

taubetasigma alumni association

Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association:

I would like to formally announce my intent to run for a second term on the TBSAA Executive Council. During the past four years on the TBSAA Executive Council I had the pleasure of serving as Membership Chair and Chair. During my time as Membership Chair I worked with National Headquarters to help TBSAA with their membership/renewal drive, worked with the Board of Trustees on the first Fall Campaign and saw an increase in membership ever year. During my term as Chair I over saw the new grants program and TBSAA's For Greater 5k as well as documented all of the TBSAA's standard operating procedures.

While on the EC this past term I made a commitment to answer this single question: "What do I get for joining the TBSAA?" While there has been tremendous improvements to answering this question, I feel that there is still much to improve upon.

If given the opportunity, I would like to explore ways to give you, the alumnus, a '1 alumni experience'. What this means is 1) listening to what the alumni want from their membership and 2) organizing your alumni experience.

In the past 8 years of TBSAA's existence we have seen things that work well and things that have not worked well. I feel that it is time to take a step back and familiarize ourselves again with the strategic plan that was set in place in 5 years ago. This strategic plan will let you, the alumnus, know where the TBSAA started from and where we as an organization are going. I feel that if Tau Beta Sigma is a student run organization then the TBSAA should be a TBSAA member ran origination as well.

In conclusion, I hope to get another opportunity to listen to what you ,the member, want out of your alumni experience. Together we can take the TBSAA to the next level!

In the Bond,
Amanda Dickson
Life Member, Gamma Nu
TBSAA Executive Council
Chair- 2013-2015

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EDUCATION

Texas Tech University Master of Music <i>Trumpet Performance</i>	Lubbock, TX	2011
The University of Texas Arlington Bachelor of Music <i>Trumpet Performance</i>	Arlington, TX	2009

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

San Jacinto College North Campus <i>Band Director</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Direct and conduct the Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band• Prepare for weekly rehearsals• Lead weekly rehearsals• Perform 1 campus concert and 1 community outreach concert• Travel to area high school to perform and recruit new students• Strive to build successful students	Houston, TX	08/2014-present
Crosby ISD	Crosby, TX	08/2012-present
Galena Park ISD	Houston, TX	08/2012-present
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD	Cypress, TX	08/2011-present
Fort Bend ISD	Sugarland, TX	08/2011-present
Katy ISD <i>Private Music Instructor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manage all components of a self-employed business, including billing and scheduling• Ensure that all students meet individual and/or competitive performance goals• Create and manage a database of students and families	Katy, TX	08/2011-present
Texas Tech University <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taught undergraduate trumpet lessons to music majors• Led classes and taught additional lessons during Professor absences• Member of the Graduate Brass Quintet	Lubbock, TX	2009-2011
Lubbock Symphony Orchestra	Lubbock, TX	2009-2011
Lubbock Symphony Educational Brass Quintet	Lubbock, TX	2009-2011
Plainview Symphony Orchestra	Plainview, TX	2010-2011
Lubbock Moonlight Musicals <i>Trumpet Section Player</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selected as a paid performer based on competitive audition	Lubbock, TX	2010-2011

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Memberships

- Beta Zeta, 1996-1999
- Gamma Nu, 2004-2009
- TBSAA Member, 2009-Present
- SWDAA Affiliate, 2009-Present
- SWD TBSigma Honorary, 2011
- SWD KKPsi Honorary, 2008

Chapter Leadership

- Parliamentarian, 2006-2007

District Leadership

- SWD Sec/Treas, 2007-2008
- SWD President, 2008-2009
- SWDAA Chair, 2009-2011

National Leadership

- Co-Advisor for Iota Tau, 2012
- TBSAA Membership Chair, 2011-2013
- TBSAA Chair, 2013-2015

District Conventions

- Southwest District, 2004-2015
- Western District, 2012 & 2014
- Midwest District, 2013
- Northeast District, 2015
- Southeast District, 2015

National Conventions

- Lexington, KY, 2005
- Orlando, FL, 2007
- Phoenix, AZ, 2009
- Colorado Springs, CO, 2011
- Springfield, MA, 2013





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Jack Lee
National
Vice President
for Colonization
and Membership

April 27, 2015

Sisters and Brothers of Tau Beta Sigma:

I am honored to write this letter of recommendation for **Amanda Dickson** for her continued service to the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association's Executive Council.

Throughout our time in the Sorority or Fraternity, we discover individuals who seem to be born role models. These are the people who inspire us to dig deeper and strive higher. They are the beacons of passion and motivation in our organization, and they represent the standard that every member of this Fraternity should strive to meet. These are the people we deserve as our national leaders. Amanda Dickson embodies passion and motivation for the Sisterhood, and I encourage you to support her candidacy.

I have the unique perspective of being someone that has worked with Amanda in all levels of the Sorority and Fraternity. I first met Amanda when we were both undergraduate students at The University of Texas at Arlington. Immediately I knew that Amanda was the type of Sister that was dedicated to Tau Beta Sigma and its ideals. Amanda went on to serve the Southwest District as the secretary/treasurer and then SWD president. I have most recently had the pleasure of working with Amanda on the national level with both Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma in her role as a member of the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association Executive Council and then the chair of the Executive Council.

Under her leadership, I have witnessed the TBSAA excel. Now, more than ever, there is a burning desire to serve the alumni of Tau Beta Sigma. The TBSAA Grant Program was established under Amanda's guidance as the Executive Council Chair. This program enables the alumni association to give back to alumni that have a worthy music program that need financial assistance. Additionally, the first ever TBSAA 5K was established in effort to support K-12 public school instrumental programs in the Maryland and Washington D.C. area. This level of commitment to bands and the alumni members of Tau Beta Sigma is exactly what Amanda will continue to produce.

In all of her positions, Amanda has demonstrated an unswerving loyalty to the Sorority and to college bands. Her leadership skills, experience, and value-driven philosophies make her a Sister that active members often flock to for advice. Amanda exemplifies the ideals of a Sister. She is honest, dependable, and steadfastly committed to upholding the mission, vision, and ideals of the Tau Beta Sigma. I cannot envision a more qualified candidate for this position. Amanda will be a knowledgeable and valuable asset to the Sorority on the national level.

I cannot think of more qualified and deserving candidate for this position, and I am honored to provide this letter of support for Amanda Dickson. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or if I can be of any additional assistance.

Sincerely,

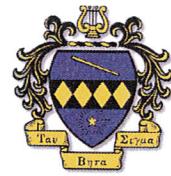
Jack Lee
National Vice President for Colonization and Membership
Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity
Honorary Member, Tau Beta Sigma National Chapter, Southwest District, and Gamma Nu Chapter

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April 28, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation for Amanda Dickson in her pursuit for re-election to the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association Executive Council (TBΣAA EC). I have known Amanda for over 10 years, through our association in the Southwest District of Tau Beta Sigma. The TBΣAA is an organization that I can say I hold in high regard in that I was one of its original charter members. I have watched it go through many waves since its inception in 2007 and right now, the TBΣAA is on a tremendously high wave, due in part to the work that Amanda has done for the group.

During her time as a member of the Executive Council, she's managed to give a name and a face to the members of the alumni association in a way that our students readily recognize the TBΣAA. This has not always been the case with this group or previous groups like it and as a result, in my current role, I am being asked more frequently from graduating sisters how they can stay involved and give back to the organization. I am ever so proud to be able to point them in the direction of joining the TBΣAA and her hard work has been a big part of being able to do that. Amanda takes the time to understand what the needs of our alumni are and she plans according to those. She has explored and implemented new, innovative ways to increase the membership numbers of the alumni association, which can be plainly seen in the success of budding local alumni associations. From the standpoint of a person who works closely with the students in our organization, Amanda has managed to help foster a new generation of sister whether it is stepping in to help conduct an educational workshop, advise a committee at a convention, or to be a reliable sounding board for me as their counselor. She has shown her support for the success of our student body, knowing that if they have good experiences as students, they will in turn want to continue giving back to this organization in their transition to being alumni.

By now you have probably read through her résumés, and you are aware that she possess many of the necessary administrative skills required to continue within this position. Though the list of accomplishments provided is impressive, there are other attributes that make for a good candidate and they won't be written down, but rather they will be demonstrated. She can often be seen modeling appropriate behavior for alumni in relation to the current active sisters and the idea of allowing our student leaders to do just that, be the student leaders for our organization. You will be hard pressed to find someone more dedicated and more driven to working towards the ideals of our organization and it is with all of these attributes in mind that I wholeheartedly recommend her re-election to the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association Executive Council. If you need any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erika L. Pope'. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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April 30th, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I have had the privilege of knowing Amanda Dickson for eight years. I also have the privilege of working with her as a musical colleague and friend. I love watching Amanda do what she does best, teach. Her consistent determination and motivation towards her students, her job(s), and her devotion to music, set her apart from everyone else.

Amanda is a person who has no trouble actively engaging herself in everything she does. She is well organized and holds both herself and the people she works with to a high accountability. Amanda is very good with understanding deadlines and honors all duties she has ever committed to. Amanda has a very endearing personality and a sublime attitude that makes everyone enjoy working with her.

Amanda's commitments go far beyond what is expected of her as a Musician and Teacher. Without hesitation, Amanda always makes a point to help around the band halls she works in. Whether it would be critiquing the ensembles of her students or helping out the marching bands, Amanda is there. Because of her unending commitment to help out, students in the programs she works for look up to Amanda as leader. She in return, establishes great relationships with the students.

Having Amanda Dickson on the Tau Beta Sigma Alumni Association Council will be a tremendous asset and overall credit for everything this Sorority stands for. Being a member of this organization myself, I understand the responsibilities Amanda is trying to uphold. I ask you all to consider Amanda for this highly esteemed position. I guarantee you will not be disappointed.

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