

The Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. met at C.R.E.S.T. Building on Saturday, March 12, 2016. President Sylvia C. McPherson called the meeting to order at 11:27 a.m.

Call to Order

Adoption of the Agenda:

A motion was made by Soror Jackie Sherrod and seconded by Soror Paula Frank to accept the agenda. The motion carried.

Adoption of Previous Chapter/Executive Board Meeting Minutes:

Previous Chapter Minutes were read by Katrina Carrasquillo, the Recording Secretary. Soror Patti Jordan made a motion to adopt the previous Chapter Meeting minutes with the noted corrections. It was seconded by Soror Ella McCrae. The motion carried.

Previous Executive Board Minutes were read by Soror Amanda Williams, Corresponding Secretary. A motion was made to adopt the E-Board minutes by Soror Delores Ingram and it was seconded by Soror B. Freeman. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Soror Henderson and seconded by Soror E. Shaw that the minutes for the December and February meetings need to be posted on the website. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Introduction of New & Visiting Sorors: Soror Robinson-Ellis

Our visiting Soror was Soror Nicole Spivey. Welcome. March birthdays were acknowledged. Happy Birthday, sorors.

Reflections: Soror Gwen Brown

Reflections were given at our Prayer Breakfast.

Correspondence:

A thank you card was received from Soror Marian Jones
A request for \$200 was made by Soror Dorothy Fielder

Committee Reports:

FIVE-POINT THRUST COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development: Soror LaTanya Malone.

Adopt-A-Family: Soror L. Rouse
No update.

Adopt-A-Site: Soror B. McMillian
No update.

Cinderella's Closet: Soror J. Bogan

Soror Pat Moore passed out hard copy report. The Cinderella's Closet project was very successful during its service dates of March 1-March 11, 2016. Many accolades to our community partners: Belk at Cross

Creek Mall, Cumberland County schools, MHR Designs, and the citizens of Cumberland County. Delta applause to all Fairy Godmothers and volunteers for their unselfish love, caring, and sharing to make the world a better place. A thank you card will be mailed to each community partner.

Special thanks to Mr. Joel Johnson, General Manager and the Cross Creek Mall Team for the support provided during Cinderella's Closet and for the commitment of employees of Belk at Cross Creek Mall to ensure that each Cumberland County School's young lady has the opportunity to attend her junior/senior prom. We served 124 girls.

Educational Development

Arts & Letters Committee: Soror Robinson

The Youth Explosion at the Arts Council was a tremendous success. We had 151 persons to attend. Students from our Delta Academy were in attendance. The committee met on March 10, 2016, to discuss the committee budget and we will present it on March 17. "*The Red Velvet Book Club*" will meet on April 24, 2016. This is a date change and the place will be announced.

Delta Academy: Soror Graham

The girls attended the movies and they participated in '*Read Across America*'-Dr. Seuss. So far we have completed 10 blankets. Walmart has kits for \$9.00.

Delta GEMS: Soror D. Johnson

No update.

Jabberwock Committee: Soror Bogan

Soror Sharon McNair will be the Mistress of Ceremonies for ***Jabberwock***. The date is Saturday, March 26, 2016, at five o'clock p.m. at J.W. Seabrook Auditorium at FSU. Everyone **must** have a ticket. **NO** tickets will be sold at the door. Come pretty in red.

Princess Committee: Soror Bullard

No update.

International Awareness and Involvement: Soror Degraphenreid

No update.

Physical and Mental Health: Soror Crutcher-Murphy

No update.

Political Awareness and Development/Social Action Committee: Soror Coaxum

Everyone was given flyers on ***Chosen*** and The Affirmation of Advocacy: The Power of the Black Vote. Soror Coaxum said she has certificates for those who completed the training.

Program Planning and Development: Soror Figgins

No update.

Project 13: Soror Degraphenreid

No update.

Internal Committees

Collegiate: Soror White

No update.

Communications/Public Relations: Soror Larkin

Soror Willie reported that the committee is here to serve you. If you have upcoming events, please send the information to the email address using the form on the website. Please send a text message to Sorors Tracey Glover or Drema Larkin in addition to sending the e-mail, since they do not check that e-mail every day. Pictures for the pictorial are finished.

Coordinating Council: Soror McPherson

The planned meeting had to be rescheduled because one of the Ft. Bragg members would not be available. The Ft. Bragg Chapter will schedule the next meeting.

Delta-Lites: Soror McNair

No update.

Finance: Soror Howard-Glover

Soror Willie Johnson, as per Soror Waddell, called everyone's attention to the hand-out on the process for making multiple payments. Budgets from committees are due today.

Fundraising: Soror M. Monroe

Deferred until next meeting.

Historian: Soror Graham

We are gathering important information to go into "*From These Roots*" 3rd edition Violet Publication. If you know of anything that is outstanding, or of any soror who is serving in another capacity in the city, county, state, or nation, give me their names. Information is needed on our military connections, active duty or retirees in our sorority. Please email it to Soror Graham tonight. There is a form to fill out and a charge of \$150 to have our information included in the book.

A motion was made by Soror Graham and seconded by Soror Amanda Williams that we add \$50 to the committee's \$100 existing budget, to have our information published in "*From These Roots*" 3rd edition Violet publication at the cost of \$150. The motion carried. When completed, the cost of the book will be around \$75. If anyone wishes to pre-order, the sheets are available to do so.

Hospitality: Soror Nubin

Soror Lynette Rouse is home from Duke and is doing much better. She has some good news, but she will be the one to tell us.

Internal Audit: Soror Frank

The Internal Audit Committee completed a review of the financial records of Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter. A detailed copy of the audit will be provided for the Chapter's records.

Membership: Soror Robinson-Ellis

The date for DAP has been moved to April 15, 2016. If you are interested, let Soror Robinson-Ellis know so she can get the numbers to the presenter. On Sunday, March 20, we will attend the movie *The Perfect Match*, at 3:30 at the Patriot IMAX Theater for Sisterhood Month. Sorors, who have not picked up their tassels from the retreat, please see Soror Robinson-Ellis. The Chapter Directory is done. We did not

have information on all sorors who are Delta Dears, please check and see if you are noted on the website. If you are a Delta Dear and are not listed as a Delta Dear, please let Soror Melissa know.

The information on the Delta Will will be given at the next meeting. Information on the total cost of the standing banner was not available so we will get that information and present it at the next meeting.

Pan Hellenic Council: Soror Figgins

The date of the Pan Hellenic picnic has moved from June to September. The Old School Jam has been confirmed. It will be held at the Double Tree on May 13, 2016, from 8 p.m.-1 a.m. Tickets are \$25. The proceeds from this will provide two \$1500 scholarships to one male and one female student attending FSU. At this point, we are the **ONLY** organization who has not committed to paying for 30 tickets. This is really embarrassing and makes us look bad. Since many sorors were not present at the last meeting, the sign-up sheet was passed around again and it was suggested that we send out an e-mail alerting absent sorors of the event and requesting them to commit to purchasing a ticket.

It was suggested that we increase our Pan Hellenic budget for the next sorority year.

Policies and Procedures: Soror Coaxum

No update.

Protocol: Soror Frank

Be reminded that you must wear white for our 'mock' convention.

Scholarship: Soror Willis

No update.

Unfinished Business:

We have taken care of the monies for "*From These Roots*"

New Business:

Presentation to Soror Cleo Washington with her 25 year membership plaque and pin. We also have one for Soror Maxine Foster.

There is information we need to transmit to Headquarters when it is time for sorors to receive their plaque so they will get them in a timely manner. Soror Ingram suggested that we keep a file reflecting the dates sorors were initiated and where, so that the chapter can send in the information to assure that Headquarters has it when it is time for 25 and 50 year plaques.

Announcements:

SSG James B. Dennis VFW Post 6018 presents its Women's History Month Program on March 13, 2016, 6 p. m. Our soror, Queen Degraphenreid will be the keynote speaker. Her message will be "The Audacity of Them Women."

April 16, 2016, 6p.m., "A Night of Disguise" Cape Fear Valley Pediatric Diabetes Spring Ball, Highland Country Club, tickets \$75, children \$15

Fayetteville Area Section of National Area Section of the National Council of Negro Women's 20th Anniversary Celebration and Rainbow Tea, April 30, 2016, 3-5 p.m., in the Ramada Plaza and Baymont Inn at the Bordeaux Convention Center. Tickets are \$35 for individuals, \$20 for collegiate and youth, and \$300 for a table sponsor (8 seats). Keynote speaker is Rev. Washington. She is the great niece of Dr. Bethune. FSU main attraction, Men of Distinction and more. Deadline for buying tickets is April 10.

AKA Sorority, Inc. Epsilon Kappa Omega Chapter's Ascend Career Workshop will be Sunday, March 20, 2016, at Headquarters Library, 300 Maiden Lane, Fayetteville from 2:30-5 p.m. Audience: high school students grades 9-12; attire is casual dress. Objective: to assist students with focusing on desired college majors and career choices and as well to expose cultural awareness as to the other career fields not necessarily being thought of. Point of contact: Monica Stanford, 584-7976 or monstanford@aol.com. Due April 1, any pictures or articles to submit for regional awards; Regional ad is due by April 30, be thinking about the size of the ad.

50/50 raffle was completed.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Soror Cleo Washington to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. and it was seconded by Soror Robinson-Ellis to adjourn. The motion carried.

Ritualistic Closing

Katrina Beaufort-Carrasquillo, Recording Secretary