

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
Tampa Alumnae Chapter

**Executive Board Meeting Minutes**  
**The Children's Board**  
**03/09/2020**

Present: Please review roster provided by technology team.

Soror Alicia Warren called the meeting to order at 6:02p.m. and Soror Tayanna Richardson offered the prayer/meditation.

Attendees: 28 Members and 2 Guests. Total 30

Soror Warren stated that the agenda would be adopted by consensus.

The February 2020 Executive Board Minutes were accepted with no required edits or corrections.

**Correspondence—Soror Christine Lewis:**

- Thank You- Soror Natalie Powell for flowers received during recovery period.
- Thank You – Soror Tina Fernandez for love expressed during loss of mother.
- Invitation- Alabama AME University is requesting support and attendance at their 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Tie Gala. This event will be held on Friday, April 24, 2020 at 6:30pm. Location- Von Braun Civic Center- South Hall

**President's Message—Soror Alicia Warren**

- **Regional Conference:**
  - May 22nd-25th -Kissimmee, Florida. We have not received updates regarding the Registration for this event.
  - Southern Regional Conference T-Shirts are available at a price of \$30. Payment can be made at the Executive Board or Chapter Meeting. Final Due Date to purchase a T-shirt is March 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - The Southern Regional DST Brooch is available at a price of \$25.
- **2020 Census Tele-Town Hall**
  - The 26<sup>th</sup> National President, Soror Beverly E. Smith, is the Featured Speaker.
  - The event is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2020 @ 8pm
- **Candidate for Southern Regional Director**
  - Please Support Soror Joanel Lawson who is a candidate for the Southern Regional Director position.
- **Campaign 22-** Sorors were requested to support Campaign 22 which provides an opportunity for members of the Southern Region to make a \$22 donation in honor of our Founders. This giving campaign will take place January 22-April 22, 2020. A portion of this campaign will offset the 47<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference expenses and support collegiate attendance at this year's Regional Conference. Please complete the Campaign 22 Donor Form ([bit.ly/Campaign22DonorForm](http://bit.ly/Campaign22DonorForm)) and submit a check payable to: Orlando Alumnae Chapter. Mail checks and completed form to:

Orlando Alumnae Chapter  
Attn: Southern Regional Conference Finance  
P.O. Box 555238  
Orlando, Florida 32855

- **MIT Update:** Soror Leslie Brown
  - 95 candidates were interviewed.
  - 167 financial members participated in the voting process.
  - Candidates needed at least 84 votes (majority vote) to move forward in the process.

- Membership was extended to 35 candidates. Specific details are available on the Members Only Website located under MIT Documentation.
- Candidate Orientation was held on March 3, 2020 and all 35 candidates paid the required fee.
- Sorors were reminded that there should be absolutely “NO” communication outside of the Minerva Circle with candidates regarding the Membership Intake Process.
- The official notice and invitation for Pyramid Induction and Initiation will be sent out at the end of this week (March 13<sup>th</sup>). This event is scheduled for March 24 2020. The Chapter is required to provide a minimum 10 day notice to Special Sorors and out-of-town Sorors who have been invited to attend.
- The deadline to pay for Odyssey is the March 21<sup>st</sup> Chapter meeting. Members are not required to stay overnight. The registration fee is \$50. Odyssey is scheduled for April 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.
- If members would like to collaborate on purchasing gifts, please see Soror Edith Randolph who is willing to coordinate bulk purchases.
- Sisterly Reminders: all calendar updates will be posted on our “Sisters Only” portal. Please remember that this process is sacred and should be kept confidential. If there are any questions, please refer to Soror Leslie Brown, LMC or our Chapter President, Soror Alicia Warren.
- **What Does Sisterhood Mean to You?** – Soror Alicia Warren facilitated a group discussion encouraging those in attendance to share what Sisterhood means to them.

#### **Budget and Finance Report- Soror Briana Joseph and Soror Lorraine Babeu**

- **Budget Report February 2020:** Program Bank Balance: \$123,573.06; Administrative Bank Balance: \$110,129.06; Funds Managed by D.E.L.T.A. INC: \$ 9,541.00.
  - **Action Item-** The Finance Chair moved to accept the recommendation coming from the Budget and Finance Committee to pay \$30.95 in shipping fees on behalf of the Chapter to purchase Southern Conference T-Shirts. Funding will come from unallocated funds line item 50201 YES (11, 14); NO (0) Motion Carried.
  - **Action Item-**The Finance Chair moved to accept the recommendation coming from the Budget and Finance Committee to purchase two tickets at the price of \$85 per ticket for the Chapter President and one guest to attend the Hillsborough County Branch of the NAACP’s Freedom Luncheon Event. Funds will be taken from Line Item 51800-other charitable funds. YES (10, 14) NO (0) Motion Carried.
- **Financial Secretary Report February 2020:** Income for February: \$25,411.64; Carryover Total from January: \$155,719.86; Grand Total: \$181,131.50.

#### **First Vice President’s Report: Soror Brenda Webb Johnson**

- **Arts & Letters Committee-** Soror Shenika Baisley:
  - The Youth Art Exhibit event held on March 7<sup>th</sup> was a huge success. There were 75 pieces of Art on display.
  - Reminder: please participate in your local neighborhood Red Carpet events during Sisterhood Month.
  - Walter “Wally B” Jennings is hosting a Southern Fried Poetry Event on June 10-14, 2020. They have extended an invitation for a member of the Chapter to participate as a Judge.
- **Economic Development Committee-** Soror Kay Smith- Chair. Soror Kay notified the chapter of a collaboration with 100 Black Women on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, entitled “Level Up for Entrepreneurs”. This event is replacing the Black Tank event. **Action Item:** As

- Chair, Soror Kay moved to change the date on the calendar for the Black Tank event from the 5<sup>th</sup> of May and replace with the Level Up Entrepreneur event scheduled for the 27<sup>th</sup> of June from 1pm to 4pm. YES (13,10) NO (2) Motion Carries.
- **International Awareness and Involvement Committee:** the International World Health Day event will be held on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at the Fletcher Avenue Center in partnership with Tampa Family Health. The focus will be on the theme of appreciation for nurses worldwide and coronavirus. **Action Item:** The Chair moved to change the date from April 5<sup>th</sup> to April 7<sup>th</sup> for the World Health Day Event. YES (12, 13) NO (0) Motion Carried.
  - **Physical and Mental Health Committee-** Chair Soror Kareen Moreland-
    - **The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Expressions of Determination Strength and Triumph Event will be held on May 9<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 7 pm.**
    - A March for Babies event will be held on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> (Theme: Hope, Remember, and Celebrate). More information is forthcoming.
  - **Social Action and Political Awareness: Committee-** Co-Chairs: Walinda Mcknight-Green and Erica Williams:
    - DDAC and DDNC Recap- Soror Audrey Sullivan Moore recapped legislative priorities. These priorities included:
      - Support for HBCU's
      - Affordable Health Care
      - Voting Rights
      - Gender Equality
      - Racial Profiling
      - Financial Literacy and Economic Development
    - Soror Audrey also shared information pertaining to specific bills that the committee will be following to include the Crown Act House Bill 761 which supports the end of racial discrimination based on hairstyles. This is a National Initiative that will be reflected in the newsletter. Other Federal Bills we are following include House Bill 1968; House Bill 4; House Bill 5349; and House Bill 5327.
  - **Economic Development:** Chair Kay Lee-Smith: A financial planning event was held on February 8, 2020 at Middleton High School. This event received great reviews and it was full of amazing information. Another Financial Literacy event is scheduled for April 19<sup>th</sup> in collaboration with Educational Development.

### **Second Vice President's Report – Soror Sabrina Griffith (not present)**

- **Emergency Response Team-** The Emergency Response team is monitoring all communications regarding the Corona Virus (COVID-19). It was reported that individuals with Diabetes are at higher risk of contracting the Corona Virus. Corona Virus can remain on surfaces for up to 4 to 5 days. ERT is encouraging members to purchase Lysol and to start stocking up on water and non-perishable items.
- **Policies and Procedures-** the timeframe for submitting changes ended on February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:49pm. The proposed changes to policies and procedures will be recapped in color code:
  - “Blue” represents revision of a word or small phrase in an existing policy
  - “Red” reflects complete removal of a word, phrase, or sentences to an existing policy and or procedure
  - “Green” reflects the creation of a new policy and/or procedure that does not

currently exist.

Sorors were requested to please review the proposed changes prior to chapter meeting.

- **The Sisterhood Calendar was shared and is available on the DSTTA website.**
- **Nominating Committee-** Applications must be completed and submitted by March 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm. Sorors were requested to try and have their applications submitted by March 20<sup>th</sup>.

### **Third Vice President's Report – Soror Angela Brown**

- **Queen of Hearts:** Chairs: Soror Joyce Patterson and Soror Paulette Walker
  - **March 28, 2020 from 6pm to 11pm at Centro Asturiano de Tampa**
  - **Event is SOLD OUT. Everyone will need a ticket in order to enter the venue.**
  - If you request a donations package please see Soror Shantel Bobo or Soror Janet Solly. If you request an ads package please see Soror Areatha Morrow.
  - **Table Selection** will begin on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at Young Middle Magnet School (5:30pm until 7:45pm).
- **NPHC: Soror Jasmine White-Bynum-** Greek Games is scheduled for Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled to occur on April 11<sup>th</sup>.
- **Fundraising Minute:** We Vote t-shirts and Chapter t-shirts: There will be a logo contest brought before the chapter. Both options were displayed during E-Board meeting and Executive Board will make a recommendation regarding preferred options. It was expressed by Soror Paulette Walker that the chapter would need to specify Tampa Alumnae on the t-shirt when referencing “Deltas Vote” because only the National Chapter can make the decision to generically target all Deltas.
- **Coming Soon:** Club Delta TBD and 2020-2021 Fundraising Planning Meeting scheduled for May 12, 2020. Currently working on a Chapter Jacket which is on pause currently due to items being shipped from China.

### **Good of the Order – Soror Christine Lewis**

- Soror Lawson is running for Reginal Director. A Meet and Greet event has been scheduled for March 22 from 3:30pm to 5:30pm at the Tampa Heights Civic Association.

Soror Alicia Warren adjourned the meeting by consensus. Motion carried (Unanimous).

Meeting adjourned at 7:36p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Alicia Warren, President

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Dawne Gullatt, Recording Secretary (absent)

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Lorita Shirley, Assistant Recording Secretary



## Program Planning and Development Committee Reports

Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – March 2020

**Arts and Letters Committee:** [dsttaarts@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaarts@gmail.com) Chair [Shenika Baisley](#): 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: DST Movies/DSTTv showings. Next Circle of Friends Book Club: Friday, May 8, 2020 from 6:30 pm – 8:30pm @ Grill Smith, Carrollwood, FL, (Eventbrite Pending)

**Next Committee Meeting:** Sunday March 22, 2020 from 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via Zoom

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**Economic Development Committee:** [dsttaecondev@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaecondev@gmail.com) Chair [Kay Lee-Smith](#): Financial planning event on Feb 8, 2020. 9am – noon at Middleton High School received great reviews and it was full of amazing information. Financial Literacy event is on April 19<sup>th</sup> in combination with Educational Development

**Next Committee Meeting:** March 24, 2020 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm via conference call

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**Educational Development:** Coordinator, [Angie Fields](#): All committees are having their holiday socials for the month of December along with community service projects.

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**Delta Gems:** [tampaalumnaedelttagems@gmail.com](mailto:tampaalumnaedelttagems@gmail.com) Chair [Quicta Nicole Walters](#), co-chairs [Maureen Goins](#), and [Sharon Hays](#): 61 girls enrolled. 23 Gems and 13 Volunteers. College Tour was held February 17 – St. Leo and UCF and the girls had a great time. The majority of their girls added these schools to their list. They were invited to meet Miss at the Aquarium on March 26.

**Next Committee Meeting:** March 10, 2020 via Zoom

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**Delta Academy:** [tadeltaacademy@gmail.com](mailto: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 UCF

**Next Committee Meeting:** March 2, 2020 at 7:30pm. Via conference call 712-770-5505 code # 215494

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**EMBODI:** [taembodi@gmail.com](mailto:taembodi@gmail.com) Chair [Michelle Stone](#) co-chair [Angie Fields](#): **Empowering our Males: Candid Conversations** planning continues for May 30, 2020.

**Next Committee Meeting:** March 12, 2020;

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**International Awareness and Involvement Committee:** [dsttaiaandi@gmail.com](mailto:dsttaiaandi@gmail.com) Chair [Jackie Jackson](#) co-chair [Christine Lewis](#): World Health Day is April 7, 2020. Tampa Family Health has an event that we can participate in on that day. The focus will be on the theme of appreciation for nurses worldwide and coronavirus.

**Next Committee Meeting:** March 10, 2020 7:00 pm

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**Physical and Mental Health Committee:** [tapmh@dstta.com](mailto:tapmh@dstta.com) Chair Julie Williamson co-chair Kareen Moreland: Pink Goes Red event was cancelled. Planning continues for the 4<sup>th</sup> 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:** April 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. Every first Sunday via conference call 7:30 p.m. (605) 472-5396 access code 254640#

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**Political Awareness and Involvement:** [dsttapolitical@gmail.com](mailto:dsttapolitical@gmail.com) Co-Chairs Walinda McKnight and Erica Williams:

**Next Committee Meeting:** TBD

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**Scholarship Committee:** [scholarshipdstta@gmail.com](mailto:scholarshipdstta@gmail.com) Chair Tina James co-chair Joanell Lawson: Scholarship interviews have been completed. 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

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**Social Action Committee:** [tasocialaction@gmail.com](mailto: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.

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**Risk Management:** [dsttariskmng@gmail.com](mailto: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 for Miss USA visit

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Respectfully submitted by Dr. Brenda Webb Johnson, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, 813-789-1691, [firstvp@dstta.com](mailto:firstvp@dstta.com)



### Archives

- **Chair: Soror Tonja Brickhouse** tbrick4140@aol.com Properties/Storage sub-committee - **Co-chair, Soror Schantel Bobo,** tcbfl2000@aol.com

No report at this time.

### Nominating Committee

- **Chair: Soror DeVonne McKeever-Daniels** devonnemc9@gmail.com **Co-Chair: Alicia Howell-Banks** ahowell75@yahoo.com

*Reminder: Are you interested in running for office? Applications are due March 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:59pm.*

### Grants

- **Chair: Soror Tina Fernandez,** tfernandez35@gmail.com

No report at this time.

### Membership Services

- **Chair: Soror TeKeisha Zimmerman** Zimmerman.tekeisha@gmail.com

Happy Sisterhood Month



#SisterhoodDST

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[sis•ter•hood] noun 1. unity and friendship among women  
2. a deep bond based on eternal love and respect 3. solidarity  
and support for a lifetime 4. the foundation of a sorority

#### *Concerns*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Wanda Seigler** poppye53@gmail.com

#### *Courtesy*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Leslie Woods-Brown,** drbrown427@verizon.net

#### *Delta Connection*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Theresa Cross** tcross499@gmail.com

#### *Hospitality*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Alicia Howell Banks** ahowell75@yahoo.com

#### *Social*

- **Co-Chairs: Soror Jacquelyn Bogen** yvonne33617@yahoo.com, **Soror Chantelle Harrison** chantelle.harrison9@gmail.com

*Please contact the sub-committee immediately to notify them of any events you anticipate using their services throughout the sororal year.*

#### *Delta Internal Development*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Nadine Johnson,** njdelta40@aol.com

#### *Collegiate Connection*

- **Co-Chair: Soror Jasmine White-Bynum,** jswhiteb@ncsu.edu

#### *Reclamation*

- **Co-Chairs: Soror Estella Gray** estellagray@yahoo.com

#### *Founders Day*

- **Co-chair: Soror Edith Randolph edithrandolph27@yahoo.com**

### **Technology and Communications Committee**

- **Chair: Soror Katina Robinson ebonykat@tampabay.rr.com Co-chair –Soror Dioan Johnson, djatlast1913@gmail.com**

No report at this time.

### **Ritual and Ceremonies**

- **Chair: Soror Janice Crowley crowleyj002@yahoo.com, Soror Joyce Patterson patsjoy127@yahoo.com**

No report at this time.

### **Public Relations**

- **Chair: Soror Jamel Lane jlanee1@gmail.com, Co-Chair: Soror Mallory Davis mal.davis1913@gmail.com**

*The committee asks that requests for publicity be submitted 8 weeks prior to the event so there is ample time to create and implement an appropriate plan.*

*In February, the committee promoted and created publicity items for the Arts and Letters Book Club, Queen of Hearts Ball and Regional Conference.*

### **Policies and Procedures**

- **Co-Chair: Soror Tayanna Richardson tqsarichardson@yahoo.com**

*Report submitted separately.*

### **Protocol and Traditions**

- **Chair: Soror Imani Coles Imani.coles@spartans.ut.edu, Co-chair: Soror Marian Lauria-Gibson mslauria1@verizon.net**

No report at this time.

### **Strategic Planning**

- **Chair: Karen Beard, Co-Chair: Tonja Brickhouse**

No report at this time.

### **Audit**

- **Chair: Soror Gloria Williams glojean29@earthlink.net**

No report at this time.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Sabrina Griffith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President





**Fundraising Committee Reports**  
**Angela Brown**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President**  
**March 2020**



**Queen of Hearts:** Chairs: Soror Joyce Patterson and Soror Paulette Walker

-March 28, 2020

-6:00 pm-11:00 pm

-Event is **SOLD OUT**

-Donation opportunities

-Table Selection details

**NPHC:** Representative: Soror Jasmine White-Bynum

**Greek Games- May 3, 2020**

**Fundraising Minute**

-We Vote t-shirts

-Chapter Jacket -May

**Coming Soon**

-Club Delta *April 25, 2020*

-2020-2021 Fundraising Planning Meeting- *May 12, 2020*

Respectfully submitted by

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