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Executive Board Meeting
August 24, 2021
Via virtual platform ZOOM

- A. **Call to Order and Welcome:** President Figgins at 6:01 p.m.
- B. **Prayer:** Soror Patti Jordan
- C. **Adoption of Agenda:** Soror Meta Coaxum moved to adopt the agenda with the following corrections: Soror Salena Staton and Soror Jerial Bogan's names correctly spelled and the addition of the Collegiate Connection Report to the agenda. Soror Judith Waddell gave the second.
- Madam President called for the vote with the stated report inclusion and noted name corrections. There being no NAY votes, the agenda was approved.
- D. **Correspondence:** Soror Sherree Davis read the following correspondences:
- Thank-you cards were received from Soror Jackie Sherrod and Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard
 - Thank-you card was received from Fayetteville State University for final receipt of scholarship pledge monies
- E. **Financial Secretary's Report:** Soror Toni Moore read the Financial Secretary's Report for June/July, 2021. The report is for information only.
- F. **Treasurer's Report:** Soror Rayshonia Manuel provided the Treasurer's Report for June 2021. MIT funds/balance presented. Scholarship account funds and Community Empowerment grant funds presented. Social Action restricted funds/balance presented. July 2021 receipts/disbursements presented.
- G. **Committee reports:**
- **Five Point Programmatic Thrust**
 1. **Economic Development:** Soror Keshia Allen presented. The committee is in the planning process for programs. The SIP project is still in affect

with items transitioning to Winter month appropriate. See attached for



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calendar of events:

- a. **Adopt-a-Site: Soror Daphne Bunyan** reported the committee met immediately after clean-up on August 24, at 9:00 AM. Tentative clean ups are scheduled for **October 16, 2021**, and **December 18, 2021**, at 8:00 am weather permitting. Reminder emails will be sent.

Proposed additional clean-up sites are as follows:

- Edgecombe Ave from Murchinson Rd to Langdon St
- Sycamore Diary Rd to Ft. Bragg Rd to McPherson Church Rd
- Village Dr to Ireland Dr to Robeson St
- Morganton Rd. to Bonanza St. to Reilly Rd
- Russell St to Rowan St

Current clean-up site is the Freedom Trail located on Bragg Blvd. Sorors are asked to park in the parking lot on the corner of Hay St. and Bragg Blvd. Attire is comfortable Delta paraphernalia. Sanitizer, masks and clean up equipment will still be provided. We will continue to follow CDC, state and Delta contact guidance in response to COVID-19 and the variants.

- b. **Foster Care Initiative: Soror Patti Jordan** reported the committee's 16 members correspond via email. There have been some ideas brought forward to engage with the young ladies and a planning meeting will be forthcoming. The point of contact remains the same with Cumberland County Department of Social Services and the three youth with whom they work.

2. **Educational Development: Soror Miranda Monroe** reported the Education Kick-off will be September 25, 2021, from 10am – 12pm via Zoom. Each Chair will have a breakout room to have discussion with attendees. Sorors are encouraged to invite as many youths as possible. Flyers are being sent to schools advertising the kick-off dates, as well as posting on social media pages. Chairs will be responsible for submitting their own reports.

- a. **Art and Letters:** The committee of 18 met 6/24/21 for their annual retreat from 1-2pm. Plans were made for the 21-22 sororal year. Applications were sent to National for Chapter Award consideration. Sorors are encouraged to attend the movie "Respect," wearing Delta paraphernalia, and to post a picture on

Facebook or text them to 9105785551. The next Red Velvet Book Club read will be “Caul Baby,” by Morgan Jenkins.

- b. Cinderella’s Closet: Soror Jerial Bogan.** No report.
 - c. Delta Academy: Soror Awilda Graham** reported that the committee will meet virtually. Service projects will need to be supported by the Chapter. They are currently recruiting girls ages eleven to fourteen.
 - d. Delta GEMS: Soror Patti Jordan** reported the 10-member committee corresponded by email. A planning meeting is forthcoming. Seven GEMS participants will be returning this year.
 - e. EMBODI: Soror Salena Staton** reported the 13-member committee is recruiting boys ages 11-17. Currently, they have four participants with a cap/limit of 20. The first two programs have been planned. Committee meetings will be the 1st Wednesday of the month. Beginning in October programs will be conducted on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 1:30-3:30.
 - f. Jabberwock: Soror Lynette McMillan** reported that the 9-member committee had their first planning meeting 9/21/21 @7pm. Tentative dates for the Jabberwock Pageant are March or May. It will be a virtual event. Sorors are asked to recruit young ladies and submit names to Soror Lynette McMillan.
 - g. Princesses: Soror Yvette Bullard** reported the committee corresponded via email and texts. They voted on a logo and theme for the year. Members were encouraged to complete background checks.
- 3. International Awareness & Involvement: Soror Virginia Ware** reported that the committee corresponded via email 8/23/21. New Sorors were welcomed. Sorors were asked to pray for the people of Haiti and Afghanistan, as well as a committee member who had lost a brother. A calendar of activities will be emailed to new members.
- 4. Physical & Mental Health: Soror Renee Ellis** asked for a co-chair and named Soror Sandra Monroe to that position. Soror Ellis requested a membership list and committee email be sent/assigned to her. The committee will meet on the 3rd Monday of every month.
- a. Healthy Lifestyles: Soror Darnette Hall** reported that the 27-member committee will hold their first meeting 9/1/21 @7pm. The committee will discuss a partnership with Ms. Val Applewhite to coordinate a mobile COVID unit event that would bring the mobile unit to an underserved Fayetteville area and provide COVID testing and vaccinations. After brief discussion, Madame President recommended a collaborative event be considered with Courtney Banks-McLaughlin, Delta Emergency Response Team and Healthy Lifestyles committees.

5. **Political Awareness & Involvement/Social Action: Soror Meta Coaxum** reported that the committee will meet every 1st Tuesday @6pm via Zoom. The committee's retreat was held 7/17/21 and 18 members attended. The committee's theme was "Educate, Engage, and Advocate." Future events include a Candidate's Fair October 2, 2021, at Crossroads United Methodist Church-North, 306 McArthur Road 28311 from 11am-2pm. The committee received PPE from the Department of Health and Human Services. The next committee meeting is 9/7/21 @6pm via Zoom.
6. **Program Planning & Development/Internal Committees: Soror Sharon McNair** reported that this committee consists of committee chairpersons and will meet quarterly. The Risk Management team has been formulated: Soror Danita McDonald, Soror DeLisa Crosby, Sorors Patti Jordan, Pamela McPhail Evans, Jerial Bogan, Selena Staten, Awilda Graham, Felicia Faison Janice Robinson, and Yvette Bullard, and the chairpersons of the Youth initiatives. Risk Management confirmations can be sent to 1stvpfac@gmail.com.
 - a. **Armed Forces: Soror LaTiki Gray** reported that the committee members met August 18, 2021, via Zoom at 6:30 PM. Five members were present (Sorors Gray, Frierson, Jacobs, Petree and Webster). Soror Frierson volunteered to be the Co-Chair of the committee. The committee decided to meet monthly and per activities and events being decided by the committee. Committee meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM.
 - b. **Communications/IT: Soror Erin White.** The 10-member committee met 8/10/21. Newsletter submissions are requested by 9/12/21 for FACEsubmission@gmail.com. Zoom accounts will be reassigned. Each program thrust chair will be Zoom Administrator and will share the account with respective committees.
 - c. **Collegiate: Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard.** No report.
 - d. **Collegiate Connections: Soror Brittany McLaurin** reported that this committee was recommended by Regional Director for graduate chapters to convey the needs of collegiate partners. Sorors McLaurin and Cummings will collaborate with Delta Xi advisors and plan programs.
 - e. **Delta Emergency Response: Soror Teresa Wright** reported that the DERT was officially welcomed via email on August 14, 2021. The 18-member committee is solidifying a monthly meeting date, at which time yearly presentations will be determined. The Delta Emergency Toolkit was distributed to members.
 - f. **Delta Lites: Soror Sharon McNair** reported 20 Sorors are interested in singing. Practices will be 4-6 weeks before events.
 - g. **Finance: Soror Rayshonia Manuel** reported that the committee will meet on 8/26/21.

- h. Fundraising: Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard.** The committee met August 19, 2021, via conference call @ 6pm. Six members were present. Most of the discussion focused on repeating the concept of the Donation Tree for the 21-22 sororal year. The goal would be \$15,000, and the theme would be Building the FAC Pyramid: Brick by Brick. There would be 3 levels of giving - \$100, \$150 and \$200. Sorors would have the option of making their donation in installments. The committee members are aware that this is a Jabberwock year, but they are also aware that the current public health crisis places that activity in jeopardy. The Fundraising Committee proposes the donation activity to ensure funds for the chapter are guaranteed.
- i. GwG (Grow with Google): Soror Erin White** reported that this is a new National Committee initiative to assist women in improving their skills using Google tools. Five Sorors have been trained to train Chapter members and community guests. This will be an ad hoc committee that will serve until May 2022.
- j. Habitat for Humanity: Soror LaTiki Gray** reported that the 12-member committee met 8/17/21. Soror Booth will serve as co-chair. Next committee meeting will be 9/21/21.
- k. Heritage and Archives: Soror Awilda Graham.** No report.
- l. Hospitality:** Soror Barbara Nubin reported that the 10-member committee has responded to several crisis situations. Soror Paula Frank will serve as co-chair. The first meeting will be held 9/16/21 @8pm.
- m. Internal Audit: Soror Brittany McLaurin** reported that 4th quarter audit was submitted in the RedZone timely. The chapter books are currently under review by the selected CPA. End of the Year reporting is due August 31, 2021. Audit details will be presented at the September chapter meeting. After some discussion, recommendation that the chapter secure a new auditor was suggested, as the current auditor is under breach of contract.
- n. Membership: Soror Amanda Williams** reported that the committee unofficially met in June to plan the retreat, transition of officers and established monthly meetings on the 1st Monday of each month @6:30pm. The FAC Virtual Retreat was held on Saturday, August 12, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. One hundred and twenty-two participants were in attendance. The committee will be revitalizing the FAC Redbook by December 2021. Next committee meeting September 13, 2021 @6:30pm.
- o. Nominating Committee: Soror Antoinette Howard** reported that the members reviewed the FAC Policy and Procedure (June 2020), Administrative Procedures for Membership Intake (AMPI) The Minerva Circle and Election of the Minerva Circle pgs. 22-24 (Revised October 2020), Chapter Management Handbook pages

63, 126. The committee reviewed the duties, responsibilities of the nominating committee, standard qualifications for the elections of members of the Minerva Circle. The committee developed a tentative timeline to prepare for the nomination process and slate of candidates for the Minerva Circle, if the vote is to proceed with Membership Intake. The committee was charged with viewing National Website Scholarship and Standards: Nominations and Elections Webinar/PowerPoints March 2021 and 2021 Slate of Candidates.

- p. Pan Hellenic Council: Soror Sylvia McPherson** reported that a master Chapter Calendar is needed so that all scheduled events can be visualized and overlap avoided.
- q. Policies and Procedures: Soror Willie Johnson** reported that approval of the 2022 P&P is pending from the Regional Director. The committee will meet every 4th Thursday.
- r. Protocol: Soror Jackie Sherrod** reported that 4 members of the committee (Sorors Sherrod, Corders, Davis, and Miller-Bernard) met via conference call 8/17/21 @6:30pm. Members of the Protocol Committee were appointed by the Chapter President. Sorors who signed up for the Protocol committee will serve on the sub-committee Ritual and Ceremonies Committee, more information forthcoming. Sorors are reminded to read their Delta Tools: Chapter Management Handbook, Code of Conduct, Protocol and Traditions Manual, Constitutional Bylaws, Delta Internet Guidelines and the Ritual to stay informed.
- s. Scholarship: Soror Effie Willis** reported that the 14-member committee met via email. Soror McLaurin will post Jabberwock guidelines to the chapter's website. This committee will process the Jabberwock applications. New members are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the P&P manual.
- t. Step Team: Soror Rhesha Smith** reported that 6 chapter members have expressed and interest in joining. Plan is to meet monthly or more frequently as needed.

H. New Business: Madame President reported

- **1)** The National Campaign Central Hub is to review candidates seeking National Office and National Committee Chairs. FAC Sorors are encouraged to review candidates and make selections known to herself and 1st Vice President.
- **2)** Sorors need to decide where they would like chapter meetings to be held. National has said Sorors can be requested to be vaccinated and wear masks to face-to-face meetings. This can be recommended by the Executive Board and voted on by the Chapter. Soror Renee Ellis suggested Sorors be surveyed to see how many are vaccinated. After some discussion it was

determined some Sorors may not be comfortable disclosing their vaccination status.

- **3)** Soror Sherrod recommended September's meeting be conducted virtually. A motion was made by Soror Judith Waddell with a second by Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard to conduct September's Chapter Meeting virtually. An electronic vote was taken and the motion passed, 100% voted for the virtual meeting.
- **4)** The Regional Director sent a memo that only chapters with extenuating circumstances can have Fall Membership Intake. Spring intake possibly on hold because of the pandemic. A Presidential Roundtable meeting will take place 9/2/21 to discuss MIT voting.
- **5)** Service awards for 25 and 50 Sorors were acknowledged. Seven Sorors with December anniversary dates will have to be submitted after National Convention.
- **6)** Soror Coaxum recommended the chapter create a revised Charter for the overlapping service area with the Ft. Bragg Area Alumnae Chapter, with special attention paid to p.128 in the National Handbook's definition of service areas. This recommendation came in response to the email message requesting volunteers by Horace Smith (Kappa Alpha Psi) outside of our designated service area and the direction given to Sorors.

I. **Announcements:** None

J. **Adjournment:** Motion made by Soror Sylvia McPherson with a second by Soror Judith Waddell. Meeting adjourned@ 8:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Teresa Wright
Recording Secretary

Attend.	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	CHAPTER POSITION
P	Allen	Keshia	Chair, Economic Development
			Sergeant-at-Arms
P	Manuel	Rayshonia	Treasurer
P	Coaxum	Meta	Chair Social Action
P	Davis	Sherree	Corresponding Secretary
P	Figgins	Debra	President
P	McLaurin	Brittany	Chair, Internal Audit
P	McMillan	Lynette	Jabberwock Chair
P	Williams	Amanda	2nd Vice President, Chair, Membership
P	Grandison	Franzetta	Co-Chair Arts and Letters
P	Gray	Latiki	Chair Arm Forces/ Habitat for Humanity
P	Howard	Antoinette	Chair, Nominating
P	Bullard	Yvette	Princess
P	Johnson	Willie	Chair Policy and Procedure
P	Jordan	Patti	Chair, GEMS
P	Hall	Darnette	Chair, Healthy Lifestyle
P	McAdams-Flores	Wendy	Chaplin, Chair, Hospitality
P	White	Erin	Communication/Public Relation
P	Wright	Teresa	Recording Secretary
P	McPherson	Sylvia	NPHC Representative
P	Miller-Bernard	Nadine	Chair, Protocol/Collegiate
P	McNair	Sharon	1st Vice President, Chair, PP&D
P	Moore	Toni	Financial Secretary
P	Nubin	Barbara	Assistant Chaplain
A	Robinson	Janice	Co-Chair Arts and Letters
A	Shorter-Cooper	Melanie	Assistant Corresponding Secretary
P	Waddell	Judith	Nest Steps
P	Ware	Virginia	Chair International Awareness & Involvement
P	Willis	Effie	Chair Scholarship
P	Wright	Teresa	Assistant Recording Secretary/ Chair, Delta Emergency Response