



Chapter Reports for JCEP Leadership Conference

State and Chapter: Texas / Alpha Zeta

Region: Southern Region

Number of Annual Members: 73 Number of Life Members: 125

Requirement for Membership in Your Chapter: None

Amount of Dues Your Chapter Charges above National Dues: 25 Amount of Life Member Dues Your Chapter Charges above National Life Member Dues: 75 Chapter Initiation Fee Charged above the \$5 National Initiation Fee: 0

Other Sources of Chapter Funds: Donations and Interest from savings and CD's

Fundraising Activities and Success Stories:

Chapter Activities: One officer attended JCEP Leadership Conference in Memphis, Tennessee. One officer attended PILD Conference in Washington, D.C. . 7 members attended the National Galaxy Conference in Pittsburgh and 1 life time member attended. 2 members served as voting delegates. 1 member served on the registration committee and 1 assisted with decorations for the Ruby Luncheon.

Chapter Life Member Activities: Texas has a Life Member and Retirees Committee. The list of retirees is updated annually each fall. A retiree serves our web master.

Describe and List your Chapter Committee Structure:

Texas has an Awards & Recognition Committee, Global Relations, Membership Recruitment & Retention, Professional Development (Scholarships & Grants), Resource Development & Management (Audit), Newsletter, Nominating, Life Members & Retirees and Website Management.

Describe Your Chapter's Methods Used For Member Recruitment: The chapter newsletter is posted on the state website. This year it was voted on by the board for first time new members will not have to pay the state portion of their membership fee.

What Does Your Chapter Do To Market ESP In Your State: Our chapter utilizes our district directors to market ESP on the district level. Our most active districts host district meetings and awards luncheons during one of the staff development conferences and presents awards and recognition of new members. We are encouraging our less active districts to follow this format to increase our visibility and the involve their members.

This past summer programs were offered to the other professional associations that could be utilized at their state conferences. Also, to promote ESP this past summer, since we do not have an annual conference we presented our members awards at the other association meetings. TEAFCS, TEA4-HA and TCAAA.

In January 2014 a Centennial Conference was held at College Station. ESP had a banner displayed in the refreshment area along with other associations.

Describe your Chapter's Leadership Progression: The progression of leadership is that the president-elect serves one year prior to serving as president for a year, then one year following as past president. We encourage progression from the secretary or treasurer to the office of president-elect, however when that is not possible we recruit from members who have served on the board.

How Does Your Chapter Provide Professional Development: Members are encouraged to participate as an officer or as a committee chairman. Members are encouraged to apply for awards annually. Attendance at National Conferences is encouraged along with applying to make presentations or poster exhibits. We also support professional development through graduate school/professional training/professional certification stipend.

Texas also encourages officers to participate in JCEP and PILD.

How Can the National Board and National Office Provide Better Service to Your Chapter: We would like to see more webinar style professional development opportunities form national so that all members may benefit without excessive travel cost. Perhaps in a webinar of some of the national presentations after the conference available to those who could not attend. Add a search tool to the national website, so items may be easier to find.

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