# Executive Board Meeting November 28, 2017 Fire Station #14 632 Langdon Street

#### **AGENDA**

### A. Welcome

Soror Debra Figgins, First Vice President, welcomed the board members. With the illness of Madam President, Soror Figgins presided over the meeting.

### B. Prayer

Soror Miranda Monroe gave the opening prayer

## C. Adoption of Agenda

With no corrections or additions to the agenda, Soror Figgins called for a motion to adopt. Soror M. Monroe moved to adopt the agenda. Soror Paula Frank gave the second. The motion carried.

## D. Correspondence—Amanda Williams.

Soror Williams gave the following Correspondence:

- Thank you cards from
  - Soror Jasmine Bogan for the chapter's support of the inaugural FSU Queens' Legacy Tea
  - o Operation Inasmuch for the donation in memory of Shirley Mosley
- A "Save the Date" card from the Chesapeake, VA Alumnae Chapter for their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary on March 17, 2018
- UNCF Gala Friday, February 16, 2018 in the William and Ida Friday Hall
- SFMBC, Whiteville, NC

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

Report will be given at the December Chapter meeting

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

## **G.** Committee Reports

#### i. Five-Point Thrust

### 1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR Soror L. Malone

Members of the Economic Development Team gave out 120 hygiene kits during the "Homeless and Hunger Stand Down" on November 17, 2017

Volunteers are needed for December 29, 2017, for Operation Inasmuch feeding the "family." Contact will be made to see if the organization will provide a table for the committee to use. An email will be sent to the chapter to continue to get volunteers.

#### 1. Adopt-a-Family: Chair Soror Doris Williams

The Adopt-A-Family Committee has been busy carrying out the Delta promise of service. During the month of November numerous contacts were made with the adopted families, face to face and by phone. They have expressed their amazement for the expressions of genuine caring from our sorority. The frequent contacts have given us a chance to familiarize them on our history, programs, and purpose.

We provided applications for the children to our youth groups. Some have already attended meetings with EMBODI and the GEMS.

Thanksgiving food was provided and delivered to each family. Efforts are now on the way to assuring a happy Christmas for the families.

The VFW will continue to support us and has invited our families to participate in the Christmas activity on December 21 at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW on Chance Street. They would also like to have members of our sorority volunteer at the event.

Those interested please contact Soror Kay Harris.

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

The Adopt-A-Site committee met on Saturday, November 18, 2017, at 8:00 a.m. at the Amtrak Train Station. A total of two Sorors was present. The construction has begun for the new baseball stadium which will go up adjacent to the Train Station. The majority of the back parking lot, which we service, is now closed. Fayetteville Parks and Recreation was contacted following Saturday's clean up to discuss the amount of assistance that would be provided due to the majority of our clean-up site being blocked off. The committee also noticed that our Adopt-A-Site

sign was removed. Soror Spivey contacted Parks and Recreation and was informed that due to construction, the sign was removed. They were unable to provide a definite date that the sign would be placed back in its proper location. The committee chair will continue to stay in contact with Fayetteville Parks and Recreation.

Our next clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, February 17, 2018 at the Amtrak Train Station. All Sorors are asked to arrive at 7:50 a.m. so that we can begin cleaning promptly at 8:00 a.m. The more Sorors we have, the better. You do not have to be a committee member to participate. We welcome all.

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

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### Arts & Letters Committee: Janice Robinson

The following items were brought forward during an "after care" discussion on Delta Night at the CFRT: Dream Girls

- Sorors should allow guests to be first in the reception serving line
- Food is better delivered to plates by our serving team.
  - Consider having different stations

The Red Velvet Book Club discussion of *No One is Coming to Save Us* by Stephanie Powell Watts was led by Soror Rene' Corders. About 75 guests were in attendance. Door prizes were given and it was a special senior day.

Other items of discussion included

- A & L members should select special assignments for upcoming events
- An article about the national A & L award was submitted and was published in the Fayetteville Observer, but with a very condensed content
- Twenty-Five other certificates of thanks were mailed and CFRT was presented a certificate of thanks
- The new book for discussion is *Floating World* by C. Morgan Babst. The discussion leader will be Soror Evelyn Shaw. Soror Janice Robinson will order copies through Barnes and Nobles. The discussion date is January 18, 2018, at Scrub Oaks Restaurant.
- Continue to investigate visiting the Ebony Fashion Review in Raleigh,
   NC. Soror Doris Williams is requested to look further into this possibility
- The Arts Council has requested our support of "True to Yourself" at Fayetteville State University February 2-17, 2018. The committee will encourage the chapter to attend this event, but the committee will not be a sponsor of the event.
- Possible book exchange during Sisterhood month

The next Red Carpet Movie event will be the Denzel Washington movie *Roman J. Israel, ESQ*. The event will be at the Market Fair Theater. Cost for seniors is \$7.19 and \$10.00 for adults.

The committee encourages everyone to attend the Fayetteville State University Choir and Band Concert on Sunday, December 3, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.

Soror Sharon McNair will conduct a Christmas Cantata "Believe, Adore .... The Light" on Sunday, December 17, 2017, in the Sanctuary of St. Joseph's Episcopal Church. The concert, featuring the church choir with guests from several churches, is at 4:00 p.m.

## 2. Delta Academy: CHAIR Awilda Graham

Delta Academy will be collecting items to fill "Comfort Kits" for the American Red Cross (travel size toiletry items and wash cloths work best). Please bring to the December meeting. A box will be provided for collections.\*\*\* It was noted that **wash cloths in abundant numbers** are greatly needed.

• The committee is still recruiting young ladies of middle school age. Please submit names and numbers to Soror Graham at loveniecie54@gmail.com

# 3. Delta GEMS: CHAIR Jerial Bogan

Delta Gems Youth Initiative Group had an information and educational session during our November 18, 2017 meeting. Twelve (12) Gems were in attendance; nine (9) new Gems and (3) returning Gems. Applications are no longer being accepted; deadline was Saturday, November 18, 2017.

The following activities are planned for the GEMS:

- Delta Gems Holiday Social 12/16/2017 The Hilltop House Restaurant, 1206 Fort Bragg Road, Fayetteville, NC
- Community Service Project during Christmas Break at the Salvation Army Christmas Giving Location. Delta Gems to assist in shelving, selection, and packaging of Christmas gifts for Angel Tree children.

## 4. EMBODI: CHAIR Toni Moore

The first EMBODI youth program meeting was held on November 18, 2017, on the campus of Fayetteville State University. In attendance were Sorors Toni Moore, Antoinette Howard, Teresa Wright, Miranda Monroe, Franzetta Grandison, and Madam President Sylvia McPherson. The meeting started with introductions of FAC members, and then we allowed the participants and guardians to introduce themselves. We had two young men to attend and complete applications.

Toni Howard facilitated a segment with the two young men on understanding one's self (goals, hobbies, favorite school subject, etc.). The young men also began work on

their vision board, which we sent home with them to complete. Soror Miranda Monroe worked with the guardians to get the necessary paperwork completed and answered any questions.

The EMBODI committee is continuing to recruit participants as well as volunteers to present at future events. Our next meeting will be held on December 16, 2017. The location at the Fire Station is pending. Soror Teresa Wright is contacting the speaker for this meeting. We will discuss with the young men the importance of community service and giving of your time and efforts to better your community. We will also have the young men bag toiletry items to be donated to the Fayetteville Urban Ministry. We are asking Chapter members to donate toiletries for this project which will be collected at the next Chapter meeting. Items needed are listed below:

Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Mouthwash, Lotion, Wet wipes, Body Wash (miniature) Soap, Deodorant, Ziploc Bags (large)

## 5. Jabberwock Chair: (Chair is pending)

Soror Miranda Monroe reported that a chair for the Jabberwock is still needed. However, eight (8) girls are now officially registered to participate in Jabberwock, so we will move forward with the event. An additional parent is paying tonight. Parents are eager to have their young ladies participate. Projected date for the event is June 16, 2018 and will be held at the J.D. Fuller Recreation Center. Soror Monroe and President McPherson will negotiate the contract. Details will be presented at the conclusion of the negotiations. Soror Monroe stated that we will need to continue through this Jabberwock on working toward the 2020 Jabberwock pageant.

## 6. Princess Committee: CHAIR Yvette Bullard

The Princesses met on October 28, 2017, at College Lakes Recreation Center for our Get To Know You Activity. The girls enjoyed fun games and food as we got to know each other. In attendance were 4 Princesses, 3 Sorors and 1 Parent. Thank you to a hard working committee. On November 18, 2017, 3 Princesses, 2 Sorors and 1 Parent attended the Eutaw Skating Rink. The girls had a great time skating to fun songs. Thank you to Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard for helping the girls to enjoy this activity.

Our next activity will be caroling at Whispering Pines Nursing Home.

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

World Aids Day observance is Friday, December 1, 2017, at the Smith recreation Center at 5:00 p.m. Sorors Degraphenreid and McPherson are on the program to speak.

Delta Days at the United Nations will be held in March in New York City.

\*\*\* Soror Degraphenreid would like to attend and wanted to know if she could raise funds for the trip in the name of Fayetteville Alumnae and Delta Sigma Theta. After discussion it was determined she could not raise funds using the chapter or sorority name.

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

# 1. Healthy Lifestyles: Chair Kay Harris

The committee did not meet during the month of November. However, we continued to promote health and fitness through the monthly Walk and Talks and the launch of the Walk to Founders Day and Back program.

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

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

The Social Action Committee will meet on December 5, 2017, in conference Room #1 of the Headquarters Library. The meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m. The agenda will include:

- An after action report of CIVICS 101-Take Note and Vote
- Chosen-Minor Sex Trafficking
- Coalition on Conversations (race relations)
- Article for the newsletter of our 2017 programs.

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

Please continue to submit your dates for events. All events that have already been submitted MUST CLEAR the **TBA** as the date. Please be sure when submitting your event that a **confirmed** date, time, and location are given as well.

## 1. PROJECT 13: Queen Degraphenreid

Plans are still underway for the implementation of the Mammogram Mobile in this area

In early 2018, we will implement the St. Jude initiative as we did last year by establishing our online link. The committee feels that this played a role in our Chapter's Project 13 being acknowledged at our 53<sup>rd</sup> National Convention.

#### **INTERNAL COMMITTEES**

# 1. Collegiate: Erin White

The chapter continues to plan programs and will host the upcoming Advisors Training and Recertification Workshop on December 9 on the campus of Fayetteville State University.

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

Report to be given at the December chapter meeting

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

Report to be given at the December chapter meeting

### 4. Delta Emergency Response Team: Nadine Miller-Bernard

The committee discussed topics to be submitted to the chapter newsletter and presentations at the upcoming chapter meeting.

### 5. Delta-Lites: Sharon McNair

The Delta Lites and Friends will offer Christmas Carols to the residents and staff of Woodlands Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. The group will perform on Monday, December 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. Traditional carols and songs will be performed. All are welcome to join in. Song sheets will be available. This may be a good time for youth groups to prepare/bring gifts to residents in attendance. The facility is located at 400 Pelt Drive (off Murchison Road) in Fayetteville.

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

NO REPORT

### 7. Fundraising: Miranda Monroe

Soror Monroe gave the following update on committee projects.

- Tickets and flyers for the "Old School" dance are now available. Tables with 8 per are available. Only 250 tickets will be sold. It will be Cabaret Style (each table provides their own refreshments) Be reminded:
  - o No Balloons are allowed
  - No alcohol from outside, a cash bar will be available through the facility
- FAC cardigan sweater sample is ready. The mock up was modeled by Soror Melissa Ellis-Robinson. It is a 50/50 blend. The Crest is on the left side. Individual names can be added for an additional \$3.00.
  - \*\*\* There was discussion on the material. Some thought it would be more of a "blazer" fabric. With the "T-shirt" type material, it (the sweater) would be borderline "casual" and could be considered inappropriate for the "business attire" requirement for chapter meeting protocol. Soror Monroe said the blazer material would come at a higher price.

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

Soror Graham reported that Greenville Alumnae is seeking pictures from past Area Founders Days. Please see her if you have pictures. She also reminded all that when submitting pictures, please add a caption as to **Who, What, When and Where** about the picture. Her email address is loveniecie54@gmail.com or text her at 910-797-5215

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

Committee responded to the following situations: Cards were mailed by Soror Sylvia Moore to the following Sorors: Soror Dolores Ingram, Soror Sharon McNair, Soror Barbara Nubin, Soror Rosia Freeman, Soror Leslie Council, Soror Jackie Sherrod, Soror Stephanie Sampson, and Soror Willie Johnson.

### 10. Internal Audit: Paula Frank

The committee will present the annual report at the December chapter meeting

## 11. Membership: Melissa Robinson- Ellis

The Chapter Christmas Dinner will be held Sunday, December 10, 2017, at Chris's Steakhouse.

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

No meeting was held this month. A Christmas brunch is planned at the Hill Top House Restaurant at 1240 Fort Bragg Road, Saturday, December 2, 2017.

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

NO REPORT

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

The meeting topics of discussion included information to be disseminated at the December chapter meeting. The rotation roster for reporting was revised.

#### 15. Scholarship: Effie Willis

NO REPORT

#### H. Unfinished Business: Soror Figgins

- One (1) additional Soror is needed to complete the chapter table for the MLK Prayer Breakfast in January. The cost is \$37.50
- We need to decide on whether we will place an AD in the MLK program booklet. The full page is \$150.00. It was decided that we would take the decision to the chapter for a vote at the December chapter meeting.

# I. New Business: Soror Figgins

#### NO NEW BUSINESS

### J. Announcements: Soror Amanda Williams

Soror Williams gave the following announcements

- Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard asked that when Sorors need items from the storage unit that they
  - Complete the Storage Items Request Form located on our Chapter Website, go to members only, then forms and follow directions on the form. Request for items from storage due no later than November 30 and pick up is Wednesday, December 6 by 4:00 P.M. \*This applies to December requests.
- Soror Sharon McNair will conduct a Christmas Cantata "Believe, Adore .... The Light" on Sunday, December 17, 2017, in the Sanctuary of St. Joseph's Episcopal Church. The concert, featuring the church choir, with guests from several churches, is at 4:00 p.m.

## K. Adjournment:

Soror Miranda Monroe moved that the meeting be adjourned. Soror Toni Moore gave the second. Soror Figgins adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

# ATTENDANCE

Bogan	Jerial H.
Degraphenried	Queen
Ellis	Renee
Figgins	Debra
Frank	Paula
Graham	Awilda
Grandison	Franzetta
Harris	Kay
Howard-Glover	Tracey
Ingram	Delores P.
Malone	LaTanya
McNair	Sharon
McPherson	Sylvia C.
Miller-Bernard	Nadine
Monroe	Miranda
Moore	Patricia
Moore	Toni

Robinson-Ellis	Melissa Diane
Spivey	Nicole
Waddell	Judith
Weaver Coaxum	Meta A.
Williams	Doris
Williams	Amanda
Willis	Effie