

# Tau Beta Sigma

Beta Xi Chapter



Membership Candidate Manual

# *Welcome Membership Candidates!*

*The Sisters of Tau Beta Sigma would like to congratulate you on being accepted as a candidate for membership to our National Honorary Band Sorority. We hope you will find this experience memorable as well as enlightening as you prepare to enter our bond of sisterhood.*

*We understand that for many of you this is a new experience, and we want you to feel free to let us know if there is any way we can be of assistance to you during your candidacy. If you have any questions, please ask the Vice President of Membership Education, Membership Education Chair or any other Sister of Beta Xi.*

*Once again, welcome!!!*



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## SECTION 1: TAU BETA SIGMA AND YOU

*Welcome to the bond of Tau Beta Sigma. As a member of this band sorority, you will have the opportunity to gain leadership experience, develop organizational skills, and build life-long friendships through sisterhood.*

### History

Established in 1946 at Texas Tech University, Tau Beta Sigma is the national honorary band service sorority that is located on over 125 college and university campuses across the nation. Thousands of band students have devoted their efforts to strengthen band programs through group and individual service projects.

### Purpose

Tau Beta Sigma operates as a student service organization whose primary function is to assist collegiate band directors in developing leadership and enthusiasm through service in support of the band program.

The Sorority provides the important additional social, educational and other positive experiences needed by members of the band.

As an active member of Tau Beta Sigma, you will function as a role model for other band members. Your efforts will aid the band program through participation, planning, organizing, and carrying out projects that are not duplicated by other organizations. Members of Tau Beta Sigma are leaders and morale-builders of the band program.

### Membership

To be eligible for membership in the Sorority, a person must be an enrolled student, actively participating in the band, and have a desire to devote their time and energy to the band program. Membership is extended only to those who have met standards based on attitude, performance expertise, and interest in and appreciation of the best in music. Membership fees are nominal and include the national initiation fee and annual membership dues.

### Privileges

Although Tau Beta Sigma is a service organization, there are numerous privileges of membership.

Each member of Tau Beta Sigma receives a recognition pin, a membership card, and a membership shingle.

Members receive copies of **News Notes** and **The Podium**. These national publications give members the opportunity to learn about other chapters and activities at the national level.

**District Conventions** are held annually in the spring. This gives the district membership the opportunity to come together to discuss issues and interact with one another. **National Conventions** are held every two years with similar purposes. It is during National Conventions that decisions governing the Sorority are made.

### National Programs

The **National Intercollegiate Band** has become an integral part of each National Convention. This select performing ensemble provides a meaningful musical experience for participants.

The **Commissioning Program** has added significantly to the repertoire of the concert band. Works such as Robert Russell Bennett's "Symphonic Songs for Band" and Francis McBeth's "The Seventh Seal" are two outstanding examples of this project.

### For More Information

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### POLICY AGAINST DISCRIMINATION

The Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity and the Tau Beta Sigma Sorority expressly prohibits discrimination by any component part of the Fraternity or Sorority or by any person acting on behalf of the organizations on the basis of race, national origin, gender, religion, handicap, sexual orientation, or marital status.

### POLICY ON HAZING

The Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity & Tau Beta Sigma Sorority neither approves of nor is responsible for actions of members of local chapters which may result in injury to persons or damage to property. *Hazing is defined as any actions taken or situation created, intentionally or unintentionally, to produce mental or physical discomfort on or off campus involving members and/or prospective members, which may cause embarrassment, harassment, and/or ridicule.*

The following list is not all inclusive but gives examples of the kinds of activities/actions that are strictly prohibited. *Forcing, requiring or expecting prospective members or initiated members to participate in any of the following actions or activities is explicitly prohibited.*

1. Expecting participation in any activity in which initiated members themselves will not participate.
2. Drinking alcohol or any other substance.
3. Using any drug, narcotic, or controlled substance.
4. Eating spoiled foods, raw onions, goldfish, or anything a reasonable person would not eat.
5. Dropping food or other substances (eggs, grapes, liver, etc.) into another person's mouth.
6. Tying a person to a chair, pole, anchor, tree, or any other object or to another person.
7. Causing fatigue through physical or psychological shock.
8. Branding.
9. Paddling of any nature.
10. Performing physical exercise (sit-ups, push-ups, runs, rolling up or down hills, crab walk, etc.) except in the case of organized sports and Marching Band activities.
11. Pushing, shoving, tackling, or any other physical abuse not associated with organized sports.
12. Throwing anything (Whipped Cream, garbage, water, paint, etc.) at a person or a group of people.
13. Exposing oneself indecently or appearing nude or in a way that is considered by a reasonable person to be offensive.
14. Verbally addressing prospective members in a demeaning manner.
15. Misleading prospective members in an effort to convince them that they will not be initiated or that they will be hurt during initiation.
16. Carrying any items (shields, paddles, bricks, etc.) that serve no constructive purpose or that are designed to punish or embarrass the carrier.
17. Waking prospective members at odd intervals or permitting fewer than six continuous hours of sleep each night.

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18. Conducting membership education activities between the hours of 1 a.m. and 6 a.m.
19. Participating in or conducting lineups (actives or prospective members, separate from members, in order to answer actives' questions).
20. Conducting activities that do not allow adequate time for study and/or classes.
21. Wearing apparel or accessories that are conspicuous and in bad taste or wearing items that cause discomfort.
22. Wearing more or less clothing than the temperature or weather indicates.
23. Defacing property (trees, grounds, buildings, cars, etc.)
24. Stealing any property (composites, trophies, etc.)
25. Compelling a person or group to remain at a certain place or transporting a person or group anywhere without their consent (road trips, kidnaps).
26. Assigning or endorsing pranks (stealing, panty raids, harassing another organization, etc.)
27. Acting like animals or objects.
28. Engaging in public/private stunts or buffoonery that causes mental or emotional trauma and/or injury to any individual.
29. Yelling a prescribed phrase of chant, as an expectation of the membership education program, when entering, passing through, or leaving any building.
30. Intentionally "trashing" any area for the purpose of annoying others or for having others clean the "trashed" area.
31. Disallowing prospective members to speak, as an expectation of the membership education program, with the exception of exams and rituals.
32. Performing marching maneuvers individually or as a part of the membership education program.
33. Blindfolding and parading individuals in public areas or privately conducting blindfolding activities that serve no constructive purpose with the exception of when entering the ritual room immediately prior to the beginning of the ritual or joint ceremony.
34. Having prospective members perform personal chores or errands under the threat of negative repercussions.
35. Placing or receiving phone calls or answering doors with a prescribed chant, riddle, song, or rhyme.
36. Having only prospective member perform wakes and phone duty.
37. Conducting quests, treasure hunts, scavenger hunts, paddle hunts, big or little sibling hunts, or walk-outs in a manner unrelated to membership education.
39. Entering or leaving any building in a dictated manner (hand over hand, backwards, crawling, sideways, etc.)

## **POLICY AGAINST CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES**

Recognizing its responsibility for the social well-being and welfare of its members; and with the objective that the social atmosphere and environment of its chapters be one in harmony with the spirit and ideas of these fraternal organizations; Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity and Tau Beta Sigma Sorority adopt this policy related to controlled substances.

1. The possession, consumption, and distribution of alcoholic beverages by a chapter or colony at any function given in the name of or for the benefit of Kappa Kappa Psi Fraternity

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or Tau Beta Sigma Sorority shall be strictly forbidden.

2. There shall be no sale of alcoholic beverages by a chapter or a colony.
3. Chapter or colony funds shall at no time be used to purchase alcohol.
4. No chapter or colony shall sponsor or co-sponsor any activities which are classified as an "open party" that is characterized by realistic and/or public access to alcoholic beverages.
5. No chapter or colony may co-sponsor an event with an alcohol distributor, charitable organization, or tavern (tavern defined as an establishment generating more than half of an annual gross sales from alcohol) where alcohol is given away, sold, or otherwise provided to those present.

## SECTION 2: SPRING 2008 DUE DATES & CALENDAR

<i>Date</i>	<i>Test</i>	<i>TBΣ info</i>	<i>KKΨ info</i>	<i>TBΣ MC info</i>	<i>KKΨ MC info</i>	<i>Visits</i>	<i>Sigs</i>	<i>Weekly Sigs</i>
2/7	Alphabet, Vision & Mission Statements	5	-	4	-	-	-	History of TBΣ
2/14	Preamble, Purposes 1-2	10	6	All (8)	2	4	3	History of KKΨ
2/21	Purposes 3-5	15	12		All (4)	10	7	Purposes in Own Words
2/28	Ideals 5&8	20	18			16	13	Five Service Ideas
3/6	Gator Band & UF History & Info	26	24			22	19	Scrapbook Page
3/20	BE & AH Info	All (33)	30			28	23	SAI, Phi Mu Alpha infos
3/27	National & District Info		36			All (33)	26	3 Directors Info
4/3	Songs and Drawings		All (43)				All (31)	Your Def of Sisterhood
4/10	National Test							Books & Papers
4/17	Sisterhood Workshop							

### **PROJECTS**

Fundraiser Approved by: 2/26  
 Fundraiser Completed by: 4/10  
 Service Project Approved by: 3/11  
 Service Project Completed by: 4/10

### **Rituals and Ceremonies**

Joint Ceremony-  
 Beta Xi Night-  
 Blue and White Night-  
 Night of the Rose-  
 Initiation-

### **MEETINGS (signed off)**

2 Committee Meetings  
 2 Chapter Meetings

### **Shifts**

Reception- (1)  
 WAM-(2)  
 Rehearsal set-up-(2)

### **EVERY WEEK**

5 "Big Sis Sigs" signed off  
 3 Study Hours signed off

### **Dues**

\$60- 2/21  
 \$60- 3/20  
 \$60- 4/10

### SECTION 3: YOUR SUCCESS AS A CANDIDATE

Your candidacy is considered a trial period, and the Membership Education Process is designed to prepare candidates to enter our sorority as productive members of both the sisterhood and the band. Make the most of your process because it will be one of most memorable times of your college career. Remember, learn all you can, be timely as you take care of business, and have fun!

Paying attention to the following noteworthy points will add to your success:

1. You will be issued a ribbon at the beginning of your candidacy. In wearing this ribbon, you are showing your interest to become a member of Tau Beta Sigma. Later, official pins will be issued to take the place of this ribbon. These Prospective Membership Pins are a symbol of your dedication to Tau Beta Sigma and the membership education process; the pin has special meaning (which will be disclosed later). Proper placement is on the left side of the shirt, two inches above the heart and four inches to the left. You honor the Sisterhood when you wear your MC pin, and it should be worn neatly and with respect; your membership educator can answer questions of when it is and is not appropriate to display. It is suggested that you keep the ribbon as a spare in case you misplace your candidate pin. You will be assessed seven dollars if the pin is not recovered.
2. Because it is used to record your activities and achievements, you will need to bring your black book to all rituals, ceremonies, chapter and MC meetings, official TBS functions, and work shifts, as well as any musical rehearsal or performance (except for football games). Your book will prove highly useful, and it will be beneficial, though not mandatory, to have it at any event where sisters or brothers are likely to be in attendance.
3. Sisters will review with you information that you have learned throughout your candidacy period at various times. If you are not familiar with the information they will help you become so. If you are being quizzed or feel uncomfortable you may tell them to stop.
4. Membership dues are a total of \$180, payable in three installments of \$60 each. If you foresee a problem with paying your dues, please see your membership educator or the chapter treasurer to discuss an alternate payment plan. If you decide to discontinue your candidacy, you will be refunded the amount that you have paid.
5. You are expected to cooperate with each sister at all times just as the sisters will cooperate with you. You will not be asked to do anything that is degrading or that will interfere with your classes. You are also required to maintain respect for each sister just as you will be given respect at all times. Any conduct considered excessive or disrespectful of a sister or the sorority as a whole may result in expulsion from the program.
6. Punctuality is a sign of respect. To be tardy to a meeting or absent from a meeting from which you are not excused is disrespectful to all attending the meeting. If you are going to be tardy or absent, tell your membership educator 24 hours in advance

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to get it approved as excused. To encourage punctuality, the following fines will be administered for unexcused offenses and collected by the following meeting:

- Tardies: 50¢
- Absences: 75¢

7. Be aware of your conduct at all times. When you wear our prospective member pin, you are promoting our ideals and representing the sisterhood. If sisters express concern about your behavior, your candidacy can be brought into question and if not corrected, may result in your dismissal from the process. Your conduct should promote our image at all times.

## SECTION 4: INFORMATION (BLACK) BOOKS

The information book (a.k.a. Black Book) is a means by which we keep track of your progress towards completing the membership requirements of Tau Beta Sigma.

### The Book

The letters TBΣ (Tau Beta Sigma) and BΞ (Beta Xi, our chapter name) must be on the cover. Any stickers or memorabilia should be kept on the inside cover, as to keep the outside neat and clean.

### Pages and Dividers

Your name and your big sister's name should appear on the first page, leaving room to add your big brother's name at a later date. Your big sister will add dividers to separate the different sections of the book.

### Sections

Information books should be kept neat and in order to ensure proper grading. The book should be clearly organized by sections marked with dividers in the following order:

- Title Page
  - Work Shift Page
  - Meeting Attendance Page
  - Merit Point Page
  - Pearl Page: *the Pearl Page should have a picture of the official badge. It will be used to keep track of the pearls you earn during your candidate period.*
- 1<sup>st</sup> TBΣ Candidate Information
- 2<sup>nd</sup> TBΣ Sister Information
- 3<sup>rd</sup> TBΣ Sister Visits (one per page side)
- 4<sup>th</sup> KKΨ Candidate Information
- 5<sup>th</sup> KKΨ Brother Information
- 6<sup>th</sup> Big Sister Sigs
- 7<sup>th</sup> Study Hours
- 8<sup>th</sup> Sister Sigs and Weekly Sigs
- 9<sup>th</sup> Candidate Tests
- 10<sup>th</sup> Miscellaneous

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### **Study Hours**

We believe that schoolwork is our number one priority here at the University of Florida and the study hours let the sisters know that you are setting time aside for schoolwork. Each week, you will be required to have three study hours signed off. This can be accomplished by either arranging a time with your Big Sister, or contacting another sister and arranging a time with them.

During study hours, you will be studying work from your classes. This is not a time to study for your upcoming candidate test. If you happen to be at a computer studying, you should not instant message, check email, web surf, etc.

When you are done studying, have a sister sign off the amount of time you were there, including start and stop times. You may complete all the required hours on one day, or spread them out throughout the week.

### **Merit Point system**

A Merit Point Page will be placed after your Meeting Attendance page and prior to your Pearl Badge Page. Merit Points are given to candidates for receiving a 10 on their candidate test or turning everything in that was due. Merit Points can also be given to candidates who show an exceptional trait, either in their work ethic, readiness to serve, generosity, or helpfulness. Merit Points are subjective and will be given out on an individual basis. Any sister, be it active or conditional, may award a Merit Point.

### **Interview Etiquette**

When interviewing a brother, sister, fellow candidate, or faculty member, one should follow these guidelines:

- 1) Always introduce yourself and ask politely if you may have their interview.
- 2) Be mindful of whether or not the person you want to interview is busy.
- 3) If possible, find out their name beforehand and use it when asking for the interview. This is a sign of respect and leaves a good impression.
- 4) Never interrupt the interview to talk with someone else or answer your cell phone.
- 5) If interviewing a brother or sister, always be sure you know to which organization they belong before the interview begins.
- 6) Make sure to show an interest in what they are saying, and let them know a little about yourself as well.
- 7) When you are finished, thank them for their time.

## SECTION 5: THE OFFICIAL BADGE OF TAU BETA SIGMA

As a candidate for membership into Tau Beta Sigma, there are many requirements which you must meet. The official badge of Tau Beta Sigma symbolizes these requirements. The Tau Beta Sigma official badge consists of fourteen pearls, which each candidate must earn before being initiated into the sorority. Each pearl is earned by completing specific objectives designed to educate you with the history and purposes of our sorority, and to better acquaint you with its members. As a candidate you will be required to complete a number of projects and objectives that we feel will best achieve this task.

### Group Projects

1. Service Project: *A service project approved by the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President must be completed; this project must in some way benefit the band, the band directors, or the chapter.*
2. Fundraiser: *A group fundraiser approved by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Ways And Means Officer must be completed to serve as practice for future fundraising; the amount of money raised must be reported to the sisterhood and is a part of the TBΣ budget used to fund the MC class service project.*
3. Ritual & Ceremony: *Candidates must complete all major rituals and ceremonies including First Degree, Beta Xi Night, Joint Ceremony, and Blue & White Night.*

### Individual Projects

4. Sigs: *(a.) You will be required to complete one task assigned by each active sister in order to receive that sister's "sig." Sigs may include one or multiple parts, as determined by the sister. You will not be asked to do anything degrading, but rather something that will increase your knowledge of the university, the band, or the sorority. (b.) You will also be required to complete one task weekly. This signature is not given by a specific sister but instead is assigned by the entire sisterhood. You may complete this task at any time during the week it is assigned.*
5. Big Sister Signatures: *You should be in contact with your big sister on a daily basis. She will become someone you will trust and depend on for support throughout your candidacy. You will need her signature for your book daily to show that you are communicating with her.*
6. Sister Visits: *In addition to an interview, each candidate must meet with each active and conditional sister in order to "visit" with her. A visit is an informal talk with a sister that should last approximately ten minutes. Afterwards, the sister will write down what you discussed in your book.*
7. Sister information: *You will be required to interview all active and conditional sisters, including our sponsor Laura Shannonhouse, in order to become better acquainted. Information obtained from an interview should include the following:*
  - a. Name
  - b. Home Town
  - c. Local Address
  - d. Local Phone
  - e. Cell Phone
  - f. Screen name
  - g. E-mail Address
  - h. Birthplace
  - i. Birthday
  - j. High School
  - k. Graduation Year
  - l. Class/Major
  - m. Instrument
  - n. Main interests
  - o. Pet peeves
  - p. TBΣ & KKΨ Family
  - q. MC Class (semester/name)
  - r. Jersey Name and Number
  - s. Current and Past Office Positions
  - t. Question of your choice ☺
  - u. Signature and Date

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8. Candidate information: *You will spend a lot of time with your fellow candidate sisters; therefore you are required to get their information as well as the information of your candidate brothers from KΚΨ.*
9. Brother information: *Tau Beta Sigma works closely with the band service fraternity, Kappa Kappa Psi. We have mutual purposes and ideals as well as a common desire to serve the band and our community in any way we can. This makes our relationship with them very important and beneficial to the band. For this reason you are required to interview every active member of Kappa Kappa Psi, in the same manner you will with the sisters, in order to get to know them better.*
10. Candidate tests: *Tests will be given each week on the material you were asked to learn for that week. They are worth ten points each and will be graded and returned to you at your weekly meetings. A grade of seven or above is satisfactory. You will be required to make up a failed test before the next scheduled meeting.*
11. Candidate paper: *You will be asked to write one-page paper about your definition of sisterhood at the end of the candidate period. This should be written in your own words in a way that will reflect your thoughts about your candidate period.*
12. Service: *Each candidate will be required to complete a number of service shifts (including Receptions, Ways and Means, Rehearsal Setups, and Other).*
13. Sister meetings: *It is strongly suggested that you attend our meetings to better understand the responsibilities of sisterhood. It is required that each candidate attends two during their candidacy. Candidates are also required to attend two different committee meetings (WAM, Service, Fellowship, Jurisdictions, 50<sup>th</sup> Subcommittees).*
14. Attitude: *The final and most important pearl will be awarded as a result of a good attitude throughout your candidate period. When we feel that you have demonstrated the characteristics of the 5 & 8, you will be awarded this pearl.*

## SECTION 6: MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATE CLASS

### MC Class Officers

*Each candidate class is required to elect Candidate Class officers.*

President. Organize group functions, such as song, skit, parties, etc. This person will serve as the group representative when making progress reports to the sisterhood and will meet with the MC advisor when deemed necessary. The president will schedule meetings needed to plan projects and skits.

Vice President. Responsible for taking the president's place in the event that she is absent, forming committees for the planning of required projects (fundraiser, service, etc.), and is responsible for meeting with the **KKΨ** candidate vice president about any joint ventures or activities.

Secretary. Takes attendance and keeps minutes of all candidate meetings. A copy of the minutes must be submitted to the membership educator as promptly as possible following the weekly meeting. The secretary will also keep the other members of the candidate class up to date on information in meetings that they have missed.

Treasurer. Will collect money from candidate fundraisers, fines for missed meetings, membership dues, and will be in charge of purchasing any needed supplies for required projects. The candidate treasurer must meet weekly with the chapter treasurer.

Historian. Takes pictures during the candidate period (of which the other candidates could purchase copies). May also keep a Membership Candidate class scrapbook.

### Other things to remember:

1. Tau Beta Sigma is first a service sorority, and the first quality that we will be looking for in our candidates is an eagerness and willingness to serve our bands.
2. Tau Beta Sigma is not just an honorary "marching band" sorority. Concert Band, Symphonic Band, and Wind Symphony are also a big part of the music program and participation in both Spring and Fall musical ensembles is required for active membership. FVE and Gatorette members are highly encouraged to participate in these ensembles as well.
3. Every sister of Tau Beta Sigma who has come before you has met similar requirements and abided by similar rules. You are not being asked to do anything that has not been completed by someone who came before you. These guidelines are designed not to frighten or unnecessarily burden you, but to educate you in the ideals of Tau Beta Sigma. None of these guidelines are required but we feel that they should be completed to be initiated.
4. If at any time you feel you are being treated harshly or unfairly, contact your Big Sister and/or your membership educator. They will attempt to resolve any problems that may occur during your candidacy period.

## SECTION 7: MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION

### The Greek Alphabet

A	α	<i>alpha</i>	N	ν	<i>Nu</i>
B	β	<i>beta</i>	Ξ	ξ	<i>Xi</i>
Γ	γ	<i>gamma</i>	Ο	ο	<i>Omicron</i>
Δ	δ	<i>delta</i>	Π	π	<i>Pi</i>
E	ε	<i>epsilon</i>	Ρ	ρ	<i>Rho</i>
Z	ζ	<i>zeta</i>	Σ	σ	<i>Sigma</i>
H	η	<i>eta</i>	Τ	τ	<i>Tau</i>
Θ	θ	<i>theta</i>	Υ	υ	<i>Upsilon</i>
I	ι	<i>iota</i>	Φ	φ	<i>Phi</i>
K	κ	<i>kappa</i>	X	χ	<i>Chi</i>
Λ	λ	<i>lambda</i>	Ψ	ψ	<i>Psi</i>
M	μ	<i>mu</i>	Ω	ω	<i>Omega</i>

### Vision Statement

To create the pre-eminent organization; to promote band music as an integral part of the American cultural experience; and, to promote enrichment of the human experience through participation in and exposure to collegiate bands; and, to recognize deserving women and their contributions to these goals.

### Mission Statement

Tau Beta Sigma National Honorary Band Sorority provides service to collegiate bands, encourages the advancement of women in the band profession, and promotes and enriches an appreciation of band music through recognition, leadership development, and education of its members.

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### **Preamble to the Constitution of Tau Beta Sigma & Its Purposes**

Be it known that Tau Beta Sigma, National Honorary Sorority for members of the college band, is an organization operating exclusively in the field of the college and university bands, for the following purposes:

1. To promote the existence and welfare of the collegiate bands and to create a respect and appreciation for band activities and achievements among the listening public everywhere.
2. To honor outstanding members of the band through privilege of membership, in the Sisterhood, extended in recognition of musical achievement, demonstrated leadership, and an enthusiastic approach to band activities.
3. To develop leadership through active participation with the band, and through it, to strengthen those traits of conduct, thought, and idealism which characterize the responsible membership of the band.
4. To encourage a close relationship between collegiate bands and promote a high average of attainment by the performance of good music and selection of worthwhile projects.
5. To provide a meaningful and worthwhile social experience for all engaged in collegiate band work, and to cooperate with other musical organizations and societies in every manner consistent with our mutual purposes and those of the institution at which chapters are located.

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### **IDEALS OF TAU BETA SIGMA**

#### **The Five Qualities Required of Tau Beta Sigma Members**

1. Knowledge and development of your physical powers in the quest for good health and bodily perfection;
2. Recognition and development of your intellectual potential;
3. Appreciation for and the maintenance of the highest moral standards;
4. Achievement of and the personification within you of lofty spiritual ideals;
5. Cultivation and maintenance of your emotional poise under all conditions.

#### **The Eight Essential Factors**

1. Physical and mental qualities of an attractive nature;
2. Demonstrated loyalty and dependability to those persons and institutions deserving of it;
3. A truthfulness and honesty which instills a sense of trust in others;
4. A cheerfulness at all times and under all circumstances, even in the face of great trial;
5. A mutual interest in the Art of Music in its performance and in the aesthetic qualities it can project to others;
6. Generosity of mind, heart, and hand;
7. Tolerance, tempered with kindness and a consideration for the needs of others;
8. Fortitude and courage to see an ideal, to seize upon it, and follow it wherever it may lead you in Tau Beta Sigma.

## SECTION 7: MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION

### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA HISTORY

#### Founding Information:

Established: 1853

First President: Andrew Sledd (1904-1909)

Parenting Institutions:

East Florida Seminary

University of Florida

St Petersburg Normal and Industrial School

South Florida Military College

Past Names:

East Florida Seminary (1853)

University of Florida (1902)

University of the State of Florida (1905)

University of Florida (1909)

#### Noteworthy Facts

Current President: J. Bernard “Bernie” Machen (2003-Present)

School Colors: Orange and Blue

School Motto: Civium in Moribus rei publicae salus (The welfare of the state depends upon the morals of its citizens.)

School Mascots: Albert and Alberta

School Song: Orange and Blue (1935)

School Drink: Gatorade

First Women Enrolled: 1947

#### Fun Facts

- Mr. Two Bits is George Edmonson, Jr. from Tampa. (started in 1949)
- The Stadium was called Florida Field in 1930, officially titled Ben Hill Griffin Stadium in 1989, and nicknamed “The Swamp” by Steve Spurrier in 1991.
- The Gator Band plays “We are the Boys” after every football game’s third quarter.
- Steve Spurrier coined the phrase “Only gators get out alive”.
- The Steven O’Connell Center is commonly known as The O-Dome and was nicknamed “The House of Horrors” by ESPN in 1999.

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### GATOR BAND HISTORY

#### Keynote Years

- 1914: first band at UF
- 1920: first jazz band at UF formed
- 1931: Alpha Eta Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi installed
- 1948: first women allowed in Gator Band
- 1972: Gator Band featured at Walt Disney World opening
- 1997: Gator Band participates in Walt Disney World 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

#### Noteworthy Facts

- The first woman in Gator Band was Sophy Mae Mitchell of Sebring, FL (Belle Lyre).
- The first band room was in the Women's Gym.
- The first band office was in Anderson Hall.
- The first band had 16 members and was called The Cadet Band.

#### Band Directors

- 1<sup>st</sup> Director: "Pug" Hamilton
- 1<sup>st</sup> Paid: R. Dewitt Brown (1920-1948)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Paid: Col. Harold B. Bachman (1948-1958)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Paid: Reid Poole (1958-1961)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Paid: Richard Bowles (1961-1973)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Paid: Frank Wickes (1973-1980)  
\*\*Assistant Dir: Gary Langford
- 6<sup>th</sup> Paid: David Gregory (1980-1982)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Paid: Gerald Poe (1982-1985)
- 8<sup>th</sup> Paid: Gary Langford (1985-1987)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Paid: David Waybright (1987-present)  
\*\*Associate Dir.: John M. Watkins, Jr.  
\*\*Assistant Dir.: Chip Birkner  
\*\*Dir. of Jazz Studies: Gary Langford

#### Data

- Director of Bands: Dr. David A. Waybright
- Associate Director of Bands: Mr. John M. Watkins, Jr.
- Assistant Director of Bands: Mr. Chip Birkner
- Band Secretary: Mary Lou Pearce
- Gator Band Motto: "We play anything, anytime, anywhere." (1914)
- Gator Band publication: *The Band-Aide*
- Gator Band Bass Drum: "The Biggest Boom in Dixie"
- ROTAG: "Rookie Out To Achieve Gatordom" (coined by Gerre Reynolds and Dave Gasson)
- Gator Band Nickname: "Pride of the Sunshine" (coined by Dave Strickler)
- Gator Band Song: "Cheerio"
- Voice of the Gator Band: Gerre Reynolds

## SECTION 7: MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION

### CHAPTER HISTORY

#### Data

Chapter Name: Beta Xi

Chapter Installation Date: April 12, 1958

Chapter Sponsor: Laura Shannonhouse

Chapter Number: 62

#### Charter Members

Amelia (Macy) Cox Carew

Altha Mae Jones

Virginia Ann Stapleton

Judy Mock Hutchinson

Nancy Ann Patton

Rachel Mary Wubker

Phyllis M. Dewey

Mary C. Poynter

Carol Ann Wurtz

Akemi Saji

Carolyn B. Richards

Reid Poole (Director and

Patricia Joan Hector

Sponsor)

#### Affiliations

Big Sister Chapter: Alpha

Little Sister Chapter: Zeta

Little Sister Chapter: Iota

Omega, Florida State

Psi, University of Central

Theta, Edward Waters

University

Florida

College

#### Chapter Awards

1985-1987 Most Outstanding Chapter  
in the Nation

1993-1995

Among Top Ten Chapters

2005-2007

Among Top Twelve

1987-1989 Among Top Ten Chapters

Chapters

1989-1991 Among Top Ten Chapters

#### Chapter Officers

##### *Executive Board Members*

**President:** Stacey Rand

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in Charge of Service:** Andrew Schrager

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President in Charge of**

**Membership:** Samantha Brighton

**Recording Secretary:** Amanda "Mandy" Short

**Corresponding Secretary:** Heather Frietsch

**Treasurer:** Amanda Bumsted

**Ways & Means Officer:** John Pittari, III

**Parliamentarian:** Eric Gunther

##### *Board Members*

**Songleader:** Charles Gustine

**Fellowship Chair:** Khayla Johnson

**Historian:** Lauren Hershey

**Membership Education Chair:** Charlotte Manes

**Post Membership Education Chair:** Christine Matthews

**Rituals and Regalia Chair:** Elizabeth Raasch

**Web Chair:** Charles Schilb

- The Board is appointed by the executive board. The only executive board position not voted on, but appointed is the Parliamentarian.

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### CHAPTER HISTORY(Cont.)

#### Chapter Honoraries

1 Col. & Mrs. Bachman	13 David Gregory	26 Rene Rosas
2 Mr. & Mrs. Bowles	14 Thomas Liley	27 Matthew Sexton
3 Mr. & Mrs. Poole	15 Dave Strickler	28 Sophie Mae Mitchell
4 Elise T. Moody	16 Mr. & Mrs. Poe	29 Michael Stoeber
5 Dean & Mrs Sparkman	17 Sharon K. Young	30 Timothy Anderson
6 Lois Ann Vargas	18 Barbara Bastian	31 Jay Jacobs
7 Mary Ludwig	19 Mr. & Mrs. Amman	32 Dr. Kristen Stoner
8 Delberta Morgan	20 Gary Langford	33 Chris Heffner
9 Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Foster	21 Ron Personette	34 Daniel Galyen
10 Martha Stark	22 David Waybright	35 Michael Butler
11 Cynthia Thompson	23 Ronald Burrichter	36 Debra Traficante
12 Jeannette Pringle	24 Scott Stowell	
	25 Giacomo Oliva	

### OFFICER ROLES

#### Chapter Officers

*President:* The President shall preside at all meetings of the chapter and appoint all committees and appointed officers. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, co-sign all checks for money disbursed, sign all contracts of the chapter, and be the official representative of the chapter whenever such representation is required. The President shall be responsible for filing all required National and District paperwork. The President shall be in Marching Band in the fall.

*1<sup>st</sup> Vice President in charge of Service:* The First Vice-President shall serve as chairperson of the Service Committee. The First Vice-President shall preside at the chapter meetings in the absence of the President and assist will the President whenever necessary. The First Vice-President is also responsible for assuming the role of President, if the President can no longer fulfill the duties of the office until, a replacement can be voted upon. The First Vice-President shall be in Marching Band in the fall.

*2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President in charge of Membership Education:* The Second Vice-President shall oversee the Membership Education Committee and shall be responsible for educating and training all membership candidates. The Second Vice-President shall also be a voting member of the Membership Education Committee and hold meetings to revise the membership education program during the summer of each even numbered year. The Second Vice-President shall be in Marching Band in the fall.

*Treasurer:* The Treasurer shall oversee the Ways and Means Committee and shall control receipts and disbursements of the chapter, submit recommendations concerning financial policies of the chapter, co-sign all checks for money disbursed, and shall be

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responsible for placing all orders of regalia and jewelry with the National Headquarters. In addition, the treasurer shall deposit all checks within seven (7) days of receipt. The Treasurer shall also be responsible for keeping track of the money in the Beta Xi Rainy Day Fund and for deciding when the money is to be used. The Treasurer and Recording Secretary are responsible for ensuring that the “Initiate Registration Form” is completed properly, that initiate fees are collected, and that the fees and form are submitted within thirty (30) days of initiation.

*Ways and Means Officer:* The Ways and Means Officer shall serve as chairperson of the Ways and Means Committee and shall be in charge of planning, setting-up and seeing through the completion of all fundraisers for the chapter. The Ways and Means Officer must be in Marching Band in the fall.

*Recording Secretary:* The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of attendance at chapter meetings, keep a weekly typed record of the minutes for all chapter meetings to be sent vial email within four days of the chapter meeting, maintain a permanent record of each member of the chapter (including name, address, chapter number, and instrument played), and be responsible for reviewing all excuses and issuing all fines. The Recording Secretary shall also be the managing editor of the chapter publication, Beta Xi Bits. The Treasurer and Recording Secretary are responsible for ensuring that the “Initiate Registration Form” is completed properly, that initiate fees are collected, and that the fees and form are submitted within thirty (30) days of initiation.

*Corresponding Secretary:* The Corresponding Secretary shall serve as co-chairperson for the Correspondence/Fellowship Committee and shall handle all chapter and alumni correspondence, including but not limited to one (1) alumni letter and one (1) district letter per semester. The Corresponding Secretary shall also be responsible for submitting articles to the Eighth Note once a semester and the Podium once a year by their respective deadlines.

*Sponsor:* The Sponsor should be the liaison between the chapter and the university music/ band faculty. The Sponsor acts as a advisor to the Chapter President and members of the chapter concerning the operates and activities of the chapter. They should be familiar with all the local institution regulations and policies as well as those of the national organization.

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### KKΨ HISTORY

#### Data

Affiliated Brother Fraternity: Kappa  
Kappa Psi  
Chartering Date: November 27, 1919  
Founding Chapter: Oklahoma State  
University

Affiliated Chapter: Alpha Eta  
Chapter Installation Date: May 25, 1931  
Chapter Number : 31  
Chapter Sponsor: Scott Stowell

#### Chapter Officers

##### *Executive Board Members:*

**President:** Jason Reschke  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of Service:** Meredith “Katelyn” Bailey  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Membership:** Robert Mixson  
**Secretary:** Harrison Sepulveda  
**Treasurer:** Carly Roach  
**Alumni Secretary:** Lauren Case  
**Historian:** Maureen Murtha  
**Ways & Means Officer:** Stephanie Robertson  
**Parliamentarian:** Angela “Angie” St. George

##### *Board Members*

**Social Chair:** Harrison Sepulveda  
**Warden:** Jenna Fobes  
**Webmaster:** James Abels

#### Affiliations

Big Brother Chapter:  
Iota, Georgia Institute of  
Technology

Little Brother Chapter:  
Eta Sigma, University of  
Central Florida

Little Brother Chapter:  
Lambda Gamma, Florida  
International University

Little Brother Chapter:  
Kappa Tau, University of  
South Florida

Little Brother Chapter:  
Lambda Upsilon,  
Savannah State  
University

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### DISTRICT HISTORY

#### Data

*District Title:* Southeast District  
*District Publication:* *The Eighth Note*

*District Animal:* Turtle  
*District Fruit:* Pineapple

#### District Officers

*President:* Sarah Cox  
*Vice President for Membership:* LaShika Williams  
*Vice President for Special Projects:* Contella Crawford  
*Secretary/Treasurer:* Rob Richards  
*District Counselor:* Iliana Rosado

#### States in Southeast District

Alabama  
Florida  
Georgia  
Mississippi  
North Carolina  
South Carolina  
Tennessee

#### Districts

Midwest District  
North Central District  
Northeast District  
Southeast District  
Southwest District  
Western District  
International District

#### Chapters in Florida

Alpha Omega	Florida State University	Tallahassee
Beta Xi	University of Florida	Gainesville
Gamma Epsilon	University of Miami	Coral Gables
Zeta Psi	University of Central Florida	Orlando
Theta Rho	Bethune-Cookman College	Daytona Beach
Iota Theta	Edward Waters College	Jacksonville

### 2008 DISTRICT CONVENTION

April 11-12, 2008  
Tallahassee, FL

#### **Host Chapters:**

Florida State University,  
TBS                      Alpha Omega  
KKΨ                      Gamma Nu

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### OFFICER ROLES

#### District Officers

*President:* The District President presides at all meetings of the District and is a nonvoting member of all District Committees. She/he appoints these Committees and provides all possible assistance to the District Counselor. In the absence of the District Counselor, the District President may be designated as the official representative of the District whenever such representation is necessary.

*Vice President for Colonization and Membership:* The District Vice President of Membership shall, in the absence of the District President, preside at the meetings of the District. The District Vice President of Membership shall be designated as the Expansions Officer of the District and shall advise the committee on Expansion. The District Vice President of Membership shall submit a membership evaluation questionnaire to be filled out at convention. As the Expansion Officer of the District, she or he shall maintain frequent contact with the colony, their advisors, and each advising chapter during the colonization process and after the colonies are established as chapters. The District Vice President of Membership shall submit a membership evaluation questionnaire to be filled out at convention.

*Vice President for Special Projects:* The District Vice President for Special Projects shall, in the absence of the District President and the District Vice President for Colonization and Membership, preside at the meetings of the District. The Vice President for Special Projects shall be responsible for designing and implementing special projects as determined by the District Council. She or he shall also be the advisor to the host chapters of the *Eighth Note*, the District Scrapbook, and the webmaster. She or he shall be responsible for sending out District Scrapbook host applications to all chapters at least six weeks prior to convention. She or he shall design and implement an informal workshop at the District Leadership Conference to encourage chapter bonding and will be responsible for overseeing the sister chapter program. In addition, she or he shall serve as liaison to the National Council in support of Special Projects, and shall assist the Vice President of Membership with membership expansion as needed.

*Secretary/ Treasurer:* The District Secretary-Treasurer records, publishes, and distributes the minutes of all District meetings to the chapters in the District, the District Counselor, and all members of the National Council. She or he also controls the receipt and disbursement of all monies of the District as necessary.

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## NATIONAL HISTORY

**National Founder:**

Wava Banes Turner

**National Executive Director:**

Alan Bonner

**Chartering Date:**

March 26, 1946

**Founding Chapters**

Alpha Chapter: Oklahoma State University  
Founded: March 26, 1946

Beta Chapter: Texas Tech University  
Founded: May 4, 1946

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**Symbols, Etc.**

*Official Colors:* White and Blue

*Official Flower:* "American Beauty" Red Rose, long stem

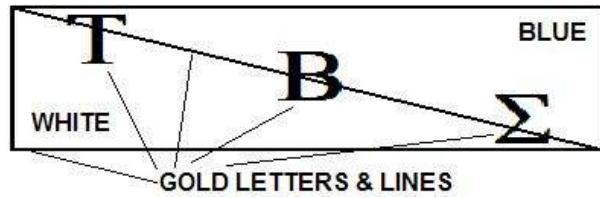
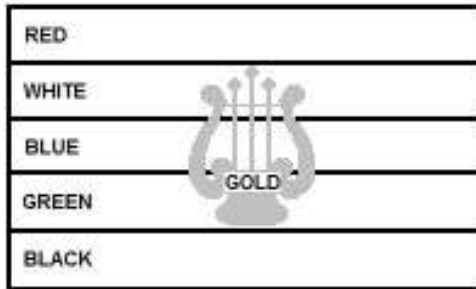
*Official Publication:* "The Podium"

*Official Motto:* "Tau Beta Sigma for Greater Bands"

*Official Cheer:* "T-A-U...B-E-T-A...S-I-G-M-A... Tau Beta Sigma!"

*Official Flag:*

*Recognition Bar:*



**Types of Membership**

Active  
Alumnae  
Associate

Conditional  
Honorary  
Lifetime

**National Officers:**

*President:* Kimbi Sigle  
*Vice President for Colonization and Membership:* Dollie McDonald  
*Vice President for Special Projects:* Dawn Farmer  
*Vice President for Communication and Recognition:* Deena Smith  
*Vice President for Professional Relations:* Dr. Andrea Strauss

**2009 NATIONAL CONVENTION:** TBA in Phoenix, Arizona

## SECTION 6: MEMBERSHIP CANDIDATE CLASS

### OFFICER ROLES

#### National Officers

*President:* The National President is designated as the Executive Officer of the Sorority, the National Chapter, and the National Council. The National President is a nonvoting member of all committees except the Nominations Committee and signs all charters, shingles, contracts, and other instruments of business for the Sorority. In addition, the National President appoints all committees, is a member ex-officio of Tau Beta Sigma's Board of Trustees, and is designated as the official representative of the National Chapter, whenever such representation is necessary. She/he must have held at least one National Office prior to the term of National President and is not eligible for re-election to this position.

*Vice President for Colonization and Membership:* In the absence of the National President the National Vice President for Colonization and Membership presides at meetings of the National Chapter and National Council. She/he is the Expansion Officer of the Sorority; therefore, duties include advising the Committee on Colonization and Membership. The National Vice President for Colonization and Membership should advance the purposes of the Sorority as stated in the Preamble of the National Constitution by working with District Officers in the area of expansion on behalf of Tau Beta Sigma. She/he must have held at least one National Office prior to the term of National Vice President for Colonization and Membership and is not eligible for re-election to this position.

*Vice President for Special Projects:* In the absence of the National President and the National Vice President for Colonization and Membership the National Vice President for Special Projects presides at meetings of the National Chapter and National Council. She/he is the Programs Officer of the Sorority; duties include enforcing the programs of Tau Beta Sigma and advising the Committee on Programs. The National Vice President for Special Projects may serve a maximum of two terms.

*Vice President for Communication and Recognition:* The National Vice President for Communication and Recognition is responsible for recording, publishing, and distributing the minutes of all meetings of the National Chapter and National Council and advising the Committee on Credentials and Resolutions. She/he makes summaries of all National Council meetings available through the National Headquarters and signs all charters, shingles, contracts, and other instruments of business. This officer oversees the distribution and design of all awards of all awards issued by the Sorority. The National Vice President for Communications and Recognition may serve a maximum of two terms.

*Vice President for Professional Relations:* The National Vice President for Professional Relations serves as a liaison for Tau Beta Sigma with the music profession. She/he is appointed by the National President, with the approval of the National Council, and must be at least thirty years of age at the time of appointment