

**MINUTES OF DELTA PROVINCE CONVENTION
DELTA THETA TAU SORORITY, INC.**

The 92nd annual Delta Province Convention of Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc., convened at 9:00 am, November 6, 2021, at the Hilton Hotel in Stockton, California.

The Province Chairman, Nicole Johnson, welcomed all in attendance, called the meeting to order and introduced Jenny Wade, Convention Coordinator. Jenny, in turn, introduced the coordinator of the Hilton Hotel, who gave the welcoming address.

The Province Chairman, Nicole Johnson, opened the business meeting with the Delta Opening Ceremony and Delta Prayer.

The two-person mock Initiation Ceremony, organized by Carol Yingst, Delta Province PEG, was conducted. The ceremony was performed by:

Pontifex Prima: Anita Waits, PNP, PPC, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
Sgt-at-Arms: Liz Marshall, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
Initiate (stand-in): Monica Spielman, Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ

Jenny Wade, Chairman Board of Trustees, conducted the Memorial Service for the following Delta Sisters deceased during the past 2 years:

<u>Name/Status</u>	<u>Chapter/City</u>	<u>Date</u>
Mary Dawson, Active	Omicron Omicron, Lodi, CA	12/24/2020
Deanna Higgins, MAL	Iota Omicron, Downey, CA	01/15/2021
Carmen Lee, Alumnae	Zeta Epsilon, Ventura, CA	10/14/2021
Genevieve Resler, Active	Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ	03/03/2021
Barbara Griffis, MAL	Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ	05/13/2020
Jeanne Lord, PNP, Honorary Member	Omicron Gamma, Escondido, CA	09/27/2021
Jean Williams, MAL	Delta Phi-Alpha, Pasadena, CA	10/03/2021
Lonna McDaniel, MAL	Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA	09/03/2021
Musetta Snow, MAL	Epsilon Iota-Alpha, Los Angeles, CA	01/20/2020

Convention Secretary, Amy Parreira, read the Object of the Convention

The Chair introduced National Officers in attendance.

- Terry Riester, National President, Delta Province Assigned Officer, Lambda Nu, Mooresville, IN
- Jenny Wade, Chairman Board of Trustees, PPC, Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA

The Chair introduced PNPs and PPCs of the Province and National Committee members in attendance.

- Dona Mostafa, PNP, PPC, Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA
- Anita Waits, PNP, PPC, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
- Bonnie Wells, PNP, Omicron Gamma-Alpha, Escondido, CA
- Mary Jane Litz, PNP, Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ

- Carol Yingst, PPC, Delta PEG, Omicron Delta, Fresno, CA
- Susan Roberts, PPC, Omicron Delta, Fresno, CA
- Elaine Sager, PPC, Omicron Omicron, Lodi, CA
- Deborah Waits, PPC, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
- Brenda Moore, Chairman, National Philanthropy Committee, Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA

The Chair introduced members serving at this convention.

Sgt-at-Arms – Paula Marciano, Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA

Pages/Tellers – Mary O’Harra, Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ
Brenda Corral, Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA

Convention Secretary – Amy Parreira, Omicron Delta, Fresno, CA

Legislative Committee

- Anita Waits, PNP, PPC, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
- Jenny Wade, Chairman, Board of Trustees, PPC, Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA
- Charlotte Marengo, PNP, PPC, Delta Home Registrar, Theta Iota, Delano, CA (not present)

Province Philanthropy Committee

- Bonnie Wells, PNP, Omicron Gamma-Alpha, Escondido, CA
- Deborah Waits, PPC, Theta Iota, Delano, CA
- Dona Mostafa, PNP, PPC, Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA

The Secretary, Amy Parreira, called the roll. There were five (5) Chapters present and nine (9) other voting members present. There were fourteen (14) total votes possible. The Chair declared a quorum had been established.

Credentials report was presented by Secretary, Amy Parreira.

6 Active Chapters in Province

5 Active Chapters in Attendance

2 Past Province Chairman (who are PNP)

2 Past Province Chairman (who are not PNP)

5 Past PPC

0 Honorary Member of the Province (who are not PPC or PNP)

14 TOTAL ELIGIBLE VOTES (*PC only votes if a tie*)

Gamma Xi, Bakersfield, CA was not in attendance. No letter requesting to be excused was received. Gamma Xi was not excused.

It was noted that Diana McDonald, Delegate for Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA, was attending her first Province Convention.

Jenny Wade, Legislative Committee Member, read the proposed Convention Rules. There was a unanimous vote to adopt the 2021 Convention Rules.

The Chair announced that the minutes of the previous convention had been approved by the Assigned Officer. No requests were made to read the minutes; therefore, they were not read.

The Chair introduced a special project, Letters to Marine Boot Camp Recruits. Lambda Sigma Delegate, Monica Spielman, shared information about her daughter, Brooke, as a recent recruit to the US Marines. Note cards were distributed for members to write notes/letters of encouragement to send to Brooke and other US Marine recruits.

The Chair presented the draft Financial Report of the Province. Beginning balance was \$520.73. Balance as of 10/01/2021 was \$724.42. The final report to be attached to the meeting minutes.

Legislative Committee Reporting Member, Anita Waits, PNP, gave the Legislative Committee Report. Proposed amendments were not sent to chapters in advance per the Bylaws and Standing Rules. Anita Waits made a motion that the amendment be presented from the floor. Susan Roberts seconded. There was a unanimous vote to adopt the motion to accept Legislation from the floor.

Anita Waits, PNP, made a motion to accept the following legislation for ARTICLE I – MEETINGS, Section 2.

Currently reads:

Accredited delegates from one quarter (1/4) of the number of chapters in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

Proposed:

Strike *one quarter (1/4)* and insert *two-thirds (2/3)*.

Would read:

Accredited delegates from two-thirds (2/3) of the number of chapters in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

Rational:

We have six (6) Active Chapters in Delta Province. At the present time, one quarter, or 2 delegates, would constitute a quorum. If we have 2/3 it would be four (4) delegates from chapters in good standing to constitute a quorum.

Debby Waits, seconded the motion. There was a unanimous vote to adopt the new legislation. Delta Province Standing Rules will be updated reflect the change and distributed to all chapters with the meeting minutes.

Delta Home Report was read by Terry Riester, National President.

Convention Secretary, Amy Parreira, read communications from the following members not able to attend.

- Yvonne Cabral
- Kris Trapp, National Secretary
- Evonne Albert, Secretary of Philanthropy
- Julie Callis, National Vice President
- Karen Mace, Secretary Board of Trustees
- Kendra Olson, Director of Expansion and Growth
- Patty Jo Nierste, 3rd Member, Board of Trustees

Terry Riester, National President, lead a questionnaire activity called Stand Up for a Sister, to help us better understand one another's struggles.

Province Philanthropy Committee Reporting Member, Debby Waits, introduced Lindsey Bryan, a special speaker for FCS Foundation. FCS Foundation is a 501(C)(3) organization that promotes advocacy and education for patients and caregivers living with familial chylomicronemia syndrome (FCS).

Proposed Philanthropy Projects were not sent to chapters in advance per the Bylaws and Standing Rules. Debby Waits made a motion that the amendment be presented from the floor. Mary Jane Litz seconded. There was a unanimous vote to adopt the motion to accept Philanthropy Projects from the floor.

Province Philanthropy Committee Reporting Member, Bonnie Wells, PNP made a motion to present FCS Foundation as the 2021 Delta Province Philanthropy Project. Liz Marshall seconded. There was a unanimous vote to adopt FCS Foundation as the 2021 Delta Province Philanthropy Project.

The following donations were made to the Philanthropy Fund.

- Omicron Delta, Fresno, CA - \$100
- Mu Lambda, Stockton, CA - \$50
- Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ - \$50
- Theta Iota, Delano, CA - \$100
- Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA - \$100
- Bonnie Wells, PNP - \$25 in memory of Jeanne Lord
- Anita Waits, PNP - \$100 in memory of all our departed sisters
- Mary Jane Litz, PNP - \$25 in memory of Carmen Lee and Jeanne Lord
- Dona Mustafa, PNP - \$25 in memory of all our departed sisters
- Jenny Wade, Chairman, BOT - \$100 in memory of all our departed sisters
- Carol Yingst, Delta PEG - \$100 in memory of all our departed sisters
- Elaine Sager - \$25 in memory of Carmen Lee
- Brenda Moore, Chairman, National Philanthropy Committee - \$50
- Yvonne Cabral - \$100 in memory of Jeanne Lord
- Susan Roberts - will round off the donation after the financial report is finalized

From the floor, we raised a total of \$950. In total, we will donate \$1,500 to FCS.

Meeting recessed at 11:30 am for lunch.

Meeting reconvened at 1:43 pm.

Carol Yingst, Delta Province PEG, reported on Province Expansion and Growth. Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA was recognized for initiating four (4) new members. Carol also announced that she will resign as Delta Province PEG in May 2022. She requested notification from anyone interested in filling the position.

The afternoon workshop, "Pass-Thru Donations, Organizing Your Receipts" was presented by National Officers, Terry Riester and Jenny Wade, with assistance from Amy Parreira, Susan Roberts, and Carol Yingst.

National President, Terry Riester, explained her theme, "Delts Rock! The Lemonade Tour". We are awesome, strong, and stand on the rock solid foundation laid by our founders in 1903. We were thrown lemons by COVID, but we are turning them into Lemonade this year.

The Chair presented a 2nd special project. Members formed groups to bag individually wrapped life savers and label them with a message, "LifeSavers for Life Savers". Each chapter was given a group of the bags and encouraged to take them back to their communities to hand out and take pictures for GRIT and our website.

Terry Riester, National President, reviewed pages in folders handed out to Delegates and voting members. It was also announced that we have a new chapter in Murfreesboro, TN.

Brenda Moore, Chairman, National Philanthropy Committee, presented the National Philanthropy Committee Report, stating that they currently had no applicants for the scholarships or the National Philanthropic Project. In group discussion, it was decided that Delta Province would submit FCS Foundation for the National Philanthropic Project. Anita Waits, PNP, will handle the submission.

Nomination for Province Chairman

Anita Waits, PNP, nominated Nicole Johnson for 2022 Delta Province Chairman. Bonnie Wells, PNP, seconded. With only one nominee, Nicole Johnson was declared 2022 Delta Province Chairman.

Bids for Convention City

Lambda Sigma, Phoenix, AZ bid for the 2023 Delta Province Convention. With only one bid, Lambda Sigma was declared Hostess Chapter for 2023 Delta Province Convention.

Omicron Delta, Fresno, CA, will host "Holidays with Sisters" on September 30-October 1, 2022, at the Wyndham Hotel in Visalia, CA.

Province Chairman, Nicole Johnson announced and Terry Riester, National President, presented certificates to the top 5 chapters for Total Philanthropy, Philanthropy – Per Capita, Total Volunteer Hours, and Volunteer Hours – Per Capita. The Delta Province Philanthropy Report was distributed to Delegates.

An award from National Convention was presented to Omicron Gamma, Escondido, CA, for increased membership in 2019-2020.

The Iota Omicron Traveling Gavel award for the highest Philanthropy Per Capita was presented to Epsilon Rho, San Jose, CA **and** Theta Iota, Delano, CA.

Terry Riester, National President, presented information about the 2022 National Convention, "The Roaring 20s, Delta Style", to be held in Oak Brook, IL, July 6-13, 2022.

Nicole Johnson was installed as 2022 Province Chairman. Installation service was conducted by Terry Riester, National President, assisted by Paula Marciano, Sgt-at-Arms.

The newly installed Delta Province Chairman shared her contact information.

Name: Nicole Johnson
Address: 2922 N 111th Drive, Avondale, AZ 85392
Phone: (907) 519-8358
Email address: flathead1982@hotmail.com

Nicole Johnson, 2021-2022 Delta Province Chairman, thanked everyone for supporting and believing in her.

Final announcements were made.

There being no further business, the 2021 Delta Province Convention was adjourned at 3:58 pm.

The meeting was closed with the Delta Closing Ceremony.

Respectfully Submitted:

Amy Parriera

Amy Parriera, Convention Secretary

APPROVED:



Nicole Johnson, Province Chairman

Date: November 28, 2021



Terry Riester, National President, Delta Province Assigned Officer

Date: November 28, 2021