

To the Brothers and Sisters of the Southwest District Alumni Association,

It has been an honor to serve as your Chairperson for the past year, and it would be an honor to be selected to serve again for the 2022-2023 membership year.

I have been a member of SWDAA since 2016 and served on various committees including Programs, Finance, Strategic Planning, and the Striving for Greater Professionals sub-committee, so I feel I have a well-rounded understanding of how the organization works. I previously served as a program chair for the TMEA Social/Recruitment program for the past few years and have been recognized for my contributions in this position. In addition, I have served on the Election Committee the last two years and have been able to observe firsthand what I believe the board needs to be successful. As your Chairperson this past year, I have led our monthly board meetings, our quarterly General Body meetings, overseen the Strategic Planning Committee, and am currently planning our SWD Convention.

My goals this year if reelected to serve as the Chairperson are to continue to expand on the updates the board has made this year. I oversaw a restructuring of all our programs to more appropriate offices with the help of my board, and from here, I believe the next step is to assist the next board with creating Standard Operating Procedures for each office. There has been a lot of transition in offices the past several years, which has led to some confusion when it comes to executing various tasks for each of our board members. Creating an SOP for the offices that can live in perpetuity in our shared Google Drive will alleviate many of these issues. I also plan on continuing our General Body meetings to encourage communication and fellowship with our members and want to continue to assist the rest of the board in whatever ways are needed. I will also continue to utilize the Strategic Planning Committee to further update bylaws and review national policies to make sure our activities are following protocols.

Outside of SWDAA, I currently serve as a Chapter Visitation Assistant for the Southwest District of Tau Beta Sigma. This position has allowed me to interact with active members across the nation as well as grow relationships with members in national leadership. It has been exciting to see the new directions the sorority is going, and I think we can follow suit in SWDAA. I am a Life Member of the Alpha Omicron Chapter from Sam Houston State University, and a Gold Star Member of the TBS Alumni Association. As an active member, I served as President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Music Chair, and carry many learning experiences with me from those terms. I attended National Convention in 2013, 2015, 2019, and 2021, and have attended the last several SWD Conventions as well.

In my professional life, I am the Head Band Director of Sweeny Junior High and Assistant Band Director of Sweeny High School. We are a small 4A school, which means my coworkers and I must cover a lot of bases together including parent communication, financial tasks, inventory maintenance, and of course education of our band students in grades 6-12. Many of these responsibilities transfer over seamlessly into serving as chair of SWDAA.

Thank you for your consideration, and I am happy to answer any questions members may have.

Respectfully,

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