**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.comCrystal Brown - 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 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
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**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**