

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



Mayfield Community Center 311 Glover Street Fredericksburg, VA June 1, 2019 @ 10 am

A. Call to Order

The June Chapter meeting was called to order at 10:07 am by Soror Drummond. There were 61 sorors in attendance and no visitors. A quorum was present.

B. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Soror Sharon Johnson and second to adopt the revised agenda to include the Proposed Budget and Policies and Procedures after the Ways and Means committee.

Approved: 47

Opposed: 0

(motion carries)

C. Review of May Minutes

Page 1: Call to Order – Change from 'no' visitors to 'two' visitors.

Page 1: Greetings – Remove the 'r' from Farnchon to read Fanchon.

Page 4: Ways and Means - Change the date of the Crab Feast to from 'June 19' to 'June 15'.

Include Social Action report presented by Soror A. Lee.

Include the announcements about Directory presented by Soror J. Diggs.

D. Correspondence

Soror K. Cummings presented the report.

DONATION REQUESTS

There were no donation requests.

GREETINGS/THANK YOU

- 1. Soror Crystal Myers Thank you for the condolences for the passing of my great aunt.
- 2. Soror Barbara DeLoach Thank you for remembering my birthday.
- 3. Soror Adrian Wood Thank you for your financial support for the American Cancer Society.
- 4. Soror Annette Lee Thank you for your kinds words during the bereavement of my aunt.

NATIONAL CONVENTION READY

Committee to elect Renee Harper for National Treasurer – Mailer will be passed around chapter meeting.

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. Fredericksburg (VA) Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi 50th Charter Day Celebration and Scholarship Gala. June 8, 2019, 6:00 pm at the Hospitality House Tickets: \$75.
- 2. The Kappa Foundation of Fredericksburg 7th Annual Golf Tournament. Lees Hill Country Club: Save the Date: June 14, 2019.

- 3. Juneteenth Celebration June 15, 2019, 200 Prince Edward St. from 12 to 7 pm.
- 4. Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Tho Zeta Sigma Chapter 1st Annual Local Foods, Farms and Health Festival. June 22, 7am -8pm, Orleans Bistro and Grill (Parking Lot).

E. Financial Secretary's Report

Soror C. Roy presented the financial report for May 2019. The report will be filed for audit.

G. Treasurer's Report

Soror R. Graves presented the treasurer's report for May 2019. Corrections will be made to the report before filing for audit.

H. President's Report

In by 10:00 am winner for June is Soror T. Scott.

There are no visitors present.

National Level:

• The 54th National Convention will be held in New Orleans from July 11-14, 2019. If you are on the internal wait list please let Soror Drummond know so she assist in getting you a ticket should one become available.

Regional Level:

- Three committees submitted packages for awards at the National Convention Projects, Social Action, and Health and Healing.
- Soror J. Massenburg sends her thanks for such a wonderful job for the VA State Meeting.

Local Level:

- Thank you to the executive committee and others for your support in helping make this sorority year successful.
- Have a great summer!

I. Committee Reports

a. Ways and Means

Soror K. Lawson presented.

There are only 13 tickets left for the 6th Crab Feast. The date will be Sat., June 15, 2019 from 2 to 5 pm. Paypal has been suspended. If you need a ticket, please see Soror K. Lawson. The cost of each ticket is \$45. A list is circulating for set up and clean up. Please provide baked goods.

b. Proposed Budget

Soror R. Graves presented.

A motion was made by Soror W. Taylor and second to accept the proposed budget for the 2019-2020 sorority year.

Approved: 45 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

c. Policies and Procedures

I. JABBERWOCK - PROPOSAL TO ADD "MISS JABBERWOCK"

The Little Miss Jabberwock pageant shall be held bi-annually. Funds raised from this event will support the Scholarship fund. [Recommend adding Miss Jabberwock pageant. The Jabberwock pageant shall be held bi-annually. Funds raised from this event will support the Chapter Scholarship fund.]

- 1. Jabberwock shall operate in accordance with guidelines established by the Grand Chapter's Risk Management Manual. [no change]
- 2. The Little Miss Jabberwock pageant shall be open and free to the public. [Recommendation: The Jabberwock pageant shall be open to the public. Remove free to the public.]

A motion was made by Soror A. Henley and second to accept the proposed recommendation.

Approve: 34 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

3. Contestants shall be girls ages 7 to 10 who reside in the Chapter service area. [Recommendation: Little Miss Jabberwock Contestants shall be girls ages 7 to 10. Miss Jabberwock contestants shall be girls in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade of High School. Remove residence requirement (with the residence requirement we limit the potential contestants)]

A motion was made by Soror A. and second to add the middle school age group 6th -8th grade.

Approved: 28 Opposed: 14 (motion carries)

4. All members shall be expected to support one contestant financially with a minimum of a full-page ad in the souvenir journal/keepsake including a personal ad of ½ page. All members are expected to provide other assistance as needed as requested. [Recommendation: All FAAC members shall be expected to support one contestant financially with a minimum of a full-page ad or sponsorship equivalent in the souvenir journal/keepsake; financial payment installments acceptable. All members are expected to provide other assistance as needed as requested.]

A motion was made by Soror L. Jenkins and second to accept the recommendation.

Approve: 29 Opposed: 13 (motion carries)

- 5. Any member, who is unable to support an individual contestant, shall be expected to give financial support to the project rather than to a contestant assigned to another member. [Recommendation remove, unable to validate]
- 6. Each member shall be expected to serve on at least one (1) committee. [Recommendation remove, unable to validate]
- 7. A souvenir journal shall be published for each pageant. The format for the journal and prices of advertisements shall be determined by the pageant Steering Committee. [no change]

- 8. The date, location and plans for activities shall be determined by the pageant Steering Committee and approved by the Chapter President in accordance with the liability insurance verbiage as mentioned in Grand Chapter's Finance Manual. [no change]
- 9. Seed money shall be budgeted, based on the pageant Steering Committee's recommendation, for operational expenses. [no change]
- 10. The total amount of the proceeds turned in shall be announced at the pageant. First, second and third place winners shall receive recognition. The percentage of monies taken in shall be received by the winners as follows: first place winner thirty percent (30%); second place winner twenty-five (25 %); third place winner twenty percent (20%) and all others fifteen (15%). Prizes will be presented at the pageant. [no change]
- 11. The President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Jabberwock Chair/Co-Chair shall not sponsor a contestant. Their financial support shall be given to the pageant. [no change]
- 12. A member's daughter who meets eligibility criteria may be a contestant. [no change]
- 13. The Chapter shall support all former Jabberwock contestants who become Alpha Kappa Alpha Debutantes with a full-page advertisement, which will include the name(s) of these former contestants. Funding for this advertisement shall be taken from Jabberwock seed money. [no change]
- 14. All funds for Jabberwock activities should be received prior to the pageant as established by the Steering Committee's calendar. [no change]
- 15. A final financial report for all Jabberwock activities shall be provided within thirty (30) days of the pageant. [no change]

Recommendations to Policies and Procedures for Jabberwock:

- Additional Co-Chair for the finance role to Jabberwock Steering Committee.
- Expand the Jabberwock program to include High School students (10th to 12th grade girls)- This would not interfere with the program of Alpha Kappa Alpha as they select their contestants in May prior to their November event; we would solicit our contestants in September two-months before their event. So we would attract contestants that didn't apply for their program.
- Funds should not be accepted without appropriate (completed) ad or sponsorship form.

Recommendations for Jabberwock program

- Add to LMJ application reference to allergies: Please list allergies of the applicant.
- The Jabberwock Steering committee should strive for a net profit of \$20,000.
- The Jabberwock Steering committee should starting planning for the 2020
 Jabberwock in the spring of 2019 and submit DREF application in July 2019
 so the Jabberwock can start in September 2019.
- Consider changing the venue of the pageant, understanding that it will have a premium fee for the facility and Jabberwock Steering committee would need to budget for this expense.
- Update Jabberwock Release form to include release of contestant photo to social media

II. No Refund – Donation Policy

Due to contractual commitments of any sort, FAAC will not issue refunds. Instead, the Soror must sell or donate her ticket or financial transaction to a Soror (if applicable). Either action will need to be shared with the committee chair(s), President for accountability purposes. The chapter will assist the Soror in identifying the need to sell their ticket/financial transaction. (Rationale – there is not a written reference in our Policies and Procedures, this is understood for many seasoned members).

A motion was made by Soror R. Graves and second to accept this change.

Approved: 18 Opposed: 25 (motion fails)

III. Amenities

Current wording - See page 20 in P&P, C. Amenities - there is not a reference to Holiday Party Social in Amenities.

Current wording – See page 23 in P&P, J. Membership - no reference to Holiday Party Social in Membership.

Proposed

5. The amenities committee will coordinate and execute the Holiday Social at the December chapter meeting. (Rationale, the Holiday Party is not a Membership duty/responsibility – this is a past practice for the Amenities Committee; Membership has National initiatives for retention and reclamation).

A motion was made by and Soror K. Butler and second to accept the proposed change.

Approved: 46 Opposed: 0 (motion carries)

IV. SCHOLARSHIPS

- Initial paragraph should list one of 10 \$1,000 scholarships instead of 10 \$2,000 scholarships.
- For documents that must be submitted, can you add on #7 that letters of recommendation
 must be on official school letterhead? I realized it is mentioned on page 2 of the
 application but think it would be helpful for students to see it first hand on the cover page
 as they prepare to apply.

No vote was taken, however a consensus was made to accept the typographical error change.

A motion was made by Soror. B. Lawson and second to submit the minutes in the Members only section.

Approved: 42 Opposed: 0 (motion caries)

d. Delta Academy and GEMS

Report not presented.

e. Health and Healing

Report not presented.

f. May Week

Report not presented.

g. Membership

Report not presented.

h. Projects

Report not presented.

i. Relay for Life

Report not presented.

J. Unfinished Business:

VA State Meeting Miscellaneous Funds

A motion was made by Soror Sharon Johnson and second to donate the remaining funds from the VA State Meeting equally to Hope House, Teen Enrichment Network, Fail Safe Error and Caroline's Promise.

Approved: 40

Opposed: 0

(motion caries)

Government Shutdown Funds

A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson and second to donate the remaining \$73 to the Audrey Jones Scholarship Fund.

Approved: 41

Opposed: 0

(motion caries)

A motion was made by Soror B. Lawson and second to place all committee reports on the chapter website behind the Members Only area.

Approved: 42

Opposed: 0

(motion caries)

K. New Business:

Soror D. Poole distributed awards from Health and Healing.

L. Announcements

Crab Feast

Need a cooler. Reminder that it's all you can eat crabs.

VA Lawyers Hall of Fame

Awarded to Soror, L. Jenkins.

Relay for Life Top Fundraisers

Soror A. Wood (1st place), Soror C. Collins (2nd place), Soror C. Braxton (3rd place)

Voter Registration Training

Fredericksburg – July 16 @ 7pm; Stafford – July 24 @ 7 pm

M. Adjourn

A motion was made and second to close the chapter meeting at 12:45 pm.