

Minutes for 1st Meeting

9/9/2010

Start 5:37

- Lenay's Presentation
 - Kaplan offers:
 - Practice exams (some exclusively for Psi Chi)
 - A prep course that will take away the terror of the GRE
 - Guarantees
 - You will be ready to take the GRE
 - Your score will increase
 - If you score lower than your previous GRE score(s), you will get a full refund
 - You will be happy with your score
 - 3 different modes of taking prep course:
 - Self-paced online
 - In the Kaplan classroom
 - At an off-site location (check for specifics)
 - Next practice exam is **Saturday, September 25**, at UH in the SEC
 - GRE info
 - Test is computer adaptive – no paper! (except for scrap paper)
 - If you answer correctly, the questions get more difficult, and are worth more
 - If you answer incorrectly, the questions aren't as hard, but you have to work to bring your score up
 - 2 sections: math and verbal
 - Timing
 - You can take it at any point in your college career, but if you plan to apply right away, take it the Spring of your junior year or the Fall of your senior year
 - Plan to study a month before taking
 - Test offered just about every day
 - Can take it once during a 30 day period
 - Just keep in mind that you may want to strive for a perfect score, but it does not look good if you took it LOTS of times
 - Scores good for 3-5 years
 - Format is changing in August 2011 to be harder!
 - TAKE IT NOW!!!!
 - 6 door prizes – Congratulations to everyone who won!!!
 - Feel free to use Lenay as a resource for any questions or concerns

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- Dates (subject to change)
 - September 18th – Habitat for Humanity (pending) 7:30-2:30
 - September 23rd – Second meeting 5:30-6:30
 - September 30th – Sno Cone/Bake Sale 11-3
 - October 7th – Instant CLASSic
 - October 14th – Third Meeting 5:30-6:30
 - October 21st – Fourth Meeting 5:30-6:30 & Psi Chi National Dues (\$45)
 - October 25th – Halloween Bake Sale
 - October 29th – Halloween Party
 - October 30th – Alzheimer's Walk
 - November 4th – Fifth Meeting 5:30-6:30 & Psi Chi and Psych Club Chapter Dues (\$50)
 - November 16th – Inductions
 - November 18th – Sixth Meeting 5:30-6:30
- Ongoing projects
 - USO
 - Food Drive
- Awards
 - Psi Chi National Board always has many left over in unclaimed scholarships
 - Member awards – APPLY!!!!!!
 - Chapter awards
 - Advisor awards
 - List will be in the office for you to see which ones you/we want to apply for
- Point system
 - You can earn points throughout the semester to put towards a discount on chapter dues
 - 200 points: \$10 discount, lowering chapter dues from \$50 to \$40
 - 400 points: 50% discount, lowering chapter dues from \$50 to \$25
 - Point opportunities
 - Football games
 - Community service: 50 base points
 - Social events: 25 base points
 - Academic events: 25 base points
 - Fundraising events: 15/hour
 - Office hours: 10/hour (150 max)
 - Supervise the Psi Chi store in 105 Heyne
 - Meetings: 30 possible
 - 10 for coming
 - +10 for wearing shirt
 - +10 for bringing a friend
 - Committee involvement
 - To keep up with your points, a list will be kept online

- SWPA
 - Southwestern Psychological Association
 - Conference held next April in San Antonio
 - Place for students to present and check out research projects
 - Present if you are doing research! Deadline to apply is around end of November, beginning of December
 - Must be a member of SWPA to present
 - Looks good to become a member anyway
- Membership
 - Psi Chi
 - Requirements
 - At least 3.0 overall GPA
 - At least 3.5 psychology GPA
 - At least 3rd semester sophomore
 - At least 9 hours of psychology courses completed at UH
 - Psychology or pre-Psychology major
 - Fill out an application from 105 Heyne
 - National dues
 - Pay once for life
 - Currently \$45
 - Chapter dues
 - Pay once a semester
 - \$50 (but possible discount)
 - Psychology Club
 - Requirements
 - Currently enrolled in or completed one semester of college
 - Fill out an application from 105 Heyne
 - Chapter dues
 - Pay once a semester
 - \$50 (but possible discount)
- What members should be doing!
 - Online form
 - Help us update our roster
 - Vote for a t-shirt design!
 - Buy shirts
 - 1 for \$5
 - 2 for \$9
 - If we run out of your size, we have free white t-shirts you can wear to meetings
 - Committees
 - Sign up if you want to be on a committee

- Committee chairs will be elected next meeting. If you are interested, prepare a short speech, and let us know.
 - Kaplan course raffle
 - Buy raffle tickets for a free Kaplan course!
 - \$5 a ticket
 - Buy as many as you want
 - Open to anyone and everyone
 - Tell us if you want to participate in:
 - USO
 - Habitat for Humanity
 - Best Buddies
- Resources & Contact Info
 - Officers
 - Ashley Moore – President
 - Social Committee Head
 - aamoore@uh.edu
 - Ruby Gonzales – Vice President
 - Inductions Committee Head
 - gonzales.rubi.g@gmail.com
 - Carolyn Dylla – Secretary
 - Community Service Committee Head
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 - Victor Tran – Treasurer
 - Fundraising Committee Head (& SWPA)
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