



Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter
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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
March 26, 2019

Welcome:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President McPherson.

Prayer:

Opening prayer was given by Soror Barbara Nubin

Adoption of the Agenda:

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Soror Nubin and seconded by Soror Yvette Carson. The motion passed.

Communications: Amanda Williams

Thank you cards from:

- Soror Wendy Chapman for card and support
- Steven Stokes on receiving the service award at the Gala
- Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation for financial support of the Ribbon Walk

An invitation was received to attend the Inauguration of Paulette R. Dillard, the 18th President of Shaw University. The events will be April 25, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. The event will be held at the Duke Education Center of Performing Arts in the Meymendi Hall. The Luncheon is \$150.00 and the Gala is \$250.00.

“The Cake” production at Cape Fear Regional Theater will be presented April 4-21, 2019. Ticket prices range from \$15.00 - \$25.00.

Greenville (NC) Alumnae Chapter is hosting the “Red Hat Scholarship Gospel Brunch” on June 29, 2019. The event will be held at the Greenville Hilton at 10:00 a.m. and tickets are \$45.00.

Elite Island Resorts has information on certificates for cruises that may be used as a fundraiser.

Financial Secretary's Report: Soror Waddell

No report. The report will be given at the April Chapter Meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Soror Tracy Glover

No report. The report will be given at the April Chapter Meeting.

Committee Reports:

Five-Point Programmatic Thrust Committee Reports

Economic Development: Soror Malone

No report

Adopt-A-Family: Soror Doris Williams

Communication was reestablished with adopted family after the family's phone issues were resolved. We were contacted via email with the new phone number.

Planning has started to help the family for the Easter holiday (food, new shoes and clothing items for the children).

Adopt-a-Site: Soror Spivey

No report

Educational Development

Arts and Letters: Soror Robinson

Soror Franzetta Grandison gave the following committee report:

- The Red Velvet Book Club will meet April 11, 2019 at Logan's Restaurant. The book of discussion will be *Becoming* by Michelle Obama. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m.
- Tickets are now on sale for the Red Carpet event for the production "Memphis." Call the box office to purchase your ticket. Be sure to mention Delta when you make your reservation.

Delta Academy: Soror Graham

1. Delta Academy will continue to collect items to fill Comfort Kits for The American Red Cross.
2. Delta Academy will continue to make Fleece Tie Blankets for The Child Advocacy Center.
3. Delta Academy is looking for young ladies, of middle school age, to join our group. Please submit names and numbers to Soror Awilda Graham. Loveniece54@gmail.com or 910-797-5215

Delta GEMS: Soror Carson

The GEMS Committee met Thursday, March 14, 2019, to plan for the upcoming meeting with the young ladies.

The GEMS met on Saturday March 23, 2019 from 11:0 - 12:30. Two of the five guest sorors attended to discuss career planning. Seven young ladies and four GEMS committee members were in attendance. Tee-shirts were given out. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 27, 2019.

Jabberwock: Soror Pippen

The Jabberwock Committee held a conference call on March 12, 2019, to go over final details for the Jabberwock Interest Meeting. The Jabberwock Interest Meeting was held on March 16, 2019.

Approximately 12 young ladies, 15 parents, and 1 community guest from a local school attended.

The ladies and parents displayed a lot of interest in the Jabberwock Program. The Interest Meeting provided an overall summary of the program. Committee members and sorors were in attendance. The application was posted online and the Jabberwock email was activated. The committee also conducted a follow up with the contact cards that were issued at the Jabberwock Interest meeting.

Princess: Soror Bullard

No report

International Awareness and Involvement: Soror Degraphenreid

ACTIVITIES:

- (1) March is Women's History Month: Proposed Activity: Display of women leaders around the world. The Proposed Date: During March (or April) chapter meeting.
- (2) Panel Discussion: The Impact of Immigration on Women and Children Date: TBA
- (3) Donation to one of Delta's international initiatives: •Mary Help of the Sick Mission – Delta's Pre-natal Clinic – Kenya •Elementary School – Haiti •Delta House - Swaziland

Physical and Mental Awareness: Soror McNair

No report

Healthy Lifestyles: Soror Harris

Committee members met on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at the Rainbow Restaurant.

Soror Sharon McNair participated in a webinar on grief. She will give a brief overview of what was presented at the upcoming chapter meeting. Soror Christina Washington donated an ancestry kit. The group decided to give it away at the meeting. It will be tied into the importance of knowing your background which can guide medical/health decisions and behaviors. Soror Washington will lead the presentation. Chapter members will be reminded that the Walk and Talks start at 8:00 a.m. The earlier start time worked well in February with a record number of participants. The next scheduled event is March 16th.

April: The Ribbon Walk for Cancer is April 20th. This event will replace the Walk and Talk. Soror Harris has contacted the event organizers and volunteered our organization to support the event. They were happy to hear of our willingness to be involved. Soror Harris has reached out to them again to get more information about what/where they would like our support. She will introduce the event at the March meeting and ask for volunteers

May: The Walk and Talk is scheduled for May 18, 2019. We discussed changing the committee meeting dates to coincide with the Walk and Talks. The meetings would take place after the walks. In April, we will convene after the Ribbon Walk.

Political Awareness and Development/Social Action: Soror Coaxum

The Social Action committee met 3/5/19, 6:00 p.m. at Headquarters Library, Conference Room #1. We discussed the logistics in planning for the 9/7/2019 Candidates Fair to be held at the Department of Social Services. Get out the Vote flyers were discussed and efforts to coordinate the design and method of social media distribution with the Communications Committee. The deadline was set for October 1, 2019. We will provide our timeline to the Communications Committee prior to the July 5th filing period for local elections.

The sub-committee is writing a resolution for the Cumberland County School Board
The goal to present to the chapter during our June Retreat, present to

the chapter during the first sorority meeting in September 2019, and submit to the School Board next school year (2019-2020).

Soror Amanda and Meta attended the 30th Anniversary Delta Days at the Nation's Capital 3/9-12/19 in Washington, DC. The theme was: *Power in Our Voice: 30 Years of Advocacy and Activism*. (The report is attached to the minutes.)

Soror Amanda Williams presented a signed copy of the book *Criminalization of Girls in Schools* to Soror Franzetta Grandison in appreciation for writing the resolutions the committee will be presenting to the School Board.

Program Planning and Development: Soror Figgins

The committee met on March 18, 2019 at Headquarters Library.

Our main discussion was how to implement the Program Initiatives voted on by the chapter. These initiatives will begin next sorority year.

The Backpack Buddies will be given at T.C. Berrien and Nick Jeralds. T.C. Berrien gives out 50-75 bags every Thursday and Friday. Nick Jeralds gives out 30 bags weekly. As this will be a cost, the committee agreed to submit a budget proposal for \$1000.00

Some ways suggested for getting items for the bags were:

- Have Sorors sign up for a month to bring items
- Utilize the Hostess Committee
- Persons on the PP&D Committee to be responsible

If the budget request is approved, we will have a way to purchase some items but may still need some assistance from the chapter.

The date to start is mid-September. The committee feels a visit and/or letter should go to the principals from the chapter president in July 2019.

All Committee Chairs are to come to the next meeting with their tentative dates of programs for the next sorority year.

Next meeting is April 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Internal Committees

Ad Hoc Committee (65th Anniversary Celebration) Soror McPherson

No report

Collegiate: Soror Miller-Bernard

No report

Communications/Public Relations: Soror McLaurin

No report.

Coordinating Council: Soror McPherson

The MOU is ready. The updated copy will be resubmitted to the Regional Director. Additions to the document are highlighted on page two (2). Copies will be sent to membership via email and voting will take place at the May chapter meeting. (A copy is filed with the official minutes)

Finance: Soror Howard-Glover

.An updated budget will be presented to the chapter at the April chapter meeting and voting to accept the budget will be done at the May chapter meeting.

Fundraising: Soror M. Monroe

No report

Heritage and Archives: Soror Graham

This year, between October and April, the Heritage & Archives Committee will sponsor a Delta Heritage Celebration. I gave out forms to all sorors in attendance at the March chapter meeting, with a deadline date to return them. At present, I have only received information from two.

Hospitality: Soror Nubin

March cards were sent out by Soror Brenda Minor.

- Soror Lakesha Godwin, death of her mother, Mrs. Marjorie Cogdell (arrangements pending)
- Soror Kady Ann Davy-Foster, birth of daughter-gift card will be presented at the April chapter meeting
- Soror Wendy Flores, outpatient surgeries

Internal Audit: Soror Frank

No Report

Membership Services: Soror Robinson-Ellis

The Membership Committee met on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 via conference call to discuss the remaining Sisterhood Month events.

- The Sisterhood Secret Soror event occurred after the chapter meeting on March, 2019 and those that participated received some spectacular gifts from their Secret Soror.
- The paint party was held on Friday, March 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at 4120 Cumberland Road, Fayetteville, NC. There were 18 sorors in attendance and the event was enjoyed by all. The sorors who were not able to attend but did pay their money will have an opportunity to either go by and paint their elephants at a later date or pick up their elephants and paint them at home. Refreshments were provided and the fellowship was remarkable.
- After a lot of diligent searching, we have secured a venue for our Sisterhood Month Finale on Saturday, March 30, 2019. The event will take place at **Uptown's Chicken and Waffles** at the Stryker Golf Course on Bragg Blvd. This event will begin at 5:00 p.m. Due to the change of venue we also had to change caterers. Chef Judy will be catering our event and our menu will consist of: Herb Roasted Chicken, garlic mashed potatoes, seasoned green beans, rolls and peach tea. We sincerely apologize for the numerous changes that have had to be made, but with the unexpected emergency that occurred at our original venue we were determined that "The Show Must Go On!"
- If you would like a chapter Delta blazer, the last day to provide details as to size and color will be on Saturday, April 13, 2019. We have about eight sorors who have expressed interest in the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority blazer. We are asking that all sorors who would like to purchase a blazer please contact the committee chair with the size and color of the blazer you would like. We will be submitting the order on April 15, 2019 and will need to know exactly how many sorors to order for. We cannot determine a discount or a total price until we can account for all orders.
- A budget has been set for the Delta Dear Luncheon which will be held on Saturday, April 6, 2019 at **The Sweet Palette** located at 101 Person Street, Fayetteville. NC. The time for this event is from 2:00- 4:00 p.m. We are asking that sorors do NOT enter earlier than 1:45 p.m. to allow time for the committee to set up the venue. The theme for this year is *April Showers*

Bring Delta Dears Flowers. Sorors Latoya Gordon and Tammy Pippen will be leading this activity.

- We are also in the process of securing Camp Rockfish for our Annual Retreat which is scheduled for June 15, 2019. More details will be provided as the planning is ongoing.

The next Membership Committee meeting will be held on April 2, 2019 at the Headquarters Library in Conference Room #3.

Nominating Committee: Soror Wright

To date only two (2) applications for a leadership position have been received. Nominations may come from the floor at the April chapter meeting. However, the same rules, procedures and clearance will need to be done by the nominated soror. The committee is asking to be moved to the top of the chapter agenda to receive the nominations so as to be able to approve the name and complete the slate to present to the chapter before the close of the meeting.

*** The request was approved.

Pan Hellenic Council: Soror Figgins

An email was received concerning the scheduled picnic. With pending repair work for Smith Lake, the picnic may be moved from June to September. Updates will be given as they are received.

Policies and Procedures: Soror Felder-Johnson

No Report

Protocol: Soror Miller-Bernard

Soror Vera Bell read the following report:

Committee chose and Madam President approved "Pearls of Protocol" to be presented at the April chapter meeting: attire for Mock National Convention that will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019, is all white - no pants, no hats. You may accent with pearls, violets and/or a white wrap for warmth, if desired. Reference--Protocol and Traditions Manual, revised 2011, Proper Attire for National Convention, Regional Conferences, Meetings, and Ritualistic Ceremonies-pgs. 19-21.

The committee strongly recommends, for safety concerns, that sorors enter the back door for chapter meeting and keep the front door locked (from the outside). If a soror invites another soror to chapter meeting, she notifies Madam President at least a week prior to meeting (if possible), giving her the name of visiting soror and membership number. If the visiting soror doesn't know her membership number, this will give her time to contact Grand Chapter for assistance. Visiting sorors will need to sit in a designated area and/or wear a visiting soror name tag. This will assure that those sorors will not receive chapter financial reports. If a Sergeant-at-Arms is absent from the chapter meeting, Madam President should appoint a temporary Sergeant -at-Arms. This will ensure doors are covered in addition to other duties. The Protocol committee can assist also.

Scholarship: Soror Willis

No Report

Unfinished Business:

Soror Meta Coaxum requested to make a statement before moving on to Unfinished Business. She wanted to caution Madam President about calling for the approval of minutes at the chapter meeting. There are some items suggested in the Protocol report that may need to be discussed with chapter members. By getting a sweeping approval of the Executive Board Meeting minutes, these items are also approved. A discussion ensued. After the discussion the following conclusions were made.

1. Madam President will seek clarity on what is actually approved when calling for the approval of the minutes (just the minutes or all that is presented at the meeting in the minutes)

2. A DID needs to be held on Parliamentary Procedures for the chapter, possibly during the June retreat.
3. We, as a chapter must work on the proper way to conduct a chapter business meeting

The Spring State Meeting is April 27, 2019 in Winston Salem, NC. Members are reminded that ALL registration is on line. It was pointed out that the Women's Empowerment Event, which will feature our own National President and CEO Soror Beverly Smith, is being held the same day in Raleigh.

New Business:

No New Business

Announcements:

The application for a Senate Page is now available. This opportunity is with the North Carolina General Assembly. The age range is 15-18 years old. Interested students should contact Senator Kirk Diviere of District 9 to receive the packet. His contact number is 919-733-5776.

Soror Meta Coaxum was nominated and recognized for a community service award by the Fayetteville Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

Soror Degraphenreid announced two Webinar opportunities: "Educational Experiences of Girls of Color (3-26-19) and 'Surviving Widowhood' (sponsored by the National Council of Negro Women)

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Soror Pat Moore and seconded by Soror Antoinette Howard to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Soror Sharon S. McNair
Recording Secretary

ATTENDANCE

Bell	Vera	Member- Protocol
Carson	Yvette	Delta GEMS
Coaxum	Meta	Political Awareness/Social Action
Crosby	DeLisa	Asst. Corresponding Sec.
Degraphenried	Queen	Internal Awareness & Involvement
Figgins	Debra	1st Vice President
Grandison	Franzetta	Arts & Letters
Howard	Antoinette	Member
Ingram	Delores P.	Member-Princess
Johnson	Willie J.	Asst. Treasurer
McLaurin	Brittany	Communication/Public Relations
McNair	Sharon	Recording Sec./Physical and Mental Health
McPherson	Sylvia C.	President
Moore	Patricia	Asst. Financial Sec
Nubin	Barbara	Chaplain/Hospitality
Parsons	Sylvia	Sergeant-at-Arms
Pippen	Tammy	Jabberwock Chair
Robinson-Ellis	Melissa Diane	2nd Vice President
Waddell	Judith	Financial Secretary

Williams	Amanda	Corresponding Secretary
Wright	Teresa	Nominating