**Committee Name: Social Action**

**Committee Chair(s): Veronica Pickett Johnson and Celeste T. Williams**

**Date/Time of meeting (MM/DD/YYYY):** **03|12|2024 , 6:30 pm cst**

**Attendees:** Veronica Johnson, Celeste Williams, Joan Roberts-Scott, Krishella Robinson, Gloria Frazier, Adrienne Thrasher, Erica Knox, Monique Robertson, Belinda Williams, Dewi Smith, Jacqueline Habersham, Melody Southall, April Briscoe and Delphea Jester

**Committee Decisions:** (limit 500 characters)

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| Business Items/Agenda:  **Social Action Priorities**  **Voting & Civic Engagement**  **Health Equity**  **Reproductive Justice**  **Economic Justice**  **Reimagining Public Safety**  **Reproductive Justice**  **Environmental Justice**  **Old Business:**   * School Board Meeting Updates Meeting – No updates currently. * Boards & Commission – No updates currently. * Social Action Moment - April 2024 – Veronica/Celeste   + **Focus/Program Outline - Legislative Panel -** Celeste Williams - will be open discussion for planning of the activation that is to be held April 18, 2024 – will need committee members to be able to be available by 5:30 pm to be available waiting on confirmation with Mt. Zion and/or Austin Community College – Eastview for location – Lewis, Robertson, Knox, Roberts-Scott, Southall, Habersham, will make themselves available for day of support. We will finalize schedule within next week for run of show and outline what will happen. Moderator for the event Jeri Brooks – Confirmed   + **Panelist: Confirmed**      - Denise Davis - [denise@daviskaufman.com](mailto:denise@daviskaufman.com) Crystal Brown - [crystal.brown@lockelord.com](mailto:crystal.brown@lockelord.com) * 2024 - 2025 - finalize program calendar proposals with leads to be identified- We have a deadline to submit to PPD, March 26th, the proposals for August - December 2024.   + Celeste will share the drafted tracker the leads can utilize to help ensure the program/activation is ran smoothly. * Other calendar updates: ALL Social Action Committee Members please review chapter calendar for social action proposed activations.   August – Train the Trainer – Lead: Celeste Williams/Veronica Johnson –   * + - Soror Renee Jones & Paulette Walls would be interested in packaging up a train the trainer session for sorors.     - Soror Jeri rooks would also be interested in packaging up a training session.     - Soror Lauryn Cornish, Soror Syerra Cunningham and Soror Darlene Lewis willing to assist the leads. * D4Women in Action – how can we become a subcommittee to help drive candidates. – Soror Veronica Pickett Johnson   + - How to support members to run for office and then us supporting those endeavors     - <https://delta4womeninaction.org/> * September: Social Justice Weekend to remain but look at new locations – Soror Lisa Newman | Erica Knox | Dewi Smith (willing to help identify locations) | Marva Overton (help reimage the churches we target) |, Joan Roberts Scott – target September 13 – 15th or September 20th – 22nd. * October Education sessions - candidate forum | Soror Celeste Williams | Monique Robertson * October 26, 2024- Stroll to polls – AKA – Beta Psi Omega Chapter – Darlene Owens [dowens0924@gmail.com](mailto:dowens0924@gmail.com) looks to partner. – Gloria Frazier, Krishella Robinson & Vanessa Henry willing to assist * Delta Day at City of Austin – Dewi Smith will lead and will work with Soror Southall to work on after action for what happen at City of Hutto September/October 2024 or February/March 2025   + Delta Day at City of Round Rock – Soror Veronica Pickett Johnson to assist in the effort.   + Delta Day at City of Hutto – will look at lesson learns to determine whether we go back. – Soror Southall   Why we vote content – Soror Darlene Lewis & Soror Delphea Jester – look to have content outline by May committee meeting.  **National Voter Registration Day 2024** will be September 17.  Partnership recommendations Fall 2024 – Spring 2025  August - Training Session for Social Action/Political Action Chairs across D9 and civic organizations. We can work with NAACP Leader and a few others to organize this for us.  September - Deltas & AKAs - Education forum discussion tackle DEI, Crown Act, Student Loan, etc.  October - Stroll to Polls - Deltas - we have this marked for October 26th for early voting. – Soror Krishella Robinson  November - Deltas & AKAs - Education forum discussion - ballot priorities  December - Deltas & AKAs - Education forum discussion - what's next after the election  January - MLK Community Festival - voter registration - HT campus  Feb - Deltas & AKAs - Education forum discussion -???  March - Deltas & AKAs - Education forum discussion - women's roundtable discussion – reproductive rights  April - Deltas & AKAs - Lead a symposium workshop on civic engagement with Urban League, NAACP, NCNW, Austin Coalition, etc.  May - Deltas & AKAs - Political Action Banquet - recognizing community leaders and the fight for democracy.  **New Business:**   * Round table: City of Hutto, Mayor forum - virtual/ in-person opportunity - how do we want to get involved before the May 5th election. – **will not proceed at this time.**   Important Reminders:   * Candidate forums are non-partisan. All candidates running for office must be invited.   + Please use this statement on your flyers: "Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a 501(c)3 non-partisan organization. All candidates running for office have been invited." * Announcements - DDNC/DDUN Updates, Award submission deadline - April 15th - Southwest Regional Conference - We must be BOLDER. More Intentional. Ambassadors for CHANGE! * We will ask Technology to create a DDNC 2024 folder so resources to be able to be captured. * Austin African American Resource Advisor Commission – 5:30 pm on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 * Austin Statemen published candidates that are seeking election for city manager. * Habitat for Humanities can use applicants for the homes. – Have persons apply!   Prayer – Soror Joan Roberts-Scott   * Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM CST |

**Recommendation(s) to Executive Board:** (limit 500 characters)

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**Next month’s activities:** (limit 500 characters)

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**Volunteer Activities (include Date/Participants/Time):** (limit 500 characters)

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**Signature of soror making the committee report: Veronica Pickett Johnson (eboard)/ Celeste Williams (chapter)**

**Date of report to Executive Board/Chapter April 2nd, 2024 (eboard)/ April 6th, 2024 (chapter meeting)**

**Date/Time of next scheduled committee meeting:** **April 9th, 2024; 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm cst; via zoom**