



**Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter**  
**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**  
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**Executive Board Meeting**  
**August 22, 2017**  
**Fire Station #14**  
**632 Langdon Street**

**A. Welcome**

President McPherson welcomed all to the official start of the new sorority year and called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

**B. Prayer**

Chaplain Barbara Nubin gave the prayer.

**C. Adoption of Agenda**

Madam President made the following adjustments to the agenda:

- Adjust the lettering in the agenda outline: Letter **G** (Unfinished Business) is a repeat and should be letter **H** with subsequent lettering adjusted accordingly
- Item **#13** (Policies and Procedures Committee) should be **omitted** and numbering adjusted accordingly

Soror B. Nubin made the motion to adopt the agenda with the stated changes. The second was given by Soror Pat Moore. The motion carried.

**D. Correspondence—Amanda Williams.**

The following correspondence was received and read:

- Thank you cards from Sorors Pat Heath and Cynthia Harris, Mrs. Kady-Ann Davy-Foster
- A letter for their annual capital campaign from the Red Cross
- A letter of thanks and appreciation from Miss Jabberwock 2016 who is attending Spelman College this fall with the goal of studying Law
- The President's report from Shaw University

Soror Jerial Bogan's article in the Cheers and Jeers section of the Fayetteville Observer thanking Belk, community sponsors, school social workers, Sorors and the young ladies for a successful Cinderella's Closet. Eighty (80) "Godmothers" served 120 "Cinderellas."

**E. Financial Secretary's Report- Judith Waddell**

June and July receipts were reported as information

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

A full report will be given at the September chapter meeting

**G. Committee Reports**

## **i. Five-Point Thrust**

### **1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: CHAIR- LaTanya Malone**

No Report

#### **1. Adopt a Family: Doris Williams**

The Committee meeting included:

- Definition of the committee definition and goals
- Revisiting goals and accomplishments of the 2016 committee
- Develop calendar for the sorority year with inference on back to school needs, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day
- Focus on including school age children in sorority programs
- Next meeting will be held via phone conference

#### **2. Adopt-A-Site: Nicole D. Spivey**

Madam President reported that Soror Spivey will have the clean-up dates at the chapter meeting.

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

Educational Thrust Kick-off Orientation is set for September 30, 2017. The event will be held in the Pate Room of the Fayetteville Headquarters Library. The program will run from 10:30 am-1:30 pm. (We have the room from 10:00-2:00.)

#### **1. Arts & Letters Committee: Janice Robinson/ Franzetta Grandison**

Prior to the committee report, Madam President presented Committee Chair Janice Robinson with the National Award "On Fire to Inspire" received during the 53<sup>rd</sup> National Convention of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. in Las Vegas, NV. The award was a national recognition of the events and programs carried out by our Arts and Letters Committee during the 2016-2017 year. It will be on display during the September chapter meeting.

Soror Robinson gave the following report:

- A thank you letter will be drafted and sent to organizations, churches and individuals who supported the events of the committee this year. A press release will be sent to the Fayetteville Observer
- Cape Fear Regional Theater and the Arts Council will receive certificates of appreciation for their supportive letters submitted to the Awards application
- The committee will have a celebratory dinner on September 21, 2017. The tentative site will be Scrub Oaks.
- FAC Delta night at Cape Fear Regional Theater will be October 5, 2017 for the production *DREAM GIRLS*. Their current flyer for the production has the date listed as Delta Night
  - At this juncture a discussion commenced regarding Madam President's update: Madam President emailed the Fort Bragg Chapter that we would not be collaborating this year as a joint event. With that notification, the Fort Bragg Chapter decided to take a date earlier of September 15. The discussion was whether we should move forward with our Delta Night. After the discussion, it was agreed that a decision might be made after the Coordinating Council meets on September 12 to work on the MOU and possibly discuss the *Dream Girls* events.

- It was also agreed that if the MOU is not satisfied at the Coordinating Council meeting, FAC will take the lead on writing it and proceed to the Regional Director and, if needed, to the National First Vice President.
- The A & L committee has scheduled a meeting with the CFRT leadership to discuss the *Dream Girls* situation. They will give an update at the September chapter meeting.
- Madam President called for a motion to table the discussion. Soror Delores Ingram made the motion to table. Soror Miranda Monroe gave the second and the motion carried.
- The committee wanted to know how the chapter will celebrate the National Award. It was stated that beyond recognition at the September chapter meeting, there may be no additional celebration.

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

**No Report at this time. The committee report will be removed from the agenda until prom season begins again.**

## **2. Delta Academy CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

(Report submitted via email)

1. Delta Academy is looking for young ladies, of middle school age, to join our group. Please submit names and numbers to Soror Awilda Graham:  
[loveniece54@gmail.com](mailto:loveniece54@gmail.com)

## **4. Delta GEMS: CHAIR: Jerial Bogan**

The Delta GEMS Youth Initiative Committee met on Thursday, August 10, 2017 via Conference Call. The meeting included the following:

- Discussions on the purpose, committee norms and expectations, risk management training
- Planning and organizing our 2017-2018 Delta GEMS calendar
- Grant opportunities
- College tours along with college and career readiness
- Educational Thrust kickoff
- The Miss Jabberwock 2018 Scholarship Pageant.

## **5. EMBODI: CHAIR: Soror Toni Moore**

The following report, submitted by the chair, was read by committee member Antoinette Howard

The committee met on Sunday, August 20, 2017 via conference call. The following items were discussed:

- In addition to preparing for the youth initiative kickoff, the committee will re-design the EMBODI program brochure/flyer. Once approved they will be distributed to middle and high schools, churches and recreation centers that may have after school programs
- During the next meeting (TBA) the yearly calendar will be finalized
- Additional Sorors are needed to help with this most important initiative
- Former chair Andrea Slade will work with the committee as time allows
- The September planning meeting details are TBA

## **6. Jabberwock: CHAIR Quinsentina James**

The following report was submitted via email with a request to be on the agenda for the September chapter meeting.

The Jabberwock Committee discussed advertisement, venues, committee meeting dates/times and locations. This committee meets weekly from 7pm-8pm. Once the Sorority year begins we will meet bi-weekly. The tentative budget and calendar was distributed, and we have received 3 applicants thus far. We will continue to strive to exceed the expectations of the chapter. We do have a name for our Sweethearts:

“Radiant Pearls of Elegance” and will use it for this year’s theme. We are looking forward to an awesome year.

(It was noted that a minimum of 8 girls will be needed to move forward with the program)

## **7. Princess Committee: CHAIR: Yvette Bullard**

NO REPORT.

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

The annual planning meeting will be held August 29, 2017, with the following to be discussed:

- 1) Plans to review resolutions proceeding from the 2017 National DST Convention for future compliance.
- 2) Plan to initiate awareness and support for our hospital, Mary Help of the Sick Mission Hospital, in Kenya.
- 3) Plan to initiate awareness and support for Haiti – another of IAI initiatives.
- 4) Plan to attend Delta Days at the United Nations during World Women’s Week.
- 5) Plan to partner with the local World Aids Day on December 1, 2017.
- 6) Collaborate with Social Action Committee and other groups around the issues of Human trafficking.

\*\*\* No need to be on the agenda for chapter meeting was marked on the form

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

### **1. Healthy Lifestyles: Kay Harris**

Committee member Soror Doris Williams presented the following report:

The committee met on July 20, 2017 in the conference room of the North Regional Library with the following discussions and conclusions:

- The Theme and focus for this year will be “Alzheimer’s Disease”
- Monthly fitness walks at 3 sites concurrently with a committee at each site to facilitate. The following sites have been chosen: Cross Creek Mall, Cape Fear River Trail and Hope Mills. In the event of inclement weather, the Cross Creek Mall location will be used.
- In reference to healthy eating habits, the committee will collaborate with each monthly hostess team to implement at least one “healthy” item.
- Collaborate with local restaurants to perhaps do an in-kind item each month
- Work on a method to disseminate information

## **5. Political Awareness and Involvement: Chair: Meta Coaxum**

## **1. Social Action Committee: Soror Meta Coaxum**

The Social Action Committee met 8/8/17 at North Regional Library. Partnership with Child Advocacy Center will continue this sorority year. The activities will include offering volunteering opportunities to chapter members for the 19 Days of Prevention from 1-19 November 2017; assisting in presenting a symposium on human trafficking in January 2018; and presenting the video, *Chosen: Domestic Child Sex Trafficking* to local recreational centers during the month of April, 2018 (Sexual Assault Awareness Month).

Collaboration with FTCC is being planned for a Tuesday in November. Additional information is forthcoming.

Soror Amanda Williams is spearheading the Voter Education Program with a Civic 101 project based on increasing citizens' understanding of local government and how it affects their livelihood. To focus on making that humanist connection with the youth, and those adults who do not vote. Presently, Sherri Davis, Director of Civic Engagement, will be the speaker. The program will be held at FSU.

Social Action is "focused on creating or changing public policy." Soror Kendra Haywood brings to this committee that interest. Any Soror, with any concerns with local policies, state or national policies related to any of our Thrusts, will be welcome to help establish an Issue Committee.

The committee will establish a conference call number for some of our meetings.

The following dates of activities of interest and concern to the chapter were submitted

- Voter registration during the Umoja festival 8-26-17 Seabrook Park
- Equal means Equal: Celebrating Women's Right to Vote 8-26-17 N. Reg. Lib 2-4
- Meet the Candidates (local candidates running in the Oct. Primary elections 9-9-17 During chapter meeting
- After the 13<sup>th</sup>: Solutions for Mass Incarceration 9-27-17 City Council Chambers 433 Hay Street -6 pm, FAC is a co-sponsor of the event. This is a follow-up to the viewing of the documentary 13.
- An Elections Calendar for the 2017 Elections was distributed

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

A request to all committee chairs to send their calendar of events as soon as possible was made. It is a goal this year to have the monthly calendar up each month on the web site and posted in the Newsletter.

### **1. PROJECT 13: Queen Degraphenreid**

- 1) Continue to support the St. Jude's Children Hospital initiative.
- 2) Conduct NAACP membership drive during Delta Retreat. Goal: 10% of members to join.
- 3) Conduct NCNW membership drive during Delta Retreat. Goal: 10% of members to join. Will maintain consideration that there are two NCNW sections in Greater Fayetteville/Cumberland County.
- 4) Plan partnership with the Sister's Network, Black Women Breast Survivors organizations in surrounding communities.
- 5) Await resolutions from 53<sup>rd</sup> Convention of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. for further actions.
- 6) **Project 13** was acknowledged at our National Convention in Las Vegas for service to this national initiative.

## **INTERNAL COMMITTEES**

### **1. Collegiate:: Nadine Miller-Bernard**

Soror Taniyah Allen, Delta XI chapter president and voting delegate, attended the 53<sup>rd</sup> National Convention in Las Vegas. The chapter continues with planning programs and conducting Delta business.

Advisory Team: Sorors N. Miller-Bernard, E. White, S. Cummings and J. Bogan

### **2. Communications/Public Relations: Drema Larkin**

Soror Willie Johnson read the following report submitted from Soror Larkin via email:

- Congratulations to committee and specifically Soror Willie Johnson for submitting an eye appealing packet that got our very own Arts and Letters Program recognized at the 53<sup>rd</sup> National Convention.
- The committee requests that all flyers, tickets, bookmarks, ads, etc. come through the Publicity and Communications committee. After the committee reviews it, the committee chair will then forward to Madam President for approval. Madam President will only approve items that come directly from the chair of this committee. This was addressed in the minutes February 2016. We hope this will improve our process in getting information out and approved in a timely manner.
- Starting with the month of October, if you need audiovisual support at our monthly meetings, you will need to notify the committee 7 days in advance. This allows the committee time to make sure you have all that you need to present an effective presentation. The request form is on the website.
- If you need for the committee to create flyers for promotion of your program, please, do so 14 days in advance. This allows time for the committee to create and collaborate with you to get you the best product. The form for this request is on the website.
- Update on thumb drives submitted. We are looking to order 250 thumb drives with 256mb capability. We are trying to keep the cost at \$2.00 or less. Soror Drema Larkin is going to double check that they can be password encrypted. Files to be included on the thumb drive will include: forms, Policy and Procedures, Directory, Logos for committees, committee email addresses and Delta songs (if possible). Extra thumb drives will be given to the membership committee to give to new Sorors joining our chapter.
- Email accounts, specifically Gmail accounts have been set up for each committee. Please sorors, do not change the password or profile. If the committee chair is having problems with the email, please notify Soror Tracey Glover.
- Each Soror will receive a thumb drive. Next year, when time to update, each soror must turn hers in to receive the current sorority year updates.
- We discussed the survey that was given out during the retreat. We will go over highlights during monthly meeting.
- We then looked at all the tasks that the committee does and shared them among all committee members.

Next meeting will be at City Hall on September 13, 2017 at 5:30 pm.

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

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, September 12, 2017. The primary focus of this meeting will be to finalize the MOU between FAC and FBAAC.

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

Committee discussed distribution of Delta ERT Emergency Response Card/Ticket to all chapter members and also finalized monthly calendar of activities.  
Next meeting TBA.

## **5. Delta-Lites: Sharon McNair**

### **NO REPORT**

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

The Finance Committee met on August 17 at 7:00pm. The meeting was held at Fire Station 14. The FY 17-18 Budget was reviewed and amended with increases to the committee budgets based on the funds raised at the Crimson & Cream Affair and operating budget based on additional financial Sorors. The committee discussed the increase of operating costs for the chapter and agreed that an increase in dues is needed. The committee proposed a \$15 increase effective in FY18-19 with an additional automatic \$15 increase in FY2020-2021. These increases will assist with increased cost of operating expenses and will be allocated to the operating account budget line items. The committee also discussed the fee increase for building rental at the Crest Building. It was determined that with the \$150 increase, it is no longer financially feasible for our chapter to meet at the Crest Building.

Committee meeting dates were determined.

Motion to be presented	Purpose of the motion
Move to pass budget with updates	Approve the increases to the committee budget.
Move to increase the Fayetteville Alumnae Chapter Local dues \$15 effective for FY 2018-2019 with an additional automatic \$15 increase in 2020-2021.	With the continued increase in operating costs, this increase will assist with increased cost of operating expenses and will be allocated to the operating account budget line items.

There was discussion on the proposal to increase local dues with two options. After the discussion, it was decided to present only one option and that is a \$30.00 increase in dues for the 2018-2019 year. The vote will go before the chapter.

## **7. Fundraising: Miranda Monroe**

The fundraising committee met telephonically to discuss the upcoming sorority year. The following activities are suggested:

1. Chapter cardigan bearing the chapter's logo - price will be \$37.76. The material is 50% cotton and 50% polyester made by Jerzee (nublend). The price of \$37.76 is for sizes S-XL. For each additional size up, the cost is an additional dollar. **Discussion:** The board agreed, after discussion, to move forward with the idea, but to make the price of the cardigan \$40.00 (larger sizes would still increase by \$1.00 per size increase)



(logo on cardigan)

2. Ole School 70s party – “Soul Train Style” BYOB  
Location/Venue - RMA Building (Retired Military Association)  
Cost: \$300.00 to rent

Decoration: each Soror will decorate her own table(s)  
DJ: \$150.00  
Ticket price - \$25.00 based on 200-- \$5,000.00  
Net profit of \$4,550.00

**Discussion:** Look at perhaps a January date. Continue discussion and planning to be sure there are not too many events of financial cost to Sorors, occurring too close together.

3. Gala 2018

Date: May 5 **or** May 12  
Venue-Ramada Bordeaux -----\$2279.10  
Ticket printing-----257.00  
Advertisement-----500.00  
Cash bar-----100.00  
Programs-----450.00  
5 Star Entertainment-----300.00  
Misc. -----1,000.00  
Entertainment-----2,000.00  
Total-----6,886.10

**Discussion:** Continue to discuss this event. Bring before the chapter to see if we want to do this in the same year as Jabberwock. Concern is if we do NOT do the gala, what will be the fund raiser should we not get enough girls to participate in the Jabberwock.

**8. Historian: CHAIR: Awilda Graham**

The following report was submitted via email:

1. Sorors, please share items (pictures, programs, articles, etc.) from this past year.
2. Submit captions and brief descriptions with items.
3. EMAIL: [faehistorian@gmail.com](mailto:faehistorian@gmail.com), phone: 910-797-5215

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

The Hospitality Committee met on August 17, 2017. Eight members were present. The Committee reviewed the Policies and Procedures pertaining to Hospitality, and divided responsibilities for the coming Sorority year. We also discussed ways to disseminate information to those Sorors on the Committee and in the Chapter who do not receive texts or emails. We decided to ask Madam President about the use of the Delta Line for disseminating information.

The following Sorors were contacted this summer for support:

**June**

Soror Maxine Martin (Death of Nephew)  
Soror Margaret Dunham (Hospitalization)



Soror Awilda Graham (Hospitalization of Mother)  
Soror Sharon McNair (Hospitalization of Husband)  
Soror Mary Jane Kirby (Hospitalization/Rehab)  
Soror Margaret Dunham (Hospitalization/Rehab)  
Soror Shawnta Cummings (Hospitalization of Father)  
Soror Jonette Quenum and Soror Grace Edwards (Hospitalization)  
Soror Faye Fulton (Hospitalization//Rehab)  
Soror Pat Heath (Hospitalization)  
Soror Janice Robinson (Hospitalization of Husband)  
Soror Lila Washington (Hospitalization of Brother)

### **July**

Soror Latiki Gray (Hospitalization of Son)  
Soror Tracey Howard Glover (Hospitalization of Husband)  
Soror Zandra Peele (Retirement)  
Soror Awilda Graham (Retirement)

### **August**

Soror Charline Evans (Hospitalization)  
Soror Sylvia Parsons (Death of Brother-in-Law)  
Soror Sandra Monroe (Hospitalization of Father)  
Soror Kathy Blackmon (Death of Father)  
Soror Peggy Davis (Death of Sister)  
Soror Janice Robinson (Husband in Rehab)

### **10. Internal Audit: Paula Frank**

NO REPORT

### **11. Membership: Melissa Robinson- Ellis**

The committee will meet August 29, 2017

They are proposing a Chapter 64<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner at 6:00 pm at Logan's on September 12, 2017.

After discussion, it was decided that the chair will send out a questionnaire to see how many members would be interested in attending. The date may be moved to September 11, 2017, same time and location, due to a scheduling conflict.

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

NO REPORT

### **13. Protocol: Chair- Nadine Miller-Bernard**

Information was disseminated, including committee objectives, expectations, meeting date/time and a rotational roster for committee members to report at board

and chapter meetings. Next meeting is September 11, 5:30 pm via conference call. Members will receive agenda, conference call number and directions prior to meeting.

Request to be on the agenda for the September chapter meeting.

**14. Scholarship: Effie Willis**

NO REPORT

**H. Unfinished Business: Soror McPherson**

NONE

**I. New Business: Soror McPherson**

The chapter President and First Vice President attended the 53<sup>rd</sup> National Convention of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Unfortunately, due to multiple Constitution and By-Laws sessions, they were unable to attend any workshops. A convention report will be given at the September chapter meeting. The new slate of National Officers was read by President McPherson.

**J. Announcements: Soror Amanda Williams**

No Announcements

**K. Adjournment:**

Madam President called for a motion to adjourn

Soror Miranda Monroe made the motion to adjourn with a second by Soror Pat Moore.

The motion carried.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM**

**ATTENDANCE**

Jerial H.	Bogan	Chair: Delta GEMS/Cind. Closet
Rene'	Corders	
Queen	Degraphenreid	Project 13 /Int. Aware. Invol.

Debra	Figgins	1st Vice President
Brenda	Freeman	
Franzetta	Grandison	Arts& Letters
Antoinette	Howard	Asst. Custodian/EMBODI-Co
Tracey	Howard-Glover	Treasurer
Delores P.	Ingram	Member - Princesses
Willie J.	Johnson	Asst. Treasurer
Sharon	McNair	Recording Sec./Phy & Men Hlth
Sylvia C.	McPherson	President
Nadine	Miller-Bernard	Chair:DERT/Collegiate/Protocol
Miranda	Monroe	Fundraising
Patricia	Moore	Asst. Financial Sec
Toni	Moore	EMBODI
Barbara	Nubin	Chaplain/Hospitality
Sylvia	Parsons	Sergeant-at-Arms
Janice	Robinson	Arts& Letters
Melissa Diane	Robinson-Ellis	2nd Vice President
Judith	Waddell	Financial Sec
Cleo	Washington	
Meta A.	Weaver Coaxum	Political Awareness and Invol.
Doris	Williams	Healthy Lifestyles/AdoptaFam
Amanda	Williams	Corresponding Secretary
Effie	Willis	Chair: Scholarship