



**Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter**  
**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**

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**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 27, 2018**

**FIRE STATION #19**

**3841 WALSH PARKWAY**

**AGENDA**

**A. Welcome**

Soror Sylvia C. McPherson welcomed the board members and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**B. Prayer**

Madam President gave the opening prayer.

**C. Adoption of Agenda**

Soror Delores Ingram moved to adopt the agenda. Soror Pat Moore gave the second and the motion was approved.

**D. Correspondence—Amanda Williams**

The following invitations were received:

- The Sandhills Alumnae Chapter will hold the Initiation Ceremony on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at The Mann Center, 507 N. Steele Street, Sanford, NC at 12:13 P.M. Attire is black (no pants) Photo ID is required
- The Child Advocacy Center is sponsoring "Fayetteville's Ultimate Lip Sync Showdown" March 24, 2018 from 6:00-10:00 P.M. at the Crown Center Ballroom
- Cape Fear Regional Theater presents "Disgraced" March 15-25, 2018
- The Upsilon Kappa Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated will hold its annual fundraiser on April 14, 2018. The title of this year's event is "Black & White Extravaganza." Tickets are \$50.00.

\*\*\*\* After discussion of supporting other Divine Nine events, it was decided to bring the information on the Digital Sponsorship at the \$100.00 level to the chapter for a vote.

Letters to request donations and/or advertisements were received by:

- Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation's winter brochure was received

**E. Financial Secretary's Report: Judith Waddell**

NO REPORT (report will be given at the March chapter meeting)

**F. Treasurer's Report: Tracey Howard-Glover**

NO REPORT (report will be given at the March chapter meeting)

**G. Committee Reports**

**i. Five-Point Thrust**

**1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR- Soror L. Malone**

**1. Adopt a Family: Chair: Soror Doris Williams**

No Report

**2. Adopt-A-Site: Chair: Soror Spivey**

The Adopt-A-Site Committee met on Saturday, February 17, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. at the Amtrak Train Station. A total of five Sorors were present. Construction is well underway at the train Station. Discussion during cleanup continues to be the direction and plans for the actual location of the baseball stadium. Soror Spivey has been in constant contact with Fayetteville Parks and Recreation for an explanation as to when the chapter's Adopt- a-Site sign will be placed back up. In response via email, Soror Spivey was told that the city is trying to figure out another location to put the sign. No response has yet been received. The committee chair will continue to stay in contact with Fayetteville Parks and Recreation until we come up with a resolution. Our next cleanup is scheduled for **Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Amtrak Train Station**. All interested Sorors are asked to arrive at 7:50 a.m. so that we can begin cleaning promptly at 8:00 a.m.

**2. EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR: Soror M. Monroe**

NO REPORT

**1. Arts & Letters Committee : Janice Robinson**

Soror Janice Robinson gave the following report:

- ☐ It was decided the annual Youth Explosion will not be held this year. The committee will work to explore different kinds of events to highlight the youth and not duplicate other existing events.
- ☐ The Red Carpet Event to view the movie “The Black Panther” was a success. The community response was extremely positive. Two theater auditoriums were occupied totaling close to 400 attendees. Door prizes were given. The committee will continue to work on improving the ticket process.
- ☐ The committee will sponsor a Sisterly Book Exchange at the March Chapter meeting. “Bring a Book, Take a Book or Two” in recognition of DST Sisterhood Month.
- ☐ The Red Velvet Book Club discussion will be held at Rob & Mickey’s Café on April 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. "Sing Unburied Sing" by Jesmyn Ward is the selected book.
- ☐ A Red Carpet CFRT Event: *CROWNS* will be May 24, 2018. Plans are underway for a pre-event , "A Tea" for Sunday, May 20, 2018.
- ☐ The Arts and Letters’ annual retreat will be held June 12, 2018 at noon.

Chair Robinson asked whether or not funds can be supplied for pre-purchase of tickets for events that are sanctioned and/or suggested from the National or Regional office. After discussion, it was determined that this could NOT be done. Future discussions will be held on how to better handle Red Carpet ticketed events.

## 2. **Cinderella’s Closet: Jerial Bogan**

Soror Bogan submitted the following report that was read by the Recording Secretary

Cinderella’s Closet Advertisement was placed in Sunday, February 25, 2018, Sunday Life Magazine. Announcement has been placed in the Nonprofit section of the Saturday Extra. Many calls have been received from prospective donors regarding our Closet in respect to whether or not the gowns are sold as well as if the gowns may be purchased from the Closet. Thanks to the Cinderella’s Closet Committee and Volunteers especially Soror Pam Story, Social Worker Coordinator and Homeless Liaison for Cumberland County Schools for her dedication to serve the junior and senior young ladies of Cumberland County Schools during the two weeks of our Cinderella’s Closet Project.

### Upcoming Dates:

- Chair give a CCS Social Workers Presentation, Friday, March 2, 2018, 10:30 a.m. at the Cumberland County Schools Educational Resource Center.

- The closet set up will be by Monday, March 5, 2018, beginning at the Storage Unit then going to Stein Mart Department Store
- The Closet will run Tuesday, March 6-Friday March 9, 2018 and Monday, March 12-Friday March 16, 2018. All dates are from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### **3. Delta Academy CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

NO REPORT Soror Graham will report at the March chapter meeting

### **4. Delta GEMS: CHAIR: Jeriel Bogan**

Delta Gems Youth Initiative Program Participants had an informative and educational session during our February 17, 2018 meeting. Mrs. Antoinette (Toni) Morris, Licensed Professional Counselor with Fayetteville Psychiatric Associates facilitated a group conversation on the topic of "Dating and Healthy Relationships." The discussion included Human Trafficking. Six (6) Gems were in attendance.

Congratulations to Hannah Childress, E.E. Smith HS Senior. She was the student speaker at the School Board of Education Meeting on February 13, 2018. Also, Hannah has received letters of acceptance to Howard University, Washington, DC and Methodist University, Fayetteville, NC with a full scholarship.

Finally, our Delta Gems Committee continues to stress to our young ladies and parents the importance of responsibility and accountability.

#### **Calendar Updates:**

- HBCU college Fair March 3, 2018, Smith Recreation Center 1520 Slater Avenue, Sponsored by John Wesley United Methodist Men in partnership with the Fayetteville Cumberland County Parks and Recreation Department.
- March monthly meeting: March 17, 2018, Spivey Recreation Center 500 Fisher Drive. Topic: "Money Management and Scholarships." There will be two Presenters: An agent from Wells Fargo Bank and the Chair of the Junior League of Fayetteville's Scholarship Committee.

### **5. EMBODI: CHAIR: Toni Moore**

NO REPORT

### **6. Jabberwock Chair: Willie Johnson**

The Jabberwock Committee met on Thursday, February 15, at the Headquarters Library Computer Lab.

- 5 Sweethearts attended "Seussical, The Musical" on Thursday, Feb 8 at Cape Fear Regional Theatre.
- Seven Sweethearts and two Princesses were introduced to the chapter on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Brochures were distributed introducing the participants. The participants were given Valentine's Day bags with items donated by Soror Tammy Pippen of the Fayetteville Police Department. Each participant was given 10

Jabberwock tickets. Additional tickets will be available, if needed. Tickets are now available for Sorors to purchase for \$10.00. A ticket will be needed to attend.

- E.E. Smith has been confirmed as our venue. Insurance with Al Kerr & Insurance Agency will be acquired in May.
- Our emcee for the pageant will be WTVD 11 News Reporter Akilah Davis.
- The corporate sponsor letter has been written and approved by President Sylvia C. McPherson. We are waiting on the Fayetteville Alumnae Delta Foundation to provide tax information to proceed.
- The back cover of the souvenir journal has been purchased.
- The Sweethearts were informed of the College Fair scheduled at Smith Recreation Center on Saturday March 3, from 10:00–3:00 sponsored by John Wesley United Methodist Men. Soror Effie will have a FAC Scholarship table and has asked for volunteers to assist.
- Soror Miranda Monroe provided information on tuxedo rentals, entertainment for the event, student volunteers to provide stage assistance, and a videographer for the event.
- Soror Patti Jordan provided information on catering for the reception and hostesses.
  
- Soror Tracey Glover and Drema Larkin provided samples to select a souvenir journal cover. Tickets were designed by the Communications and Publicity Committee and are ready for distribution.
- Thanks to Soror Judith Waddell & Nadine Miller-Bernard for donating one ticket each to the Princesses to attend "Seussical the Musical."
- Thanks to Soror Patti Jordan for donating beverages for the Tuesday, January 4 participant meeting.
- Thanks to Soror Nadine Miller Bernard for bringing paper products from storage for the Tuesday, January 4 participant meeting. !
  
- We are working to finalize the program format. \*\*\*note\*\*\* (a draft copy of the program cover was shown to the Board members in attendance)

#### Calendar Update

- ☐ Sweetheart Meeting: March 17, 2018, from 3-5 P.M. in the FAST Transit Center Community Room, 505 Franklin Street, Topic "Money Wise: Teens and Money"
- ☐ Committee Meeting: March 15, 2018, in the FAST Transit Center Community Room, 505 Franklin Street

The committee would like to be on the March Chapter meeting agenda

#### **7. Princess Committee: CHAIR: Yvette Bullard**

The Princesses Committee would like to thank Soror Judith Waddell and Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard for purchasing tickets for the Princesses to attend the play "Seussical the Musical." We did not meet in February. We are planning to attend a movie that is age appropriate.

#### **3. International Awareness and Involvement-Soror Degraphenreid**

NO REPORT

#### **4. Physical and Mental Awareness and Involvement: Chair: Soror Sharon McNair**

## **1. Healthy Lifestyles: Chair: Kay Harris**

The following report was submitted by Chair Kay Harris and read by the recording Secretary:

The committee met via phone conference on February 8, 2018. Members discussed upcoming monthly activities. February 17 and March 17, 2018, will be the regular walk and talks. April 21, 2018, we will participate in the cancer walk and May 19, 2018 an end-of-year activity is planned. Details are forthcoming.

\*\*\* The chair will not need to present an update at the chapter meeting but has requested that the dates of the activities be announced.

## **5. POLITICAL AWARENESS AND INVOLVEMENT: CHAIR: Meta Coaxum**

### **1. Social Action Committee: Soror Meta A. Weaver Coaxum**

Committee met via telephone on 2/6/18. Dates for the upcoming "Chosen-Domestic Child Sex Trafficking" presentation in April 2018 provided. Recreational sites have not been finalized with Child Advocacy Center and Parks and Recreational Centers. Dates for the Community Conversation presentations from February to August, as associate sponsors, with Fayetteville/Cumberland Human Relations were presented. As a chapter sponsor, our role will be to assist in facilitating the events as a service to the community. We continue to develop the "Civic 101 Understanding the Importance of the Judicial Branch" activity April 14th at the Kiwanis Rec Center from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Soror Emily Grimes continues to attend the School Board meetings. Issues related to class size and sex education were discussed as to whether to encourage the chapter to develop resolutions in taking a stance on this and any other issues. Soror Grimes will forward information from NC Public School First as to advocacy issues. We will make contact with NAACP, Mathew Davis, to collaborate on voter registration at the HBCU College Fair 3/3/18 at Smith Rec Center.

Social Action Chair met with the Coalition on Conversations 2/15/18, Headquarters Library at 5:15 p.m. to discuss upcoming themes for Community conversations for the months of March, April, and May 2018. March 15<sup>th</sup> topic will be on race relations. Race: The Power of Illusions will be presented (one of the three episodes). There is a facilitator's guide and associate sponsors will preview the DVD. There will be breakout groups with structured discussion questions. The date and time to preview the DVD has not been established.

April 19<sup>th</sup>, World Café dialogue with the attendees to include breakout groups to "harvest" ideas of interest related to race relationship building in Fayetteville/Cumberland County. May 15<sup>th</sup>, Allison Brooks, Southern Poverty Law Center, will be the speaker on tracking hate groups. Financial expense for air line (\$456.00) and hotel expenses (Hilton Garden Inn on Sycamore diary Road) will be split amongst the five associate sponsors (NAACP.NOW, Quaker House, CCAE and Fayetteville/Cumberland Human Relations). The estimated cost is around \$600.00. Other topics discussed included gun violence and a poverty simulation activity.

Community Conversation event was attended on 2/15/18. Topic: Pathways for Prosperity, a local initiative to increase economic mobility and decrease poverty in the county. Kirk DeViere, guest speaker. The event was attended by 20 citizens, to include 6 Sorors (Nadine Miller-Bernard, Queen Degraphenreid, Amanda Williams, Sarita Mallard, Meta Coaxum and Kendra Haywood).

At the request of the Regional Director, the committee identified the Attorneys that are members of the FAC chapter. They are Anjelica McDonald, Sarita Mallard and Lila Washington. The information will be forwarded to the Regional office.

## **II. PROGRAM PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (PPD): CHAIR: Debra Figgins**

No Report. A reminder to all chairs to submit your updated calendar to her for the month of March, and for each activity you plan. Projected calendars of events for 2018-2019 are due by the chapter retreat in June.

### **1. PROJECT 13: Queen Degraphenreid**

.NO REPORT

## **INTERNAL COMMITTEES**

### **1. Collegiate: Erin White**

Delta Xi partnered with FAC Arts and Letters Committee for the Red Carpet event "The Black Panther" movie.

They do not need to be on the agenda for the March chapter meeting

### **2. Communications/Public Relations: Tracey Glover/Drema Larkin**

NO REPORT but a reminder that information for the March newsletter is now due. A calendar of events will be forth coming in the newsletter as well. Newsletter submissions are due the last Wednesday of each month for the following month's newsletter.

### **3. Coordinating Council: Sylvia C. McPherson**

A meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2018. FAC will host the meeting at the Headquarters Library, Maiden Lane, from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

### **4. Delta Emergency Response Team: Nadine Millier-Bernard**

A one minute video on "How to Perform the Heimlich Maneuver on Yourself" was postponed from the February chapter meeting. The video will be presented during the March chapter meeting.

March is American Red Cross Severe Weather Preparedness Month. Tips: If ordered to evacuate, take action immediately. Know the route and plan where to go. Identify a safe location in case of tornado. In Flood situations, never drive or walk through flooded streets "Turn Around, Don't Drown." Check your flood insurance policies to ensure you have enough coverage.

**5. Delta-Lites: Sharon McNair**

NO REPORT

**6. Finance Committee: Tracey Howard-Glover**

NO REPORT

**7. Fundraising: Miranda Monroe**

NO REPORT

**8. Historian/Journalist: CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

NO REPORT however, a report will presented at the March chapter meeting

**9. Hospitality/Condolence Committee: Barbara Nubin**

The following report was submitted by Soror Nubin and read by Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard

The Hospitality Committee responded to the following situations:

- Soror Victoria Rush, Hospitalization of Daughter-in-law, card
- Soror Joyce Moreaux, Hospitalization of Son, Card
- Soror Victoria Rush, Hospitalization of Mother, Card
- Soror Sandra McKnight, Death of Mother, Mrs. Eloise Alston Williams, Card, Flower, Donation to be made to Diabetes Foundation
- Soror Joyce Moreaux, Death of Son, Preston Lee Moreaux, Card, Flower

**10. Internal Audit: Paula Frank**

NO REPORT

**11. Membership: Melissa Robinson- Ellis**

NO REPORT

**12. Pan Hellenic Council: REPRESENTATIVE: Sylvia McPherson/Debra Figgins**

NO REPORT

**13. Policies and Procedures: CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Andrea Felder-Johnson**

NO REPORT

Soror Meta Coaxum reported for the chair that the February committee meeting will be rescheduled.



#### **14. Protocol: Chair: Nadine Miller-Bernard**

Four members participated on the call. Items discussed: Committee reporting roster revised, Mock Spring State meeting attire is white (no pants, in preparation for Regional Conference in August). Purchase color posters depicting the correct attire for meetings, conferences and conventions. **REMINDER-RITUAL PREPARATION FOR THE CHAPTER MEETING OPENING CEREMONY: page 1, ATTIRE: "Social activities, such as eating, drinking, and smoking are prohibited in the meeting room during the meeting."**

#### **15. Scholarship: Effie Willis**

The Scholarship Committee met via email. A draft letter was sent to each committee member for feedback. The letter will be addressed to former Jabberwock contestants to inform them of the scholarship. It is still in draft mode, but should be final before the last sorority meeting.

In other business, we have been asked to participate in the HBCU College Fair. Information was gathered to distribute concerning scholarships offered by the sorority. A brochure has been printed for the event.

#### **H. Unfinished Business: Soror McPherson**

- A brief discussion on purchasing an additional Sorority banner concluded that it is not necessary at this time
- Reminder of the Regional Conference registration will open March 13, 2018
- Spring State meeting will be in Winston-Salem and registration will also open in March. The Meeting is all white attire.

#### **I. New Business: Soror McPherson**

- Soror Meta Coaxum stated that April is Sexual Abuse Month. She would like the Board to consider approving the viewing of the film "Chosen" at the April Chapter meeting for information and as a recruiting effort for Sorors to take the training to facilitate the showing of the film at various locations in April. No action is needed at this time, but she would like for the Board to consider the idea and a decision can be made at the March E-Board meeting.
- Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard stated that the chapter needs to re-commit our partnership with the Child Advocacy Center with their "Stewarts of Children" initiative. Additional information will be forthcoming.
- Madam President needed additional volunteers to attend the Fayetteville Branch NAACP 77th Annual Founders' Day/Freedom Fund Gala on Saturday, March 3, 2018. The following Sorors will attend: Madam President, Debra Figgins, Melissa Robinson-Ellis, Sharon McNair, Amanda Williams, Paula Frank, Nichole Johnson, Nadine Miller-Bernard

#### **J. Announcements: Soror Amanda Williams**

No Announcements

#### **K. Adjournment:**

Soror Pat Moore moved to adjourn the meeting. Soror Paula Frank gave the second. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

#### ATTENDANCE

Coaxum	Meta	Social Action
Figgins	Debra	1st Vice President
Frank	Paula	Internal Audit
Grandison	Franzetta	Arts & Letters
Howard-Glover	Tracey	Treasurer
Ingram	Delores P.	Member - Princesses
Malone	LaTanya	Economic Development
McNair	Sharon	Recording Sec./Physical & Mental Health
McPherson	Sylvia C.	President
Miller-Bernard	Nadine	DERT, Protocol
Moore	Patricia	Asst. Financial Sec
Robinson	Janice	Arts & Letters
Robinson-Ellis	Melissa	2nd Vice President
Willis	Effie	Scholarship
Williams	Doris	Adopt-A-Family
Williams	Amanda	Corresponding Secretary