

The Tau Beta Pi Association

Chapter Project Report

Chapter: SD B

Project number: 1 and 2

New:

Recurring: X

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete each of the seven sections below. Any additional information which may be helpful to another chapter would also be appreciated, but do not send extraneous material that would not be useful to other chapters.

Project name: Production and Delivery of Personalized Letter to Candidates

Date(s) of Project: Fall '10/Spring'11

Project area:	Community/ Liberal Culture	University/ College	Profession/ Engineering	X Chapter/ Social	Education/ Prof. Dev.
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Number of persons who participated in this project (Please attach a list of names.)	Members: <u>6</u>	Electees: <u> </u>
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Average number of hours per person.	Organizing: <u>1</u>	Participating: <u>2</u>
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DESCRIPTION:

I. General Description: The intent of this project was to inform the inductees of their achievements which have allowed them to be elected to membership in Tau Beta Pi. The letters were then hand delivered to students.

II. Purpose & Relationship to Objectives of TBP: The goal of this project was to increase the number of students who came to the informational meeting and ultimately joined Tau Beta Pi.

III. Organization & Administration: (in conjunction with another group? Yes X No)
The letter was written and revised and then personally handed out to the inductees by current members of Tau Beta Pi. Current members then went into classes and hand delivered letters to students.

IV. Cost & Personnel Requirements: None

V. Special Problems: None.

VI. Over-all Evaluation/Results (Be Specific): The letter informs the inductees of initiation, cost of membership, and eligible requirements of a Tau Beta Pi member.

VII. Index of Exhibits:



TAU BETA PI

South Dakota Beta Chapter

South Dakota State University
Crothers Engineering Hall
Brookings, SD 57007

Dear,

Congratulations! On behalf of the members of the South Dakota Beta Chapter, I am happy to inform you that your high academic standing allows us to consider you for membership in Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society.

As our motto states, Tau Beta Pi was founded in 1885 “to mark in a fitting manner those who have conferred honor upon their alma mater by distinguished scholarship and exemplary character as undergraduates in the field of engineering.” Highly regarded within industry and academia, Tau Beta Pi has grown to include 235 collegiate chapters and has initiated more than 517,000 members.

There are many benefits of being a Tau Bate. For example, the Association offers 100 or more scholarships of \$2,000 for senior-year members of Tau Beta Pi only, and we have had several scholarship winners here at SDSU. Tau Beta Pi also offers fellowships of which two SDSU graduates have won in the past two years. Additionally, the society offers opportunities for personal development by providing a means by which you can assume roles of leadership in the college, and also through the Tau Beta Pi website you can find online job service for Tau Beta Pi members only. Our SDSU chapter facilitates the selling and buying of the FE review books, organizes the College of Engineering review sessions for the FE test, and provides Engineering Futures sessions on the campus. We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to be recognized for your achievements and join our chapter.

We would like to get to know you and provide more information to you about Tau Beta Pi. Please join us and other eligible candidates at an orientation meeting on Thursday, March 3rd at 7 p.m. in Crothers Engineering Hall room 224 where we will have pizza and pop. At this meeting, a one-time membership fee of \$50 is due should you choose to join our honor society. Until then, please visit the Tau Beta Pi website at www.tbp.org to learn more about this distinguished honors society.

If you have any questions about Tau Beta Pi, or will not be able to attend the meeting, please contact me at 608-712-2095 or taubetapi_sdsu@hotmail.com.

Sincerely,

Lars Mattison
President, South Dakota Beta Chapter