



PHO
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Public Health Graduate Student Organization
Monday, August 27, 2012
Allied Health Sciences Building, Room 1335, 5:30 pm

- 1) Call to Order
 - **Shamaree**
- 2) Introductions
 - a) Officers:
 - i) President: Shamaree Cromartie
 - ii) Vice President: Lorenzo Hopper
 - iii) Secretary: Emily Miller
 - iv) Treasurer: Ashley Ronay
 - b) Member Introductions
 - **Officers and members gave name, year in program, program concentration, and what they hoped to get out of PHO in the 2012-2013 school year.**
 - **Members and officers hoped PHO would provide following opportunities:**
 - **Community service & volunteer opportunities, learning experiences, involvement from both first and second year students, activities to bond students, getting to know people, find out about work opportunities, intramural sports, networking, experience, help navigating program, faculty/student interaction**
- 3) PHO Procedures
 - **Lorenzo:**
 - **Details about:**
 - **PHO Meeting schedule**
 - **4th Monday of each month at 5:30pm in Room 1335**
 - **Plans for community service projects**
 - **New Executive Board will be elected in the Spring**
 - **PHO Email-pho@ecu.edu**

- **Students have an opportunity to share concerns about classes, program, etc. at the end of each PHO meeting after faculty/staff have been asked to leave**
 - **Members can request to have items added to the agenda if they send a request to PHO email.**
- 4) PHO Intramural Sports Teams
- **Lorenzo:**
 - **Lorenzo will get everyone signed up for teams**
 - **Plans for a flag football team and a soccer team, may form a volleyball team if enough interest**
 - **An interest sheet was passed around to the members to collect contact information**
- 5) Community Service Project Brainstorm
- **Shamaree:**
 - **ODK Global Soap Project in October near “Make a Difference Day”**
<http://www.globalsoap.org/>
 - <http://www.cnn.com/SPECIALS/cnn.heroes/archive11/derreck.kayongo.html>
 - **Asked for input from members:**
 - **Annelise voiced thought that it’s a good idea; Lindsay asked for more info; Ashley Ronay suggested that we could be the voice for the project on this campus; Destiny thought an announcement about the project could be made at Homecoming, and Ashley Ronay thought it might be possible that SGA would do that.**
 - **Shamaree also gave ideas of putting out boxes on medical campus to collect food to help local food bank restock pantry**
 - **Other ideas:**
 - **Destiny: Do a 5K with other organizations; charge \$ for registration and give proceeds to a charity**
 - **Dr. Mansfield: Runs and races are often difficult and expensive – needing money and sponsors up front – to head up. Suggested several races at which volunteers may be needed (e.g., Run NC, Kip Sloan, Kids Splash and Dash on September 23, Hamstring Hustle).**
- 6) Last call for NCPHA Conference
- a) September 19, 20, 21 in New Bern, NC
- **2 members indicated they would like to sign up to go**
 - **Shamaree: 2 new hotels open in New Bern with conference pricing; PHO will not be funding travel or lodging, but students are welcome to plan to stay together and/or carpool.**
 - **Carpool sign-up/interest sheet was passed around**
 - **Shamaree: First year students should be thinking about possibility of fundraising so that they will have more funds to send people to National Conference, do more activities that they are interested in, etc.**

- **Shamaree: Asked for ideas about speakers at meetings**
 - **Megan: group can take time to brainstorm, ideas from NCPHA conference**
 - **LaDonna: Can we get speakers from outside Pitt: aka rural counties**
 - **Lorenzo: Thinks it's a possibility**
 - **Leah: Maybe Kim Ruiz, CTP coordinator**

7) Announcements

- a) PHO Dues: \$10.00/semester; \$20.00/year
 - **Ashley Ronay: Went over dues costs; what dues are used for (e.g., funding PHO activities not funded by SGA monies, graduation chords, etc.); first 50 people to pay dues get a T-shirt**
 - **Other/ Member announcements:**
 - **Leah: Filthy Fun Mud Run, Nov 3 in Raleigh; Wanted to know if anyone interested in being on a team; \$60.00 per person to register, includes a T-shirt, festival afterwards; Contact Leah if interested**
 - <http://www.filthyfunevents.com/dead%20broke%20farm.htm>
 - **Shamaree: Cancer Awareness Walk (2 miles) on September 8 sponsored by Koinonia Christian Church; All proceeds given to a local organization; \$20.00 to register**
 - <http://kccfamily.com/walk4cancer/>
 - **Dr. Mansfield: Chris Cash Scholarship fundraiser run during first week of December. Can send links to Shamaree for more information.**
 - **Lorenzo & Ashley Ronay: Health Professionals Run Club meets every Monday at 6:00pm**

8) Adjournment