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Executive Board Meeting Minutes

April 23, 2019

Fire Station #14

632 Langdon Street

Fayetteville, NC

- A. Welcome: Madam President gave a welcome and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- B. Prayer was given by Madam President.
- C. Soror Delores Ingram moved to accept the meeting's agenda. Soror Fran Grandison gave the second and the motion was approved.
- D. Soror Amanda Williams stated that there was no correspondence received since the April chapter meeting.
- E. Soror Judith Waddell stated that the Financial Secretary's Report will be given at the May chapter meeting.
- F. Soror Tracey Howard-Glover stated that the Treasurer's Report will be given at the May chapter meeting.
- G. Committee Reports

i. Five-Point Thrust

1. Economic Development- NO REPORT

- 1. Adopt-a-Family- NO REPORT**
- 2. Adopt- a- Site- NO REPORT**

2 Educational Development- NO REPORT

1. Arts and Letters- Soror Janice Robinson gave the following report:

- The Red Velvet Book Club discussion was held at Logan's Steak house. Soror Rene' Corders led the discussion.
- The Committee agreed to sponsor 2 students at \$180.00 each to attend a Summer Theater Camp at Cape Fear Regional Theater.
- The Red Carpet event "Memphis" still has 90 tickets of the 150 tickets, assigned to the chapter, to sell. A reception will begin at 6:30 – 7:15.
- The Red Carpet Movie event for "Best of Enemies" was viewed April 7 and April 9, 2019
- A retreat for the committee will be held June 13, 2019, to work on their 2019-20 calendar.

- The committee decided to stay with meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month
- Book Club events for next year will be held during the months of October, January and April.
- Plans for theater events for next year are being discussed. The productions include “No Child” in November and “Jelly’s Last Jam” (which will most likely be in collaboration with Fort Bragg Area Alumnae) in May.
- The committee has requested \$1,000.00 for the budget for the 2019-20 sorority year.

2. **Delta Academy-** Soror Awilda Graham submitted the following report, which was read by the recording secretary:

Delta Academy :

- designed and painted picture frames for Village Green Nursing Home
- will assist with putting flags on the veterans’ graves at the Sand Hills Cemetery in May
- will host an end of the year Rainbow Tea celebration. Plans are to present an Anti Sex Trafficking presentation
- will continue to collect items to fill Comfort Kits for the American Red Cross.
- will continue to make Fleece Tie Blankets for the Child Advocacy Center.
- is continuing to look for young ladies, of middle school age, to join the group. Names and numbers can be sent to Soror Awilda Graham: loveniece54@gmail.com or 910-797-5215.

3.**Delta GEMS-** NO REPORT

4.**Jabberwock-**NO REPORT

5.**Princess-**NO REPORT

3 **International Awareness and Involvement-** Soror Queen Degraphenreid had no committee report. She did, however, bring information on the Gallery 208 presentation of international mail art exhibit curating voices of women around the world: “STOP IT” The exhibit will remain at the gallery located at 208 Rowan Street through mid-June.

4 **Physical and Mental Health-** NO REPORT

Healthy Lifestyles- Soror Karen Harris

The committee met and discussed next month’s Walk and Talk following our volunteer work at the “Ribbon Run/Walk for Cancer.” There were 13 volunteers of the 29 sorors who signed up. The next Walk and Talk is currently scheduled for the third Saturday, May 18th. It will conflict with the chapter meeting so we recommend moving the date to the second Saturday, May 11th. Place and time will remain the same.

The committee continues to plan for the upcoming sororal year. Ideas/activities being discussed: formation of a bowling team, scheduling nutritious cooking classes, seminar on dealing with grief, talking to our children about our estate plans, etc. and a teen health summit. The summit would be held in collaboration with other organizations such as Partnership for Children, Better Health along with our Sweetheart/Jabberwock and EMBODI committees.

5. Political Awareness and Involvement- Soror Amanda Williams reported the following:

The Social Action Committee (SA) is supporting the League of Women Voters Redistricting Campaign to help end gerrymandering in the state of NC. We want to share and hopefully have members to endorse the 5 principles for Reasonable Redistricting Reform. Senators Erica D. Smith (Soror), Valerie P. Foushee, and Terry Van Duyn are the primary sponsors of S.B. 673 "An Act to Amend the North Carolina Constitution to Establish the North Carolina Citizens Redistricting Commission.

The Committee meeting was held by conference call on 4/9/2019. District 9 primary will be held May 2019. SA Committee agreed to include candidates for District 9 in our Candidates' Fair. SA Committee will develop milestone dates for Candidates' Fair at the next committee meeting. The committee will need assistance from the Communications Committee to begin publicizing the event. The "School to Prison Pipeline" Resolution has been reviewed by Soror Deandrea Newsome, Member of National Social Action Committee. Suggested edits have been returned to Soror Emily Grimes and Fran Grandison to implement revisions in the resolution. The goal is to have the final version ready at the September chapter meeting. SA Committee will begin planning a retreat at the next committee meeting. SA Committee Retreat will be held after the National Convention.

ii. Program Planning and Development- Soror Debra Figgins

We discussed schools for the Backpack Buddies initiative. The discussion was that TC Berrien has a lot of support from other community organizations. As we don't want to overlap with other organizations, we decided to look into other schools with needs that may not be getting as much assistance. We talked about schools further in the county. I will contact Soror Pam Story for recommendations.

Calendars for next sorority year were also discussed. Some committee chairs submitted their calendars. I will proceed with completing the Regional calendar with the dates I received. This document can be updated throughout the year.

Next meeting is 5/13/2019 at 5:30 p.m.

iii. Internal Committees

1. Ad Hoc Committee (65th Anniversary Celebration- Soror McPherson stated that the committee will partner with the Child Advocacy Center on May 4, 2019 for the 'Kids Fest' at Festival Park.
2. Collegiate- Soror Miller-Bernard
Delta Xi Chapter was placed on Cease & Desist by the Regional Director due to the allegation(s) of: failure to follow the prescribed guidelines of the Membership Intake Program after having been approved to conduct Membership Intake.
Investigations are still being conducted and no other information can be shared.
3. Communication/Public Relations-NO REPORT
4. Coordinating Council- Soror McPherson stated that they are awaiting collaboration with the Fort Bragg chapter to sign-off on the MOU agreement and will be sending the document to Soror King, the Regional S&S representative.

5. Elections- Soror Ingram stated that the ballot will be presented at the May meeting.
6. Finance- Soror Howard Glover stated that the amended budget, based on input from the April chapter meeting, will be presented to the chapter in May for a vote.
7. Fundraising- NO REPORT
8. Historian- NO REPORT
9. Hospitality- Soror Miller-Bernard stated that Soror Nubin would give updates at the May chapter meeting.
10. Internal Audit- NO REPORT
11. Membership- Soror Melissa Robinson-Ellis submitted the following report, read by the Recording Secretary:

The Membership Committee met on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. Our primary discussion was on the Retreat. The committee decided that we would still utilize the Hay Street United Methodist Church as our venue. Since this meeting we have been informed that this facility will be undergoing major renovations and will not be available. Our back up facility is now no longer available and we are working out details for another location. The Retreat is scheduled for Saturday, June 15, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., please stay tuned for more details as we are determined to make this event a success.

12. Nominating—Madam President stated that Soror Teresa Wright, chair of the committee, requested information on the sorors listed for nomination. The request was to verify attendance at National Conventions and/or Regional Conferences as stated in the P&P. The following Sorors **have** met those requirements: for President: Sorors Debra Figgins and Melissa Robinson-Ellis; for First Vice President: Soror Miranda Monroe; for Second Vice President Soror Awilda Graham; for Financial Secretary Soror Toni Moore. All other nominated Sorors **did not** meet the requirements.
13. Pan Hellenic Council- Soror Figgins stated that the next meeting will be in May and she will bring the report to the May chapter meeting.
14. Policies and Procedures-NO REPORT
15. Protocol-Soror Miller-Bernard gave the following report:

The committee chose and Madam President approved “Pearls of Protocol” on voting, to be presented at May chapter meeting: As we cast our vote for our new administration, please be reminded that a majority vote is more than half of the vote cast by members entitled to vote, excluding blanks, or abstentions at a properly called meeting. (Example: $19 \times \frac{1}{2} = 9 \frac{1}{2}$, 10 votes needed for majority. (**after discussion a better example would be more in line with “If 80 votes are cast in a category a candidate would need 41 votes to be declared the winner. This would apply to each category of voting.)

Reference—

Constitution and Bylaws, 2017 Edition Manual, page 9, letter H.

REMINDER: 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 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.

16. Scholarship-NO REPORT

H. Unfinished Business- Madam President

- Reminder of Spring State Meeting April 26-27, 2019
- She still has 4 registration packets from Founders Day

I. New Business- NO NEW BUSINESS

J. Announcements- Soror Amanda Williams read the following announcements

- The Fayetteville Branch of the NAACP will hold the Mother of the Year banquet on April 28, 2019. The event will be held at the New Hope Baptist Church at 4:00 p.m. The event will be in lieu of the monthly meeting. Please contact Bertha Elliot for more information.
- National Organization of Women (NOW) will host a meeting at Bennet College on June 29, 2019. The Honorable Henry Frye will be the guest speaker. The cost is \$50.00.
- The Divine Nine will participate in Legislative Day in Raleigh on May 15, 2019.
- Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard announced that Soror DeLisa Crosby has been named to the Board of Directors for the Child Advocacy Center. Three members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated are now members of the board.

K. The meeting was adjourned by Madam President at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Soror Sharon S. McNair

Recording Secretary

Degraphenried	Queen	Project 13 /Internal Awareness & Involvement
Figgins	Debra	1st Vice President
Grandison	Franzetta	Arts & Letters
Harris	Karen	Healthy Lifestyles
Howard-Glover	Tracey	Treasurer
Ingram	Delores P.	Member - Princesses
McNair	Sharon	Recording Secretary/Physical and Mental Health
McPherson	Sylvia C.	President
Miller-Bernard	Nadine	Collegiate/Protocol
Parsons	Sylvia	Sergeant-at-Arms
Robinson	Janice	Arts & Letters
Waddell	Judith	Financial Secretary
Williams	Amanda	Corresponding Secretary

