

Palm Coast Flagler County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES
Via Zoom • April 4, 2026

Emergency Preparedness Notice

Ritualistic Opening

Quorum established

The Meeting was Called to Order by Madam President at 10:13 a.m.

Adoption of the Agenda

Adoption of the Minutes of the Last Meeting: Adopted as presented, no corrections.

Chapter President's Report: Soror Kimberly Smith

- **National Headquarters' Updates:**
 - Parliamentary sessions are being held in April and May 2026.
 - The Delta Store has officially reopened for sales.
 - The DDNC and DDUN were successful and we had representation from our Chapter in attendance.
 - Specific programming Information for Economic Development and Physical and Mental Health committees.
- **Southern Region Updates:**
 - Memorial Observance information has been requested and will be submitted by the deadline.
 - Centennial Court is open for \$126.
 - The Regional Slate of Candidates has been released.
- **Chapter updates:**
 - Thanks to Membership Committee for all the work done during Sisterhood Month.
 - Vote for proposed Amendments to the Policies & Procedures will be at the May chapter meeting.
 - May Week committee will be co-led by Sorors Derby Johnson and Twyla Prindle.
 - Discussed "parking lot" issues/questions: the rejected proposals will be reviewed, and special donation of scholarship in 2024 will be returned. A form will be created to ensure we capture any special input or criteria.
 - Leadership moment: We Are Not Made for Darkness.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Soror Jennifer Harris

Soror Harris gave report of the correspondence received via US mail and Email for the period of March 7th to March 31st. The next newsletter will be emailed on April 12, 2026.

First Vice President: Soror Miriam Hughey-Guy

Soror Hughey-Guy gave report Community Service, storage units, and DID training. Three areas of community service opportunities have been identified and details will be forthcoming. Chapter Management is our recommended topic for DID training during the Fall. The storage unit has raised prices and other opportunities to relocate for less expensive rates are being sought.

Membership Services: Congratulations and Happy Deltaversary for seven (7) lines this month; 94 members total on these lines. She acknowledged birthdays, anniversaries, prayer & condolences, and recognitions received throughout the month of March. A poll for Nomination of Chapter Awards and charter bus to Atlanta have been released. Sorors are encouraged to review and submit their votes.

Second Vice President: Soror Lasherica Jefferies

Soror Jefferies reminded Members that May Week will be May 3rd through 9th. The schedule of events is being finalized by co-chairs. She discussed updates to the committee jot form and what is an actionable item. She talked about the Community Baby Shower on May 16th, 11 am to 2 pm, no cost to attend. We have been asked to participate by hosting a table and/or providing resources to attendees. A reminder that Committee Report Forms are due the Monday before Executive Board.

- **Risk Management:** Internal Volunteer application has been cleared to participate in youth activities.

Financial Secretary's Report: Soror Sadie Milliner-Smith

Soror Milliner-Smith gave the report of receipts/income for the month of March 2026. Grand total receipts are \$2,937.00 (\$353 membership dues and \$2,584 Virtual 5K).

Treasurers Report: Soror Thomas gave the report on revenue, expenses and disbursement for the month of March 2026. She provided checkbook \$45,921.36 and bank balances for the month to include scholarship funds available.

- Budget & Finance Committee: The committee has reviewed all February reports from Bank and Internal, and all are alignment. Sorors are encouraged to utilize the Chapter Management, Fiscal Officers, and Exec Check recordings to learn more about chapter fiscal duties.

Programmatic Thrusts Committee Reports:

- **Economic Development: Soror Chonta Haynes**
 - Soror Haynes gave report on the Career & Opportunity Workshop on March 28 and thanks to the co-leads. The After-Action Report has been submitted. The only expense was \$79.63 for food. It was high-community impact at minimal costs, however, not enough community participation. Job employment and support, tools and strategies, economic entrepreneurship, and wholistic support with the clothes closet. The full report is on the Members Portal to view surveys and lessons learned.
- **Educational Development: Soror Yvette Jones**
 - No report
- **International Awareness & Involvement: Soror Claire Taylor**
 - Soror Taylor reported that the topic for May Week is Human Trafficking Awareness to include a survivor story.
- **Physical & Mental Health: Soror Courtney Alston**
 - Soror Alston gave update on the committee's May Week plans for the symposium and raffle. The drawing will be held on April 15th and winner posted in the Band app.
- **Political Awareness & Involvement/Social Action: Soror Camille Beliard**
 - Soror Beliard gave thanks to those who registered online and attended the DDNC and DDUN. She learned that partnership with other organizations is beneficial. She encouraged Sorors to call Senators regarding the SAVE. The webinar on April 12th at 7pm is Maternity Mortality Gap: Race, Risk, and Reform.

Fundraising: Soror Claire Taylor

Soror Taylor stated the committee is asking for Volunteers for Fundraiser events for the Chapter. She reports there is an opportunity to raise funds with St. Johns Outlet possibly on Mother's Day weekend. The chapter will receive 5% of the sales.

- Ad-Hoc/Perfume: Soror Chonta Haynes reports that there are 31 bottles to sell to get the next \$10,000 payout. It is recommended that we complete this project as quickly as possible and definitely prior to the end of the year but that requires everyone's participation.

Policies and Procedures: Soror Pamela Randall

The rejected proposals were reviewed and discussed by the Committee. The amended Move Forward, Rejected, and No Action Policies and Procedures have been uploaded to the Members Portal and thanks to Technology team for their support. The next step is for Members to thoroughly review all Move Forward amendments, ensure you have a clear understanding of the proposed changes, and be prepared to share your voice during the May 2nd meeting.

Protocol & Traditions/Rituals and Ceremonies: Soror Jennifer Harris

Soror Harris reviewed Code of Ethics, page 37; each Soror shall support Sorority's programs and demonstrate commitment to public service. The Ceremonial Table: April & May Chapter meetings are virtual; therefore, there is no need to set up the ceremonial table. June's Chapter meeting is slated to be in Palatka; we will need all hands-on deck for room set up and due to a \$10 monthly rate increase on our current storage unit; Soror Hughey Guy has explored a couple of other Storage units in Palm Coast. We will do an inventory of the Unit on Saturday May 9, 2026, 11am.

Scholarship: Soror Tiffany McKinney

The scholarship committee reviewed scholarship applications for St. Johns and Putnam Counties. There were 8 students to apply between the two counties. We will offer \$500.00 scholarships to the following students:

Charnell Cue, Palatka Jr-Sr. High School, 4.28 GPA planning to attend Florida A & M University majoring in nursing; Preston Washington, Crescent City Jr-Sr High School, 4.74 GPA - University of Florida majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Valissa Thomas, Palatka Jr.-Sr. High School, 4.13 GPA - Majoring in Biology; Jahzara Fields, Palatka Jr. - Sr. High, 4.01 GPA - University of Alabama majoring in Biology; E'Niya James, Q.I. Roberts Jr-Sr High School, 4.65 GPA, University of North Florida pursuing a Bachelor's of Science Degree; Taryn Lee, Q.I. Roberts, 4.54 GPA - Virginia Tech studying architecture.

Scholarship Award Distribution Dates:

- May 6, 2026 – Flagler Palm Coast High School
- May 7, 2026 – Matanzas High School
- May 14, 2026 – Crescent City High School (held at Miller Intermediate School)
- May 19, 2026 – Palatka High School
- May 21, 2026 – QI Roberts

Technology: Soror Ranata Wright

Soror Wright gave a refresher on the Zoom meeting request form in the Member's Portal, under Forms & Templates. It is requested that Zoom meeting request be done immediately, and not the day of committee meeting.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Soror Jefferies moved that the Chapter supports and participates in the Community Baby Shower event on May 16th in Palatka FL, 11 am to 2 pm. VOTE: 37 YES, 4 No. Motion Passes.

Soror Stephanie Wellon moved the Chapter supports the Physical and Mental Health Fundraising Virtual Raffle featuring a custom paraphernalia basket from Simply Alston Designs, with the drawing occurring on April 15th. VOTE: 45 YES, 0 No. Motion Passes.

Announcements

- Soror Miles announced the Virtual Candidate Forum for Southern Region on July 13. You must register to attend, and our International President will be bringing greetings.
- Soror Derby Johnson announced the theme for May Week: We Are Informed, Equipped, and Empowered; and she shared the list of webinars. She announced the Omicron Omicron Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity will be having an event and requested support from chapter members.
- Soror Shelly Gourline announced the new book by Soror Chonta Haynes.
- Soror Miriam Hughey-Guy announced Soror Alston's doctorate conferral.

Madame President called for Motion to Adjourn. Unanimous consent for Motion to Adjourn.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Ritualistic Closing

Respectfully submitted,



Soror Kathy Wright
Recording Secretary

Attendance:

1. Alicia Washington
2. Angela Williams
3. Barbara Solomon
4. Camille Beliard
5. Caroel DeBose
6. Carol Holtz
7. Carolyn Roberson
8. Chanelle Walker
9. Chonta Haynes
10. Claire Taylor
11. Clarrissa DeBose
12. Corie James
13. Cynthia White
14. Courtney Alston
15. Deidre McCray
16. Dollicia Green
17. Donna Easterling
18. Ebony Sampson
19. Edna-Marie Culler
20. Helen Jackson
21. Ina Backman
22. Jackie Robinson
23. Jennife Harris
24. Jonell Williams
25. Kathy Wright
26. Kiana Lewis Francois
27. Kimberly Lyn
28. Kimberly Smith
29. Kimberly Wright
30. LaKeisha Chestnut
31. Lakeisha Rayburn
32. Lalita Thomas
33. Lania Carter-Johnson
34. Lasandra Williams
35. Lasherica Jefferies
36. LaTashia Ashford
37. Linda Fuce
38. Margaret Powell
39. Mary Cook
40. Michelle Davis
41. Michelle Patterson-Moss
42. Mikaila Jones
43. Mildra Walker
44. Miriam Hughey-Guy
45. Mitzi Brandon
46. Olivet Underwood-Mobley
47. Pamela Randall
48. Peggy Turner
49. Ranata Wright
50. Rekia Anumege
51. Rhea Mency
52. Rosetta James
53. Rudean Jackson
54. Sadie Milliner-Smith
55. Sandra Matthews
56. Sandra Miles
57. Sharon Brown
58. Sharon Spell
59. Sharon Williams
60. Shelley Gourdine
61. Stephanie Wellon
62. Tempestt Jones-Lee
63. Theresa Brown
64. Tonya Miles
65. Twyla Prindle
66. Weyatta Murray
67. Zaneta Williams