MInutes of Zeta Province Convention 2022 Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. October 22, 2022

The 2022 Zeta Province Convention of Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. convened at 10:00am, Saturday, October 22, 2022, at the home of Xi Omega member, Melodie Bourassa, Fort Worth, TX.

Province Chair Denise Bedore-Custer called the meeting to order and introduced the 2022 Convention Coordinator, Brenda Watkins, Xi Omega, Hurst,

The chair then opened the meeting with the Delta Opening Ceremony/Preamble followed by the Delta Prayer.

The Convention Secretary, Melodie Bourassa, read the Objective of the Province.

The Chair, Denise Bedore-Custer, introduced the National Officer in attendance:

• Karen Mace, Chairman Board of Trustees, and Zeta Province Assigned Officer.

The Chair then introduced other National Committee Members, and Past Province Chairs.

- Brenda Watkins Vice President Delta Home, Zeta Province PEG, Past Province Chair
- Melodie Bourassa Past Province Chair
- Penny Black Past Province Chair

The Chair introduced the Deltas serving the Convention:

- Convention Secretary Melodie Bourassa
- Standing Rules Committee Chair Penny Black
- Province Philanthropy Committee: Xi Omega

The Convention Secretary called the roll.

Penny Black, Delegate - Hurst, TX, Xi Omega - Present

There is one member present, so a quorum is established.

The minutes of the 2021 Province Convention were approved by the Assigned Officer and no request was made for them to be read. Also, it was agreed that the order of business may be changed, if needed.

Convention Secretary, Melodie Bourassa, read correspondence from:

- Julie Callis DTT National President
- Judy Beall Lambda Gamma, PNP
- Kris Trapp Board of Trustees
- Kathy Harralson DTT National Secretary

- Mandy Allen DTT National Website
- Doris Sanders Editor of GRIT

The Chair read the Preliminary Financial Report of Zeta Province:

| Balance Forward: (Received | 239.26 Philanthropy 176.74 General Fund 416.00 | | |
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| Zeta Province Dues Philanthropy General | | 25 25 | |
| | Philanthropy General Fund | 299.26 184.24 | |
| | Beginning Balance | 466.00 | |
| Additional Donations to Zeta Province during the meeting | Judy Callis Karen Mace Melodie Bourassa Brenda Watkins Penny Black <u>Denise Bedore</u> Deposit Philanthropy Fund | 50 20 20 20 10 10 130 | |
| | NEW BALANCE Philanthropy Fund General Fund | 596.00 (429.26) (184.24) | |
| | Move -134.24 from the General to Philanthropy Fund Leaving in General Fund | 563.50 50.00 | |
| | Zeta Donation to Homes for Children, Inc. (12/29/22) | -500.00 | |

| New Balance Philanthropy Fund 63 General Fund Total Balance 113 |
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A motion was made to move \$134.24 the general fund to the Philanthropy Fund, creating a new Philanthropy Fund of \$563.50, and General Fund Balance of \$50.00.

Philanthropy Report: A project was nominated/submitted from the floor by Xi Omega.

Homes for Children, Inc.- Kristen Vincent. This organization provides services, resources, and goods, for families, and children in the foster care system. From furniture, food, clothing, emergency funds, and other services, for those in need.

A motion was passed for this organization to be the Zeta Philanthropy Project for 2022, by Melodie Bourassa, and was 2nd by Penny Black. The motion was passed that \$500 will be donated to Homes for Children, Inc.

Standing Rules Committee Report

The Standing Rules Committee presented two proposals.

- The first proposal was to remove Wichita from the province rotations, due to Lambda Gamma no longer being an active chapter.
 - The amendment is adopted, and Xi Omega will be the hostess chapter for the Zeta Province Convention.
- The second proposal was to change Article II, Meetings, to read as follows: Zeta Province will not rotate until another chapter is added.

Zeta Province Standing Rules will now read:

Article II, Meetings, 1. Zeta Province Conventions will not rotate until another chapter is added.

| Year | City | Chapter |
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| 2023-? | Hurst, TX | Xi Omega |

Xi Omega will be the "hostess chapter" responsible for the convention.

Denise Bedore-Custer requested a show of hands to vote, and all were in favor. The amendment was carried.

A third proposal was proposed from the floor.

• The amendment in question is Article II, Section 2, Item A: Voting members shall consist of one delegate from each chapter and National Presidents within Zeta Province.

Rationale to change: To keep voting equitable, and to include more expertise, as new chapters are added to Zeta Province, and not having any PNP's, it would be favorable to add past Province Chairs, to be included in the voting process.

Denise Bedore-Custer requested a show of hands to vote, and all were in favor. The amendment was carried.

The article will now read as:

Voting members shall consist of one delegate from each Chapter, National Presidents within the Province, and Past Province Chairs.

As a conforming change item E would be eliminated, in the Province Bylaws.

Zeta Province Standing Rules, Delta Theta Tau Sorority, Inc. will be updated and distributed.

Workshops and Reports:

- Karen Mace, Board of Trustees, presented 3 zooms. We enjoyed the sisterhood, the humorous presentations, and the encouragement.
 - 5 G's At the Flower Shop: Karen Mace, Beth Wallis and Doris Sanders The officers had 5 flowers and 5 varieties. As they went through the 5 G's Gather, Grow, Give Grace and Gratitude the delegates were asked to come forward and read from the tags they were given about the 5 G's and place a flower in a vase. At the end a beautiful bouquet was completed. Beautiful like the Sisterhood of our sorority.
 - Gathering: Kris Trapp, Julie Callis and Doris Sanders The officers gave some ideas for fundraising for Delta Home and how Conventions are great for reconnecting with sisters. Ideas to save a little each month so we can gather at Fort Worth, TX, for National Convention. Host small fundraisers like selling Krispy Crème Donuts, etc.
 - o Grace and Gratitude: Julie Callis
- PEG Report: Brenda Watkins had nothing to report.
- Summary of the Province Philanthropy Report was read.
- The National Philanthropy Report was read.
- National Convention Reports: Karen Mace, Assigned Officer shared a video from Kathy Stanford, National Convention Coordinator. July 12-16, 2023 in Fort Worth, TX. "Wild West" Themed. Sheraton Hotel, Downtown. We discussed our role as a Hosting Chapter for the Informal Banquet. We reviewed our plans with Mrs. Mace.
- National Business: Reviewed the items in the Delegate Folder: Amendments to National Bylaws/July 2022, Note to Chapter Publicity Chairman, 2022 Province Presentation, Guidelines/Teresa McAllister Award, Delta Home Program Directorate Fact Sheet,DTT Grit Deadlines, Norma Money Fund Benefit Application, Membership Invitation

DTT - Founder's Day Ceremony was held at the end of our meeting. Brenda Watkins was our Pontifex Prima, and it was wonderful to close with such an important reminder of why we continue to be a part of such a wonderful service organization.

New Business:

- Nomination and election of Province Chair for 2023: Denise Bedore-Custer was nominated from the floor, and due to a 1 candidate ballot, the vote was cast, by the secretary M. Bourassa, and Denise Bedore-Custer is elected as our next Province Chair for 2023. We then held a Province Chair Ceremony. Karen Mace, Chairman Board of Trustees, conducted the installation ceremony.
- Announcements were made: Lunch at the Modern Art Museum Cafe, and then Karen Mace would drive back to Houston. Gifts were exchanged, and farewells were made.
- The chair thanked all those that attended, and assisted. There being no further business, the chair declared the meeting adjourned at 12:15.

Zeta Province Secretary Melodie Bourassa

Melodie Bourassa Convention Secretary

Approved:

Denise Bedore Custer, Zeta Province Chairman

Date:

Karen Mace, Chairman Board of Trustees

Zeta Province Assigned Officer

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Date: <u>12/29/2022</u>

Gathering, Growing, Giving Grace, Gratitude