee sends out newsletter biannually.

**-Clothing/Fundraising, Leah Kruckman/Krissy Kozak/ Cassie Saufley/ Hannah Lynaugh:** Open House Oct. 2nd – school wide event that is mandatory. Show the public what the school has. Very large event. OTS has a booth to sell clothing at.

**-Pet Wash, Alex Ruppe / Laura Molinet:** TBD - fall date. Pet washes in fall and spring. All proceeds go to humane society.

**-Internal Relations, Cindy Roberg/ Nick Lindstrand:** Birthday gifts and test snacks.

**-Pet Visitations, Brittany Willeford:**  Once a month go to a retirement home in Urbana- Clark Lindsay. Pets interact with the residents. Everyone enjoys it- pets and people. First one is on Monday 29th at 6 pm. If you bring your pet please bring valid rabies certificate. Get 3 philanthropy points for each visit.

**-Road Race, Jeneen Schier/Brittney Stanton:** REQUIRED event, occurring April 2nd, 2017. More planning to come later in the year.

**-Social, Darcy Stephenson/Rachel Hallman:** Pumpkins & Pints night, Oct 16th; more to come!

**-Educational, Miriah Wilson/Jaimee Goldish/ Brandi Burton:**

2nd years put on anatomy and histology reviews for the first year- optional. Google drive has outline and flashcards for each class. Junior Surgery Survival Session

Sun Aug. 28th 6PM (3rd years, 4th years)

Suturing / PCV / TP Wetlab – Tues Sept. 6th 6PM (1st and 2nd years). Will most likely have a cap on this due to the large pledge class.

Anatomy/Histology Review for first midterm TBD.

**- Grand Council, Joe Cacioppo:** Grand Council this year is Oct. 21-23rd at UIUC! This is a meeting for all OTS members of North America. Large social gathering and delegates meeting. Will be a mandatory event that you must help with. Member cost will be $50 to attend the events- this is not required. Katie needs a social committee for the Gonzo Olympics.

**-Open Floor-**

**-Conclusion of Chapter Meeting by Leah Kruckman, Master of Ceremonies**

**Grand Council Schedule of Events**

**Friday, October 21st**

5:30 PM - 8:00 PM: Registration and Welcome Dinner at iHotel

9:00 PM - 1:30 AM: Green Street Bar Crawl

**Saturday, October 22nd**

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Delegates Meeting

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM: Illinois Vet School Tours

11:00 AM - 3:30 PM: Lunch, Gonzo Olympics

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Awards and Banquet Dinner- Regent Ballroom

9:00 PM - 1:30 AM: 90’s Throwback Party

**Sunday, October 23rd**

8:30AM -10:00 AM: Farewell Breakfast & GC 2016 Photo

**Other Business**

**This year we will continue with our Point System**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1dzEKUcrchAAn-dkmA9gfjmkndVX1YEmdewX5f8OHiXk/edit#gid=0>

Points will help determine externship funding, wet lab selection, scholarships, etc.

○ For Pledges: Initiation (Nov. 17th) – requires 6 points

○ End of year – requires 15 points to rejoin

○ 1 point for social events and chapter meetings

○ 2 pts for required events (Grand Council and Road Race)

○ 3 pts for philanthropy events

○ Chapter meetings are mandatory and you only have 2 **unexcused** absences

○ Points accumulate year to year for wetlab/scholarship/etc. participation

○ Members on probation: must make up missed points within the next semester and will have last pick for wetlabs or spay/neuter days. Ineligible for scholarships.

**Dates to remember fall semester:**

8/28: Junior Surgery Preparatory Meeting

9/1: Grand Council Registration Opens

9/2: Welcome Back Barbeque

9/5: Labor Day – no class

9/6: Suturing / PCV / TP Wet Lab

9/9: OTS Dues are Due to Katie and Rachel

9/11: First year Anatomy and Histology Review

9/16: Midterms!!

9/17: ISCAVMA/OTS Tailgate vs Western MI (tentative)

9/22: Fall Conference Alumni Networking

9/23: T-Fest (by PMC club)

9/25: Fall Pet Wash (tentative)

9/30: Grand Council Registration Due

10/2: Open House / Clothing Sale

10/4: Chapter Meeting (tentative)

10/8: Paintball Day (with ISCAVMA)

10/9: Anatomy and Histology Review

10/13-14: FINALS!!!!

10/16: Pumpkins & Pints (Curtis Orchard)

10/17: Vet Tech Appreciation Week

10/21-23: Grand Council (Mandatory Event)

10/26: Venipuncture Wet Lab (tentative)

10/29: Homecoming

11/11: Midterms

11/17: Initiation Night

11/19-27: Fall Break

12/2: Around the World Party

12/4: Pictures with Santa

12/17-1/16: Winter Break

**OTS has committees that you can sign up for and participate in throughout the year** – sign up if you’re interested:<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1em7YqMbmV4Cz-Fsv7oR5cO0-m7COA9syPWaOQ5-Xmrg/edit#gid=0>

**Annie Ryan is the Beta Master of Pledges.** She is in charge of initiation, the Around the World Party, etc. Around the World is a party to welcome the new members! 2nd years drive you and OTS pays for everything, so it’s a lot of fun! **2nd years, please volunteer to host (let Annie know, and be thinking of your secret theme)**

**Get your dues in as soon as possible.** You can put them in mailbox of Katie Duda (VM3) or Rachel Vandermyde (VM2). Notes are sent out as soon as a check is received. Dues are due 9/9 at 5PM! If you need money for an event or committee, contact either of them!

**Pet Visitations to the Clark Lindsey Retirement Village:** Even if you don’t have a pet, come! If you bring a pet, bring a copy of their Rabies vaccination (one-time issue).

Add the OTS calendar to your personal google calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/render#main_7>

On the bottom left, next to "Other Calendars", click the arrow and select "Add by URL". Then paste the following link into the pop-up box:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/g4tmjsltdnki5nbl4pp5g2qgtg%40group.calendar.google.com/public/basic.ics>