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Chapter Meeting Minutes  
10:00 am  
May 16, 2020  
ZOOM Virtual Meeting Platform

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the North Carolina Governor's 'Stay at Home' mandate, the chapter meeting was held via the virtual meeting application of ZOOM.**

- I. The meeting was called to order at 10:16 am by President Debra Figgins. Soror Figgins asked Soror Wendy McAdams Flores to give a morning meditation.
- II. Madam President asked if a quorum was present. Soror Jackie Sherrod, Sargent-at- Arms, responded that a quorum was present. Madam President recommended that as we move forward in the meeting, that when a vote is taken, only NAY votes will be called for. Soror Sylvia McPherson moved to accept the recommendation as stated. Soror Myra Holloway gave the second. With no NAY votes, the motion carried
- III. Madam President called for a motion to adopt the agenda. Soror Brenda Freeman moved to adopt the agenda. The second was given by Soror Willie Johnson. With no NAY votes the motion carried.
- IV. Madam President called for a motion to accept the Previous Chapter/Executive Board Meeting Minutes. Soror Paula Frank moved to adopt the previous minutes with the second given by Soror Delores Ingram. With no NAY votes, the motion carried.
- V. **Financial Secretary's Report-** Soror Toni Moore: reported for information only. The report included receipts for the period of April 1- April 30, 2020 from the Wells Fargo and First Horizon banks. The report was for information only.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:** Soror Jerial Bogan gave the report of Revenue and Expenses for the period of April 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020 from the Wells Fargo and First Horizon bank accounts. The report was for information only.
- VII. **Reflections:** Soror Gwen Brown brought reflections on " Seems like Everything has been canceled EXCEPT prayers."
- VIII. **Pearls of Protocol:** Soror Vera Bell gave the following report:  
Remember that virtual meetings are still "closed" meetings for duly initiated Delta's only. Attend meeting in a private setting away from distractions of family, external noise, etc.  
**Reference: Delta Virtual Meeting Guide, page 1, Best Practices (1st & 9th sentences) updated April 6, 2020.**
- IX. **Correspondences:** Soror Sheree Davis, corresponding secretary, stated that thank-you cards were received from Sorors Effie Willis, La'Tiki Gray, and Gail McDowell. A thank-you note

was also received from Cape Fear Valley Foundation for our chapter's donation of meal vouchers for its workers on the COVID 19 floor.

**X. Committee Reports**

**i. Five-Point Programmatic Thrust**

- 1. Educational Development:** Soror Tammy Phippen reported that the committee wanted to find a way to stay active in this time of social distancing. The first initiative was to support small businesses. For the month of May, the chapter was asked to support **Uptown Chicken and Waffles**. The owner, Chef Judy, has expressed a thank-you for our support. Soror Phippen added to please continue to support this business for the remainder of the month.  
For the month of June the **Sweet Palate** will be the business to support. Additional information is forth coming. The committee is looking for suggestions of other small business. The business does not have to be black owned, but it should be a small business.
- 2. International Awareness and Involvement-** Soror Queen Degraphenreid yielded to Soror Virginia Ware. Soror Ware noted that she and Soror Degraphenreid have changed positions within the committee. Soror Ware is now the chair of the committee and Soror Degraphenreid is Co-Chair. Soror Ware made the motion to request \$200.00 for a chapter donation to the National International Awareness and Involvement Committee in support of their missions in Africa. There was a brief discussion as to budget. Soror Jerial Bogan asked that the motion be restated to ask for the amount of \$110.00 since their committee had a balance of \$90.00 Soror Ware restated the motion and Soror Paula Frank gave the second. There were no NAY votes and the motion carried.
- 3. Program Planning and Development:** Soror Miranda Monroe: Soror Monroe asked that committee chairs check their emails for a copy of the Calendar Report. Please fill out the report for your committee and return to her by midnight May 25, 2020.

**ii. Internal Committees**

- 1. Collegiate-** Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard  
Soror Miller-Bernard announced the new initiates of the Delta Xi chapter Spring 2020:  
**The Pr8quel**  
**#1 - Briana Watson - Prem1ere**  
**#2 - Aimee Bell - Ascen2ion**  
**#3 - Adriana Washington - 3xposition**  
**#4 - Asia McNeill - The Pinn4cle**  
**#5 - Essence Kirby- Intermi5sion**  
**#6 - Breanna Chappell - Clim6x**  
**#7 - Kaila Craig - Predic7ion**  
**#8 - Shontia Blount - Cliffhang8r**

2. **Finance:** Soror Jerial Bogan: Soror Bogan presented the proposed budget for the 2020-2021 Sorority year. Soror Bogan made the motion to accept. Soror Brenda Freeman gave the second. There were no NAY votes and the motion passed.
3. **Policies and Procedures:** Soror Willie Johnson: Soror Johnson presented the updates and corrections to the Policies and Procedures document. Each item was presented for discussion and vote. The results were as follows:
  1. Article III/Section G/Item 4 Page 10: Duties of the Custodian: passed/no NAY votes
  2. Article III/Section H/ Page 10: Duties of the Assistant Custodian: passed/no NAY votes
  3. Article III/Section 2/ Page 9: Duties of the Parliamentarian: passed no NAY votes
  4. Article III/Section 6/B/3/ Page 5: Filling a vacant office or position: passed no NAY votes
  5. Article IV/Section 1/STANDING COMMITTEES/R/Page 20 Death of a Soror: passed/no NAY votes
  6. Article IV/Section 1/STANDING COMMITTEES/R/ Page 20: Death in Sorors immediate family: passed/ not NAY votes
  7. Article IV/Section 2/Item B2B/ Page 26: Minerva Circle: passed/no NAY votes
  8. Article IX/Section 1/ Item A/ Page 37: Candidate for Chapter Office: passed 89 AYE 1 NAY
  9. Article IV/Section 1R/ Page 19: Recognition of Sorors accomplishments: passed/no NAY votes
  10. Article IV/Section 1R/ Page 21: Hostess Committee: passed/no NAY votes
  11. Article IV/Section 1R/ Page 20: Hospitality Chair to Hostess Committee passed/no NAY votes:
  12. Article IV/Section 1R Page 21: Hostess Committee: passed/no NAY votes
  13. Article IX. 2. 1.F. pg. 37: Nominating Committee: passed/no NAY votes
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  15. Article IX. 2. 1. K. pg. 37: Nominating Committee: passed/no NAY votes
  16. Article IX. 2. 1. L. pg. 37: Nominating Committee: passed/no NAY votes
  17. Article IX. 2. 1. O. pg. 37: Nominating Committee: passed/no NAY votes
  18. Article IV/Section 1R/ Page 19 & 20: Courtesies' and Condolences: passed/no NAY votes

The word 'Article' was missing from items 13-17 on the original document and Soror Johnson noted that the word would be added. She moved that, with the stated changes, the recommendations now be accepted as a group. Soror Sylvia

McPherson gave the second. After discussion it was agreed that the word 'Soror' should be added to Item 18 numbers 1 and 2 for clarification of the statements. The motion passed with no NAY votes.

**\*\*\*\* The complete wording of the document is available on the chapter web page.**

**Parliamentarian Soror Jackie Sherrod notified Madam President that we were approaching the twelve noon meeting end time and a motion and vote would need to be made to extend the meeting. Madam President called for a motion to extend the meeting. Soror Antoinette Howard moved to extend. Soror Nadine Miller-Bernard gave the second. The motion passed with no NAY votes.**

**4. Hospitality:** Soror Wendy McAdams-Flores

- Soror McAdams-Flores stated that Soror Rosa Torrey was recovering in Whispering Pines Nursing and Rehabilitation Center located on Country Club Drive.
- Prayers are asked for Soror Vivian Tookes on the loss of her father.

**5. Internal Audit-** Soror Brenda Freeman

Soror Freeman read the Internal Audit report for the period covering January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020. The report was for information and a copy will be attached to the official minutes.

**XI. Unfinished Business**

Madam President:

- A thank-you to Sorors Willie Johnson and Brittany McLaurin for **submitting application for Regional awards.**
- The chapter banner that was purchased for the Regional Conference still has not been received. After contacting the Richmond VA Chapter president, it was disclosed that they (Richmond Chapter) are waiting on the proper tubes to ship the banner.
- Still awaiting word from Johnson County Alumnae Chapter President on the status of the Founders Day souvenirs that have not been received by balance of Sorors who to attended Founders Day.

**XII. New Business**

Madam President:

- The Sorority Service Awards (for 25 and 50 years in Delta) has an updated look. Sorors who have reached or will reach these milestones should contact Madam President so the plaque can be ordered. Please submit your name at the time of initiation and the year.
- The South Atlantic Region is asking each chapter to donate \$100.00 for gifts for the outgoing Regional Leadership. Donations are requested by June 13, 2020. Soror Jerial Bogan noted that this is already a line item in the budget and no vote is required. The donation will be sent on behalf of the chapter.
- Candidates for Regional Offices have requested to attend our virtual meetings. There are approximately 10 candidates seeking various offices. After discussions of best possibilities, Soror Awilda Graham moved that the chapter do a Town Hall with

a time limit for presentations. Soror Miranda Monroe gave the second. The motion passed with no NAY votes.

- Madam President yielded to Soror Meta Coaxum's request for new business. Soror Coaxum moved that the chapter acknowledge and honor Soror Dr. Jennifer Green, Director of the Public Health Department, and her staff for their frontline work during the COVID-19 pandemic. She suggests 22 roses and 30 boxes of pizza. Soror Christina Washington gave the second. After discussion the motion passed with 71 AYES and 3 NAYS. After additional discussion Soror Lila Washington moved that funds to support the effort be removed from the contingency fund for the cost of the flowers and pizzas. The motion passed with no NAY votes.
- Soror Gwen Henderson requested to propose a motion. Soror Henderson moved that the rules for how the (virtual) meeting will be conducted, particularly the handling of votes and comments from Soror who are on telephone connections, be stated prior to the start of the meeting. Soror Paula Frank gave the second. After discussion, Madam President agreed to state the rules prior. No ending vote was taken.

**XIII. Announcements:**

- Soror Meta Coaxum announced that a plan for a 2020 Census car parade in a 'hard-to-count' area is scheduled for June 5, 2020. Further details will be forth coming to her from Nakiya Smith, Cumberland County Community Engagement coordinator. She will pass the information on to Madam President for dissemination to chapter members.
- Soror Bogan reminded Sorors that National President and CEO Soror Beverly Smith announced that the board had voted to waive reinstatement and late fees for the 2020-2021 sorority year.
- Soror Christina Washington announced that her daughter Soror Dr. Karena Senors, Chief Medical Officer of True Health has been recognized for her frontline work with her practice. She is a member of the Orlando Alumnae Chapter.
- Soror Debra Teasley announced that as of May 1, 2020 she has completed 30 years of service to the Department of Public Safety. No plans for retirement yet.
- Madam President will send out information, from Soror Lila Washington, regarding a legitimate website for an 'at-home' COVID-19 test kit.

**XIV. Adjournment:** Soror Brittany McLaurin moved to adjourn the meeting. The second was given by Soror Jackie Sherrod. There were no NAY votes and the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by  
Soror Sharon McNair  
Recording Secretary