



Attendees: Soror Heather Allen, Soror Quintina Bartolomei, Soror Iva McDowell, Soror Myra Moore, Soror Ellen Garnett-Shaw, Soror Kendra Jones, Soror Shannon Bailey, Soror Janae Jones, Soror Ameesha Smith, Soror Donna Woodson, Soror Willie Mai Chavis, Soror Carice Coleman

- I. Meeting was called to order at 10:16 AM.
- II. Sorors stood and recited the Lord's Prayer and Sorority's Pledge.
- III. **Approval of Agenda:** Sorors unanimously approved agenda as written.
- IV. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** Sorors unanimously approved agenda as written.
- V. **Correspondence:**
  - A. Received a card from CARES for our generation donation to their students.
  - B. Letter from the Petersburg Library Foundation to consider a donation to help support the Petersburg community.
- VI. **Officer and Committee Report Updates**
  - A. **Basileus** – Soror Teresa Brown
    1. Submitted an updated programs report.
  - B. **1<sup>st</sup> Anti-Basileus** – Soror Quintina Bartolomei
    1. An email will be sent concerning TORCH dates for the Spring 2018 TORCH class. There were 7 interest who came to the informational. Only 6 of the interest are eligible to proceed with TORCH. There are 5 ladies who are submitting their information. February 19<sup>th</sup> the Formal Rush and interviews will be conducted at 6 PM at Soror Kimberlyn Borwn's facility in Chester, VA. The tea will be March 10<sup>th</sup> following the Youth Symposium at Blue Willow Tea Room. Induction is on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> (Easter Sunday). The ladies will be attending the Masquerade Ball. Please come to meet the ladies if you have not already.
  - C. **2<sup>nd</sup> Anti-Basileus** – Soror Antashia Robinson-Jeffers – No Report
  - D. **3<sup>rd</sup> Anti-Basileus** – Soror Donna Woodson
    1. The ladies will be returning this weekend from Winter Break. There are 2 active ladies on campus. The chapter will not be holding intake until the Fall.
  - E. **Grammateus and Tamiochus** – Soror Nakiva McDowell and Soror Shawnee Moore
    1. If anyone is interested in paying their dues there is a late fee of \$25. Sorors will begin to be advised to pay for next sorority year in February. Majority of the funds that were received came from cruise payments.
    2. As of January 13, 2018, the Cash on Hand is \$4,610.02 (BXS), \$204.46 (Scholarship), \$569.83 (Rhoers) and \$310.00 (Philos).
  - F. **Anti-Grammateus** – Soror Heather Allen – No Report

**G. Epistoleus – Soror Chanti Lyons**

1. Soror photos will be taken at the February meeting.

**H. Philo Coordinator – Soror Quintina Bartolomei**

1. There are currently 2 Philos active this sorority year. They are on hold due to obligations of the 1<sup>st</sup> Anti-Basileus.

**I. Rhoer Advisor – Soror Teresa Brown**

1. Meeting rescheduled until January 28<sup>th</sup>, so that the Rhoeres can be at the Rhosebud Welcoming.

**J. Rhosebuds**

1. The Rhosebud Welcoming Ceremony will take place January 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM at the Outreach Training Center in Chester, VA. The committee is requesting sorors to bring gifts. The committee is still determining their colors as the sorority has left this up to local chapters. Soror Bartolmei moved that the chapter give a gift of t-shirts of no more than \$10 per shirt to the young ladies who join. Show Garnett-Shaw seconded. Motion unanimously approved.

**K. NPHC Representative Report – Soror Edna Grier**

1. Everyone had a great time at the Holiday Social. Soror Grier did a great job planning the event. Dues are being paid this month. Need to determine when we are scheduled to host the meeting. Hosting the NPHC meeting is already a line item in the budget.

**L. Programs Committee**

1. Golden Bells – The nursing home was overjoyed with items that were provided during the holidays. Interested in knowing if we would like to sing and possibly play Bingo with the residents in the future.
2. Ronand McDonald House – Prepared food for 15 people. Sorors had a wonderful time at the event. The people were very grateful. If we volunteer in the future, we only need about 4 – 5 people as too many will be overwhelming.
3. Healthy Heart Day – The chapter will be hosting zumba with the Tau Phi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. The cost for this partnership is \$35. This is a great opportunity to partner with other sororities in the community. The event is free on February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 PM. The chapter is asking all participants to wear red. Branding Committee will determine directives to distinguish us at the event.

**M. Ad Hoc Committees**

1. Branding Committee
  - a. The branding directive for Mid-Winter is the chapter cardigan, roal blue dress, pearls, nametag and black shoes.
2. Hospitality Committee – No report



3. Scholarship Committee

- a. Tickets are still one sale for the Masquerade Ball. Ticket sales end on January 21<sup>st</sup>. Requesting that sorors continue selling tickets.

4. Social Committee

- a. Scheduled an event to go see Black Panther at Cine Bistro. Still looking for a date. An email will be sent once details are confirmed.

5. Fundraising Committee – If there are any suggestions please let the committee know.

- a. Carnival Cruise. There are 10 rooms booked. There will be no more openings after January 20th. All payments will be made by April. Profits will be received by April once Carnival receives all payments.

6. Professional Development Committee – No Report

7. Technology – No Report

**VII. Old Business**

**VIII. New Business**

A. Mid-Winter

- i. Mid-Winter will take place Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. There will be no onsite registration. If you plan to attend, register online before registration closes.

B. Regional Delegates

- i. Delegates will be discussed and voted on at February meeting. The chapter are allowed 4 delegates this year. Sorors must show proof of registration before funds are issued out of budgeted allotment.

C. Chapter Endorsement of Soror Lisa Sellers for UCC

- i. Soror Sellers has asked for our formal endorsement. Soror McDowell moved that we formally endorse Soror Sellers. Soror Garnett-Shaw seconded. Unanimously approved by chapter.

D. National Slate for International Officers

- i. Soror Tracy Thornton has been removed from the slate for International Grand Basileus. Boule delegates will be discussed at a later date.

**IX. For the Good of the Sisterhood**

With there being no further concerns to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am.

“Greater Service, Greater Progress”

Respectfully Submitted,

Soror Heather Allen