## Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Prepare volunteers to answer these questions that candidates might ask and any other questions you have heard from candidates in the past.

## **Membership Questions**

- "What if I don't have the money to join the honor society?"
   Explain any programs the honor society offers for financial assistance. If the Developing Honor Society is approved to become a chapter, STTI offers the Edith Anderson Membership Subsidy, which STTI uses to underwrite up to 75 percent of the annual membership fees of those who need financial assistance.
- "What if I move after graduation?"
  As long as you continue to pay annual honor society dues, you will be an active member and receive communications from the developing honor society. If the developing honor society is accepted to become a chapter of STTI, you will be invited to be a chartering member of that chapter. Once you are an STTI member, you can transfer to an STTI chapter closer to you, join the virtual chapter, or hold multiple chapter memberships.
- "What if I'm too shy to attend networking events?"
   What other opportunities for involvement does the developing honor society provide, such as educational sessions? Can the candidate provide service through a position that does not require attendance at board meetings, such as webmaster?
- "How much will my membership dues be?"
   \$\_\_\_\_\_ while a developing honor society member and \$\_\_\_\_ chapter dues + \$69.50 once approved to join STTI.
- "Will I be required to attend developing honor society events?"
   Attendance is not required. However, members who go to developing honor society events tend to be more satisfied with their membership experience.
- "What are the requirements for membership? If I meet them, when will I be invited to join?" You can learn about eligibility criteria by visiting the membership webpage at http://www.nursingsociety.org/membership. Candidates can expect to receive an invitation six to eight weeks prior to the developing honor society's induction ceremony.

## Answers to Frequently Asked Questions (continued)

## **Induction Questions**

- "How do I accept the invitation to join?"
   You will receive an email and a mailed invitation, with instructions for accepting. These invitations will be specific to you; your friends are not able to join unless they are specifically invited.
- "Do I have to attend the induction ceremony to join?"
   No. If you accept the invitation and submit membership dues, you will be an active member.
   However, the ceremony is often a meaningful experience for members; and you are highly encouraged to attend if possible.
- "How long do I have to accept the invitation?"
   If you would like to be recognized at the upcoming ceremony, accept the invitation by the listed respond-by date. However, you do have one year following the induction to accept the invitation to join.
- "What are induction ceremony fees?"
   These fees are in addition to the developing honor society dues. Induction fees can be used to help the developing honor society cover the cost of the ceremony.
- "What are induction guest fees?"
   Guest fees are assessed in addition to developing honor society dues. This money can be used to cover costs for guests who attend the ceremony.
- "Who should I contact if I have questions?"
   Your invitation will include a contact for your induction ceremony; direct any questions you have about the ceremony to this individual.