

Program Planning and Development Committee Report

01/19/26 6:34 pm

Location: Zoom

Attendees	
Rochelle McFerguson	Sandra Hatley
Hannah Chavis	Amaya Jordan
Jennice Haynes	Jalesia Austin
Exa Hartman	Keneasha Scott
Pretrescia Grubbs	Melinda Peer
Brenda Garlington	Alyssa Robinson
Jameka Jackson	Kelly Harris
Shirley Tyson	Karen Johnson
Brooke	Natalie Holiman
Katriel Alexander	Taniyah Coleman
Karen Johnson	

Agenda Items	
Economic Development	Baptist Health Food Bank
Education Development subcommittee report	NICU Book Donation
Physical and Mental Health subcommittee report	Ujima Maternity Network
International Awareness and Involvement	Summer EBT program

- **Call to Order**
At 6:34 pm by Soror Rochelle McFerguson. Meditation given by Soror McFerguson
- **Report Body**
- **Baptist Health Food Bank-the lead is Soror Exa Hartman-** A sign-up is sent out each week. Sorors are bagging on average 60 bags of groceries. An additional day (Monday) has been added. The following dates are 1/27, 2/2, 2/12, 2/24, 3/2, 3/12, 3/24, each shift is 5:45pm-6:30pm. At this time only members of CAAC will be allowed to sign up and participate in this activity due to limited slots.
- **NICU Book Donation- Soror Jennice Haynes is the lead.** There was a delay in the start of this activity. Donations can be made 1/26 through 2/28. Sorors may make donations online through Amazon. There is a selection of books that Sorors can order and the books will be delivered to Soror Haynes to be delivered and donated to Baptist Health NICU in March.
- **Social Action-** information given to DA/DG participants and their parents about voter registration and voter education. SA is weaved through all programming
- **International Awareness and Involvement-** no report at this time Soror Amaya Jordan is the lead
- **Physical and Mental Health-Soror Natalie Holiman is the lead.** A Red Table Talk is scheduled for 2/14/26 at 1030am just prior to the start of chapter meeting. The topic is self-care, and the speaker

is Soror Shuvonne Johnson LMSW. Physical and Mental Health are partnering with Fundraising committee for a 5k run/walk in the spring. Details are being forthcoming.

Soror Holiman will also follow up regarding a program to support Ujima Maternity Network-An agency that supports community-based doulas and patient centered education with an emphasis on Black women.

- **Economic Development report- Soror Sandra Hatley is the lead.** Financial literacy for women is scheduled for 1/27/26. Titled: “She Builds Wealth” This is a virtual program. Please register and share with family and friends. It’s not only for women, though women are the focus.
- **Education Development-Soror Hannah Chavis is the lead.** College and Career Readiness was the topic for January, which was led by Soror Alyssa Robinson. There were 15 DA/DG participants. The participants were able to engage a panel of professionals (engineer, law enforcement, educators, nurses, hair stylists, entrepreneurs). The program also allowed the young ladies to wear graduation caps and gowns, and they were given affirmations jars to take with them. The next DA/DG will be 2/21/26 and Soror Sandra Hatley is the lead, and the topic is Teen Financial Literacy. We need to find a venue. Maumelle HS will not be available. We have reached out to Geyer Springs Early Childhood Center and PSU for availability of space/room with A/V, internet access and classroom setup. We are awaiting their reply. The topic for March is Self-care and will center around appropriate hygiene. The DA/DG participants have requested a service project for April. A request to the Arkansas Food Bank (AFB) has been made to have a tour of the facility, perform the service activity, and reserve a room for lunch afterwards. We are awaiting their reply.

Partner schools:

College Station Elementary reading program on hold due to them being temporarily housed at Harris Elementary

Florence Mattison- Soror Kelly is the liaison- The school would like a donation for their Literacy and Lattes program. \$150.00 will be donated. Sorors Tyson and Harris will coordinate to get check to the school

Geyer Spring Early Childhood- A donation of \$1000.00 will be given to the school to purchase much needed items (clothing, supplies) for the students.

We have the opportunity to disseminate information to our partner schools about a summer EBT program. It would involve CAAC ensuring that our partners in education are aware of summer nutrition programs. Soror Tyson will follow up

- **Meeting Adjourned**
7:30
- **Next meeting-**
Date: 2/16/26
Time: 6:30pm
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Recommendations to Executive Board to be presented to Chapter

Item
None