

SIGMA TAU DELTA
2008 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

General Business Session and Regional Caucuses
Friday — March 7, 2008

ATTEND + VOTE = \$200

Don't miss this opportunity to participate on the regional and national levels of Sigma Tau Delta. The 2008 convention is important because you get to participate in the election of Sigma Tau Delta's next generation of leaders. By sending a voting delegate, your chapter is eligible for a \$200 subvention.

WHO should attend?

All convention attendees are welcome and are urged to attend the General Business Session and the Regional Caucuses because it's the best place to get the inside scoop on who's who and what's happening in Sigma Tau Delta.

Each chapter gets one vote and appoints a **student** member as its **official voting delegate** to cast a vote for their chapter in any elections and on any business decisions made during the General Business Session or the Regional Caucuses. All chapter members may confer on this vote.

Every chapter with an official voting delegate present at the General Business Session and at their respective Regional Caucus will receive a \$200 reimbursement for participation (\$400 for non-continental-USA chapters).

WHAT happens at these sessions?

At the General Business Session an official roll-call of chapters is taken. $\Sigma\Delta$ officers give various reports and make important announcements concerning the Society. The Society's officers are elected at this meeting. Chapter members confer on all votes and the chapter's **official voting delegate** casts the chapter's vote.

Following the General Business Session the chapters meet in their respective Regional Caucuses with their current Regent, Student Representative, and Associate Student Representative. This is an opportunity for chapters in the regions to meet students and faculty from other schools in the region.

Chapters make some important decisions about what they would like to do in the region and provide suggestions for how they can deepen and expand their resources. The Regents, Student Representatives, and Associate Student Representatives are elected at the Regional Caucuses. Again, chapter members confer on all votes and the chapter's **official voting delegate** casts the chapter's vote.

WHEN is this session to be held?

The General Business Session and Regional Caucuses will be held **on Friday, March 7th**.

WHY attend the General Business Session and the Regional Caucus?

This is an opportunity for students, faculty sponsors, and alumni to participate in the governance of and planning for $\Sigma\Delta$. Participants will gain firsthand information on the Society's operations, meet the Board of Directors (Officers, Regents, Student Advisors) and the Student Representatives, and are able to help shape $\Sigma\Delta$'s future.

HOW does a chapter receive a reimbursement check?

Each chapter represented at the General Business Session and the Regional Caucuses is eligible for a \$200 reimbursement for participation (\$400 for non-continental-USA chapters). The official delegate will fill out a form provided at this meeting. **Official voting delegates** (a) must be student members and (b) must attend and participate in the full general business session and respective Regional Caucus. Chapters should decide ahead of time whether or not the \$200/\$400 should be used by their delegate for his/her expenses or whether the money should be returned to the chapter treasury. Checks will be sent from the Central Office shortly after the convention. It is customary for delegates to provide their home chapters with reports on the convention (the business, the sessions, appropriate information, etc.).