**Chi Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc.**

Date: January 9, 2020

Location: Zoom Meeting

Time: 12:45 pm

**Members Present:** Kewanee Alexander, Tiffany Borden, Darien Brown, April Denson, Alaina Fleming, Mercedes Gillon, Chandra Griffin, Marisa Hamilton, Phylicia Jackson, Andrea Lewis, Kathryn Ogletree, Tameka Pearson, Ebboni Perdue, Geneva Polk, Anjanette Powell, Kimberly Rollins, Latonya Samuel, Akia Shirley, Delores Shropshire, Tierra Studivant, Ciara Taylor, Shannon Treadwell

**Meeting called to order by**: Basileus Alexander

**Recorder**: Soror Borden

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **TOPIC** | **DISCUSSION** | **ACTION PLAN/CONCLUSION** | **FOLLOW-UP RESPONSIBILITY** |
| **Meeting called to order** | Basileus Alexander |  |  |
| **Prayer** | Soror Borden |  |  |
| **Pledge** | Soror Powell |  |  |
| **Adoption of Agenda** | Day’s agenda was adopted. Motioned: Soror Borden2nd: Soror Samuel |  |  |
| **Previous Chapter Minutes** | November minutes were unavailable at the time of the meeting.Both November 2020 and January 2021 minutes will be reviewed at the next Chapter meeting. |  |  |
| **Reports** |
| *Credentials Report* | * Presented by Basileus Alexander
* 40 members are financial on local, regional, and national level.
* Members with questions are asked to contact Soror Martin or Soror Hamilton
 |  |  |
| *Financial Report* | * Presented by Soror Hamilton
* Checking: $ 12,138.69
* Savings: $ 1,593.03
* Rhoers: $ 786.65
 |  |  |
| *Opening Remarks by Basileus* | * Presented by Basileus Alexander
* No Formal Report
* Noted 20 members in attendance at time of meeting.
* Wished members a Happy New Year and noted that many Sorors unable to attend today’s meeting were able to provide notification of their absence to the Basileus or Anti-Basileus
 |  |  |
| *Anti-Basileus* | * Presented by Soror Lewis
* No Report
* Soror Lewis: Asked question to the chapter regarding possible intake. There are

12 confirmed interests in Chi Sigma. Is there chapter interest in an additional social activity or second informational prior to the Formal Rush?* Responses: included questions on logistics and establishing a time to allow the additional opportunity to meet. Other Sorors responded they had no issue with moving forward with the current 12 confirmed 12 interests.
* With additional discussion Basileus and Anti-Basileus noted the consensus to move forward with the 12 confirmed interests
 |  |  |
| *Epistoleus* | * Presented by Soror Treadwell
* No Report
* Soror Treadwell will send January newsletter following today’s meeting.
* She will also resend the email requesting photos for the scrapbook and publications.
* Any information to be included in the newsletter should be sent by email.
 |  | Soror Treadwell |
| *Rhoers* | * Soror Studivant was on call but not available for audio.
* No Report
* Basileus Alexander provided (from prior communication) that the Rhoers are working on communication and how to hold each other accountable. Soror Studivant is asking for prayers as she has entered a Master’s program but would like to give the Rhoers what they deserve. Any assistance is appreciated.
* Basileus Alexander added Rhoers have their own account and take up dues. Current account balance is $786.65
 |  |  |
| *Philos* | * Basileus Alexander announced Soror Griffin as Philo Advisor
* Soror Griffin reported the submitted Philos schedule as follows:
	+ January 15, 2021 6pm: Interest Information Meeting
	+ January 23, 2021 11am: Strategic Meeting (Regional Meeting)
	+ January 28, 2021 TBA: Philo Chapter Meeting
	+ February 13, 2021TBA: Proposed Intake Start
	+ February 16, 2021 TBA: Fees due
	+ March 18, 2021 TBA: Philo Induction (Pending)
	+ March 19 – 20, 2021 TBA: SER Regional Affiliates Conference
* There was a discussion related to the Philo SER Regional Conference fees of $132 being equal to the Soror fees of $132 with the Philos only attending for two days.
 |  |  |
| *Delta Eta* | * Soror Denson was on call but unavailable for audio.
* No Report
* Basileus Alexander suggested extending an invite to Delta Eta to Chi Sigma’s Chapter meeting to allow the graduate chapter to provide an example to the undergraduates.
* Per communication from Soror Denson, there has been no action from the chapter due as they are having difficulty adapting to the virtual setting. They are doing well working together and planning but not able to follow through.
* Basileus Alexander then added it may be necessary to make it mandatory for the chapter to attend a meeting(s) with Chi Sigma.
 |   |  |
| *Xi Mu* | * Soror Shropshire not in attendance
* No Report
* Chapter was holding weekend retreat at the time of today’s meeting.
 |  | Soror Shropshire |
| *Mu Xi* | * No Report
* Floor opened to Mu Xi Soror Andriana Raggs
* Soror Raggs noted the chapter has been working on a calendar and considering events. They are working on making calls to elementary schools for Operation Big Book Bag
* Basileus Alexander advised that if anything is needed, the chapter should communicate those needs to the graduate chapter.
* Soror Treadwell will send a copy of the Chi Sigma meeting agenda as a template.
 |  | Soror Treadwell |
|  *NPHC* | * Presented by Basileus Alexander
* Next NPHC meeting is scheduled for January 25. Information for Zoom link will be forwarded once received.
* If anyone would like to participate as a delegate, let Basileus Alexander know
* Chapter will submit payment of $200 for NPHC dues.
* At this time, NPHC has had no activities due to virtual mandates for sororities. Fraternities do not have a virtual mandate
 |  | Basileus Alexander |
| *Fundraising Committee* | * Soror Graham not in attendance
* Charleston Wrap Fundraiser: Information will need to be provided by Soror Graham as she was the fundraiser contact.
 |   | Soror Graham |
| *Hospitality Committee* | * Presented by Soror Rollins
* Committee sent six birthday cards in the month of November and three birthday cards in the month of December.
* Holiday cards were mailed to Philos and Rhoers.
* Committee was successful in surprising all Chapter Sorors on chapter roster with a Holiday card and ornament.
* Please ensure you have your correct address with the Chapter. Five Birthday cards were returned due to an incorrect address.
* If a message is sent from the Committee, please respond as it may pertain to information needed.
* Basileus Alexander advised that new members received a Chapter pin and one was returned due to an incorrect address
* Soror Moore added that all Sorors should wear pearls on January 20, 2021 and post to social media to show support for the Inauguration
 |  |  |
| *Community Service Committee* | * Soror Graham not in attendance
* Soror Treadwell presented information for Social Justice/Social Action for Human Trafficking and Sexual Assault Awareness month. There are ideas coming from the Regional level but she is asking for the Chapter to present ideas for a virtual event.
* Soror Treadwell also advised a “Be the Match” regional meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2021. She presented a challenge idea to have each member get five people to register.
* Soror Treadwell is asking for ideas on either initiative be emailed to her and they are scheduled to be discussed next week
 |  |  |
| *Social Committee*  | * Presented by Soror Taylor
* No Report
* Requested ideas for virtual events.
* Responses: Suggestion to continue monthly dinners, paint party, virtual Valentine
* Next Social is virtual Valentine dinner on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm
* Paint party will be discussed further with Soror Denson
* Basileus Alexander welcomed Soror Geneva Polk and that we are pending paperwork on Mu Xi transfer Soror Demetria Williams. Goal is for Chi Sigma to become a PEARL Chapter with 50 members
 |  | Soror TaylorSoror Denson |
| **\*\*\*OLD AND NEW BUSINESS SECTIONS WERE ACCOMPANIED WITH A PRESENTION SHARED FROM BASILEUS ALEXANDER. SORORS WERE ADVISED TO SCREEN CAPTURE ANY SLIDES THEY DEEMED PERTINENT.\*\*\*** |
| **Old Business** |
|  | * Basileus Alexander advised Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority virtual mandate is extended until June 30, 2021
 |  |  |
| *TORCH* | * TORCH Calendar guide was shown. Per slide, Chapter is prepared to choose Option 2 with calendar due date of January 22 and Formal Rush start of February 5
* Soror Lewis asked that any additional interests be presented to her by February 1 to allow time for invites to be sent
* Basileus Alexander also noted that there will be a mass induction ONLY
 |  |  |
| **New Business** |
| *Regionals* | * 81st SER Regional Conference will be virtual held April 9-11, 2020
	+ Registration deadline is March 6 and there are no additional fees or discounts
	+ Basileus Alexander opened the floor for nominations for four delegates. Nominees included Sorors Borden, Alexander, Polk, and Rollins. Basileus Alexander closed the nominations.
	+ Motioned by Soror Hamilton and 2nd by Soror Samuel and all nominated delegates were approved.
	+ Delegates will be registered for the SER Regional Conference by Basileus Alexander and Soror Hamilton. Delegates should expect to receive an email confirmation.
 |  |  |
| *Special Boule* | * 2021 Special Boule will be held virtually on June 3-6, 2021
* Online payments only with Regular registration of $200 from January 9 to March 14 and Late registration of $250 from March 15 to April 15
* Basileus Alexander discussed 2020 Boule Funds Allocation. Form link was sent on December 23rd Golden Communique
* Delegates are Sorors Alexander, Lewis, and Graham
 |  |  |
| *Centennial* | * 2022 Centennial Boule will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana on Tuesday, July 12 to Sunday, July 17, 2022. Attendees are asked to arrive on Monday, as events will begin at 10 am on Tuesday.
* Centennial Schedule will include Graduate, Undergraduate, and Invite Only events.
* Registration will close at 6,000 registrants
* Detailed information on events and payments were provided in Basileus Alexander’s slide presentation
 |  |  |
| *Founders’ Weekend* | * Centennial Founders’ Weekend 2022 will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana on Friday, November 11 to Sunday, November 13, 2022
* Registration is $325 for all attendee types
* Registration will close at 1,000 registrants
 |  |  |
| *Shared Centennial Notes**(Centennial Boule and Founders’ Weekend* | * There is an offer of a $50 discount for attending both Centennial events
	+ Hotels cannot be reserved without Event registrations. Host hotel is JW Marriot. Most events will be held at the Indiana Convention Center but Host Hotel should have some events. Publication notes that all hotels have a skywalk to the convention center
* Visit website [www.sgrho100.org](http://www.sgrho100.org) for info on Centennial Events
* Centennial registration ends by end on 2021. Centennial is not for non-financial Sorors. Must be financial for 2021-2022 year to attend centennial.
* Centennial delegates:
	+ Soror Graham will attend but will not be able to attend as a delegate. Basileus Soror Alexander and Soror Lewis will be attending as a delegate.
	+ Request for Tier II delegate to replace Soror Graham and request for a delegate for 4th spot due to membership numbers. Request is for Centennial registration only. Chapter will pay for delegates registration and one night room charge
	+ Finances: Discussed with Chapter Officers prior to meeting to determine best way to handle delegate requests -- $575 will be paid for all delegates. On allocations, 2020 Boule fee will be removed, $175 dollars will be allocated to Special Boule 2021, and remaining amount will go to Centennial. If delegate were to change from those previously selected, more expenses will incur.
	+ Stipulation set on replacement delegate to be a Tier I or Tier II for Soror Graham’s registration. If same tier, transfer will only incur the $50 transfer fee. For 4th delegate, no stipulations on tier are noted.
	+ Soror Studivant will consider but response needed by January 22. Soror Fleming volunteered to be the 4th delegate
* Undergrads will receive one partial package from Nationals. Chapter will offer one partial package; however, partial package will not include transportation or hotel. Chapter will pay for three partial package registrations for the three undergraduate chapters.

Questions: Basileus Alexander to Soror Lewis: Do Rhoers normally have a chaperone and does that chaperone have to be the Rhoer advisor?Soror Lewis to Basileus Alexander: No, it can be a member from the Graduate Chapter. The event planners usually look at the ratio of adults to teens. If needed they look to change contacts with other chaperones in the same region Basileus Alexander to Sorors Powell and Lewis: Are any Rhoers attending Centennial?Soror Powell to Basileus Alexander: No, there are no Rhoers attendingSoror Lewis to Basileus Alexander: Possibly two Rhoers to attend. Soror Hamilton added that Rhoers Regional group meets once a month and may continue to have foster advisors if requested early enough.Soror Taylor to Basileus Alexander: Are there any Centennial programs for Rhosebuds?Basileus Alexander to Soror Taylor: No information was given but Soror Taylor can make contact directly. |  |  |
| **Receipts of the Day** | * None
* Basileus Alexander noted that for 21-22 Sorority Year all payments should be back to regular schedule with September 30 deadline
 |  |  |
| **Announcements** | * Ruby applications opened January 8, 2021 – send email to Basileus Alexander for application to be submitted for 22 years in sorority.
* Youth Symposium is virtual, and link will be sent to invite people outside of the organization
* Aurora was mailed. If not received, go to national website and update address. If not receiving emails, go to national website and update email address.
* Prayers requested for Sorors Studivant (mentioned above), Soror Taylor on selling her current and purchase of a new home, and Soror Powell on the new additions to her family. Basileus Alexander asks all Sorors to be sure to reach out to someone if there is anything needed.
 |  |  |
| **Closing Prayer/Hymn** | Soror Borden – Prayer Hymn not sung |  |  |
| **Adjournment** | 3:37 PM |  |  |