



Chapter Meeting Minutes

Minutes

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Gamma Delta Omega Chapter

Date: 01 December 2018

Regular Meeting No. 10

The meeting was held on Saturday, 01 December 2018 at Tidewater Community College, Portsmouth Campus- Forum Room, Building A, Portsmouth, VA

The meeting was called to order by Soror LaEunice O. Brown, Basileus at 10:04 a.m. The meditation was given by Soror Beth Smith. Title: "What is Christmas?" ...taken from Christmas Blessings by Helen Stiner Rice

No. of Sorors Present: 71 Golden Soror(s): 10 Visiting Soror(s): 3 Graduate Soror(s): 58
Late fees collected: \$17.00

The agenda was adopted with no changes. However, it was later realized that Soror Krystal Moore was excused. Therefore, the agenda was updated to reflect that Soror Janice Davis would give the attendance report

Motion to accept the agenda by: Soror Barbara Watford Seconded by: Soror Jule Lawrence
Motion is carried: (✓) Yes () No

Hodegos	<p>Disposition of report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Soror Gracie Bowers welcomed three visiting sorors:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Jasmine Pender, initiated in Alpha Chi Chapter at NC Central, last chapter of affiliation was Lambda Gamma Omega Chapter (Newport News), invited by Soror Tanya Weaver (aunt)Elnoria Lofton Harrison, golden soror, initiated in Delta Epsilon Chapter, last affiliation was Boule, as a general member, invited by Soror Margaret GraySoror Tamara Jones, former GDO member; spoke on the endowment at Norfolk State University, requested that sorors consider contributing
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Christmas Raffle—tickets are \$10, generated funds will be used to purchase items for babies in support of the infant initiative Christmas bag program of Portsmouth Reads <p>Report Attached: () Yes (✓) No</p>
READING AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES	<p>Any corrections to the minutes: () Yes (✓) No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The November 2018 chapter meeting minutes were approved with no corrections <p>Report Attached: () Yes (✓) No</p>
REPORTS OF OTHER OFFICERS	
Epistoleus	<p>Disposition of report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soror Ruth McLeod presented the November 2018 correspondence log Solicitations: Wounded Warrior Project, Alzheimer's Association Soror Tanya Weaver- thank you card Portsmouth Reads, Life Enrichment Center, and Soror Kendra Robinson (Young Achievers Academy)- thank you letters Virginia Supportive Housing- 2017 annual report Norfolk State University Dep. of Visual and Performing Arts- thank you letter Elnoria Harrison- transfer verification form and payment Dr. Christie Chamblis Murray- notification of book release "College Planning Strategies I Wish Someone Had Told Me" Restuarant Equippers- catalog Heifer International- World Ark Magazine; Christmas catalog AKA corporate office- International Program Guide College Chefs- Champaign, IL- sample menu The Epsilon Nu Lambda Charitable Foundation of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.- invitation to the 15th annual MLK scholarship breakfast-donation request—addressed and voted on at the Nov executive committee meeting Soror Shirrell Smith- payment Rhode Island Novelty- Christmas catalog

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc, Newport News Alumnae Chapter- invitation to the 2019 Annual Greek Celebration- sponsorship request (action item) <p>Report Attached: (✓) Yes () No</p>
Basileus Report	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <p>Corporate Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain attentive to emails Directorate meeting summary report can be viewed online <p>Regional Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Remain attentive to emails <p>Local Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation of 2019-2020 officers will follow the chapter meeting Christmas party—14 Dec 2018, Bide-A-Wee Clubhouse. All payments due today EOY reports are due electronically 06 Dec 2018 A transition meeting is scheduled for 03 Dec 2018, Churchland Library—mandatory for all former and elected officers and committee chairmen A mentor/mentee winter fellowship has been planned for 29 Dec 2018 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Suffolk, cost is \$25. All sorors are welcome. Payments are still being accepted The final collection for dues will be 27 Dec, 3-6pm at the home of Soror Barbara Reynolds, 10 Admiral Court, Portsmouth The half page ad for the Norfolk Alphas that the chapter voted on in Nov has been sent Soror LaEunice presented a ‘State of Gamma Delta Omega’ Report—highlighting all accomplishments and recognized officers and committee chairmen for 2017-2018 <p>Report Attached: (✓) Yes () No</p>
Programs	<p>Disposition of report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soror DeeDee Jones presented the upcoming program calendar of events with no recommendations. Google calendar has been updated, hard copies available

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that HBCU 4 Life has a lot of activities coming up and urged sorors to show their support • Shared highlights from the AKA caregivers' day observance event, 10 Nov 2018 and gave kudos to Soror Ruth McLeod and the committee for an excellent job • The Black Dollar 365 committee has been meeting and you may have seen some emails pertaining to the black owned businesses, please provide the requested info • Several program reports should be coming in from the summer. Sorors/Pearls will be contacted for that information <p>Report Attached (✓) Yes () No</p>
Finance	<p>Disposition of report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soror Rita Roberts presented an oral financial report for the month of November • Soror Shirrell Smith inquired on the \$800 expense for the Christmas celebration (for the DJ). It was noted that for amounts totaling \$600 or more—we will need to secure a W9 from the individual charging for the service • General Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 01 Nov 2018 beginning balance - \$31,132.09 ○ 30 Nov 2018 ending balance - \$36,161.35 <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
Sisterly Yours	<p>Disposition of report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soror Gracie Bowers presented an oral sisterly relations report with no recommendations • Thanked sorors for their support of all programs, specifically attendance at the recent Black Nativity Production at NSU • Annual Christmas wrap party, 08 Dec 2018, 4-7pm, Soror Gracie's home. Attire: Christmas sweater or AKA gear • December birthdays recognized; photo taken <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
COMMITTEE REPORTS	
Twenty Pearls Incorporated	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pearl Aurelia T. Williams presented a report with no recommendations

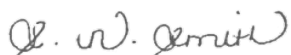
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next quarterly meeting will follow the February 2019 GDO chapter meeting. All are encouraged to participate • BlaQUE Party—23 Nov 2018, thanked all pearls who supported the event. We were a little tired this year, but still enjoyed the event. We did not sell all 100 tickets, so our profit will be a little less than the predicted \$1000 • Janufest 2019—committee is requesting that we wear pink, green, or black attire with pink and green accents. Cocktail attire will be strictly enforced for pearls and guests. An entrance practice will be announced. Table numbers will not be duplicated downstairs. If you have already chosen a table on the first floor, please stop by the Janufest table to get your new table number. Your location will remain the same • Cotillion, 30 Mar 2019—We are proceeding with the cotillion with 14 young ladies. We thank Pearl Rosalynn Sanderlin for making the call to the Portsmouth Public Schools Superintendent who agreed to waive our expenses therefore alleviating the need to cancel. The schedule of events is on the calendar. The debts have the Mojo thrift store event today, the parade next Saturday, and we are requesting your support of the Flapjack Fundraiser on 15 Dec. The cotillion will be supported with levels of giving for the debutantes. This will be used rather than soliciting ads for the souvenir journal. More info to come • Community Outreach—we sponsored two families for Thanksgiving based on recommendations from Portsmouth Social Services. We also volunteered with LEVOC Family Services and other members of the Divine Nine to feed seniors and disadvantaged • The 2019-2020 TPI officers will be installed immediately following the chapter meeting. The full elected board was listed in the Dec 2018 newsletter <p>Report Attached (✓) Yes () No</p>
Strategic Planning	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soror Sylvia Hill presented a report with no recommendations

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee is submitting the completed strategic plan (SP) for file records. Due to inquiries by the IRS and our insurance providers, the chapter's plan has been developed so that it is consistent with the international strategic plan (addresses risk concerns as well). The completed plan includes the June 2018 reporting progress chart, the Dec 2018 annual reporting chart and the 2019 transitional plan • The Basileus has already received the requested electronic copy to be submitted to the corporate office. Today, a hard copy is being submitted to the Basileus and the archive chairman. The new SP chairman will also receive a copy and Soror Sylvia will keep a copy for her records. Additionally, the chapter's website will be updated with the latest version of the SP 2015-2019, revised 2018 • Thanked sorors for the opportunity to serve; presented the committee with gifts <p>Report Attached (✓) Yes () No</p>
Risk Management	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soror Kim Crump presented a report with no recommendations • Facilitated a powerpoint presentation highlighting operational risks, events and building/facility risks <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
Diamond/ Golden Sorors	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soror Joyce Ashe presented a report with no recommendations • Presented golden sorors with Christmas gifts <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
UNFINISHED BUSINESS	
	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
NEW BUSINESS	
	<p>Disposition of Report:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc, Newport News Alumnae Chapter- invitation to the 2019 Annual Greek Celebration- sponsorship request <p>Soror Jule Lawrence inquired on whether or not the Pan Hellenic Council was participating in this event. Soror LaEunice noted that the event solicitation appears to be for all members of the Divine Nine</p> <p>Soror LaEunice entertained the following motion: Soror Jule Lawrence moved that Gamma Delta Omega defer this request to the Portsmouth Pan Hellenic Council representative; seconded by Soror Fannie Bullock</p> <p>Motion carried: (✓) Yes () No</p> <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
	<p>Disposition of Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please pick up your copy of the updated chapter bylaws and operations after the meeting. POC: Soror Tanya Smith There will be a Santa's Workshop, 15 Dec, 9am-1pm, YMCA, 4900 High Street, Portsmouth EAF begins in January—be sure to bring your donations to the chapter meeting Raffle Results: A total of \$180 was collected—ticket number 655123 was selected—winner was Soror Eartha Garrett; photo taken <p>Report Attached () Yes (✓) No</p>
Attendance	<p>Excused Sorors:</p> <p>April Barber- personal Valora Baskerville- out of town Yolanda Brannen- family Annette Brown- Boyce- mandatory church meeting LaTwan Carpenter- personal Alia Houston- work Fayequita Maycock- funeral Krystal Moore- out of town Julia Avery Muse- funeral Barbara Reynolds- medical Patricia Saunders Nixon- funeral Karen Settles- work</p>

	Joycelyn Whitehurst- medical Vivian Moore- personal Morgan Jenkins- work Zoe Gray-Williams- work Debra Jones- ill Nicole Edwards- family Gwen Hardy- business Angela Lindsey- family/travel Report Attached (✓) Yes () No
The meeting was adjourned at <u>11:54</u> (✓) a.m. () p.m. The next meeting will be on 05 Jan 2019 at Tidewater Community College-Portsmouth Campus, Portsmouth, VA.	

Grammateus: *Shirrell N. Smith*



Date Approved:

Basileus: *LaEunice O. Brown*