

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.®  
 PI DELTA OMEGA CHAPTER ~ MIAMI, FLORIDA



<b>Date:</b> February 10, 2024	<b>Time:</b> 9:30 am
<b>Location:</b> Arthur and Polly Mays 6-12 Conservatory of the Arts	<b>Quorum:</b> Yes
<p><b>In Attendance:</b>                  Rochelle Adger, Tiffany Dawn Anderson, Arlie Armstrong, Karen Ash, Jacqueline Berry, Linda Brown-Etienne, Julianne Buggs, Joann Byrd, Ernestine Carr, Miguelina Z. Cazeau, Keandra Cherry, Kristen S. Cherry, Shawna Ferguson Cleveland, Dorothy Cook, Bonita Cooper, Verbena Brown Cummings, Dominique Mone Davis, Andrea Delricho Howard, Karla Ellis, Lynette Fahie, Elsie Hamler, Jasmin Nicole Hodge, Deborah Hollis, Alexandria Holloway, Kelli Hunter-Sheppard, Kristina Jackson, Christine James, Carmen Jones-Carey, Sharon Kendrick-Johnson, Keyondra N. Love, Leslie Greene Major, Cheryl Mattox-Berry, Aisha McQueen, Daniella S. Mcvea-Smith, Katia L. Moyer, Quiana Newell, Leatrice Perry-Bethune, M. Jacquelyn Porter, Terry-Ann Ramjus, Karla Revere, Toi Kiyona Scott, Gina Smith, Stephanie S. Thomas, Oliene Toussaint, Shelby Turner, Tara D. Turner, Ann Walters-Pope, Chenique Wilcox, Calondria Williams, Naquia Dershaunna Williams, LaBronya Williams-Fisher, Breanna Nicole Wolfe, Elisia Wright</p> <p><b>Visitors:</b> Lajler "Jill" Simmons, Bridgett Moore, Melanie Burnett  <b>Transfers:</b> April Garrett, Patricia Garrett, Jessica Modkins, Melody Hall</p>	

## ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

Agenda Item	Action	Moved By:	2 <sup>nd</sup> By:	Time
Call to Order				9:31 am
Meditation				9:32 am
Adoption of Agenda	A letter writing campaign activity to be added to New Business	Soror Jacqueline Berry	Soror Bonita Cooper	9:33 am

Reading of Minutes	Add missing names - <b>passed unanimously</b>			9:34 am
Reading of Correspondence	Soror Sharon K. Johnson - Reported A proposal from the Executive Board was presented to support the Dade County Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. event. An invitation was extended to the chapter to attend the Black History Month Celebrated on February 24, 2024, in honor of the 10 black police chiefs currently serving and protecting our community. The tickets are \$50 each.	Soror Karla Ellis	Soro Cheryl	9:38 am

## OFFICERS' REPORTS

<p><b>Basileus Report: Soror Tara D. Turner</b></p> <p>Pi Delta Omega Chapter participated in the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provided a list of service the chapter participated in for MLK Day of service.</li> <li>2. Attended the Baseli Chat on January 22nd.</li> <li>3. The Soror code of Ethics should be completed and returned. The forms were passed out.</li> <li>4. Thursday reminders, updates and feedback will be provided through email then.</li> <li>5. Reminder of the 71st SARC registration with deadline was shared</li> </ol>
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6. There is one spot for a Regional and an Alternate Delegate
7. A facebook page was created to share information.
8. QR code available for easy payment.
9. Spoke with Soror Sylvia Blackman regarding debit cards. Adjustments have been made and research has been done. Name and payment designation is being reviewed. Updates are forthcoming.
10. Technology - technical assistance will be available to those Soror's who need assistance. The GenNext Committee is available to assist. The following Soror's have expressed interest.
  - a. Soror Sharon Kendrick Johnson
  - b. Soror Andrea Delricho Howard
  - c. Soror M. Jacquelyn Porter
  - d. Soror Ernestine Carr
11. A webinar feature that has been utilized during the pandemic annually in the amount of \$869 will be discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting to do away with it.
12. Recognized Soror Alexandria Holloway as a founding charter member of Pi Delta Omega of 38 years.

Discussion Item	Action	Moved By:	2 <sup>nd</sup> By:	Time
71st Sarc Delegate	Nomination of Soror Bonita Cooper as a delegate for SARC	Soror Shawna Ferguson Cleveland	Soror Cheryl Mattox -Berry	9:55 am

**Tamiouchos Report: Shawna Cleveland**

Membership cards available for pick up.

1. Soror Shawna Cleveland presented the operations and programs summary as submitted for January 2024. The savings balance was shared as submitted.
2. Soror Shawna presented the detailed operations vs. actual, and programs of the Chapter as submitted for January 2024.

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Purchase of a new computer for finance purposes.	Expenditure to transfer information from the old computer to a new computer	Soror Elsie Hamler	Soror Ann Walters-Pope	10:26 am

	with a backup system in place.			
	3 - Abstention			

**2nd Anti-Basileus/Program Chair Report: Soror Sharon Johnson**

Program "Enhance Our Environment " has been diligently working to move forward with the 5K Walk/Run scheduled for Saturday, March 23, 2024, at Joe Delancy Park, starting at 8 AM. Funds to help were requested from four program committees. More details to follow.

Enhance Our Environment is also formulating a plan to plant a tree, flower, or bush for every member in the chapter. Details will follow.

Program "Advocate for Social Justice". A virtual phone banking training day for the Chapter was held on Saturday, February 3, 2024, from 10 AM to 12:30 PM. Four (4) Sorors participated in the phone banking. One hundred and thirty-seven (137) calls total and twenty-seven (27) contacts were made. Justin Jones (facilitator)from Equal Ground Voting stated that that was an above average contact percentage!

The AKA-PDO Connections committee and the Social Justice Committee are working together regarding the phone banking event with Equal Ground. All Sorors are invited to participate for upcoming phone banking and training.

The committee voted to partner for the 5K Run/Walk and contribute \$240.00. They also would like to add chair workouts for other participants.

Program "CHIPP" had an activity on 1/26/24 at Miami-Dade College, Homestead Campus, Benjamin Leon

School of Nursing. With the help of the School of Nursing, Soror Jackie power packed 30 bags with food items for delivery to partner schools Gateway and Pine Villa. She then delivered 30 CHIPP Power Packs for nine students at partner schools Gateway Environmental K- Learning Center and six students at partner school Pine Villa Elementary. The Power Packs were for a 2-week period of January 27-28 and February 3-4. Nutrition items will continue to be shared throughout February.

Building our Economic Wealth has events planned in supporting women entrepreneurs. Supporting the business of Sorors and provide essential information on investing, saving or set budget to increase financial literacy.

Committee sign up sheet was made available for Sorors to join a committee.

Soro Tara D. Turner mentioned a coloring book activity with Coral Reef Montessori Academy "The Magic Salad Garden" where they planted vegetables and did an irrigation system. The coloring book will be delivered to the school.

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### **Pecunious Grammateus Report: Soror Karla Revere**

The reports for December were presented and will be filed for audit.

- Review of January 2024 Operations Report – \$ 15,163.66
- Review of January 2024 Programs Report – \$900.28

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				10:32 am

### **Graduate Advisor Report: Soror Linda Brown-Etienne**

Soror Linda Brown-Etienne acknowledged Soror Alexandria Holloway as the previous graduate advisor and thanked her for her leadership.

Iota Nu members began with a letter writing campaign to write down their goals with a full week of founder weeks activity. The letters were reviewed upon their return from the break to assess if the students met their goals.

The Environment Committee had a seed planting project. Students planted seeds and also had a self care event where resources and items were passed out to students and faculty.

Students participated in the Lotus House project to assist the residents who live there.

Iota Nu also participated in a collaboration in a joint project with Lifting our voices. The student prepared over 500 sandwiches for one of the local charities.

A graduate webinar was hosted by the Regional Director and stressed to not to micromanage the undergrads.

Iota Nu satisfied one of the requirements of their corrective action plan. South Atlantic Region Standards Evaluation Team Lead, Soror Sylvia Lackmon-Roberts hosted a finance workshop which provided valuable information to the chapter.

The chapter's three delegates and three alternates have been registered for the 2024 South Atlantic Regional Conference in Orlando, Florida. Soror Linda is currently working on fees reimbursement from the Ivy Circle Fund while also encouraging individual Sorors to seek funding assistance as well.

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### **Hodegos Report: Soror Keandra standing in for Soror Belinda Gordon-Battle**

Go green by bringing your cups to chapter meetings to cut down on waste and expenses.

Thank you to Honey don't Kyesi Battle for organizing the beverage bar.

Black love day is February 13. Demonstrate love for 24 hours.

Soror Stephanie S. Thomas Honey Don't Seaman Ariayanna L. Val received a letter of commendation.

Save the date Soror Michelle Singh will present a TED Talk at Barry University on March 21, 2024, 6:30 pm. More information to follow for ticket purchase.

Illnesses, get well and sympathies announced.

February Birthdays Announced:

Soror Kimberly Bankhead, February 2

Soror Cachay Byrd, February 4

Soror Deidra Reed, February 10

Soror Eva Coifield, February 19

Soror Jacqueline Way, February 21

Soror Marilyn Westfield, February 21

Soror Tracy Gibson, February 23

Soror Rocehell Adger, February 28

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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### **Sisterly Relations Report:** Soror and Soror Breanna Nicole Wolfe

Acknowledged and celebrated Soror Ethel Hedgeman Lyle's birthday with refreshments and cake shared with the chapter members.

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### **Philacter Report: Soror Carmen Jones-Carey**

- There were 55 Pi Delta Omega chapter sorors in attendance and four visitors.
- Transfers - 4
- Collected \$26 in late fees

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				10:50 am

### **Audit Committee Report: Soror Anne Walters-Pope**

- External Audit is needed as well as an Internal audit.
- Sylvia Blackman Roberts, Regional Director indicated that two audits are not required.
- The committee will proceed with doing an external audit. An auditing company will do a comprehensive review.

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### Basilei Council Report: Soror Bonita Cooper

Founders Day celebration of service to honor founders on February 10, 2024. Pi Delta Omega Chapter will be visiting the residence of AGAPE Center. Care packages will be delivered with inspirational notes after the chapter meeting.

Worship will be held at the Great Williams Chapel Free Will Baptist Church in Homestead on March 3 or 10, whichever will be at the will of the body. The church will be presented with a donation of \$1000. \$750 will be donated from the Basillei budget; the additional \$250 will have to be raised.

Discussion Item	Action	Moved By:	2 <sup>nd</sup> By:	Time
To Attend Worship Service	Attend Worship Service on March 3rd	Soror Shawna Ferguson Cleveland	Soror Bonita Cooper	11:00 am

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### Standards Report: Soror Karla Ellis and Soror Naquia Keshanna Williams

The Advocate for Social Justice and Connections Committee - Completed a writing campaign (*House Representative & Senate Legislators*) regarding the voting bills with the chapter.

- Additional options other than writing a letter are by email, or phone call to your state legislator regarding the voting bills.

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				11:09 am

## NEW BUSINESS



**Announcements:**

- Protocol Chair: Soror Calondria Williams
- Reminder Black History Parade Friday, March 1, 2024, more information will be provided.
- Ordered T-shirts are ready for pick up; see Soror Anne Walters-Pope
- Miami Dade County Public School Forum "How to do business with MDPS" - Soror Anne Walters-Pope moderated and facilitated
- Soror Joanne Byrd is moving to NJ.

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**Adjournment:**

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	Adjournment	Soror Cheryl Mattox-Berry	Soror Karla Ellis	11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

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Stephanie S. Thomas, Grammateus

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Tara D. Turner, Basileus

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Date