

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**  
**Inkster Alumnae Chapter • Executive Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, February 8, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM by Soror Tiffany Taylor Tait

**Agenda and Minutes**

- Soror Treva Smith motioned to accept the February 2018 Executive Board meeting agenda; seconded by Soror McConnell Unanimous approval. Motion carried.
- Soror Mentor made a motion to adopt the January 2018 Executive Board minutes; seconded by Soror Treva Smith Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Soror Alisa Smith

**National Mail:** N/A

**Regional Mail:** N/A

**General Mail:**

- ▶ Thank you card- Soror Paula Wiley

**Other Correspondence:**

▶ **Arts and Letter**

- Movie ticket payment (3)

▶ **Membership**

- Dues payment

**TREASURER'S REPORT / FINANCIAL SECRETARY:** Soror Wenonah Handschu and Jami Umstead:

**2018 Financial Team Report (as of 1/31/2018)**

- ▶ Beginning Balance (*all accounts*) \$48,083.91
- ▶ Total Receipts (*all accounts*) \$5,346.77  
*A&L (\$2007.54), Membership (\$2806.00), Political Awareness (\$44.00), Scholarship (\$425.00), Misc. – PayPal (\$10.00), Interest (\$0.23)*
- ▶ Total Expenses (*all accounts*) \$5,190.49  
*Admin (\$85.04), A&L (\$1530.00), Hospitality (\$352.09), Housing & Properties (\$1409.78), Membership (\$1327.58), Political Awareness (\$486.00)*
- ▶ Ending Balance (*all accounts*) \$48,239.96
- ▶ Total Difference \$0.00

**ADMINISTRATION:** Soror Tiffany Taylor Tait

- ▶ **Congratulations SORORS!**
- ▶ Delta GEMS Public Speaking Workshop 1/21 Thank you, Soror Melissa Crumbey!
- ▶ 2018 Founders Day Celebration 1/27
- ▶ Delta Academy Black Girl Magic 2/3
- ▶ Community Service Samaritan House Pancake Breakfast 2/10 REGISTRATION CLOSED!!!!
- ▶ Arts and Letters Black Panther Event 2/16 SOLD OUT!!!
- ▶ IAC PayPal, Eventbrite, and GoFundMe Accounts are now available for PP&D Needs!!!!
- ▶ Chapter Picture and Headshots are now available!
- ▶ Inkster Task Force Meeting Tuesday, February 13, 2018@ 3p.m. Woodson Center 29115 Carlyse Inkster, MI
- ▶ IAC Chapter Policies and Internal Controls; Attended P&P Webinar 1/29/18
- ▶ Chapter Planning and Participation in our IAC Events/ **Must Include a Budget**
- ▶ Flyer and Social Media Publications; 5W's, Official Chapter Logo, E.N.G.A.G.E.M.E.N.T. in Western Wayne County since 1959, Chair, Co-Chair, and the Chapter President Names'
- ▶ Review and approve in advance all chapter publications and committee communications and commitments (1<sup>st</sup> VP)
- ▶ Eboard Meeting Location Caroline Kennedy Library (\*except April 18, 2018)
- ▶ Monthly Chapter Meeting Location: Simmons Center Sisterhood Hour 10 a.m.
- ▶ I will continue to forward all email communication sent from interested stakeholders/ please follow-up with Soror 1<sup>st</sup> VP on any impending partnerships
- ▶ Committee Conference Calls send notification Office 365 to inform all members to encourage participation

- ▶ (Spam Attack 2) Complete 2018 Login of Office 365 account [ict@inksterdeltas.org](mailto:ict@inksterdeltas.org)

### **National**

- ▶ Delta Days at the Nation's Capital Registration is now open
- ▶ **Collegiate Day:** Saturday, March 10, 2018 **Legislative Conference:** Saturday, March 10 – Tuesday, March 13, 2017
- ▶ Online registration for the 28th Annual "Delta Days in the Nation's Capital" will open **Thursday, November 30, 2017 at 12:00 noon EST** and close **February 16, 2018 at 12:00 noon EST, or once capacity is reached.**
- ▶ **Announcing the Annual "Delta Days at the United Nations" Registration Information March 22<sup>nd</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018** Registration is now open for **Delta Days at the United Nations.** To register for Delta Days at the United Nations, please visit our national website and log on to the **Sisters Only** portal and click on **events.**
- ▶ Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is proud to announce its collaboration with the Black History Educational Network to support the 2018 Black History HBCU Calendar and Resource Guide. It includes Soror Beverly E. Smith, National President, as one of the trailblazers featured in the calendar. Visit <http://blackhistoryhbcu.com/delta1/> to get your calendar online today!

### **Regional**

- ▶ 48<sup>th</sup> Regional Convention Cincinnati, Ohio August 16, 2018 Mark Your Calendar

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- ▶ Sat. 2/17 Delta GEMS Body Image Workshop, Inkster Preparatory Academy
- ▶ Sat. 2/23 Can You Spare the Time Bowling Fundraiser \$10-\$20 **All Are Welcome**
- ▶ March is Sisterhood Month Mark Your Calendar!!!
- ▶ MAY WEEK 14<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup> 2018 Is Coming Mark Your Calendar!!!

### **PROGRAM PLANNING:** Soror Kennetha Mentor

- Committee chairs please make sure you complete the Demographics Form within 2 weeks of your events and submit to [1stvp@inksterdeltas.org](mailto:1stvp@inksterdeltas.org).
- Committee chairs-now is the time to complete your Award submissions for the 2018 Regional Conference. The following categories include:
  - *Alumnae Chapter of the Year*
  - *Alumnae Soror of the Year*
  - *Delta Dear of the Year*
  - *Economic Development*
  - *Educational Development*
  - *International Awareness & Involvement*
  - *Physical & Mental Health*
  - *Political Awareness & Involvement*

### **MEMBERSHIP:** Soror Juanita Bell

#### **Upcoming events:**

- ▶ **Sisterhood Scholarship and Service Bowling Fundraiser**
- ▶ Friday February 23, 2017
- ▶ Vision Lanes 38250 Ford Road Westland, MI
- ▶ 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm
- ▶ \$20 for adults \$15 for youth ages 10 – 17 and \$10.00 for youth 9 and under
- ▶ Cost includes bowling, shoes, pizza and pop
- ▶ We will also have a 50/50 raffle
- ▶ **\*\*sign-up sheet to work the door and sell raffle tickets\*\***
- ▶ This event is open to the public so bring your family and friends. This event will also be shared with the Ann Arbor and Detroit NPHC.
- ▶ **Sisterhood Social – Save the date!!!**
- ▶ For sisterhood month, we will gather together to socialize, enjoy food, fun, games, music and more!
- ▶ Saturday March 10, 2018
- ▶ Sheraton Detroit Metro Airport
- ▶ Romulus, MI
- ▶ Executive hospitality suite (floor TBD at check in)
- ▶ 4 pm – until!
- ▶ Cost: \$25.00 each includes event bright fees.
- ▶ \*If you'd like a specialty beverage – please feel free to bring it with you, however, water, juice/pop will be provided\*

#### **Action Item:**

## **The Reclamation Project**

“Calling all Deltas to the floor!! We got some here, and we need some more!”

The Reclamation Project is a subcommittee of the National Membership Services Committee. Over the next two years, they will be working to create innovative and sustainable initiatives with individual Sorors, through chapter, regional, and national initiatives to achieve our reclamation goal. Our immediate goal is to reclaim 4,000 members by June 30, 2018, and we need your help to be successful!

### **Reclamation Examples:**

- Soror to Soror – Reach out to an inactive soror, and bring her to an event, chapter meeting, and/or offer financial assistance for remittance of dues.
- Chapter Initiatives – Join your Membership Services committee and assist with reclamation activities to include a social media plan from chapters that have social media accounts and trend using #Reclaim4k.
- Assign “Soror Buddies” to newly reclaimed Sorors to ensure they feel welcomed. Share successful reclamation programs with the Regional and National Membership Services Committees. Include Reclamation as an item on the chapter’s agenda!
- Regional Initiatives – Encourage newly reclaimed Sorors to attend with you, a Regional Conference or State / Cluster Meetings. Introduce them to the Regional Leadership and participate in regional reclamation activities. Work with chapters that have social media accounts and trend using #Reclaim4k on any posts pertaining to the Reclamation Project and utilize the “share” option from the National social media accounts.
- National Initiatives – Reintroduce the reclamation survey; timely and frequent post to social media; and create best practices in a reclamation toolkit (Coming Soon!)
- During the events we have: Panther Movie Premier, the Sisterhood bowling fundraiser and the Sisterhood social, we will take pictures and post them on social media using the #RECLAIM4k so we can show sorors how great it is to be a part of IAC.

### **BIRTHDAYS**

- ▶ Theola Jones February 2nd
- ▶ Carolyn Kimbrough February 4th
- ▶ Ayanna McConnell February 12th

### **DELTA ANNIVERSARY**

- ▶ Rolanda Davis February 12<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Patty Hines February 8<sup>th</sup>
- ▶ Georgina Tait February 27<sup>th</sup>

**February hostesses:** Karisha Springer-Floyd, Vivian Flounory, Rosalyn Fluker, Mary Fowler, Dorothy Garrett, Sarah Giles, and Elizabeth Gilreath

**Motion:** Budget Request for \$1100 for the following membership service activities 1) Sisterhood Social- Sheraton Hotel – Motion made by Soror Wilson-Johnson and Second by Soror Beanum 2) Delta Dear Tea – Motion made by Wilson-Johnson and Second by Soror McConnell 3) Sisterhood Scholarship Bowling – Motion by Soror S. Carter and Second by Soror T. Smith. Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

**DELTA ACADEMY:** Soror Shareia Carter

#### **▶ PAST EVENTS**

This past Saturday, February 3, 2018, Guest Speaker Tyesha Vinson, Associate Producer for WDIV TV and a 2016 graduate of the University of Michigan-Dearborn shared her story of embracing Black Girl Magic. The young ladies then selected an African American woman related to their future career and wrote about their respective person. Tyesha will create a newsletter with their writings. See photos.

#### **▶ UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 12pm-2pm, in collaboration with the Economic Development committee and Soror Karisha Springer-Floyd, the young ladies will learn “Money Matters”, Location: Caroline Kennedy Library, 24590 George Ave., Dearborn Heights, MI 48127.

Conference Call, Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 9pm  
605-468-8003, 169951#

**DELTA GEMS:** Soror Danita Tucker

Upcoming Events

- ▶ Our next GEMS activity will be our Body Image workshop on Saturday, Feb 17th, 1:00pm-3:00pm. It will be held at Inkster Preparatory Academy, 27355 Woodfield, Inkster, Michigan 48141. Our speaker will be Soror Vivian Kirkland ☺ In light of the controversy surrounding the recent Dove advertisement, the advisors and I agreed that a body image discussion would be great to have with our GEMS.
- ▶ Money Matters, March 3rd with Delta Academy.
- ▶ Teen Summit is April 21st, 10:00am-2:00pm. Workshops will include, juvenile justice reform, cyber bullying and human

trafficking. The venue is pending.

- ▶ Committee meeting - 1st Monday of the month. Dial-in #(641) 715-3580 Access code #173883

**ARTS & LETTERS:** Soror Tracey Causey-Bryant

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- Red Carpet Event “Black Panther” 2/16/18 @ 6:30 pm
- Private Screening at Emagine Canton
- Tickets sold out 126 seat theater
- Black Cast Trivia Quiz
- Raffles/Prizes
- Best Wakanda and Black Panther Attire prize
- National Arts & Letters DSTv Initiative
- “Tell Them We Are Rising: The Story of Black Colleges and Universities” as part of Deltas See Television Initiative (DSTv) This documentary, which covers the 150 year history of the educational institutions that have long stood as symbols of hope and progress within our communities, will air on PBS’ Independent Lens on Mon. Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> @ 9pm est.
- We will publicize the viewing of this DSTv to celebrate the legacy of our HBCU’s.
- A Discussion will take place via Facebook during the viewing of the documentary and a brief electronic quiz will be shared during our Chapter Meeting and we will award a prize to the winner.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Dance Theater of Harlem Sat. March 24<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm
  - We have options to choose from
  - Box seats \$85 with 8 or 12 seat sections
  - Main floor seats sold in sets of 10 for \$55 or \$59 each
  - To secure either one we must put down a 30% deposit.
- Coffee and Conversations
  - Featured Book Talk in April followed
  - We will showcase a selected black book to read and discuss over coffee/tea and light snacks.
  - “The Drawing Board” by Andre Ebron \$9.99 paperback/ \$4.99 Kindle
  - Available on Amazon, Kindle, Audiobooks and Book Stores
  - Follow up “Vision Board Party” in May (If May Week days are still available)
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**Motion:** Secure 30% deposit for Dance Theatre of Harlem. Moved by S. Carter and Second by Soror Crowder. Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

**PHYSICAL & MENTAL HEALTH:** Soror Shawn Dickson

Eating Heart Smart – Go Red

- ▶ Saturday, February 24, 2018
- ▶ Following Chapter Meeting – Simmons Center

Mindfulness /Mental Health Awareness

- ▶ Sunday, March 18, 2018 2-4pm
- ▶ Caroline Kennedy Library

**POLITICAL AWARENESS:** Soror Lisa Harston-LeDoux

Upcoming Events

- ▶ DDNC 3/9-3/13/18. IAC representative. (Bring IAC brochure)
- ▶ DDSC 4/17/18. IAC-parking
- ▶ Expungement Fair 5/19/18, 10am-2pm
- ▶ Next conference call: Wednesday, February 21 at 9:00pm Dial in # 563-99-2090, access code# 393789

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Soror Treva Smith

The pancake breakfast public service event has been rescheduled to Saturday, June 2, 2018 due to inclement weather. All members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are members of the Community Service Committee. All are welcome to participate in community service events.

**NPHC:** Soror Juanita Bell

**Upcoming events:**

- ▶ Zeta Phi Beta – Wine Tasting and Poetry
  - February 9<sup>th</sup>
  - Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History
  - 7:30 – 11:30
- ▶ Delta Sigma Theta Ann Arbor Alumnae Chapter
  - Denim & R&B
  - February 10<sup>th</sup>
  - Polo Fields Golf and Country Clubs
  - 2955 Packard Rd. Ypsilanti, MI 48198
  - \$50.00 per person
- ▶ Black Panther Movie Premier
  - Alpha Kappa Alpha
  - February 16<sup>th</sup> Emagine Theater Royal Oak
  - Doors open at 6:30 movie starts at 7:00
  - \$25 per person included popcorn and pop
  
- ▶ An afternoon with the Ques
  - Black Panther Movie
  - Sunday February 18, 2018
  - Bel Air Luxury Cinema
  - 10100 East 8 Mile Road Detroit, MI
  - 4:00 pm show
  - Tickets \$20 in advance

**Ads/Publicity:** Soror Paula Wiley

1. Ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Luncheon – March 17<sup>th</sup> Quarter page for \$50 Moved by Soror Wiley and Second by Soror S. Carter. Unanimous approval. Motion carried.
2. Tau Chapter Scholarship Ball request for a half-page \$50. Moved by Soror Wiley and Second T. Smith Unanimous approval. Motion carried.
3. Alpha Phi Alpha Black & Gold Ball – Ann Arbor Event request for a half page ad \$65 Moved by Soror Wiley and Second by Soror McConnell Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

**May Week:** Soror Adrena Crowder

- ▶ Ford Garage Event -5/14/2018
- ▶ Puerto Rico, USVI relief efforts - 5/15/2018
- ▶ Puerto Rico USVI relief efforts Social Media Day - 5/16/2018
- ▶ Delta Dears Tea - 5/17/2018
  - Roses are Red Tea will be held at Rose's Restaurant and Lounge. Located at 201 N. Canton Center Rd. Canton MI, from 12-3:00. This is a closed event
- ▶ Hustle Night 5/18/2018
- ▶ Expungement Fair – 5/19/2018
- ▶ Church at New Hope Baptist Church 5/20/2018
  - We want to give a donation to the church and will ask Sorors to donate in advance.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Motion: Donation for Sorors we loss in the Sorority. Request to remove \$200 from Hospitality budget for the four Sorors Moved by Soror S. Carter and second by Soror Beanum Unanimous approval. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Announcements:**

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn meeting, Soror S. Carter seconded by Soror Umstead. Motion carried unanimously Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,  
Soror Delmeer Oliver