

National Coalition of 100 Black Women Inc.,

Prince William County Chapter, Inc.

Our History

Saturday, January 28, 2012 in Orlando, Florida, Dr. Alice H. Howard, National Board Member and President of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Northern Virginia Chapter, presented a letter of request to the National Board. The purpose of the letter was to seek approval to begin the process of organizing a chapter in Prince William County, Virginia. Permission was approved and the process commenced.

Sunday, February 26, 2012, Dr. Howard convened a group of dynamic women who expressed a desire to transfer their membership from the Northern Virginia Chapter to become a member of the "Interest Organizing Group" in Prince Willian County. Seventeen professional women demonstrated an interest in establishing the first National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Prince William County, as "Founding Members".

The criteria to become a "Founding Member" was fivefold:

- Must be willing to advocate on behalf of Black Women of Color and their families.
- Must be willing to pay the startup cost of \$100.00.
- Must attend the "Meet & Greet" Meeting.
- Must attend one of the three (3) Membership Intake Training Sessions; and
- Must pay local dues in the amount of \$200.00 on or before October 1, 2012.

Each interested applicant paid a fee of \$100.00 as a start-up cost to charter the Prince William County Chapter. A total of 81 candidates applied. Only 71 ladies were selected.

On Wednesday, May 23, 2012, the "Interest Organizing Group" held its first regular meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to approve numerous documents and to elect officers. Documents approved were as follows: the Interest Organizing Group By-Laws, Policies and Procedures Manual, 5 Year Strategic Plans in the areas of Fund Development and Sponsorship/Fundraising, Programs, Membership Intake and Standards, Projected Timelines, and an Action Plan.

The following individuals were elected:

President - Dr. Alice H. Howard

1st VP - Ms. Andrea O. Bailey - Fund Development/Sponsorship & Fundraising

2nd VP – Ms. Shelia D. Coleman – Programs

3rd VP – Ms. Connie Andrews – Membership Intake & Standards

Secretary – Ms. Sharon R. Andrews,

Correspondence Secretary – Ms. Malinda Spencer,

Financial Secretary – Ms. Marcia M. Howard,

Treasurer, Ms. Edna Simmons,

Nominating Chair – Ms. Natahlia A. Bishop. The President appointed the following positions: Parliamentarian – Ms. Mary R. Lively, Historian – Ms. Roxie B. Curtis, Chaplain – Ms. Sandra D. Harvey.

The Technical Visit was held Saturday, September 15, 2012, at Sharron Baucom Dale City Recreation Center, Woodbridge, Virginia. Ms. Michele McNeill-Emery, 2nd National Vice President conducted the session. Evaluations completed by the coalition sisters depicted high satisfaction ratings. As a result of the Technical Visit, Prince William County Chapter implemented its Special Project entitled, "Voter Registration Drive" and "Voter Identification Requirements" in the state of Virginia.

Our chapter was installed on Saturday, November 17, 2012, at Harbor View on River's Edge, Woodbridge, VA. 22191. Mrs. Delores Strum, National President and other National Officers attended this installation. Over 300 dignitaries' political officials, pastors, family members, and friends were in attendance to witness this momentous occasion.

Since the inception of the chapter, Dr. Luke E. Torian, Pastor, First Mount Zion Baptist Church and Bishop Patrick O. Thomas, Pastor, Dale City Christian Church Cathedral of Praise have been most instrumental in helping the chapter become visible and successful in the community. Because of these pastors' knowledge and leadership, NCBW/PWCC received its first sponsorship in the amount of \$6,400.00 from the Prince William County Ministerial Association.

Over the past 8 years, the chapter has received numerous accommodations and awards. We have had an amazing journey thus far, and we look forward to taking this chapter to higher heights.

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