

Gastonia Alumnae Chapter  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
Executive Board Meeting Minutes~June 2, 2020~ 6:30pm  
Zoom Meeting

Opened with prayer by Soror Harris

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**National      Regional      Local**

**Chapter Officer Reports**

President's Report-Soror Hager

- The National President had a President's Chat with all Chapter President's in April. To discuss everything that has been going on in the world since the pandemic and social distancing. There were 630 Sorors on the call.
- The Fall Leadership Conference has been canceled due to timing.
- The South Atlantic Virtual Regional Conference will be Saturday August 1st at 9:00 am. A one-day session that will include the Elections of Regional Officers and Committees. Registration for the virtual regional conference will open in June. As a reminder, you must be financial for the current fiscal year to register and financial within the fiscal year that the conference occurs to attend.
- College seniors that started the MIT process completed a Virtual MIT process. It included all the components of the intake process. Past President's participated in Jewel Night. They inducted 418 Sorors.
- Two new Chapters Inducted in the Far West region May 17th was their Induction.
- Compliance report was initially due to National's August 1st but has been extended to December 15, 2020. Scholarship and Standards are working on the guidelines. Soror Hager will complete Chapter reports.
- Memorial Service information has been submitted.
- The Executive Board approved late fees for Members to be waived. If you were not financial for the last 2years you have to pay a reinstatement fee.
- See the attached link on the Social Action Do's and Don'ts in regards to protesting. <https://files.constantcontact.com/99f3b5af501/f88517f2-aaa1-41f4-9144-eb0e16a9dfcf.pdf>

Financial Secretary/Treasurer-Soror Walker

- No Report
- Turned over financial information for the audit

Membership Services- Soror Pettiford

- A Calendar of online activities will be sent out in June
- Will plan an activity for the June meeting

Internal Audit-Soror Burris

- Working on the 3rd Quarter audit
- Will work on 4th Quarter audit this summer

**Committee Reports-5 min each, please**

**NOTE: Committee Reports need to be submitted prior to the Executive Board meetings each month.**

### **Budget & Finance-** Soror Walker

- Adjusted budget for the new members cleared in the Red Zone. 65 Sorors currently that paid dues including the new initiates.
- Some budgets were not received from committees. Used last year budget information to fill in the gaps.
- \$2,000.00 unallocated funds which could be used in other places
- \$3,000.00 for Jabberwock will be moved to Scholarships
- \$1,000.00 from DREFT that GEMS and Academy was not able to use this year. Moved to GEMS and Academy budget. Have not received a check from DREFT this year.
- Removed Risk Management budget funding for background checks
- Removed EMBODI budget because we don't have a standing committee
- Lowered Social Committee Funds; should come out the line item that the committee is supporting
- \$1,675.00 amount unallocated. Need ways to allocate funds to get to zero balance.
- Arts & Letters will get \$300.00 for their budget.
- Will move \$1,375.00 to Miscellaneous

### **Dinner Dance-** Soror Reynolds

- Met with Hyatt Hotel trying to come up with a final contract. The space is close in size to the Sheraton. The dance will be Feb. 6, 2021
- There is a hesitation to sign a contract due to a second wave of COVID-19
- Sheraton is on the table and the Renaissance hasn't opened up yet for contracts.
- Need to find out cancellation fee and what are our options

### **Arts & Letters-** Soror Green

- Would like to establish a Book Club
- First book will be read over the summer. Our first book **Becoming** Michelle Obama, by Michelle Obama
- Other books to be read are: Together, The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World, by Surgeon General Dr. Vivek H. Murphy. The Rainbow Comes and Goes: A Mother and Son on Life, Love and Loss, by Anderson Cooper and Gloria Vanderbilt
- Would like to incorporate some of our black authors; especially Sorors

### **College Day-**Soror Brewer

- The College Day Committee met after Father's Day weekend
- The event will occur at Tabernacle Baptist Church in January

### **Community Daycare-**Soror Burris

- Spoke with Ms. Reid and she doesn't know how the school year will look next year. Will still plan for the fall.

### **Courtesy-**Soror Crawford

- Soror Jamie Brooks received Get Well card due to having surgery on her ankle

### **Delta Academy/Delta Gems-** Soror Knight

- The following senior girls will receive a monetary gift of 50.00 each, certificate and the book: "Oh ,The Places You'll Go! ( Dr. Seuss). Girls: Maya Carter, Amina Mahamed
- Gift bags have been made and will be brought to each girl as soon as the checks from the chapter have been received.

**International Awareness & Involvement-** Soror Harris

- No Report

**Policy & Procedures** –Soror Hager

- No Report

**Physical & Mental Health-** Soror Perkins

- Co-Chairs: Renee Davis and Teretha Jones
- Will Partner with Highland Center for the Health Fair
- Highlight a National Health Initiative each month
- Mental Health Partnership in the community. Will connect with Soror Maxwell for the community service project

**Risk Management-** Soror Hager

- No Report

**Scholarship-** Soror Pettiford

- Researched online platforms for interviews with applicants; via telephone or Zoom

**Social Action-** Soror Williams

- No Report
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**Fundraising-**Soror Hager

- No Report

**Technology-**Soror Hager

- No Report

**Unfinished Business**

- None

**New Business:**

- May week we usually attend but would like to send a donation on behalf of the chapter to Tabernacle Baptist Church.

**Announcements:**

- Baby or young age pictures due to Soror Pettiford by Tuesday June 9th.
- Congratulating the parents of seniors from high school and college
- Soror Davis received her license to practice Psychology in Georgia.

**Adjournment:**

7:53 p.m. with closing prayer by Soror Harris

**Present:**

Tequel Hager  
Michelle Pettiford  
Treva Johnson  
LaShannda Walker  
Yolanda Burris  
Faye Harris  
Tega Crawford  
ReneeKnight  
Marilyn Green

Lillian Williams  
Deardre Gibson  
Lisa Reynolds  
Priscilla Brewer  
Renee Davis  
Joylette Hilliard  
Wanda Grier