



Attendees: Soror Willie Mai Chavis, Soror Chanti Lyons, Soror Chrys Slaughter, Soror Ameesha Smith, Soror Jenine Stallings, Soror Ashley Snead (Conference Call), Soror Patrice Edwards, Soror Linda Lloyd, Soror Donna Woodson, Soror Kristina Harris, Soror Ellen Garnett-Shaw, Soror Antashia Robinson-Jeffers, Soror Ivy Cary, Soror Heather Allen, Soror Nishaun Battle, Soror Teresa Brown, Soror Kayren McDuffie (Conference Call), Soror Ola Gaines, Soror Jesika Penny (Conference Call)

- I. Meeting was called to order at 10:20 AM.
- II. Sorors stood and recited the Lord's Prayer and Sorority's Pledge.
- III. **Approval of Agenda:** Soror T. Brown added the Technology Committee to the agenda. Soror Lyons moved to approve agenda as corrected. Soror Smith seconded. Motion was moved.
- IV. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** Soror Garnett-Shaw moved to approve minutes as written. Soror Smith seconded. Motion was moved.
- V. **Correspondence:**
 - A. Soror Henrietta Anderson requesting donated school supplies. Chapter will donate extra supplies from leftover donations that we have.
 - B. Received thank you letters from Scholarship recipients.
 - C. P.O. Box Renewal reminder received from Post Office.
- VI. **Officer and Committee Report Updates**
 - A. **Basileus** – Soror Teresa Brown – No Report
 - B. **1st Anti-Basileus** – Soror Quintina Bartolomei – No Report
 - C. **2nd Anti-Basileus** – Soror Antashia Robinson-Jeffers – Report Submitted
 1. Calendar was provided in June Officer Report. More emails notifying the chapter of events will be sent for sorors from Beta Xi Sigma to attend.
 2. The Chapter will be stepping at Area II Meeting and participating in a VSU vs. NSU Stroll Off. There will be more details to follow.
 - D. **3rd Anti-Basileus** – Soror Donna Woodson – Report Submitted
 1. There are 4 active sorors. This school year will be focused on their academics and the calendar will be limited.
 - E. **Grammateus and Tamiochus** – Soror Nakiva McDowell and Soror Shawnee Moore – No Report
 1. There is no update on the VSU account. There is \$1,600 in the account and we don't have access to it.
 2. Currently, accepting dues installments of \$419 for majority of sorors. Dues are still being taken through PayPal. Dues without late payment need to be submitted by September 30th.
 3. Soror Bartolomei stated she did not receive Regional fees money for the Philos.
 4. As of April 3, 2017, the Cash on Hand is \$2,785.45 (BXS), \$239.46 (Scholarship), \$511.70 (Rhoers), and \$175.00 (Philos).

**F. Anti-Grammateus – Soror Heather Allen – Report Submitted**

1. At the beginning of each meeting a link will be sent to chapter sorors to electronically sign-in and confirm you are in attendance at meeting. This will aid in tracking who has attended which events.
2. Requesting \$14.70 for 30 stamps to send Pick-Me Up Postcards that were created at the Chapter Retreat in June.

G. Epistoleus – Soror Chanti Lyons – No Report

1. Passwords for Social Media are being exchanged today with the PR/Marketing Committee Chairperson.
2. Dynadot (website domain name) has been paid.
3. Website has been updated. Active members list will be updated Oct. 1st.
4. New updates to the Poodle Times are forthcoming
5. A request was made to post our affiliate groups more on social media.

H. Philo Coordinator – Soror Quintina Bartolomei – No Report**I. Rhoer Advisor – Soror Teresa Brown – Report Submitted**

1. The proposed Rhoer Calendar was provided in the Officer Report. There is no plan to do intake for the Rhoers as the goal for the year is to reestablish themselves. The Rhoers have 4 campus tours scheduled during the year.

J. NPHC Representative Report – Soror Edna Grier – No Report Submitted

1. The NPHC is hosting a cookout on Sunday, September 17th. There has been discussion regarding having a stroll competition during the cookout.

K. Programs Committee

1. Operation Big Book Bag – 150 bookbags were donated. Over 100 kids came out to participate. The sorority collected an additional 50 bookbags in support of the Philo Affiliate. The committee will do a Mid-Year Replenishment Drive in December/January. Suggestion for next year is that we need to partner with Progressive Outreach Center because they ran out of water, food, etc.
2. St. Jude Walk – Conducting a loose change drive. Goal is \$500. Soror Moore's job will match the donations that we received. The walk will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at the Bon Secours Washington Redskins Center in Richmond, VA. A separate flyer will be sent before the walk to get volunteers. Please make payments directly to the St. Jude Link.

L. Ad Hoc Committees

1. Branding Committee – No Report



- a. Directives for Area II have been sent out. The branding directive is 1) Royal Blue Dress 2) Chapter Scarf 3) Chapter Name Tag 4) Favorite Pin 5) Black Hosiery and 6) Black Shoes. As a reminder branding is always voluntary.
2. Hospitality Committee – Report Submitted
 - a. The committee will be providing snacks at each chapter meeting.
 - b. Sorors will receive a birthday card during their birthday month. A cake will be provided quarterly for birthdays.
 - c. Cards will be sent for accomplishments or hardships. Please let the committee know if you are aware of any soror who is celebrating an accomplishment or hardship.
 - d. The committee's 1st event is a Bridal shower and will be held today.
3. Scholarship Committee – No Report
 - a. A location has been booked for the Masquerade Ball on New Year's Eve. Deposit is due the day of the event. The chair will get with the scholarship committee to plan the event.
4. Social Committee
 - a. There will be 1 event a month to strengthen the connections within the chapter. First event will be held on Friday, September 22nd. These events are internal to chapter sorors only for bonding purposes.
5. Fundraising Committee
 - a. Carnival Cruise. Website is now available with payment options.
www.sgrhobetaxisigma.org/PoodlesinParadise. The deposit is non refundable. Each room purchase will receive a \$50 onboard credit. The cruise is leaving from Charleston, SC. Goal is 8 rooms/16 people. If enough people book then the committee will look into a bus to Charleston. Payments will be made each month. Once Soror McDowell returns then additional questions will be answered. Email Soror Teresa Brown additional questions so that she can provide answers. Once questions have been compiled then a FAQs will be provided to sorors and online.
6. Professional Development Committee – No Report
7. Technology – Report Submitted
 - a. If any chapter member has suggestions for improvements by means of technology, please send an email to bxs.technology@gmail.com.
 - b. Committee email addresses were set up for each committee, both programs and special committees.



- c. The committee is looking into the cost for a Portable Projector, Wireless microphone and speaker and a webcam.

VII. Old Business

A. Special Boule Highlights

- i. Regional conferences will still be held every year.
- ii. TORCH induction fees have been raised and will be in effect 2018 Sorority Year.
- iii. Any interested women cannot be in another sorority or will have to provide in writing a statement that you will not be involved with them before beginning TORCH.
- iv. Shirts that were given will be given at chapter meetings. Soror Harris and Robinson will not be delivering shirts.

VIII. New Business

IX. For the Good of the Sisterhood

With there being no further concerns to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 11:55am.

“Greater Service, Greater Progress”

Respectfully Submitted,

Soror Heather Allen