2018-2019 Pi Tau Sigma Chapter Report

Kentucky Pi Lambda

A. Initiations

Two initiations were hosted during this academic year. The fall initiation took place on 11/29/18 and 12/6/18, and 4 students were initiated. The spring initiation was on 2/20/18, and 5 students were initiated.

1. The initiation process began with getting the list of all eligible students from our chapter advisor Dr. Wu. Only the top 20% juniors and top 25% seniors were invited. Invitation emails were sent out to all eligible students for the smoker event.

2. During the smoker event, a brief presentation about Pi Tau Sigma was given. Smoker was hold to introduce these candidates to Pi Tau Sigma and inform them of the benefits of joining the society. Food was provided during the info session and bents were given to the potential initiates to polish.

3. In the Initiation ceremony, an initiation rituals procedure was followed, and new members were initiated. Membership dues were collected during the ceremony and the shiniest bent received a discount. The new initiates signed their names and wrote their personal emails on the roll book.

B. Chapter Activities

UK Pi Tau Sigma did many activities and volunteer events this year. We held meetings regularly to discuss activities and upcoming events. Here are the activities that we did during fall 2018 and spring 2019:

1. Freshman Orientation:
   Orientation fair to show incoming freshman students about UK engineering organizations. We made a poster and answered questions about Pi Tau Sigma. This was a great event to advertise the organization.
2. Career Fair volunteer:
   University of Kentucky career fair was hold in Sep 25. Pi Tau Sigma members helped the University successfully host the career fair events. The activities include checking in students, helping employers set up their tables, delivering water and guiding the locations etc.
3. E-day volunteer:
   E-day is an annual event hosted by UK College of Engineering for K-12 kids to experience engineering. Pi Tau Sigma helped set up the tables and decorate the venue for this event.

4. Study session:

Joint study sessions with ASME so that mechanical engineers could work together on similar problems with food provided. It's a great opportunity for mechanical engineering student to collaborate with each other on course work. Study session also included tutoring for the lower classmate. This is a meaningful event that will be continue and expand next year.

C. Others:

In addition to the chapter activities, occasionally we also held exam study sessions. Next year, we are planning to organize more social events to connect the members, like bowling, board game night, study night, dinner etc. We are also planning on going to the national convention next year to interact and network with other chapters.

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