**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**

**Inkster Alumnae Chapter ∙ General Body Meeting Minutes**

**Saturday, February 12, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 11:18AM by Soror Vivian Kirkland

Quorum present at 11:18AM

**Location:** Zoom Meeting  
<https://zoom.us/j/7194479532?pwd=eWtoVzg3a2FWRzF6ZVlFZmJFM3g2QT09>  
  
Meeting ID: 719 447 9532

**Agenda and Minutes**

* Adoption of Agenda for February 12, 2022
  + Edit of Agenda to reflect that NPHC has no report
* Moved by Soror S. Farver
* Seconded by Soror L. Barclay-Abrams
  + Vote by poll -100% Carried
* Minutes for January 8, 2022 General Body Meeting approved as distributed

**COMMUNICATIONS: Soror Faith Ivey**

I**. National Mail:** N/A

**II. Regional Mail:** N/A

**III. General Mail:** Soror Delmeer Oliver

**IV. Committee Mail:** Scholarship (3) applications

**V. Other Correspondences:**

**A. (**7) Dues payments

(1) Dues transfer from AAAC

(4) Scholarship donations

(5) Virtual Bingo payments

(1) Deluxe reorder form

(2) English Gardens statement

**B. Events** N/A

**TREASURER’S REPORT / FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Soror Tanisha Hester and Soror Joi Miller**

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| **2021 – 2022 Sorority Year Financial Recap** *(as of 01/31/2022)* **Total Financial Members *(as of 1/17/2022) 125***    **Proposed Budget Changes for Approval**    **Soror Tanisha Hester moved that budget changes be approved as distributed.**   * Vote by poll * Approved 100%   Table  Description automatically generated  **Financial Secretary Notes:**   * Check the Crimson Cabinet to download **Updated Financial Forms**. * **All forms are now 100% fillable and located in the Crimson Cabinet** under IAC Chair/Committee Resources. You must download the form and open as a PDF. * **Sent all check requests to: President, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Assistant Financial Secretary**   **and Assistant Treasurer.**  **Financial Secretary**   * Committee Chairs who will have events that cost, please remember to include the PayPal fee of 4.25% into your event ticket * or item cost when submitting your IAC Publicity & ICT Request form.  This will allow the consumer to absorb the PayPal * fees and not the chapter. * You can now start paying your dues for the next fiscal year 2022-2023. * You have until March 15th to submit those payments without accruing a late fee. * Please remember to complete a dues renewal form and submit it along with your payments. The Dues Renewal form can be * found in the Crimson Cabinet. * If you submit your payments via PayPal please email your Dues Renewal form to me at [financialsec@inksterdeltas.org](mailto:financialsec@inksterdeltas.org) * QUICK NOTE: When paying dues in the Crimson Cabinet, there are 3 different categories listed: Non DEAR, DEAR and Membership Dues (College Grad). If you take your mouse and left click over the category that applies to you.... |  |

**ADMINISTRATION**: **Soror Vivian Kirkland**

**LOCAL**

* **Committees Elevating, Enhancing, Empowering**
  + 1/1-31 Arts and Letters: Book Drive
  + 1/10 DELTA GEMS: Health and Wellness Event
  + 1/17 Community Service: 2022 Romulus MLK Day March
  + 1/24 Arts and Letters: Virtual Library Card Registration Kickoff
  + 1/24 Statewide Founders Day Exploratory Committee :1st Meeting
  + All month: ICT, Publicity/Ads
* **Chapter News**
* Sharing IAC’s social media posts
* Chapter monthly newsletter: Elevating Communication with the Community
* Policy and Procedure Chair and Co-Chars: Sorors Paula Wiley and LaTonya Floyd

**REGIONAL**

* 1/17 Midwest Regional Nominating Committee: Deadline to apply January 30th 11:59p EST.
* 1/23 International Day of Prayer – Midwest Region’s Prayer Vigil
* 1/25 International Day of Prayer – Midwest Region’s Prayer Vigil Recording

**NATIONAL**

* 1/13 Delta Sigma Theta’s 109th Founders Day
* 1/13 Save the Date: 2022 DDNC (March 4-8, 2022)
* 1/20 News of the passing of our 27th National President, Soror Cheryl Hickmon

**PROGRAM PLANNING:**  **Soror Larissa Barclay Abrams:**

* **Local Updates**
* **Calendar**
* **Updates**
* **2022-2023 calendar due April 3rd**
* Will submit to state PP&D Coordinator by May 1st
* **Committee Sign-up**
* Updated to a Google Form
* **Chapter Awards**
* Will be available as a Google Form
* Soror of the Year
* D.E.A.R. of the Year
* Committee of the Year
* **Regional Updates**
* The awards criteria has been received for the 2021-2022 award season:
* The program eligibility: July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022
* The submission window: May 1, 2022 and ends July 15, 2022
* Two webinars will be held to review the rubric and how to complete the electronic form.  Stay tuned for additional information.
* Meeting 1:1 with Chairs and Co-Chairs to review award criteria and eligibility for programs conducted is ongoing
* Plan is to submit for every award
* **National Updates**
* 2019-2021 national program initiatives emailed to committee chairs
* New national program initiatives will be shared once received from Grand Chapter
* **Reminders**
* Calendar Updates: Whenever changes are made
* Demographic Forms: Available as Google Form. Link available in the Crimson Cabinet.
* Evaluation Forms: Available as Google Form and QR Code. Link available in the Crimson Cabinet
* Committee Update Meetings: Monthly, 4th Sunday, 8pm via Google Meet. Next meeting February 20th
* Chapter events and meetings may be virtual or face to face, no hybrid events. Virtual only youth programming until further notice.

**MEMBERSHIP:** **Soror Melissa Crumbey**

* **PAST EVENT: N/A**
* **UPCOMING EVENT: IAC Cares Campaign Kickoff**
  + - What: Membership Committee initiative to show love and support to new and existing Sorors (retention); as well as outreach and inclusion to non-IAC Sorors both visiting and prior IAC members (reclamation).
    - Why: *Because the heartbeat of our sisterhood (new, existing, previous, and future)….is love.*
* **Sisterhood Month**
* **PJs and Pearls** The Remix Back to the 80’s
  + 3/25/22 7-9 PM
* **IAC February Birthdays and January Delta Anniversaries Listed**
* **Care and Concern**
* IAC will conduct the Omega Omega Ceremony of
* **Soror J. Louise Jordan**
* 10th Chapter President of Inkster Alumnae
* The ceremony will be held virtually on
* Sunday, February 20th at 3 p.m.
* Please continue to hold the family, Sorors, Sands, and friends of our National President in your prayers, as well as our beloved Sorority.

**DELTA ACADEMY:**  **Soror Kennetha Thompson**

**Chair: Dr. Kennetha S. Thompson**

**PAST EVENTS:**

* **Our STEM was held on Saturday, February 5.** Soror Tiffani Abrams and Soror Paula Wiley were the lead facilitators. Participants built an active volcano. We had 12 Delta Academy Participants present and 6 Delta Academy Committee Members Present. One of the participants stated, “This was a lot of fun!”

**UPCOMING EVENTS: Saturday, March 5-Money Matters Workshop** at 12 noon via Zoom

**GEMS: Soror Jazmyn Bradford**

**Past Events:**

* **Delta GEMS Workshop: Health and Wellness** (January)

**Upcoming Events:**

* + **Delta GEMS Open House** (Tuesday February 22, 2022) - IAC Sorors and teen girls interested in Delta G.E.M.S. are invited upon completion of ZOOM Registration
  + **\*\* Save the Date: Delta GEMS Power Rally** (Saturday, April 16, 2022 from 6pm to 8pm)

**SCHOLARSHIP & FUNDRAISING: Soror Courtney Townsel**

**PAST EVENTS:**

* **Virtual Bingo Fundraiser**
* Saturday Jan 22, 2022
* PayPal proceeds $1,533.84
* Over 50 Sorors and community members

**Upcoming Events**

**Soror $50 Donations**

* 121 financial IAC Sorors
* Current: $1,769.80 (24%)
* Requesting donations by March 1, 2022

**PAST EVENTS:**

* Holiday Basket Giveaway
  + Raffle Date: 12/14/2021
* Congratulations to Tanisha Hester!!
* Sorors that have donated so far this year:
* Thank you Sorors!!
* Karisha Springer-Floyd Ayanna McConnell Julia Pitts
* Vivian Kirkland Carole Watson Courtney Townsel
* Samantha Hampton Tracy Causey-Bryant Tiffani Abrams
* D’Angela Pitts Donna Wilson Joi Miller
* LaTanya Beanum Jami Umstead Elizabeth Gilreath
* Kymberly Maynor-LeGreair Krystal Martin Christonna Campbell
* Bridget Graham Karen Braxton Charmese Armstrong
* Lisa Harston-LeDoux Andrena Crowder Mondraea Calvin
* Cynthia Patton-Johnson Larissa Barclay Tanisha Hester\*\*
* Laurecia Smith-Witherspoon Ingrid Johnson
* **Upcoming Events**
* We are still accepting your annual $50 donation to the Scholarship fund
* Visit the IAC website to donate
* Scholarship Applications Due 2/1/22
* Interviews 3/11-3/13
* Scholarship Celebration 5/21

**ADS & Publicity: Soror Paula Wiley**

* The Publicity Committee has been busy all month.  We have completed many projects and have a number of projects we are working to complete.
* Committee Chairs please use our updated Request form, found in the Crimson Cabinet.  Please submit your requests 30 days prior to your posting dates not 30 before your event.
* Paula Wiley, Chair
* Porsha Poe, Co-Chair
* Policies and Procedures
* Sorors please review the current Policies and Procedures posted in the Crimson Cabinet and make any recommendations for changes.  The committee will be meeting later this month to review all submissions.
* Paula Wiley, Chair
* LaTonya Floyd, Co-Chair
* Ads/Publicity
* Motion to purchase an Ad in the Inkster Zeta Jazz & Jeans event, $30 full page ad.  Motion accepted
* Motion moved by Soror Porscha Poe
* Second by Soror DeAngela Pitts

**Arts & Letters: Soror Faith Ivey**

**Dr. Faith Ivey: Chair  
Soror Johanna Kinsey: Co-Chair**

**PAST EVENTS:**

**February2022 Report**

* **Delta Red Carpet Movie** v. Christmas in Harmony, A Rich Christmas, Christmas Treasure, Soul Santa, Baking Spirits Bright, Merry Liddle Christmas Baby, Welcome to the Christmas Family, A Chestnut Family Christmas, The Business of Christmas, Kirk Franklin’s A Gospel Christmas, A Sisterly Christmas, Merry Switchmas, A Christmas Stray, Writing Around the Christmas Tree. Streaming on OWN, Hallmark, BET, and Lifetime

**Upcoming Events:**

* **IAC Community Literacy Campaign:** We will be donating new books for K-12 students who attend local Inkster Schools. We are partnering with the Scholastic Book Community Program, to purchase low-cost books.
* We would also like sorors to volunteer to take one of our collection bins to your place of employment to collect new books.
* **IAC Community Literacy Campaign**: We will be donating new books for K-12 students who attend local Inkster free academies. We are partnering with the Scholastic Book Community Program, to purchase low-cost books. Please share the flyer and donate towards this worthy cause, the donation link is now available.
* We will work collaboratively with local Inkster free academies and the LH Library to help family's sign-up for a **library card virtually.**
* Both efforts will go towards our goal of donating age-appropriate innovative books for Reading Awareness Month in March of 2022.
* **We have been invited to serve as judges for the Inkster Preparatory Academy Black History Month Project**, the week of 2/21/22. We will judge and provide prizes for student art, poems, and essays in collaboration with the Delta DEARS

**AUDIT: Soror Adrena Crowder**

* **No Report**

**COLLEGIATE CONNECTION– Soror TaQuinda Johnson**

* **NO REPORT**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** **Soror Gabrielle Thomas**

**Chair: Gabrielle Thomas CO-Chair: Breana Lewis**

**PAST EVENTS:**

* **Romulus MLK Day Celebration Walk**
* Location: Began at Romulus Middle School to Romulus High School
* Jan. 17, 2022 7:00am -8:30am

**UPCOMING EVENTS :**

* N/A

**DELTA DEARS: Soror R. Lorraine Hurst**

* **PAST EVENTS:**
  + **Partnered with Scholarship for Virtual BINGO**
  + January 22, 2022 Great event, Details per Scholarship Committee
* **UPCOMING EVENT:**
  + **Regional Delta DEAR Tea**
  + Saturday, May 14, 2022 Details to follow

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Soror Jami Umstead**

* **NO REPORT**

**EMERGENCY RESPOSE TEAM**: **Soror Lisa Harrington Shorter**

* **Committee Chair: Soror Lisa Shorter**
* **Co-Chair: Soror Leslie Grace**
  + ***Sisterhood, Service, and Safety***
* **PAST EVENTS :**
* None
* **UPCOMING EVENTS :**
* Positive Covid numbers are on the rise.. The National Delta Emergency Response Team is still recommending all members to **Wash hand, Wear a mask, Watch your distance, and get Weekly Testing.**
* **Attended the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph Chapters’ Lead in Water Town Hall on Wednesday, February 3, 2022…**Thank you to Sorors Leslie Grace, Joi Miller, and Donna Wilson for their support as well.
* Chapters will be notified at a later date on how we can assist.
* **CVS & Walgreens are giving free N-95 masks.** Please ask on your next visit.
* **The United States Post Office is giving free set of 4 HOME Covid Tests.** Please log onto the following link to place your order. <https://special.usps.com/testkits>
* **Don’t forget to complete/update your RED Envelope** in the Crimson Cabinet

**HERITAGE AND ARCHIVES: Soror Shareia Carter**

* **NO REPORT**

**INFORMATION, COMMUICATION & TECHNOLOGY: Soror Ashley Hardison**

* **Social Media Insights**
* **January 1-24**
* **Facebook**
* Reach: 4,025 (3% increase)
* # of Post: 23
* Page Visit: 299 (68.9% increase)
* Best Times: 8AM-5 PM
* Best Days: Sun, and Thurs
* # of Followers 3,664
* # of Engagements: 1,094 (5% increase)
* New Followers: 16 People
* **Instagram**
* Reach: 1,438 (98.9% increase)
* # of Post: 23
* Page Visit: 257 (83.6% increase)
* Best Times: 6 am- 6 pm
* Best Days: Sunday- Saturday
* # of Followers 1,709
* # of Engagements 217 (+ 110%)
* New Followers: 18 (63.6% increase)
* **Facebook Top Post**
* 1/6 Virtual BINGO
* -1.5 K People Reached
* - 93 Engagements
* 1/6 Stepping into Wellness
* -298 People Reached
* -14 Engagements
* 1/21 President Hickman Facebook Cover
* -159- People Reached
* -29 Engagements
* **Instagram Top Post**
* 1/6 Stepping into Wellness
* -528 Likes
* 1/17 MLD Day Celebration Ceremony
* -411 Likes
* 1/6 Virtual BINGO
* - 273 Likes
* **This Month we have created 3 customized Bit.ly event links**
* **Newsletter Submissions**
* Committee Newsletter submissions are due no later than the 25th of each month.

**INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS & INVOLVMENT: Chair Soror Patty Hines**

* **NO REPORT**

**PHYSICAL MENTAL & HEALTH:** Soror Kamisha Stevens Presented by Krystal Martin

**Chair: Kamisha Stevens**

**Co-Chair: Krystal Martin**

**PAST EVENTS:**

* **Stepping Into Wellness (virtual)**
  + February 10, 2022
  + Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm via Zoom

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

* **Clean Home Clean Mindset** (partnering with Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne County)
* collaboration with Economic Development (Sorors)
* Sponsoring 10 families
* Donations for cleaning supplies via Sign up Genius (March 1st-April 16th
* Sorors can drop off donations April 16 12pm-2pm @ Western Wayne Family Health

**POLICY & PROCEDURES: Soror Paula Wiley**

* **Chair: Paula Wiley,**
* **Co-Chair: LaTonya Floyd**
* Sorors please review the current Policies and Procedures posted in the Crimson Cabinet and make any recommendations for changes.  The committee will be meeting later this month to review all submissions**.**

**SOCIAL ACTION: Soror Karen Braxton**

* **NO REPORT**

**NPHC: Soror Laurecia Smith-Witherspoon**

* **NO REPORT**

**NOMINATING: Soror Jenita Moore**

**Chair: Jenita Moore**

**Members: LaTanya Beanum**

**D’Angela Pitts**

**PAST EVENTS:**

* **Leadership Series: Leadership Has Its Privileges: IAC Next Top Chair**
* Date: Saturday, December 11, 2021
* Time: 10-10:30am- During Sisterhood Hour

**UPCOMING EVENTS :**

* **Crimson and Cream Roundtable-It's a Matter of Record.**
* Date: Saturday, February 12, 2022
* Time: 10-10:45am-During Sisterhood Hour
* This program will feature the current and immediate past corresponding and recording secretaries to discuss their duties and responsibilities. This is open to all chapter sorors.

**Nominating Committee Calendar**

February 12th Crimson and Cream Roundtable-It's Matter of Record! -Sisterhood Hour

March 12th Crimson and Cream Roundtable- Where the Money Resides!- Sisterhood Hour

Application/ Nominating Form sent out to chapter

March 19th Application/Nominating Form due by midnight (electronically and/or USPS)

March 24th Present Slate at E-Board

April 9th Chapter meeting present slate / take nomination from the floor

April 29th 10-day notification sent to chapter of the vote for open position (electronically and/or USPS

May4th Candidate Forum (questions) & chapter vote for candidates

June 11th Installations of officers

The Nominating Committee has the responsibility to select and recommend for consideration, qualified candidates for current eligible positions.

* + Inkster Alumnae Chapter 2022-2024 Eligible Positions

Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Asst Financial Secretary.

The term of office for all officers shall be two (2) years.

**GROW WITH GOOGLE:** Soror Rhoda Pitts Presented by Soror Jazmyn Bradford

* **PAST EVENTS:**
* Workshop December 18, 2021- 12:30am-2:00pm (Delta Dears Only)
  + **Digital Skills for Everyday Task- Caroline Kennedy Library**
  + 14 Delta Dears attended the event
* **UPCOMING EVENTS :**
* Workshop February 26, 2022- Time 1:00pm-2:00pm (Open to the community)
  + **Power your job search- Virtual workshop**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

* **None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* **Soror Farver**
  + Soror Farver sent two cards to the chapter to thank everyone for all the support and congratulations on the election becoming the National Chair of the Finance Committee..

**Announcements**:

* + Soror Karen Braxton
  + Social Action
    - Registration for Delta Days at the Nations Capital is happening now. DDAC is scheduled for March 4-6, 2022.
  + Soror Lisa Shorter
  + ERT
* ERT would Sorors that are home alone to consider having their cameras on during the sorority meeting.
* Soror Helena Williams & Co-Chair Tracey Causley- Bryant
* May Week
* Plans for May Week are underway.
* Soror Ingrid Wilson-Johnson
* Thank those Sorors that participated in the Virtual Scholarship Tea

**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn meeting, Soror Kia Diamond Berry, seconded by Soror Donna Wilson. Motion carried unanimously by poll vote. Meeting adjourned at 12:30PM.**

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Soror Leslie V. Grace

*Received by Inkster Alumnae Chapter President, Vivian Kirkland\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*