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

Strayer University
150 Riverside Parkway
Fredericksburg, VA
October 5, 2019 @ 10 am

A. Call to Order

The October Chapter meeting was called to order at 10:01 am by Soror S. Drummond. There were 52 sorors in attendance and one visitor. A quorum was present.

B. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Soror K. Lawson to adopt the suggested changes to the agenda. Suggested changes: move the Correspondence and Response to Correspondence after the Treasurer's Report. Move Projects and Ways and Means to the beginning of the committee reports.

Approved: 39 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

C. Review of September Minutes

Page 1: Call to Order – change the number of members present from 76 to 73.

D. Financial Secretary's Report

Soror C. Roy presented the report for September 2019.

E. Treasurer's Report

Soror C. Roy presented the report for September 2019 and the revised 2019-2020 proposed budget. Soror S. Drummond gave an explanation for each change made from the September proposed budget. Sorors were reminded to please write separate checks for Public Service, Operating, and DREF.

A motion was made by Soror K. Hill to accept the revised proposed budget for the 2019-2020 sorority year.

Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

F. Correspondence

Soror T. Baskin presented the report.

Donation Requests: July, August, and September

1. Toys for Tots – Help to provide hope to less fortunate children as they experience the love, generosity and devotion of Santa Claus no matter how tough the circumstances are or their parents. Donation request: $35, $42, $49, $56 or other.

Past donation: 2017 - $35 Executive Board Recommends: $35
2018 - 35

2. American Heart Association – Your donations help fund promising research that can lead to lifesaving breakthroughs in preventing and treating heart disease and stroke. Donation request: *$30, $35, $40 or another amount.

   Past donation: 2016 - $30
   2018 - $50

   Executive Board recommends: $100

3. National Museum of African American History – As a charter member, we would like you to help bring the African American story to an even wider audience. Please help the Museum plan new interactive exhibitions and exciting educational initiates. Donation request: $50, $75 or any other amount.

   Past donation: 2016 - $40
   2017 - $40
   2018 - $40

   Executive Board recommends: $40

4. Special Olympics Virginia – Your donations make possible year-round sports and health related programs that enable Special Olympics athletes to train and compete, learn physical and social skills and make friends that reach into their lives beyond the sports experience. Please help with a gift of $50, $75 or any other amount.

   Past donation: 2016 - $50
   2017 - $50
   2018 - $50

   Executive Board recommends: $50

5. Wounded Warriors Fredericksburg – Help provide the critical services our injured veterans need. Help veterans overcome injuries such as paralysis, missing limbs, TBI, and severe burns. Donation request: $56, $68, $79, $90 or another amount.

   Past donation: 2016 - $56
   2017 - $56
   2018 - $56

   Executive Board recommends: $100

6. Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank – In the Fredericksburg region, many parents are struggling to feed their children. Seniors can't afford to buy groceries on their small fixed incomes. Veterans who fought to protect our freedom are now fighting to provide for their families. One in twelve people in the Fredericksburg region is at risk of hunger. Every $10 you donate doubles to $20 providing enough food for 40 meals. Donation requests: $40=160 meals, $50 = 200 meals, $75= 300 meals, $100 = 400 meals, $500 = 2,0000 or any other amount.

   Past donation: 2018 - $50

   Executive Board recommends: $100 for 400 meals

7. Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Virginia Chapter – Donations have helped invest millions to help find cure for blood cancers. Today 91% if children with the most common childhood leukemia will survive treatment. Your contribution will provide help and hope to thousands. Donation requests: 5 cents a day for 365 $ 18.25, $25, $10, $15or any other amount. No previous requests made.

   Past donation: $0 Executive Board recommends: $50

Donation Requests: October

1. Boys and Girls Club of the Rappahannock Region – Would like to have each Divine 9 Organization to host a table at our second annual UNITY Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2019 at Walker-Grant Middle School (1 Learning Lane Fredericksburg VA 22401). At this late notice, we will provide a space for each organization at no charge. I would need each organization to bring their own table and possible tent if you desire one. I would need to have a commitment if they want the space by Wednesday, October 2, 2019 by 12:00 p.m. We also need for the Divine 7 to provide middle and high school students for the Teen Roundup Conference scheduled 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The festival begins from 12- 6 pm. Our next and final planning meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at the Walker-Grant Middle School facility. We welcome all volunteers and representatives of the Divine 9 to participate. Donations are encouraged and welcome.

   Past donation: $0 Executive Board recommends: Pass

2. UMW Step Show - Feb 22, 2020; 7 pm Dodd Auditorium. Organizer from UMW will send additional information. There was a verbal inquiry about the chapter participating.

   Past donation: $0 Executive Board recommends: Pass

<u>GREETINGS/THANK YOU</u>

1. Hugh Mercer Guidance Department

<u>EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

1. UMW James Farmer Multicultural Center 26th Annual Cultural Awareness Series:
   - Kwanzaa – Dec. 3, 2019, 6pm, Chandler Ballroom
   - UMW Dr. MLK Jr. Keynote, Rev. Dr. Benjamin F. Chavis Jr. – Jan. 22, 2020, 7pm, Chandler Ballroom
   - Black History Month Keynote, Etan Thomas – Feb. 12, 2020, 7pm, Chandler Ballroom
   - Step Show Competition – Feb. 22, 2020, 7 pm, Dodd Auditorium
   - Women's History Month Keynote, Dr. Mecca Jamilah Sullivan – Mar. 23, 2020, 7pm, Chandler Ballroom
   - Multicultural Fair – Apr. 4, 2020, 10am to 5pm

3. NPHC-Fred Meet and Greet with Minority Candidates: Oct. 2, 2019, 7pm, South Stafford.

4. John J. Wright Educational and Cultural Center Museum: You are invited to attend the unveiling of its state historical marker – Oct. 26, 2019, 10 am, John J. Wright Museum, Courthouse Rd., Spotsylvania.

5. Soror L. Jenkins: Soror Jenkins has four free tickets to the ? breakfast starting at 9 am, Oct. 26, 2019.

G. Response to Correspondence

1. Toys for Tots – A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $35.
   Approved: 47 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

2. American Heart Association – A motion was made by Soror J. Diggs to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $100.
   Approved: 46 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

3. National Museum of African American History – A motion was made by Soror to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $40.
   Approved: 46 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

4. Special Olympics Virginia – A motion was made by Soror Sonia Johnson to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $50.
   Approved: 44 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

5. Wounded Warriors Fredericksburg – A motion was made by Soror to R. Waterson to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $100.
   Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

6. Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank – A motion was made by Soror S. McCurdy to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $100.
   Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

7. Leukemia and Lymphoma Society Virginia – A motion was made by Soror J. Diggs to accept the Executive Board's recommendation of $50.
   Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

8. Boys and Girls Club of the Rappahannock Region – A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson to postpone the request until further information is received.
   Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

   Soror L. Talley presented information regarding the purpose of the Unity Festival. A motion was made by Soror P. Buckner to make a donation in the amount of $50.
   Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

9. UMW Step Show – A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson to participate in the step show if there is sufficient interest.
   Approved: 47 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

H. President's Report

In by 10:00 am winner for October is Soror M. Lewis.

There is one visitor present. Soror K. Williams

National Level:

- Please make sure you read the emails disseminated by National Headquarters and the South Atlantic Region.

Regional Level:

- There is a new logo to represent the same brand. Soror S. Drummond will send out a picture of this logo in the Crimson Alert.
- Fall State Meeting
    a. Workshops – leadership, branding, etc.
    b. Branding – how to promote a positive image of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. on social media
    c. Financial Management - information on transactions and other financial information

Local Level:

- Chapter is in compliance!!
- The new Policies and Procedures were approved!!! Suggestions for changes will need to be submitted no later than November 30, 2019.
- Vision – Reignited and joyfully uplifting our community through scholarship and service.
- Founders Day – January 3rd and 4th; Chesterfield, VA
- Founders Day (area wide) – Public Service Day (health and wellness in the community)
- Chapter Directory – There will be limited printed copies for all Delta Dears. The directory will be moving to the *Member's Only* section of the website. Only your name, address and phone number will be included.

I. Committee Reports

a. Projects

Soror J. Hill presented.
Unity Festival at Walker Grant Middle School – Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019, 12 to 5 pm
Trees of Hope sponsored by the Hope House.
Love Thy Neighbor – Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019, 1 to 5 pm. Carpool will be from the Ferry Farm Walmart at 12 pm.
Homework Club – Freedom Middle School. Volunteers are still needed or the program may not be feasible this year.
Thanksgiving baskets will be assigned to a designated family in each county of our service area. Sorors will be asked to bring one food item. See table below.

Last Name	Food Item	Last Name	Food Item
A-C	1-bag/box of stuffing	M-O	1-box brownie mix
D-F	1-can of cranberry sauce	P-S	1-bag/box mashed potatoes
G-I	2-boxes jiffy cornbread	T-Z	1-38/50 oz. can of green beans
J-L	1-40 oz. can of yams		

Young Men Connection – Saturday, Nov. 23, 2019, 10 am to 2pm, Spotsylvania YMCA. Open to middle school boys grades 6-8.

b. Ways and Means

Soror T. Baskin presented.
Boots and Blazers Party – Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019. Ticket cost is $25. Attire is fall gear. PayPal link will be available the week of Oct. 7, 2019.

Pay My Dues Raffle – Starts Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019. Open to all organizations. Drawing will be Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020 at the Founders Day Brunch. PayPal link will be available the week of Oct. 7, 2019.
Ticket cost: $10 (1 ticket), $25 (3 tickets).

Delta's Vote T-Shirt – Final orders due today and will be delivered at the November chapter meeting. T-shirt cost: $15 (*S*-*XL*), $18 (2*XL*-3*XL*).

c. Arts and Letters

Soror G. Major presented.
Delta Red Carpet Movie – "*Harriet*", the story of Harriet Tubman, Paragon Movie Theatre, Sunday, Nov. 10, 2019.
Volume 5 of the Delta Author's Directory has been released.
Paint with Me – Friday, Dec. 6, 2019 – Proceeds from the even will be given to a charitable organization to support children for Christmas.

d. Delta Academy and GEMS

Soror T. Givens presented.
Activities
"*Tell Me More*" – Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019
"*WizeTeenz*" with Faith-Based Health Education Founder Soror S. JB Michel, *MD* – Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019.

e. Habitat for Humanity

Soror T. White presented.
Projects
Oct. 12, 2019 – 5 volunteer slots available for the build project.
Oct. 26, 2019 – 3 volunteer slots available for the build project.

If interested, please go to the website www.fredhab.org to complete the virtual training application.

f. Health and Healing

Soror D. Poole presented.
Breast Cancer Awareness Month – October
A chair was decorated to honor those sorors in the chapter who are survivors and those lost to breast cancer.
Red Heel Monthly Walk – Saturday, Oct. 19, 2010, Government Island, 8 am; Rappahannock River, 4 pm.

Woodrow Wilson Bridge Walk (estimated for the spring). Contact Soror F. Cox if interested in walking.
Health Fair – Bragg Community Center

g. Information and Communication

Soror T. Baskin presented.
Moving committee reports to Jotforms. Training on Jotforms in November.

h. Membership

Soror J. Diggs presented.
Game Day – Saturday, Oct. 26, 2019 – England Run Clubhouse, 1 to 4 pm. RSVP by Saturday, Oct. 19, 2019.
Veteran Sorors – Submit you military background information into the Google doc link provided in the *Crimson Alert* by Friday, Oct. 25, 2019.

i. Social Action

Soror T. Langston presented.
Speed Repping – Salem Church Library, Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019
Candidate Forum – Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2019, 6:45 to 8:45 pm
Collect used Cell Phones for Empower House/Domestic Violence event – Saturday, Oct. 12, 2019
Candidate Forum – Salem Church Library, Tuesday, Oct. 22, 2019, 6:45 to 8:45 pm

J. Unfinished Business:

Jabberwock

Sorors are encouraged to join the committee. The co-chair is Soror A. Pearson. Reminder this is the chapter's major fund raiser for scholarships.

Background Check

If you paid for a background check, please complete a transmittal to get reimbursed.

K. New Business:

none

L. Announcements

Academy and GEMS

Please attend the October event. Please purchase blizzard fleece fabric for sale at Jo-Ann's Fabrics.

Social Action

Soror T. Langston presented.
Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2019 – Candidate's Forum 6:45 to 8:45 pm

M. Adjourn

A motion was made by B. Lawson and second to close the chapter meeting at 12:08 pm.