**Program Planning and Development Committee Reports**

Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, 1st Vice President – February 2020

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| **[Arts and Letters Committee](https://members.dstonline.org/National-Area%22%20%5Cl%20%22arts):** dsttaarts@gmail.com Chair Shenika Baisley: [Circle of Sisters Book Club will be held](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/circle-of-friends-book-clubsome-singsome-cry-ntozake-shange-ifa-bayeza-tickets-77630203027) Friday, February 7, 2020 from 6:40-8:30 at the Barnes and Nobles in Brandon, FL. We will be reading “A Brothers Honor” by Brenda Jackson. Save the Date: Youth Art Exhibit, Saturday, March 7, 2020 from 11:00 am – 2:00 p.m. at the Barnes and Nobles in Brandon, FL.  Neighborhood Circle Red Carpet Event details coming.Next Committee Meeting: Sunday February 16, 2020 from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via Zoom |
| [**Economic Development Committee**](http://deltasigmatheta.org/economic.html)**:** dsttaecondev@gmail.com Chair Kay Lee-Smith: Financial planning event on Feb 8, 2020. 9am – noon at Middleton High School. Financial Literacy event is on April 19th in combination with Educational DevelopmentNext Committee Meeting: March 24, 2020 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via conference call |
| [**Educational Development**](https://www.deltasigmatheta.org/educational.html)**:** Coordinator, Angie Fields: All committees are having their holiday socials for the month of December along with community service projects. |
| **Delta Gems**: tampaalumnaedeltagems@gmail.com Chair Quicta Nicole Walters, co-chairs Maureen Goins, and Sharon Hays: 61 girls enrolled. 23 Gems and 13 Volunteers. College Tour February 17 – St. Leo and UCF.Next Committee Meeting: March 5, 2020 via Zoom |
| **Delta Academy**: tadeltaacademy@gmail.com Chair DeVonne McKeever-Daniels, co-chairs Jeanine Baron, and Deidre Joseph: Monthly session in February involved a body development discussion. A meeting was held this month with the parents to anonymously discussed concerns that were shared. College Tour February 17 – St. Leo and UCFNext Committee Meeting: March 2, 2020 at 7:30pm. Via conference call 712-770-5505 code # 215494 |
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| **EMBODI**: taembodi@gmail.com Chair Michelle Stone co-chair Angie Fields: Boys to Men planning continues for May 30, 2020. College Tour February 17 – St. Leo and UCFNext Committee Meeting: March 12, 2020;  |
| [**International Awareness and Involvement Committee**](https://www.deltasigmatheta.org/international.html)**:** dsttaiaandi@gmail.com Chair Jackie Jackson co-chair Christine Lewis: We are pleased to announce a donation of $1,000 to DREF on behalf of Delta House. Thanks to Tampa Alumnae generosity from T-shirt sales, donations and the remaining funds from the Bahamas relief effort. They are collaborating with the American Red Cross and James A Haley Veterans Hospital to serve the homeless population for World Health Day on April 7, 2020. We plan to put blessing bags together and will disseminate on that day.Next Committee Meeting: March 10, 2020 7:00 pm  |
| [**Physical and Mental Health Committee**](http://deltasigmatheta.org/health.html)**:** tapmh@dstta.com Chair Julie Williamson co-chair Kareen Moreland: Pink Goes Red event was cancelled. Planning continues for the 4th Annual Expressions of Determination Strength and Triumph which will be held May 9, 2020.Walk it Out \*\*Tuesday, 6 pm at International Mall (2223 N. Westshore Blvd) meet at the entrance of California Pizza Kitchen\*\*Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 pm at the Amphitheater near Waterworks Park (1710 N Highland Ave)\*\*Thursday, 7 pm at the Brandon Parkway Trail (604 Pauls Dr)\*\*Thursday, 6:30 pm at Dick's Sporting Goods in Citrus Park Mall (8100 Citrus Park Dr.) at couches in front of the store. Next Committee Meeting: March 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Every first Sunday via conference call 7:30 p.m. (605) 472-5396 access code 254640#  |
| **Political Awareness and Involvement****:** dsttapolitical@gmail.com Co-Chairs Walinda McKnight and Erica Williams: Voter Registration at black heritage festival on January 18, 2020 (all day) at Curtis Hixon Park was well supported by chapter members. 4 citizens registered and 64 flyers were distributed related to the Community.Next Committee Meeting: February 27, 2020 7:00 pm at the Children’s Board |
| [**Scholarship Committee**](https://members.dstonline.org/National-Area#scholar)**:** scholarshipdstta@gmail.com Chair Tina James co-chair Joanell Lawson: Scholarship applications received include 4 daughters and sons; 8 educational development, and 35 TA scholarships. Interviews will take place March 2-4 at Tampa Heights Elementary School. Our annual scholarship program will take place on May 3 at 3:00 p.m. at the University of South Florida Alumni Center.Next Committee Meeting: March 5, 2020, 5:30 p.m. at Tampa Heights Elementary School |

**Social Action Committee****:** tasocialaction@gmail.com Chair Heddie Sumpter co-chair Audrey Sullivan Moore: Social Action is gearing up for Census 2020 Complete Count. We have prepared a flyer in English and Spanish. They will be attending Delta Days and the State Capital and the Nation’s Capital in the month of February. They will collaborate on strategies with Tampa Metro prior to going to Tallahassee. Next Committee Meeting: March 19 and April 16 at the Children’s Board. |
| [**Risk Management**](https://members.dstonline.org/getmedia/b3270cc4-04eb-4af4-8717-e876aa303f2e/Risk-Management-Manual-September-2017_Amended.pdf)**:** dsttariskmng@gmail.com Coordinator Cassandra Thomas Trainers: Brenda Webb Johnson, Angie Fields, DeVonne McKeever-Daniels, and Gloria Williams: All pending volunteers attended a virtual risk mgmt. training on 1/9/20 and have been approved as volunteers. We currently have one Off Site Request form (College Tour) waiting on approval. |

### Respectfully submitted by Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, 1st VP, 813-789-1691, firstvp@dstta.com