

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
The Enterprise Conference and Banquet Center
Sunday, September 8, 2019**

Call to Order and Invocation

Brother President Roland Leak called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and Brother Chaplain Charlie Wall gave the invocation.

Boy Scouts Representative (Mr. Stephen Stimpson)

Mr. Stimpson, the District Director for the Old Hickory Council of Northwest North Carolina and a guest at today's meeting, made a presentation to the chapter about the Scouting Program in Forsyth County which has 90 troops in total. He also invited the chapter to participate in activities at Camp Raven Knob. The Old Hickory Council also offers scholarships for summer camps and related opportunities.

He also spoke about the revitalization of the Scouting Program in East Winston, which has fallen to only five active troops. He extended the offer to brothers to suggest a church that either had a troop previously or a would like to have a troop chartered to grow the program.

District Director Candidate (Brother Michael Pittman)

Brother Pittman of the Kappa Lambda Chapter gave a presentation regarding his campaign for the 24th District Director of ANCA. With the slogan "One Voice, One Alpha," his campaign will be centered around local iterations of both A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People and College to Corporate Life, the training chapter advisors, health awareness amongst the brotherhood, and building the brand of Alpha Phi Alpha in its respective communities.

He challenged the Alpha Pi Lambda chapter to place an advertisement in the souvenir journal for the 2019 District Conference supporting his campaign. Further, he stated that he would want to know who the chapter's local convention chair would be for the 2021 District Conference that would be held in Winston-Salem.

President's Remarks (Brother Roland Leak)

Followed by introductions from all brothers present, Brother Leak welcomed the chapter to a new fraternal year.

Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)

The minutes were sent to the chapter by e-mail before today's meeting, with hardcopies also available this afternoon. With no corrections, a **motion** to approve the minutes was moved by

Brother Stacy Thomas and was seconded by Brother Darrel Clodfelter. The **motion** was carried unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.

Correspondence (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak is acting as Corresponding Secretary temporarily until a successor to Brother Lenwood Thompson is elected.

No correspondence had been received before today's meeting.

Financial Report (Brother Napoleon Richardson)

Acting Treasurer Brother Richardson presented the financial report, that was reconciled via M&F Bank prior to today's meeting:

- The balance brought forward from August 1, 2019 was \$7,739.44. With a deposit in the amount of \$550.00 and a disbursement in the amount of \$49.00, the current balance is \$8,240.44
- There are two outstanding checks, one in the amount of \$100.00 and the other in the amount of \$300.00.

A **motion** to approve the financial report was moved by Brother Fredrick Evans, and seconded by Brother Darrel Clodfelter. The **motion** was carried unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.

Currently, there are 58 registered brothers for the chapter in AlphaNet. Brother Richardson reminded brothers to see him about questions regarding their current status. He has also completed documentation regarding the Omega Chapter status of Brothers Tyrone Travis and Willard McCloud.

2019-2020 Budget Approval (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak submitted copies of the proposed budget for review by the chapter. Specific changes included a new assessment by the Corporate Headquarters that charges the chapter \$150.00 per delegate for chapter insurance for the first time (\$750.00) in addition to the normal \$700.00 assessment, as well as an increase in the district chapter tax (\$875.00).

To offset these new charges, five additional brothers are needed to pay their chapter dues by November 15 in order for the chapter to break even. (Three have been confirmed as paid as of today's meeting.)

Brother Gregory Parks recommended that a Budget Committee evaluate the budget before the next meeting. Further, a **motion** was moved by Brother Parks to table the budget until the next meeting, and it was seconded by Brother Richardson. The **motion** was carried unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.

College Chapter/District/NPHC Reports

Beta Iota (Brother Denzel Hanes)

The chapter has twenty members on campus with a host of events planned for the semester.

The chapter will have Neo Week beginning on Monday September 23. (UPDATE: Neo Week was moved to the week of Monday, October 7.)

Xi Eta (Brother Christian Burris)

The chapter is currently working on its programs for the semester.

Area 4 (Brother Derrick Hargrove)

The 58th ANCA District Conference will be held from Thursday, October 31 until Sunday, November 3 in Rocky Mount. Early Bird Registration is open until Friday, September 27, and an e-mail has been sent with conference information.

An Area 4 Retreat will be held on Saturday, September 21 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. in Room 228 of the Hall Patterson Building at Winston-Salem State University. The morning sessions will include IMDP training, and the afternoon will include breakout sessions about conference participation.

IMDP training will also be available on Saturday, September 14 at North Carolina State University

NPHC (Brother Darrel Clodfelter)

The first meeting of the year was held on Tuesday, September 3.

New Business

Election of Officers (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak contacted all previous officers with a large assist from Brother Allen Younger about serving for another term, and those names have been confirmed for the 2019-2020 slate. All officers except for Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer- which are currently vacant- will be considered on today's slate.

A **motion** to approve the list of chapter officers submitted at today's meeting was moved by Brother Richardson and seconded by Wall. The **motion** was carried by the usual sign of Alpha.

Nominees for Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer will be considered at the next chapter meeting in October.

Identification of ANCA Delegates (Brother Roland Leak)

Brothers Christian Burris, Gregory Parks, Napoleon Richardson, Stacy Thomas, and Allen Younger agreed to serve as delegates at the District Conference.

General Convention Update (Delegates)

In addition to the chapter insurance assessment mentioned under “2019-2020 Budget Approval,” an inventory of all official chapter items was recommended.

Upcoming Events

Boy Scouts Brunch (Brother Christofer Edwards)

The brunch is confirmed for September 21, 2019 at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. The current commitments are for 59 plates, with several payments already received. The goal is for 100 plates in order to generate a profit for the event.

Checks for the brunch are payable to the Youth Life Skills Institute, and payments are also accepted [online via Eventbrite](#).

Brother Edwards also recommended that photographer should be in attendance for the brunch, and Brother Kenneth Patridge will reach out to the photographer from the scholarship event in June to determine her availability.

Adopt-A-Highway (Brother Dwayne Cordier)

Brother Leak will contact Brother Cordier to confirm the date for the next clean-up.

Dance (Brothers Fredrick Evans and Victor Isler)

Brother Evans reported that either 25 brothers were needed to commit to the dance at \$500.00 per table or 30 brothers at \$400.00 per table. Neither goal had been met before today’s meeting.

A **motion** was moved by Brother Parks to not have dance this year, and it was seconded by Brother Ronald Davis. The **motion** was carried with fifteen votes in the affirmative, three in the negative, and one abstention.

Brother Evans recommended that Brother Leak to convene a committee to plan for the Dance next year.

IMDP (Brother Darrel Clodfelter)

Brother Clodfelter asked the chapter about its support for intake in Spring 2020. Following discussion, a **motion** was moved by Brother Vice President Tony Caldwell for the chapter not to have intake in Spring 2020, and it was seconded by Brother Parks. The **motion** failed with two votes in the affirmative, ten in the negative, and one abstention.

A second **motion** was moved by Brother Younger for the chapter to have intake in Spring 2020, and it was seconded by Brother Richardson. The **motion** was carried with fifteen votes in the affirmative, one in the negative, and two abstentions.

Committee/Foundation Reports

Marketing & Communication (Brother Allen Younger)

Brother Younger reported on the Five-Point Plan regarding internal and external communications for the chapter:

1. Social media, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Flickr.
2. The chapter's website.
3. Press releases for chapter events.
4. Internal communications, especially conference reports and GroupMe.
5. Brother Spotlights introducing brothers to the community.

The Committee asks for support from the chapter regarding sharing Facebook posts, pictures from various events, and all news, whether good or bad.

Education Committee (Brother Lenwood Thompson III)

Brother Leak shared the following items from Brother Thompson as immediate priorities for the committee:

- The need to engage with Ms. Malishai Woodbury of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools' Board of Education regarding her presentation to the chapter last year.
- The need to establish a calendar for when scholarship applications would be distributed.
- The need to get scholarship amount approval from the Youth Life Skills Institute.

Youth Life Skills Institute (Brother Aaron Horne)

Brother Horne reported that the YLSI Executive Board approved \$5,000.00 for scholarships in 2020.

The Executive Board would also revisit the previous MOU between Alpha Pi Lambda and the YLSI.

Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)

Brother Vincent Howell is at home recovering following surgery on a hernia.

For the Good of the Order

Youth Empowerment Conference

Brother Leak stated that either the Education Committee would make this happen during the new fraternal year or not. He will engage the Education Committee about the Conference, and Brother Alvin Howard would be available to consult as needed.

Thanks to the Chapter

Brother Pittman thanked brothers for their support following the passing of his mother.

Items for Next Month

Brother Evans recommended the addition of names of all committee chairs be added for the chapter's consideration. He also suggested a vote to change the chapter's meeting date and time.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. to the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Hymn.

Respectfully submitted,

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