



**Fredericksburg Area Alumnae Chapter  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
September Chapter Meeting**



**Strayer University  
150 Riverside Parkway  
Fredericksburg, VA  
September 7, 2019 @ 10 am**

**A. Call to Order**

The September Chapter meeting was called to order at 10:04 am by Soror Drummond. There were 73 sorors in attendance and 6 visitors. A quorum was present.

**B. Welcome**

**C. Adoption of the Agenda**

A motion was made by Soror R. Amstead to adopt the agenda for September 7, 2019.

Approve: 61

Oppose: 0

(motion carries)

**D. Review of June Minutes**

**E. Correspondence**

Soror K. Cummings presented the correspondence received over the summer.

**F. Financial Secretary's Report**

Soror C. Richards Roy presented the reports for June, July and August.

**G. Treasurer's Report**

Soror R. Graves presented the reports for July and August and the revised proposed 2019/2020 budget. If you have any recommendations for additional community programs to support monetarily, please submit to Soror S. Drummond by September 20, 2019.

**H. Response to Correspondence**

Due to the proposed budget being postponed until October, there were only two time-sensitive items that required voting. All other requestes will be presented and voted on during the October chapter meeting.

**1. Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated XI Upsilon Omega**

A motion was made by Soror R. Armstead to accept the executive board's recommendation of \$150 for full page ad.

Approve: 71

Oppose: 0

(motion carries)

**2. The Greater Rappahannock (VA) Chapter of the Links, Inc.**

A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson to accept the executive board's recommendation of a sponsorship fee for a whole signage of \$150.

Approve: 74

Oppose: 0

(motion carries)

**I. President's Report**

In by 10:00 am winner for September is Soror Y. Mose'.

There were 6 visitors:

Soror Ammyanna Williams

Soror Keistella Mitchell

Soror Chadra Rue  
Soror Tanesha Elveris

Soror Dorian Dixon  
Soror Elizabeth Freeman.

National Level:

- 54<sup>th</sup> National Convention had the election of new officers for National Headquarters.  
Beverly Smith (President/CEO) Cheryl Hickman (National 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President)  
Diamond Compton (National 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President) Elsie Cooke-Holmes (National Secretary)  
Pamela Hill (National Treasurer) Sheila Jenkins (Chair, Nominating Committee)
- Read the emails sent from National Headquarters and the South Atlantic Region regarding the handling of refunds from the 54<sup>th</sup> National Convention.
- If you are not receiving emails, go to the *Member Only* portal and update your information.

Regional Level:

- Fall State Meeting is September 20 and 21, 2019. They are at capacity. Wait list is available.

Local Level:

- President Drummond's new sorority year goals.
  - Ensure we reach all of our service areas where we have sustainable activities. All committee chairs are asked to provide service projects in all of those service areas.
  - Function as a unified chapter where we work together as one and show love to one another.
  - Prepare for Jabberwock in the spring of this year.
  - Prepare and plan for activities to commemorate the chapter's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Thank you to all the committees who had events over the summer: Projects, Membership, and Social Action.
- Please come to chapter meetings with vouchers and transmittals already prepared so that the financial team can expedite in a timely manner.
- Please sign up for committees that still have member vacancies.
- Thank you to the committee chairs that have relinquished their positions for their years of service – Soror K. Lawson (Ways and Means) and Soror K. Lancaster (Properties).
- Chapter calendar is still being updated and will be sent to all members electronically.
- Potential chapter meeting locations as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee:
  - Germana Community College (\$150 per month), Mayfield (\$100 per month with an addition \$45 set up fees), Strayer University (free with a presentation from the university staff regarding its programs).

A motion was made by Soror K. Butler to hold chapter meetings at Strayer University, Fredericksburg.

Approve: 65

Oppose: 0

(motion carries)

**J. Committee Reports**

a. Dance

Soror L. Talley presented.

The dance will be held Saturday, February 1, 2020 at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House. Theme is *Red and White Masquerade Gala: "Stepping into the 40<sup>th</sup> with Elegance and Fortitude."* Attire for chapter members is a red or white formal gown with masks. Ticket cost is \$70. Guest attire is semi-formal or cocktail. Soror Sharon Johnson is the POC for the themed baskets.

A motion was made by Soror Sharon Johnson to keep the dance ticket price at \$70.

Approve: 58

Oppose: 0

(motion carries)

b. Health & Healing

Soror F. Cox presented.

September is National Suicide Prevention Month and Yoga Awareness Month. Yoga event will be Thursday, September 12, 2019 at the Eternally Love Christian Center, 7:00 pm. Heart walk will be September 14, 2019 from 9-12.

c. Internal Audit

Soror D. Poole presented.

All findings have been reconciled for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

d. Membership

Soror J. Diggs presented.

Chapter retreat was held on Saturday, August 17, 2019. The committee is facilitating a reclamation campaign to reclaim sorors. Reclamation Saturday will be the last Saturday of every month. Game day event will be October 26, 2019. More information on this event will follow.

e. Projects

Soror J. Hill presented.

Caroline's Promise was July 27, 2019. The Unity Festival will be Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 12-6 at Walker Grant Middle School. The Delta Homework Club will start in October 2019 at Freedom Middle School. Volunteers are still needed for this event. The Love Thy Neighbor event will be held the third Sunday of each month. The month of October will be from 1-6 pm at the food pantry.

f. Social Action

Soror Sharon Johnson presented.

Voter registration training was held over the summer in Fredericksburg and Stafford. The committee registered two voters during the Stafford National Night Out. A Candidates Forum will take place on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

g. Ways and Means

Soror T. Baskin presented.

The "*Blazers and Boots*" fall party will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2019. Ticket cost is \$25 each. The *Pay My Dues* raffle will be open to all public service organizations. The drawing will be held on Sunday, January 12, 2020 at the Founders Day breakfast. Red Deltas Vote t-shirts are on sale. An after chapter meeting lunch will be every month at Soror J. Blanton's restaurant starting in December.

**K. Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business.

**L. New Business**

Delta E.R.T

Soror R. Amstead presented.

Complete your emergency response form, keep in red envelope and keep red envelope on you at all times.

**M. Announcements**

Soror B. Brooks-Harris presented.

NPHC

Selling t-shirts

*Stuff the Truck* sponsored by the NAACP will be at Giant on Garrisonville Road, Sept. 28, 2019 at 6 pm.

Academy and GEMS

The kick-off meeting will take place Howell Library, Sept. 8, 2019 from 2:30 to 4:30 pm.

Crimson Alert

Will go out on Wednesdays instead of Fridays. Please get your information in on Mondays for approval by the president, Soror S. Drummond.

**N. Adjourn**

A motion was made by Soror D. Barnes-Gaines and to adjourn the meeting @ 12:26 pm.