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The Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. met at C.R.E.S.T. Building on Saturday, February 11, 2017. President Sylvia C. McPherson called the meeting to order at 10:14 am.

Call to Order

Adoption of the Agenda:

Soror Coaxum made a motion to adopt the agenda suspending all committee reports with the exception of **Policies and Procedures, Nominating Committee, Arts and Letters, and Fundraising.** The motion was seconded by Soror Frank. The motion carried.

Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Soror Coaxum made a motion that the previous minutes be adopted with the following correction to the E Board Minutes - *manual be replaced by Robert's Rules of Order* in the last line. It was seconded by Soror Frank. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Soror Glover

The Treasurer's Report was given for December, 2016. Since we did not have a meeting in January, the reports for January and February will be given at the March meeting.

Financial Secretary: Soror Waddell

- Report was given for December, 2016 and January, 2017
- Dues are due. Deadline is March 11, 2017

Introduction of New & Visiting Sorors: Soror Robinson-Ellis

Soror Kimberly McNair Davis
Soror Aaron Swiney
Soror Danita McDonald

- Sorors with January and February birthdays were acknowledged.

- The Delta Dears Luncheon is planned for April 22.
- Plans are being made for the next retreat.
- Sisterhood Calendar is forthcoming. Call prior to February 25, if you have input.
- Presentation was made to Soror Rosa Torrey for her seventy-five years of membership in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Reflections: Soror Gwen Brown

This is the month of love, but we need to show love everyday by smiling, listening, and respecting others. John 3:16 shows us the ultimate love of God. We must try to emulate this love.

Correspondence: Soror Amanda Williams

We received thank you cards from Sorors Maxine Martin, Queen Degraphenreid, and Doris Williams. We also received thank you recognitions from Fayetteville Ministerial Council and Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation.

- Received the Ribbon Walk sign-up sheet from Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation which will be April 9th at Festival Park
- Received a flyer from Cape Fear Regional Theater for the play “Intimate Apparel.” Our night is March 10, 2017.
- We received solicitations from the Red Cross for their annual campaign, St. Jude’s Hospital and Cape Fear Valley Health Foundation

Committee Reports:

FIVE-POINT THRUST COMMITTEE REPORTS

Economic Development: LaTanya Malone.

No report

Adopt-A-Family: Soror Peeples

No report

Adopt-A-Site: Soror Spivey

No report

Cinderella’s Closet: Soror J. Bogan

No report

Educational Development

Arts & Letters Committee: Soror Robinson:

- About seventy-five sorors attended the viewing of *Fences*
- Soror Bogan sponsored the movie **Hidden Figures**
- The Fayetteville Symphony will be at Methodist University on February 25. Joseph Johnson will be conducting the youth symphony. This is the first time we have had an African American

conductor, so it is important that we attend. Tickets are \$25 for adults, but if we get 20 sorors to attend, we can get tickets for \$21.60. Concert begins at 7:30 pm. Dress in your red.

- We are partnering with Fort Bragg Chapter to attend the play *Intimate Apparel*. The tickets are \$16.05. March 10, 2017 has been named "Delta Night." You must buy your tickets from a Delta. No tickets will be sold at the theater.
- We are sponsors of an art exhibit called *Reflections* at the Arts Council.
- The Red Velvet Book Club will be reading **The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead.**
- The Youth Explosion will be on March 4th from 1-3pm at the Arts Council. Volunteers are needed and you do not have to be on the committee to help. Please bring the youth and tell your churches about the event. There is a letter and flyers are available to take to your church and other organizations telling them about the event. We partner with Jack and Jill for this event.
- Soror Renee Corders reported that some members of the Arts and Letters Committee attended the recent event in the speaker series, sponsored by the Friends of the Library at the North Regional Library. Ross Howard, Jr., who is the author of the book the Red Velvet Book Club read in December, was the guest author. After the presentation, we were able to get our books signed, converse and have our picture taken with the author. Colson Whitehead, the author of our upcoming book for April, just won the National Book Award.

Delta Academy: Soror Graham

No report

Delta GEMS: Soror J. Bogan

No report

Jabberwock Committee: Soror Fenner-McAdoo

No report

Princess Committee: Soror Bullard

No report

International Awareness and Involvement: Soror Degraphenreid

No report

Physical and Mental Health: Soror McNair

No report

Political Awareness and Development/Social Action Committee: Soror Coaxum

No report

Program Planning and Development: Soror Figgins

No report

Project 13: Soror Degraphenreid

No report

Internal Committees

Collegiate: Soror White

No report

Communications/Public Relations: Soror Larkin

No report

Coordinating Council: Soror McPherson

No report

Delta-Lites: Soror McNair

No report

Finance: Soror Howard-Glover

No report

Fundraising: Soror M. Monroe

- Save the Date cards cost \$270 and were distributed.
- Gala is May 20, 2017 at the Baymont Inn and Suites. Tickets are \$65 and are available.
- Our musician cut his price \$700
- There will be a 50/50 raffle
- The attire is formal/semi-formal
- Volunteers are needed for decorating, table assignments-Soror Corders, greeters
- Protocol will be Soror Miller-Bernard
- There will be sponsor levels; \$25 and up-sponsor, \$50-\$99-advocate, \$100-bronze, \$200-silver, \$300-gold (1 ticket and verbal recognition), \$500-platinum (2 tickets and verbal recognition).
- No tickets will be sold at the door
- We will have a video running showing our activities
- All sorors are asked to get excited, sell tickets, and help make this endeavor a roaring success.
- Soror Tookes has someone from her job who is willing to help us with decorations.
- Soror Washington asked about seating for the event and it will be on a first come (ones who have sold their tickets) basis.

Historian: Soror Graham

No report

Hospitality: Soror Nubin

No report

Internal Audit: Soror Frank

No report

Membership: Soror Robinson-Ellis

No report

Nominating: Soror Brenda Freeman

This is your official verbal call for nominations. We are looking for qualified, effective, and visionary leaders. Hopefully, by Sunday night you will receive your letter for written calls for nominations. The website will be updated so that you may check the qualifications and duties for each office. Members of the committee have paper forms available today.

Pan Hellenic Council: Soror Figgins

No report

Policies and Procedures: Soror Felder-Johnson

- Handouts were given of Parliamentary Procedures, Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter Policies and Procedures and Recommendations or Policies and Procedures.
- Date will be rescheduled for the meeting of the editing committee
- Soror Washington made a motion that we take the recommendations home and read them and I there is a need for any clarification, we will discuss it and be prepared to vote on the recommendations at the next Chapter meeting. It was seconded by Soror Patti Jordon. The motion carried.

Protocol: Soror Frank

No report

Scholarship: Soror Willis

No report

Unfinished Business:

Soror Sharon made a motion that we purchase a full page ad at \$100 for Omega Psi Phi, Beta Chi Chapter, Mardi Gras program. It was seconded by Soror Freeman. The motion carried.

New Business:

- Kudos to our dynamic duo, Sorors Brittany Cooper and Nicole Spivey; FAC Step Team, who participated in the Stroll Off held in January. They walked away with the 1st place trophy and the trophy for the most sorority representation.
- E Board discussed purchasing one of the scroll up/stand up banners, so that when we have our Red Carpet, Arts and Letters and other events, we will not have to worry about finding a place to put up our sign.

Announcements:

- Soror Torrey shared her gifts with us.
- Soror Rush gave an appreciation for the cards and calls she received at the passing of her aunt.
- Soror Degraphenreid thanked everyone for their support during her bereavement
- Soror McNair invited everyone to attend the celebration of Aboslom Jones, the first black Episcopal Bishop. It will be at St. Josephs Episcopal Church on tomorrow at 4 pm, in their newly renovated sanctuary.
- Soror M. Monroe stated that Lewis Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will be publishing a cookbook. If you have a recipe or recipes you'd like to submit, place your name and underneath put FAC
- Soror Monroe said the Cumberland and Community Foundation online scholarship applications will be available beginning February 27 and the deadline for applying is March 31. Soror Eva Williams is also on the foundation. The Foundation awards at least 500 to 900 thousand dollars in scholarships each year. Please pass this information on to high school seniors. Students may apply online at CCF or Cumberland CF.org website and see how to apply.
- Soror Dorothy Fielder, who is a retired social school worker and who was instrumental in constructing the Wall of Honor on Langdon Street, is retiring from doing the Kwanza

presentation. Anyone interested in taking the reins to Kwanza should contact her. The activities are every December at the Smith Recreation Center.

- Soror Linda Miller announced that her daughter, Soror Dr. Tamara Holmes-Brothers has been appointed to the NC Arts Foundation and was also chosen for Outstanding Young People Under 40. Soror Dr. Erica Fenner McAdoo was also chosen.
- Soror Amanda Williams asked for the Red Army to stand up and become more politically informed about what is happening with House Bill 17 that is going to affect our children and public education. We must be knowledgeable of what is happening with the State Board of Education and make sure all is being done in the best interest of our children. There will be an hour issue-based training session, with Democracy NC. If you are interested, please sign up.
- Soror Carrasquillo reported that there is a group of concerned teachers and parents who are concerned about policies that affect our children. There is no consistency in these policies and children of color are being disproportionately suspended from school. They are asking that we attend the school board meetings and voice these concerns. The school board meets the second Tuesday at 6:30. Soror Coaxum said that Social Action is also calling for participation in state wide local levels. When you attend these meetings at the local levels, please take pictures so we can show our involvement.
- There is a Shop til You Drop event at the Crown Coliseum February 17th and 18th. Tickets are \$9. There is additional information available.

Adjournment:

Soror Isabella Hicks made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. It was seconded by Soror Freeman. The motion carried.

Katrina Beaufort-Carrasquillo, Recording Secretary