

# 2023 Convention Business Summary

## Advisors

1. Define “identity” as it applies to Tau Beta Pi advisors and provide a path for promoting identity among members.
2. Identify the reasons people join Tau Beta Pi as a resource for advisors to promote increased membership in their chapters.

## Alumni Chapters

1. Review and recommend changes to the operations and activities of the alumni chapters.
2. Develop a 1-minute or less elevator pitch and/or a short paragraph that alumni chapters could use to appeal to Tau Beta Pi alumni to join their chapter.

## Awards

1. Select winner of the R.C. Matthews Outstanding Chapter Award for 2022-23.
2. Select winner of the R.H. Nagel Most Improved Chapter Award for 2022-23.
3. Select winner of the J.D. Froula Most Improved Membership Award for 2022-23.

## Chapter and Association Financial Affairs

1. Review the actions of the 2022 Convention and recommend updates (if any) to the convention reimbursement policy.
2. Review and recommend action on a proposal to move the permitted investment options from the Constitution to Convention policy.
3. Review and recommend action on a Convention Policy proposal intended to streamline initiation fee updates.
4. Review unusual delegate expenses for 2023 Convention.
5. Review the chapter accounts receivable to Headquarters.
6. Review the auditor's report for 2019-21.

## Constitution and Bylaws

1. Review and recommend action on policies developed by the Executive Council from the old Constitution and Bylaws.
2. Consider requests for review arising from other committees during the Convention.

## Convention Site

1. Review and recommend a site to host the 2026 Convention.

## Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)

1. Discuss potential DEI work and provide recommendations for future projects.

## Image and Marketing

1. Identify and evaluate possible options for communicating our messages on your college campus and identify all appropriate target groups of potential candidates.
2. Review the progress on the new Tau Beta Pi Members website design and recommend additions or enhancements.

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3. Review the white stole and orange and white honor cords worn by Tau Beta Pi members at graduation ceremonies. Provide recommendations for possible changes.

## New Engineering Solutions for Tomorrow (NEST)

1. Review the NEST materials and provide advice, comments, and general improvement recommendations to the NEST program developers
2. Introduce NEST to the Convention body
3. Determine the NEST Challenge for the 2023-2024 academic year
4. Grade the final reports provided by the chapters and aggregate all scores from competition
5. Announce the winner from the 2022-2023 NEST competition

## Petitions

1. Review and recommend action on a petition for a chapter at the American University of Sharjah.
2. Review and recommend action on a petition for a chapter at the Texas A&M University at Qatar.

## Program Review

1. Review and recommend action on appeal from CA AA for Computer Science.
2. Review and recommend action on 6 appeals from MI Epsilon:
  - a. Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
  - b. Master of Science in Computer Science
  - c. Master of Science in Robotics with a Major in Smart Mobility
  - d. Master of Science in Robotics with a Major in Intelligent Control
  - e. Master of Science in Environmental and Sustainability Engineering
  - f. Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence with a Major in AI Algorithms and Systems
3. Review and recommend action on appeal from WA Beta for Computer Science.
4. Review and recommend action on appeal from the American University of Sharjah for Computer Science.

## Resolutions

1. Prepare the resolutions for presentation to the Convention.
2. Prepare recognition materials for members of the Association.
3. Review and recommend action for a five-year goal for "Identity" of Tau Beta Pi.

## Rituals

1. Prepare the Model Initiation for Convention.
2. Review and recommend action on a proposal to adjust the language in the virtual initiation ceremony ritual.

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