

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
Room 1302, Wake Forest University School of Law
Sunday, September 9, 2018**

Call to Order and Invocation

Brother President Roland Leak called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. and Brother Chaplain Charlie Wall gave the invocation. The serving of the repast and introductions from all brothers present followed this.

President's Remarks (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak opened the meeting saying that he was looking forward to a successful year. Three of his priorities are to strengthen relationships with college chapters, to make the chapter more visible in the community, and to generate positive interest in the chapter.

Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)

The minutes were e-mailed to the chapter on Wednesday, September 5 and hardcopies were also available for review. With two corrections, Brother Gregory Parks moved to approve the minutes including the corrections, and the **motion** was seconded by Brother Derrick Hargrove. The **motion** was passed unanimously by the Sign of Alpha.

Correspondence (Brother Lenwood Thompson III)

No correspondence had been received since the last meeting.

Financial Report (Brothers Napoleon Richardson and Tyrone Travis)

The beginning balance in the chapter's account at M&F Bank was \$5,297.12. With \$2,890.00 in deposits and seven checks written in total amount of \$1,553.00, the current balance as of today's meeting is \$6,634.12.

Brother Richardson added that he was available for the receipt of chapter dues and grand tax payments for non-life members.

College Chapter Reports

Beta Iota (Brother Devin Rankin)

Brother Rankin reported the following items:

- YardFest will be held on Friday, September 21.
- The Demont P. Cox Oratorical Contest will be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2019.

- For A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People, the chapter will help with carpooling students to the polls on Election Day (Tuesday, November 6.)
- “Train Like an Alpha” will take place on Friday, October 12. The first practice will be held on Wednesday, September 12 at 9:00 p.m.
- Homecoming activities will be held on Saturday, October 20.
- A full calendar of events will be e-mailed to Alpha Pi Lambda.

Xi Eta (Brother Eugene Thornes)

Brother Thornes reported the following items:

- Brother Thornes has returned to campus after spending four semesters abroad.
- A Miss Black and & Gold Interest Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, October 6.
- The chapter will plan A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People program jointly with the Deacs Decide initiative, and Brother Miles Middleton is the contact person. Beta Iota will also participate.
- Two small fundraisers coming up: a raffle for football tickets to the Wake Forest-Syracuse game on Saturday, November 3; and a night at sweetFrog Frozen Yogurt.
- The First Initiation Banquet will be held during events for the chapter’s 40th Anniversary in Spring 2018.
- Brother Middleton will represent Xi Eta at the District Conference in November.

ANCA/Area 4 (Brother Derrick Hargrove)

Brother Hargrove reported the following items:

- A calendar of events will be needed from all college chapters by Saturday, September 15.
- IMDP Training will be held on Monday, October 8 in Room 213 in the Bryan Building on the campus of UNC Greensboro from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. This will be the last opportunity for training ahead of the ANCA Conference.
- The 2018 ANCA Conference will be held from Thursday, November 8 until Sunday, November 11 in Fayetteville. Information about this year’s conference [is available on AlphaNet](#).
- The Bill authorizing production of North Carolina’s Alpha Phi Alpha was signed by Governor Roy Cooper over the summer, and ANCA’s section of the Bill (which is part an overall Bill for the Department of Transportation) becomes effective on Friday, February 1, 2019. ([Follow this link](#) for updates as they happen.)
- Brother Assistant District Director Thomas Gaines asked for all college brothers to be paired with an alumni brother as mentor/mentee. A Google Doc with specific information is to be completed by Tuesday, September 18.
- Brother District Director Tejuan Manners has requested representation from North Carolina on both committees and committee chairs for the Southern Region. A full list of Committees is available [at the Alpha South website](#).
- Brother Regional Vice President Kelsey Rushing has launched the Service 1906 initiative from September 2018 until March 2019, and chapters that complete this program will be recognized at Regional Convention. Brother Hargrove will send details later.

- The 88th Southern Regional Convention will be held from Thursday, March 21 until March 24, 2019 in Jackson, Mississippi.
- The 95th General Convention will be held from Wednesday, July 24 until Sunday, July 28, 2019 in Las Vegas, Nevada.
- The Board of Directors have adjusted several policies of the fraternity, such as the special event policy and the policy regarding sexual harassment/sexual offenders. For college chapters, the step show competition is now a stroll-off competition and the Miss Black and Gold Pageant has been renamed the Miss Black and Old Gold Scholarship Competition, with the swimsuit category replaced by leisure and active wear.

Committee Reports

Social (Brother Fredrick Evans)

- Question: will the Founder's Day Ball return this year, or will there be another Brothers Only Dinner take its place?
 - There is interest in planning a ball for December. Brother Victor Isler has projected financing the ball at \$50.00 per person, with additional input from Brother Paul Lowe and Brother Clevell Roseboro.
 - Collaboration from Kappa Lambda may be possible.
 - Discussion from the brotherhood yielded that it would be difficult to recommend the Founder's Day Ball at this point in the year.
 - A **motion** to approve a brothers-only dinner for this year was moved and properly seconded. The **motion** was passed unanimously by the Sign of Alpha, and Brother Burris will coordinate a repeat of the First Initiation Banquet around that date.
- First Saturday Breakfasts will continue, with Golden Corral as a likely location.
- Brother Evans asked the brothers to let him know of any other ideas for social activities.

Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)

Brother Mitchell asked for help from the brothers for a method to keep up with information from the chapter, and a database will be created to serve that purpose.

He added the monetary gifts are appreciated to offset postage costs, and Brothers Leak and Richardson indicated that \$500.00 will be earmarked from the chapter's budget to assist with that need.

Technology/Communication (Brother Ken Patridge)

A draft of the new website will be available for the chapter to review at October's meeting.

IMDP (Brother Darrel Clodfelter)

- A **motion** was moved by Brother Mitchell for the chapter to have intake for Spring 2019, and it was properly seconded by Brother Richardson seconded. The **motion** was passed by the Sign of Alpha.
- Brother Clodfelter will coordinate the aspirants and asked brothers to send the names of potential members to him. He will also plan a social event/mixer between brothers and aspirants later.

A Voteless People is a Hopeless People (Brother Chris Taylor)

Brother Taylor shared information with the chapter regarding Election Day on Tuesday, November 6, and early voting that begins on Wednesday, October 17.

Options for Alpha Pi Lambda and the 2018 Midterms Elections include:

- Voter registration drives near Martin Luther King Jr., Drive.
- Voter education/awareness seminar, along with a candidates' reception.
- Voter turnout strategy, such as assisting with transportation for college students.

Science Fair (Brother Lenwood Thompson III)

The first meeting of the committee will be on Saturday, October 13 from 12:30 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. to begin planning for the Fair in January 2019.

Ronald McDonald House (Brother Tony Caldwell)

The chapter will return to volunteer at the House in October.

Standing Reports

YLSI (Brother Aaron Horne)

Brother Horne thanked the brothers for their pledges during the capital campaign. The YLSI plans to close its books on Sunday, September 30 and brothers are still able to either give to fulfill their commitments or to give for the first time until that date.

Currently, the YLSI has \$12,4189.29 in its account after awarding \$5,000.00 in scholarships in August.

Golf Tournament (Brother Jesse Hymes)

Brother Hymes reported that the tournament was successful despite the event being postponed. A few golfers were gained, but several were lost due to the change in date. He also appreciates the support from all volunteers on that day, adding that this could be an opportunity for college brothers to participate in the future.

Golf clinics may be included at next year's tournament.

Brother Dwayne Cordier will head up tournament next year, and Brother Hymes will be available for advice and moral support.

In all, the tournament netted \$12,234.00 after expenses.

Winston-Salem National Pan-Hellenic Council (Brothers Christian Burris, Derrick Hargrove, and Clevell Roseboro)

Brother Hargrove reported the following items:

- The NAACP is promoting National Voter Registration Day on Tuesday, September 25. Locally, all chapters in the NPHC are encouraged to participate.
- The Winston-Salem NPHC has a [Facebook page](#), and members of all organizations are welcome to “Like” the page.
- A budget for 2019 calendar year is being set, and chapters are asked to pay their dues before the January 2019 meeting.
- Emory Jones of Omega Psi Phi is stepping down as chair of the Scholarship Committee, and new chair is needed. Frater Jones will assist the new chair as needed.
- The Psi Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi is co-sponsoring “Unraveling Mysteries of the Heart and Brain” with Novant Health on Saturday, September 15 at 10:00 a.m. It will be held at Hanes Mall. (NOTE: The event was moved to Saturday, September 22 due to the expected arrival of Hurricane Florence.)
- Brother Clevell Roseboro is working on a plan for tour of HBCUs in 2019 as a fundraiser.
- The next meeting on Tuesday, October 2.

For the Good of the Order

NFL Father-Son Breakfast at Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Brother Dr. Harold Martin, Chancellor of North Carolina A&T State University will be speaking at Mt. Zion’s [Network-Fellowship-Learn breakfast](#) on Saturday, September 15 at 9:00 a.m. Tickets for the breakfast are \$8.00.

Miss America Pageant and Alpha Phi Alpha

Ms. Nia Imani Franklin, who is Miss New York in this year’s pageant, participated in the Miss Black and Gold at East Carolina University and is favored to win tonight. (NOTE: [She did.](#))

Delegates for ANCA District Conference

The chapter’s delegates for the 2018 District Conference will be Brothers Burris, Caldwell, Mitchell, and Taylor.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. **The next meeting will be on Sunday, October 14 at 5:06 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Brother Christian Burris
Recording Secretary
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter