**PI TAU SIGMA ANNUAL CHAPTER REPORT**

2011-2012

Missouri University of Science and Technology Tau Lambda

## A. Initiations

Our initiation process includes the pledges turning in their keys and plaques to be judged. We have them come into the room, sit down and we read off the process of becoming a member and the meaning behind it. We then proceed to blindfold them and lead them throughout the Mechanical Building leading a trust exercise following each other. We bring them back into the room and explain the meaning behind the crest and key. We then teach them the handshake and congratulate them on their being new members.

Our selection process follows the basic guidelines written in the bylaws. We get a list of everyone that is Junior or Senior status by hours (60 and 90 hours respectively) and then we find the top 25% of Juniors and top 35% of Seniors and round down to the nearest whole number. We then extend an invitation via email to them and invite them to an Invitational BBQ.

The requirements we have set are they must complete 6 hours of service hours that we geared towards the department. We offered Advising Assistance to the undergraduates, where we sat at a table and tried to offer help. We moved the Pi Tau Sigma office to a new more convenient room, and we also polished the Pi Tau Sigma key that is in our entryway to the Mechanical Building. We allowed people to do 2 hours from outside sources, like philanthropy events. We had 9 initiates join in the Fall 2011 and 19 join this Spring semester.

## B. Chapter Activities

We did Advising Assistance along with the Advising Chair of our department. Many students used this resource and we had high positive feedback. During our chapter meetings, we have Alumni come back and discuss various topics from who they work for and what they do to how they got where they are. This is very useful for the members and they seem to get a lot out of it and the Alumni really enjoy it.

We had our president, me, and the vice president partake in National Convention this spring in San Jose. We took many great ideas from it and presented them to our Officer

Board and Faculty Advisor and we are going to add many new activities in semesters to come. Some proposed new activities include

- Golf Tournament with Alumni that work at local business that recruit heavy at our school.
- Early semester Social with potential new members to build old member/new member relationships.
- Philanthropy events with a Greek organization
- Sponsoring from Companies that wish to come to speak to sponsor our meetings and the food that we provide at them.
- And many more that are being discussed