

**Executive Board Meeting  
September 27, 2016**

**AGENDA**

**A. Welcome**

The E-Board of The Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. met at C.R.E.S.T. Building on Tuesday, September 27, 2016. President Sylvia C. McPherson called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**B. Prayer**

Soror Chaplain Barbara Nubin opened the meeting with Prayer

**C. Adoption of Agenda**

Madam President recognized the attendance of Immediate Past Regional Representative Deandrea Newsome. She stated that Soror Newsome would like to bring remarks but had to leave. Madam President asked that the Agenda be adjusted to add her remarks just before the Correspondence report. Soror Meta Coaxum moved to adopt the agenda with the stated change. With a second from Soror Paula Frank, the agenda was adopted.

**\*\*\* Soror Deandrea Newsome greeted the board and announced that she is back in Fayetteville. She has been hired by Advanced Carolina and will be setting up an office in downtown Fayetteville. Advanced Carolina is a minority based group with a focus on the elections. She stated that this is the first time that there are 7 black candidates running for state office. She presented a flyer with pictures and information on the candidates. She is looking for volunteers to help when the office opens. She said, "LET'S MAKE HISTORY."**

**D. Correspondence—Amanda Williams**

Soror Williams read a Thank you card from Soror Barbara Williams on the passing of her father. We received information on the St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer and the site to log in to donate online. Online donations will run through September 30. The Child Advocacy Center newsletter was received. Soror Williams passed a flyer to Soror Janice Robinson, Chair of Arts and Letters, concerning "Because our girls deserve heroes too."

**E. Treasurer's Report -Tracey Glover**

**F.** Soror Willie Johnson reported that the committee will try to have a statement at Chapter meeting, but because our Chapter meeting has been moved up, the bank statements may not be received in time for the meeting.

Soror Judith Waddell gave the process for becoming a financial Soror. She stated that once dues are paid a Soror is NOT financial UNTIL all information is forwarded to National and National returns the name to the chapter. Madam President asked that this process be reported at the Chapter Meeting.

**G. Committee Reports**

**i. Five-Point Thrust Committee Reports**

## **1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:**

Soror Peeples announced for Soror Malone to remind the board that volunteers are still needed at Operation InAsMuch on Hillsboro Street, September 30, 2016, from 7am-9am.

### **1. Adopt a Family: Shermaine Peeples**

A meeting was not conducted. Chair person is identifying a family to adopt. During the upcoming meeting the committee members will discuss the identified family, needs, types of donations, budget and develop the calendar for the year. That meeting will be held Monday, October 13, 2016 via Conference call at 6:30 pm.

### **2. Adopt a Site: Nicole D. Spivey**

Our next clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2016, at the Amtrak Train station. All Sorors are asked to arrive at 7:45 am so that we can begin cleaning promptly at 8 am. The more Sorors we have, the better. You do not have to be a committee member to participate. We welcome you all. If you have signed up for this committee or are interested in serving as a member, PLEASE contact Soror Nicole Spivey to double check and/or add your phone number and e-mail address to the roster.

## **2. EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR: Miranda Monroe**

Soror Monroe made the following points in her report:

- The entire chapter needs to be trained on Risk Management
- She has prepared 40 slides from the Risk Management Manual to be shared with the chapter
- Anyone working with youth groups must be screened
- Training is held for parents and other adults as well
- Risk Management is a separate committee and must have a chair and committee members

During a discussion, the following questions were asked: (Crutcher-Murphy) Can we sit in with Fort Bragg Chapter? (Figgins) How will we know when training is available? (Board) Can we proceed with the chapter training if we do not have a certified Risk Management Trainer?

Soror Toni Moore stated that training will be available during the Hazing Conference in Kissimmee. She stated that Madam President can ask for 'Special Dispensation' to proceed with the chapter training. As to Fort Bragg, it was mentioned that their training will not be held before our Chapter meeting. Madam President wanted to know if Youth Committee Chairs could be a part of the Risk Management Committee. The response was yes. Soror Bogan gave an overview of how Risk Management is done in the youth committee events. She said that perhaps someone from the Youth Committee or a designee would Chair the Risk Management Committee. No conclusion was made. Soror Crutcher-Murphy wanted to know about the screening process for speakers she is ready to contact for EMBODI. Madam President said that a speaker can be invited ONCE without screening, but if they are invited more than once they MUST be screened.

### **1. Arts & Letters Committee**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Janice Robinson/Franzetta Grandison –**

1. Eight members were present at the meeting at Headquarters Library on September 15, 2016 at 6 pm. Soror McLaurin of FBAAC was present and was introduced along with new FAC committee members. Beth Desloges, Managing Director of the Cape Fear Regional Theater presented the plays for the 2016-2017 season. She invited FAC and FBAAC to plan activities for the plays "Intimate Apparel" and "Carolina or Change." Sorors Corders and Shaw along with others will meet with Beth.
2. Tom Quaintance, Artistic Director of CFRT will be leaving the theater. FAC and FBAAC will attend "Henry V" (his last production) and present a gift on November 3.
3. Red Velvet Book Club discussion of *I Almost Forgot About You* will be October 20 at Scrub Oaks Restaurant.
4. Duties were delegated to members.
5. Next events are: (movie) Maya Angelou, and Still I Rise-October 7 at 7:00 p.m. Cameo Theater; Red Carpet Event October 9, 6:15 pm Cameo Theater.

A request was made to be placed on the Chapter agenda.

## **2. Cinderella's Closet: Jerial Bogan**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Other pertinent information</b>
Committee Meeting	January 18, 2017	Soror Eva C. Williams' Home	Planning for 2017 Cinderella's Closet Project
Social Workers' Presentation	TBA January	TBA	Provide Cinderella's Closet Project Information Packets
Cinderella's Closet	March 20, 2017	Belk-Cross Creek Mall	Setup
Cinderella's Closet Dates	March 21-March 24, 2017 March 27-31, 2017	Belk-Cross Creek Mall	Assisting junior and senior girls from 17 CCS High Schools
First High School Prom	April 1, 2017	Reid Ross Classical School	NA

## **3. Delta Academy**

**CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

**Submitted by:** Soror Awilda Graham

**Calendar updates (committee meetings, program activities):**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Other pertinent information</b>
Youth Orientation Program	Oct. 1, 2016	SBE Building-FSU	10:00 am- 1:00 pm
Meetings	Wednesdays	Kiwanis Rec Center	6:00- &:30 pm

**Do you need to be on the agenda for the upcoming Chapter meeting?**

No

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

1. 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 October Chapter meeting.
2. Delta Academy is looking for young ladies, of middle school age, to join our group. Please submit names and numbers to Soror Awilda Graham.

## **4. Delta GEMS**

**Submitted by:** Jerial H. Bogan/Alice Kendrick/Erica Fenner-McAdoo/Chair/Co-Chairs

**Calendar updates (committee meetings, program activities): TBD**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Other pertinent information</b>
Committee Initial Meeting	September 26, 2016	Conference Call	Planning for Educational Thrust-DELTA GEMS Kickoff
Educational Thrust KICKOFF	October 1, 2016	SBE, Fayetteville State University	DELTA GEMS Kickoff
Fayetteville State University Homecoming Parade	October 29, 2016	Fayetteville State University	Miss Jabberwock 2016 Miss Alexis Manning and Little Miss Princess 2016 Makayla Sims-Jones will be riding in the parade

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

The Delta G.E.M.S. Committee Initial Planning Meeting for the Educational Thrust Kickoff was held via Conference Call on Monday, September 26, 2016. The committee planned and organized for our initial meeting with interested young girls to become a member of the Delta Gems. Twenty-three letters have been sent.

Review of Delta Gems Application, General Information and Curriculum was discussed.

Delta Gems Committee Members: Jerial Bogan, Chair; Alice Kendrick and Erica Fenner-McAdoo, Co-Chairs; Linda L. Miller, Nicole D. Spivey, Andrea Slade and Brenda Minor

**5. EMBODI** (Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for Developing Independence)

**CHAIR: Soror Latasha Crutcher-Murphy**

Soror Crutcher Murphy was enthusiastic about her team’s readiness to work with the young men. She reported that the first committee meeting was held via conference call on September 15, 2016. The discussion focused on recruiting young men. It was decided by the committee to hold the meetings with the young men at Fayetteville State University with one room for middle school boys and one room for high school young men. The committee is looking for some assistance from the chapter members in both recruiting young men and for suggestions for mentors.

**6. Jabberwock**

Madam President is requesting and making it urgent that someone step forward to chair this Chapter event. Work needs to begin ASAP with the planning.

**7. Princess Committee**

**CHAIR: Yvette Bullard (Report was given by committee member Delores Ingram)**

**Calendar updates (committee meetings, program activities):**

Name	Date	Location	Other pertinent information
Meet and Greet	October 1, 2016	SBE building -FSU	.

**Do you need to be on the agenda for the upcoming Chapter meeting?**

YES NO

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):** The Princess Committee met by telephone/text to prepare for the Meet and Greet on October 1, 2016. We are looking forward to meeting with our new Princesses and reconnecting with our old Princesses. We have planned a great year for them as we have asked for their input on the activities for the year. Thank you to wonderful committee members for all their support.

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

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

- 14 churches and organizations were represented on Sept 15, 2016 for the viewing of the Documentary: Pray the Devil Back to Hell. The viewing was held at St. Luke AME church.
- The committee met several times over the summer with the Women’s Missionary of St. Luke AME Church
- Next project: ‘Girl Be Heard’- A performance troupe of young women who have experienced human trafficking and travel the country bringing about awareness of this serious problem that preys upon women and girls worldwide

Committee Members: Queen Degraphenreid (Chair), Virginia Ware (Co-Chair), Sylvia Moore, Meta Coaxum, Janice Robinson, Leslie Tukes, Zelfhia Jones

**Physical and Mental Awareness and Involvement:**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Sharon McNair**

**Healthy Lifestyles**

**Chair: Sharon S. McNair**

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

The healthy lifestyles committee met at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church on Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

After discussions, it was agreed that the following items would be our focus points for this Sorority year.

- Healthy Living
- Breast Cancer awareness
- Support Project 13 and Domestic Violence awareness
- Heart Health awareness
- Organ donation
- Diabetes awareness

These points would be supported through

- Partnerships with Community groups and organizations
- Information to the chapter through the FACE newsletter, social media and chapter meetings
- Sponsor at least one major event
- Encourage support of the St. Jude web site initiative
- Calendar of events
- Monthly healthy spotlights at chapter meetings

A calendar for the year was discussed with the following activities

- October 15: 8<sup>th</sup> annual Cancer Benefit Concert (announce)
- October 15<sup>th</sup>: Run for the Pink 5K (announce and participate)
- October 20<sup>th</sup>: Purple Thursday: in support of the National network to end Domestic violence initiative
- November 19<sup>th</sup>: Red Apple Run for Diabetes (volunteer, announce, participate)
- April TBA Donate Life Month
- April TBA : hold a Health Fair, Organ donation awareness, ZumbaThon (will work details in meetings to come)

Request to present during the chapter meeting.

**POLITICAL AWARENESS AND INVOLVEMENT: CHAIR: Meta Coaxum**

**Social Action Committee:**

Immediate Past Regional Representative Soror Deandrea Newsome shared with the Executive Board her position with Advance Carolina as Regional Field Director. Advance North Carolina is a statewide, independent Black led political and economic vehicle with a mission to build Black communities and instructions in NC. It is to build political participation and economic power of Black citizens through the creation of federal, statewide networks of chapters and affiliates. Her mission this afternoon is to introduce her organization for volunteers for voter registration, to include phone banking and door knocking in Fayetteville/Cumberland County. Those with smart phone can use an app that will not

disclose their private number and she will look into purchasing track phones for phone banking. Volunteers will be needed during October up until 8 Nov 2016. She is also seeking filling a paid Electioneer position. Her contact number is 910-261-7750. She is looking into opening an office in Fayetteville on Hay Street, near a coffee shop. Voting will be important due to the historic statewide candidates of 6 African American candidates' that will be on the ballot. They are: Linda Coleman for Lt. Governor, Ban Blue III for State Treasurer, Judge Mike Morgan for Supreme Court seat 2, Judge Vince Rozier for NC Court of Appeals (Dietz set), Judge Ricky Mickoy-Mitchell for NC Court of Appeal (Zachary seat), and Judge Abe Jones for NC Court of Appeals (Hunter seat).

Members present were provided with the Candidate detail list for the Nov 8th election. Members encourage to research candidates in order to make an informed choice. Copies will be available for October chapter meeting for the chapter members. It is noted that Judge Ricky Mickoy-Mitchell is a Delta (initiated KO UNC Chapter). Soror Willie Johnson has printed several poster cards for GOTV to be place on Facebook. This will be a FAC DST voter EDU activity. Fifteen cards will be available after chapter meeting for sorors to hold and have their picture taken and placed on Facebook. Thanks Soror Willie!!! Every Delta is a part of Social Action—'taking an active interest' etc., etc.!!!

Soror Coaxum met with Faith Boehmer 9/15/16 at the Child Advocacy Center in planning for the January Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking forum. Faith Boehme arranged for Sorors Nadine miller-Bernard and Meta A. Weaver Coaxum to attend the Fort Bragg Special Victims Summit 26 September 2016. Human Sex Trafficking presentations were among the agenda items. FAC Social Action committee will be working on a letter to the vendors for the Jan 2016 forum.

**Do you need to be on the agenda for the upcoming Chapter meeting?**

**YES** the committee would like to present a voting activity for the chapter and also a candidates' list to the chapter to include the flyer from Soror Newsome.

**PROGRAM PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (PPD): CHAIR: Debra Figgins**

**Submitted by:** Debra B. Figgins

Soror Figgins asked that chairs please continue to send in their updated calendars.

**PROJECT 13:**

**Chair:** Queen E. Degraphenreid

**Calendar updates (committee meetings, program activities):**

Name	Date	Location	Other pertinent information
Project 13: St. Jude Walk/Run to End Childhood Cancer ***	September 24 (National Date)		Will plan to make some level of a donation. Further discussion by E-Board

**Do you need to be on the agenda for the upcoming Chapter meeting?**

**YES** NO. **X**

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

The Project 13 Committee will meet in the near future to select the local organizations to submit to the Chapter for collaboration and support.

\*\*\* After discussion it was approved for Soror Willie Johnson to register the chapter as a team on the St. Jude web site. Sorors can log on and donate under the Chapter Team name. The link will go out to Chapter members by September 28, 2016.

**Project 13 Committee**

Queen Degraphenreid, Chair  
Paula Franks

Vivian Tookes, Co-Chair

## INTERNAL COMMITTEES

### 1. Collegiate

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Nadine Miller-Bernard**

We have responses from several Sorors who will donate funds for Soror Johnson's (FSU) lodging for her attendance at the Hazing Summit in Florida. All documents for compliance have been submitted.

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

**No Report**

### 3. Coordinating Council

**CHAIR: Sylvia C. McPherson**

Soror McPherson reported that a meeting is scheduled with FBAAC on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, at the headquarters Library at 6:00 pm. She is again seeking Sorors who may have firsthand knowledge or information as to the FAC service area to please contact her. (Soror Coaxum suggested she find the FAC charter).

### 4. Delta-Lites

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Sharon McNair**

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):**

The Delta Lites Vocal Ensemble met at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

Discussion was held by the group with the following points agreed on:

- Rehearsal days and times would be determined by any upcoming event
- We would like to be a music support to the chapter before, during, or after chapter meetings by:
  - Offering a song to support the inspirational moment
  - Teaching a Delta pep song or refresh official Delta songs and hymns
- Christmas Caroling at the VA hospital and the Woodlawn Nursing home (dates: December 3, 4, 10, 11 depending on confirmation with the facilities) open to all Sorority members. Perhaps collaborate with the youth groups to attend and sing and/or bring gifts. We would wear red paraphernalia
- Plan a musical salute to Chapter Veterans in November (would need to get board decision as to where on the agenda this could be done)
- Plan a musical tribute during February
- Be available to support Chapter and Regional events musically as we are asked.

The election of a Co-Chair was tabled until the next meeting/rehearsal.

The next meeting is TBD

### 5. Finance Committee: Chair: Tracey Howard-Glover

The Finance Committee will be sending out letters to those Sorors who contributed to the building fund. Those who contributed will be presented with options as to how they would like the contributions distributed or returned.

Soror Howard-Glover stated that the committee has followed the suggestion from the chapter and will now make financial presentations showing Actual Funds and Projected Funds when presenting the report.

### 6. Fundraising

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Miranda Monroe**

Soror Monroe gave the following highlights

1. The committee would like to present to the chapter a motion to move the planned Gala Event to the month of May. Our present date conflicts with a major established event. ( The AKAs have their annual Jazz on the Town )
2. Would like to move the event to May 20, 2016.
3. Request that Soror President encourage Chapter members' participation.

Soror Nubin suggested that perhaps we could ask members to make a list of at least 8 people they could/would contact to purchase a ticket. That would give some indication as to possible numbers for the Gala. The next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2016

### **7. Historian/Journalist**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

Sorors are asked to submit special pictures of and/or small statements about what it means to them to be a part of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Submissions can be emailed to [loveniece54@gmail.com](mailto:loveniece54@gmail.com) or TEXT: 910-797-5215

### **8. Hospitality/Condolence Committee**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Barbara Nubin**

Soror Nubin requested to be on the agenda for the Chapter Meeting.

### **9. Internal Audit**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Paula Frank/Jerial Bogan**

The Internal Audit Committee has received the audit report. There were a few recommendations that will be shared with the Finance Committee. She said it was basically a good report. Soror Coaxum moved to accept the report, Soror Jonette Quenum gave the second and the board approved the motion.

### **10. Membership**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Melissa Robinson- Ellis**

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):** The Membership Services Committee met on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. at the Headquarters Library. The main topic of discussion was planning of the Membership Services Calendar for the 2016-2017 Sorority year. It was agreed that the Delta Dear Luncheon would be moved from October 2016 to April 2017. The Chapter's Annual Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 16, 2016 at Chris's Steakhouse on Raeford Road (this is the same location as last year's party). We are also looking for a location to host our Founders Day Dinner. The date for this event is Thursday, January 12, 2017. Members of the committee would like to go back to Logan's Roadhouse, but, due to limited seating, have suggested that we limit the attendance to the Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter **only**. We are also starting to plan for the Prayer Breakfast and have a list of possible guest speakers that we will be discussing further. We would also like the Chapter members to start thinking of ideas for Sisterhood month during the month of March and for next year's retreat, which will be held on June 10, 2017. The next Membership Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, October 3, 2016, at the Headquarters Library in Conference Room #2.

### **11. Pan Hellenic Council**

**REPRESENTATIVE: Sylvia McPherson/Debra Figgins**

Soror Paula Frank gave the report as follows:

- The council has established a scholarship committee to oversee the disbursement of funds. They will be deciding on scholarship amounts as well
- The picnic at Mazerick Park Shelter #2 was a success.
- Annual membership dues to the council are \$100.00 and due in December.



## **12. Policies and Procedures**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Andrea Felder-Johnson**

No Report

## **13. Protocol**

**Chair- Nadine Miller-Bernard**

**Calendar updates (committee meetings, program activities):**

Name	Date	Location/Time	Other pertinent information
<b>Next Meeting</b>	Monday October 10, 2016	Conference call 5:30 pm	

**Do you need to be on the agenda for the upcoming Chapter meeting?**

**YES**                      NO

**Monthly Committee Report Summary (brief):** Meeting was held September 12, 5:30 pm, North Regional library conference room. Eight members were present and Madame President. Five members were absent. Items discussed: information to be presented during October chapter meeting (review **Proper Attire** pages 19-21, **Protocol and Traditions Manual**), sign up for presenting report at board and chapter meetings completed. Next meeting is October 10, 5:30 pm via conference call. Members will receive agenda, conference call number and directions prior to meeting.

## **14. Scholarship**

**CHAIR/CO-CHAIR: Effie Willis**

No Report

**Unfinished Business: NONE**

## **G. New Business: Soror McPherson**

- Madam President wanted to know if we should secure a bus for Founders Day East in January. The board agreed that we should. There will be clarification as to the location. Goldsboro is the host.
- Registration is \$65.00 and must be paid to the chapter. Deadline to send in the fee is (NOT Postmarked) November 9, 2016.
- Madam President announced that we have 14 new and reclaimed Sorors!
- Letters for the MIT vote have been mailed to announce that voting will take place at the October 1, 2016 chapter meeting. A mandatory video on intake will be viewed prior to the vote.

With October being Breast Cancer Awareness month, it was asked if we should recognize Sorors who are breast cancer survivors. The board agreed that we should.

## **H. Announcements:**

- Reminded all about the Youth Orientation on Saturday October 1, 2016, from 10-1 at the SBE building on the Fayetteville State University campus.

**J. Adjournment:** President McPherson adjourned the meeting at 8:07 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon McNair  
Assistant Recording Secretary

Attendance Roster:

1. Sharon McNair
2. Meta Weaver Coaxum
3. Nicole D. Spivey
4. Melissa Robinson-Ellis
5. Delores P. Ingram
6. Willie Johnson
7. Sylvia McPherson
8. Amanda Williams
9. Judith Waddell
10. Debra Figgins
11. Janice Robinson
12. Jerial Bogan
13. Paula Frank
14. Patricia Moore
15. Barbara Nubin
16. Cleo Washington
17. Queen Degraphenreid
18. LaTanya Malone
19. Miranda Monroe
20. Tracey Howard-Glover
21. Latasha Crutcher-Murphy
22. Awilda Graham
23. Shermaine Peebles
24. Shawnta' Cummings
25. Toni Moore
26. Jonette Quenum
27. Deandrea Newsome-visiting Soror