SOTA General Meeting - 9/6/16

Being an active SOTA member:

- Everyone who is an OT student is eligible for membership
- Point system - broken down by year and must get certain number points and attend meetings to be in good standing
  - First and second yrs.
    - Attend 2 general meetings
    - Participate in 3 events (service, campus involvement, fundraising) and receive required amount of points for each event
    - 5 points total
      - 2 fundraising
      - 2 community service
      - 1 campus involvement
  - Third years have other required points
- **Must get enough points to be in good standing PLUS an additional 6 fundraising points per semester to be considered for conference reimbursement (by the end of April)**
- Get points by: attending meetings, donating time, items, purchasing items etc…
  - Email necessary board members that correspond to your points
  - Keep track of your own points please!

Fundraising opportunities coming up
o OKOTA vendor booth September 23-24, 7:00-5:00. Meet people from our profession as well as work booth selling various items. We must have a certain number of volunteers for conference. You will receive a community service point for each hour you work as well as help us raise money!!

o Yankee candle sale- easy way to raise money. For every $25 you raise you get a fundraising point.

o Jackets! Look for email; encourage your other HSC friends to buy them also!

o Wood burning, cutting boards and coaster sales. Look for more info in your email coming up!

o Re-open OK-OT/PT red shirts (working on long sleeves)

o Working on a rustic cuff with personalized charm!

- Reminder: Goal is $8,000 dollars for the year

Community service

- Backpack Drive happening RIGHT NOW in OKC! Bucket in student services office on the first floor. Help promote Backpack Day! Also see Ashley Parks in Tulsa if you would like to participate in Tulsa

- Kylie’s Kitchen SOTA Night- Oct. 21st 5:45-8:15

- Alzheimer’s Walk September 24th

- Tulsa- The Center Trust Walk, Oct. 7th
  - Need 4-6 volunteer, with 2 sessions for time
- Respite Night in Tulsa from 6-9 in early December
- Tulsa Run- opportunity for hands on experience with people! First years this is a great opportunity and its pretty fun
- Potential craft day for elementary school in Tulsa

- Reminder: You can always volunteer on your own, just let your exec members know to receive your points. Also do not be afraid to let us know of additional volunteer opportunities!

**PR/ Campus involvement**

- PR is all about advocating for our profession
- First years can attend OKOTA and get a point
- Second years must attend both days of OKOTA to get points
- AOTA membership will get you a point- if NOT required
- Contribution to AOTPAC- advocates for our profession in the legal system and political system. Making sure OT is part of the conversation. Check the link below to contribute!

  [https://myaota.aota.org/aota_contribute.aspx](https://myaota.aota.org/aota_contribute.aspx)

- Campus involvement- be involved with other organizations on campus to receive your points!
- Susan Tucker going to OSU to speak to classes about our profession- if you are interested please contact Ashley! Looking at you first years.
- Join the OUHSC SOTA Facebook page to stay informed!
• Conference this year is from March 30-April 2
  o ITS OT CENTENIAL IN 2017!!!
  o In Philadelphia
  o Registration cost of conference completely covered by campus.
    ▪ Discount as a student AOTA member
  o Airfare prices will be around $400
  o Hotel SOTA discount
    ▪ Will be reimbursed at last SOTA meeting of the year
  o Food and souvenirs is at your own expense!

Megan Wink- OKOTA Info.

• Megan Wink is our student rep for OKOTA
• Purpose of OKOTA: promote profession, networking opportunities, research etc.
• Student membership for OKOTA is FREE
  o Also two of our instructors are on the board
  o Go to OKOTA.org—click register and register as student
  o Membership will get you discounts on continuing education opportunities

• OKOTA Conference September 23-24
  o Please dress in business casual!
  o OUHSC will reimburse you for in state conferences
  o Keynote this year is AOTA –VP
If you are a volunteer you can register at the price of one day and then get the second day free. Incentive to volunteer with SOTA’s vendor booth

Competition between campuses for student registration

Results of Elections

Tulsa:
- Fundraising: Kristen Faucett
- Community Service: Kate Duethman
- Professional Development: LeighAnn Dees

OKC:
- Fundraising: Brycen Raybon (nomination by Amanda Schreiner)
- Community Service: Sarah Bulloch
- Professional Development: Regan Boldin

Second Year nominees:

Tulsa:
- Professional Development: Kelsey Reynolds

OKC:
- Professional Development: Kera Parker