

Greater Houston Area Chapters  
*Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc*  
**JOINT FOUNDERS DAY COMMITTEE**  
General Body Meeting Agenda  
October 15, 2024

**MEDITATION**

Soror Fraulin Baisey

**ROLL CALL**

**Bay Area Houston Alumnae**

- Tiffany Taylor Lee – President
- Wykesha Hayes – Chair

**East Harris Chambers Liberty County Alumnae Chapter**

- Alisha Norman – President
- Misha Judge – Chair
- Adrian Stephens – Co-Chair

**Katy Area Alumnae Chapter**

- Traci Malloy – President
- LaToya Ricketts - Chair

**Houston Alumnae Chapter**

- Karen Dourseau – President
- Karen Woods-Mason – Chair
- Sheila Wheatley-Clark – Co-Chair

**Houston Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter**

- Tracee Fletcher – President / Ladonna Winn – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice
- Meredith Brown Williams – Chair
- Gayle Pierce – Co-Chair

**North Harris County Alumnae Chapter**

- Tricia Mayes Johnson – President
- Rosalind Kiel – Chair
- Cynthia Allen – Co-Chair

**Suburban Houston Fort Bend Alumnae Chapter**

- Shantell Brown – Chair
- Nikki Roseman – Co-Chair

**Delta Gamma**

- Renechia Robinson – Advisor

**Rho Psi**

**ZETA SIGMA**

- Sydnei Grimstead - Chair

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- Karen Dourseau moved for approval of the agenda with flexibility. Soror Hayes 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. 12 in favor, 0 opposed

## **MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM**

### **Meeting Minutes from 10/14:**

- Establish a budget and determine ticket prices.
- Establish a theme, Sisterhood is the focal point.
- Presidents submit their chapter membership numbers as of 9/30 for ticket allocation.
- Soror Karen Woods-Mason made a motion to revisit the color for the 2025 JFD celebration. Motion failed 2-12.

## **ACCEPTANCE OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL BODY MINUTES**

- Karen Woods Mason moved for acceptance of the minutes, Tricia Mayes Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. 14 in favor, motion carried.

## **Subcommittee Reports**

### **Decorations**

Soror LaToya Ricketts reported that they met on 10/1 discussed what is in storage and will meet again on 10/29 @ 6:30, link will be sent. Budget recommendation is \$8K to cover the cost of live flowers, speaker holding room, photo booth, table decor, moving truck, piping drapes, souvenirs, ice sculpture and corsages.

### **Entertainment**

Soror Corlice Mims reported they met on 10/1 and have decided on Spoken Word and the choir. They have connected with Soror Woodard to direct, Soror Dawn Harrison to play and Soror Tina B to play the drums. Waiting for Soror Woodard to provide rehearsal location dates and times. \$2000 budget request.

### **Historian**

Soror Tomiko Meeks Henderson – recommending a budget of \$3,300 that will include the cost of storage facility fees. Sorors met at storage to review what's in storage and have an itemized what is currently in storage and will be available for review.

### **Hostess**

Soror Karen Woods Mason reported that the Hostess Committee will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6p. Want a seamless experience, wants to participate in a site visit along with ERT. All Sorors will have assignments prior to event. Requesting a layout of the contracted area for JFD and requesting \$500 for the budget. That will include hostess badges if the extra badges from 2024 JFD celebration can be located.

## **Program & Public Relations**

Soror Tricia Johnson stated that she is reporting on behalf of Soror Fletcher and HMAAC will need to work on a theme and is working on a focal point as each chapter is asked to submit one recommendation. Chapter allocation of chapter member - numbers as of 9/30 are needed as soon as possible. They are working on proclamations.

### **Protocol & Rededication**

Soror Shantell Brown reported that they met for their regular scheduled meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month of October. They will meet again on November 11<sup>th</sup>. The budget request is for Rededication is \$900 an increase of \$250 from last year. Protocol assignments are being submitted by the Presidents and Chairs. Sorors are being contacted to ensure they are aware of their assignments. Ritual that will be used is the 13<sup>th</sup> edition. In person rehearsals will be starting in November. The Protocol budget will remain the same at \$350. Rededication Budget to include cleaning robes, food for holding room, storage rack for robes, candles, and batteries. Protocol budget is for the printing of signage.

### **Evaluations**

Soror Anitra Piper requested that one Soror per chapter participates. They will be using the QR Code. The questions ask will be focused around the comfort of Sorors during the event. Budget request is \$250 technology and printing.

### **Public Service**

Soror Maia Bean advised that all chapters will be partnering with the Boys and Girls club in January in their service areas. They will meet with the Executive Team on Friday. They do not have a budget at this time. The committee will meet two weeks from today and the meeting information will be sent via email.

### **Site & Technology**

Soror Rosalind Kiel stated that the deposit for the George R Brown has been paid. Also, they have received quotes for AV, Security and First Aide. The menu hasn't been solidified as they will meet to discuss food options. The average plate should be \$40 that includes gratuity and sales tax. AV has been contacted about the lighting in the rededication area as well as sound. Scouters will be on site but for individual rental at the expense of the renting Soror. Budget \$104,848.02 and includes AV.

### **Speaker**

Soror Joi Reid will have approval from the network after the election is over and we have moved forward. Currently entertaining the 5<sup>th</sup> speaker on the list. The Budget requested is \$3700 and includes food, hotel, ground transportation, air travel, welcome basket and honorarium. The Speaker list is: Sorors Jasmine Crockett, Marcia Fudge, Joi Reid, Paulette C Walker, Regional Director Crystal Barker.

### **ERT**

Soror Angela Jones stated that ERT hasn't met. They have met with the former chair and discussed items needed. Budget requested is \$150 to cover the cost hand sanitizer, face mask, vest and signage for movement. They will be working directly with the Hostess Committee and need approximately 35 Sorors to assist.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No old business

**NEW BUSINESS**

No old business

**ADJOURNMENT**

Soror Dourseau moved for adjournment at 7:51p and seconded by Soror Tricia Mayes Johnson.