Topic: *Student SIG conference call 12.10.2008 9:00pm*	Discussion:	**Tasks:** ***Please complete these tasks by the next conference call!***
1. Introductions and discussion of the SSIG roles and purposes	Tiffany Shepard – PT co –chair; UD Katie Lambart – Vice Chair/Treasurer; UD Laura Perkins – PTA co-chair; Marion Tech Alysha Dowhan – Secretary; CSU Kristen Nuscher - Website Coordinator; MSJ	
2. Student Liaison protégée to Tonya	Any faculty interested in this position?	
3. **The Role of SIG**	Place for the students to become involved in the OPTA, make students an important part of the organization, student symposium – who we want to be there, what topics and how we want it to be designed. Any issues or concerns that you would like to be brought (education, classes, etc) things you would like the association to do.	**Go to your classmates and see if there are any issues or concerns that SIG can address or bring up to the OPTA.**
4. Conference Calls	Will continue to be Wed. evenings at 9:00pm	
5. Feedback from 2008 Student Symposium	• Ratings: High and positive • Membership meeting: average 3.8 • Interesting: 3.5 • Elections: 4 1. How can we find a full slate of candidates? Liaisons nominate qualified classmates? 2. Can we have a separate room for students, explaining what is going on… would this be disruptive to the meeting?	

	Opportunity to learn what is going on…. Table Leaders were present at each table. 3. Ideas – if we cannot leave: take 1st half hour what is about to happen, why it is important/ if we can leave: at the 5-10 minute break • 4 educational secessions – choice of 2 1. Nutrition: 3.775 2. Gait Analysis: 4.4 3. Manual Therapy: 4.6 4. Financial Planning: 4.6 • Networking Lunch 1. 3.9 2. PTA students may not have felt as included • Panel Discussion 1. 4.3 2. Similar in topic from last two years in a row - maybe we need a new topic 3. PTA panel discussion: 4.75 (PTAs wanted more time for discussion) 4. Split group	**Solicit top 5 ideas for topics from your classmates – 1 hour and 15 minutes per session and then email Tonya by Jan.12 for discussion at next call**

	worked very well 5. Difficult to hear – 2 different rooms next year. • Student Challenge 1. Instructions more clear 2. Opportunity to answer if the other team didn't answer 3. Jeopardy format was well received 4. Questions levels 5. What can we do differently next year (4 teams to 1 team over the year) 6. More space next year 7. Call for questions/more involvement 8. Re-use some of the question? • Best Thing 1. The courses 2. Panel Discussion 3. Networking 4. Student Challenge • Suggestions 1. Exhibit hall available 2. Students break from membership meeting 3. Longer/shorter	

	programming 4. Range of Topics: peds, neuro, documentation – specialized information that you don't get in class 5. Petra Williams (OU)? 6. Jamie Pawws (Walsh)? 7. Productivity in nursing homes	
6. State Government Affairs Forum/Government Affairs Forum & National Student Conclave	OPTA sponsors and gives an award – OPTA pays your way and you are paired up with a mentor ☺	**Please let your classmates know about this opportunity! Information will be sent out closer to the date**
7. Ideas for 2009 conference – Student Symposium will be **Saturday, October 17th in Columbus**	<u>Location</u> - Renaissance Hotel in Columbus <u>Theme or Slogan of OPTA Conference</u> – Physical Therapy Across the Lifespan 1 hour and 15 minutes per session for students. Will again have 4 sessions and student can choose 2.	**Solicit ideas for topics from your classmates – see above!**
8. Other ideas for the year	Universal Powerpoint – students give to PT and PTA programs about the importance of membership (What is student SIG?) 1. Why are they not joining? 2. What got them to join? 3. We can work on this with the Membership Committee – liaison to the Committee (PT and PTA) Laura Perkins Race for the Cure Facebook	

9. Other		Email Shane Yates syates@ohiopt.org – head and shoulder shot if you are a SSIG officer for the OPTA website
10. Next Meeting:	January 14, 2009 @ 9:00pm	

Attendance:

Cleveland State
- Alysha Dowhan

Ohio U
Ohio State
Mount St. Joseph
- Kristen Nuscher

Walsh
Findley
Toledo
Dayton
- Tiffany Shepard

Youngstown State
Stark State
Clark State
- Debbie Dreher

Marian Tech
- Laura Perkins

Other:
- Anthony Difilippo – OPTA BOD
- Shane Yates – OPTA staff
- Shelly Prisco – student committee member