#### Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter Chapter Meeting Minutes October 12, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m. by Bro. President Travis, with opening prayer by Bro. Wall.

#### Presidential Remarks (Bro. Travis)

Bro. Travis welcomed brothers to today's meeting. Introductions by brothers followed the welcome.

The next meeting will be at Wake Forest University on Sunday, November 16.

#### Financial Status (Bro. Richardson)

About \$1,300.00 has been taken into the treasury at this point. Bro. Richardson also reminded brothers to have their dues paid by the meeting in November.

Bro. Richardson let brothers know that their financial obligations should be met by November each year.

Bro. Richardson would also have a budget for the chapter ready by the next meeting.

### Treasurer's Report (Bro. Williams)

At the end of September, the balance of the chapter's checking account was \$1,219.20, with \$1,216.84 currently reconciled with eight checks written. Bro. Williams made a <u>motion</u> the treasurer's report be accepted as information only until next month's meeting, and it was passed without opposition.

#### **Priority Business Items**

### Founders Day Dance (Bro. Rann)

Bro. Rann reported that the plan was to follow last year's dance as closely as possible in terms of funding, location and amenities.

The dance will be held at the Anderson Center of Winston-Salem State University, with an expected cost of \$1,500.00. The cost will be \$225 per table with maximum of 40 tables (30 tables are the minimum acceptable number). A budget is being prepared. Tickets will be available on Saturday, November 1.

Requests came from several attendees of last year's dance to seek other options for a band. One new band (Envision) has been considered, but other local bands- including the

Phase Band from last year's dance- may also be alternates. The cost of any band will be a factor.

Bro. Travis reported from Bro. Lowe that the goal of the committee was to have all matters regarding the dance settled by Saturday, November 1.

Bro. Richardson expressed that brothers should fulfill their obligations to attend the dance as soon as possible. Bro. Sellars will send a poll to brothers to get an estimated number of brothers who would participate.

## **IMDP Update (Bro. Hargrove)**

Fall intake will begin this coming weekend at UNC Greensboro (rooms/building have not yet been finalized). Participating chapters are Beta Iota (16 candidates) and Pi Zeta (either 5 or 6 candidates).

No further IMDP/Risk Management certification sessions are scheduled before intake begins. Brothers who were certified at WSSU in January are cleared through December 31, 2014 and brothers certified at North Carolina A&T State University in September are cleared through December 31, 2015.

### New Historian (Bro. Travis)

Because Bro. McCloud isn't IMDP certified, a new historian would be needed to bring the chapter into good standing. Following a brief discussion, a <u>motion</u> was made for Bro. Wall to assume the role of historian as Archives chair, and it passed. An additional <u>motion</u> was made to name Bro. McCloud to become historian emeritus for the chapter, and it also passed.

### ANCA Conference and Delegates (Bro. Travis)

The dates for the 53<sup>rd</sup> ANCA District Conference are Thursday, November 6 through Sunday, November 9. The conference will be held in Wilmington. The Staybridge Suites will be the conference hotel (now full) with the Holiday Inn as the overflow hotel.

Brothers are asked to be in Wilmington on the 6<sup>th</sup> to start fraternity business promptly at 9:00 a.m. on the 7<sup>th</sup>.

There will be no on-site registration, but additional tickets for the step show, oratorical luncheon, and the Miss Black & Gold Pageant will be sold at their respective venues.

The deadline for registration is Wednesday, October 15. With five delegates required for the chapter, Bros. Travis, Burris, Rann, S. Wayne Patterson and Chris Taylor. Bro. Richardson will send the registration on Tuesday morning.

Per Bro. Hargrove, all Spring 2014 initiates are expected to complete a registration form for the conference.

Alpha Pi Lambda has also been requested to secure an ad for the souvenir booklet. A <u>motion</u> was made to create a half-page ad for \$50.00, and it passed. Bro. Travis will inform Bro. Pittman about the ad, and Bro. Burris will design it.

Bro. Wall also reminded the brothers that the early registration fee of \$350.00 for the 2015 General Convention is due by Saturday, November 15. It will be held in Charlotte from August 6-9, 2015.

Bro. Eustache volunteered to design a display for the Chapter of the Year competition, with Bros. Hooper and Chris Taylor assisting.

#### **Standing Committees**

#### Amenities (Bro. Roseboro)

Bro. Roseboro informed brothers that Mrs. Dunlap was home after suffering a fall. Bro. Dr. Jones is now home after being hospitalized.

#### Scholarship (Bro. Travis)

A brother is needed to assume the role as chair, and Bro. Travis will appoint someone to take that responsibility.

### Project Alpha (Bro. Chunn)

A layout is in place for the Project Alpha in Spring 2015.

### Fund Raising (Bro. Sellars)

Per Bro. Sellars, Bro. Orlando Mitchell will host two meetings at Winston-Salem State University next week for interested brothers:

- High School Step Off: Wednesday, October 22, at 6 p.m., Reeves Center, Room 203.
- Beautillion: Wednesday, October 22, at 7 p.m., Reeves Center, Room 203.

### A Voteless People is a Hopeless People (Bro. Chris Taylor)

Bro. Caldwell informed brothers that seven people were registered at the bus station event on Saturday, September 27.

Bro. Taylor reported that voter registrations have been high in Forsyth County this year. Due to the ruling by the Supreme Court, there will neither be same day registration nor out-of-precinct voting beginning this year. Bro. Taylor recommended that brothers remind seven people to vote in the upcoming election. He added that requesting absentee ballots are another option, and the chapter could hold a public seminar about how to get a ballot and how to complete it.

A potential collaboration between NPHC organizations is also proposed as well as Linda Sutton, NAACP and the Urban League. Bro. Taylor proposed that a committee be formed to coordinate any future events.

Bro. Travis also reminded brothers to familiarize themselves with all candidates before going to the polls.

### Social Justice (Bro. Patterson)

Same sex marriage became legal in North Carolina on Friday, October 10. North Carolina is the 26<sup>th</sup> state in the union to permit it and the first state in the southern United States to do so.

Seven brothers joined the NAACP at last month's meeting and twelve applications (minimum of eight) have been collected. Other brothers are also encouraged to join as well.

## Webmaster (Bro. Sellars)

A rough draft of the new website is complete but it's not yet live. Bro. Sellars invited brothers to take a look at the drafted site at the end of today's meeting.

Bro. Sellars will also meet with Bros. Travis and Richardson regarding hosting fees.

# Archives (Bro. Wall)

A new chapter directory will be printed in January. Bro. Wall requested any brothers to submit any changes to him by e-mail.

### Brother's Keeper (Bro. Travis)

There is currently no active chair for this committee. Bro. Travis will look back through the minutes to determine if a chair had been previously appointed or elected.

### **Standing Reports**

# **College Chapter Reports**

- Xi Eta (Bro. Burris):
  - Feminism forum was held on Thursday, October 9 in conjunction with a Pan-Hellenic sorority.
  - Alpha Week scheduled for Monday, October 27 through Sunday, November 2.

- Fundraiser at Brynn's Frozen Yogurt on Stratford Road to support scholarships.
- Miss Black & Gold Pageant scheduled for Saturday, November 1.
- Pi Nu (Bro. Orlando Mitchell via Bro. Sellars):
  - Ten interested candidates for Spring 2015, mostly athletes.
  - Met with campus office of Greek life.
  - Actively meeting chapter in person and virtually via Face Time.
  - Successful Homecoming celebration on Friday, October 10 and Saturday, October 11.
  - Alpha Week scheduled for Monday, November 10 through Sunday, November 16.
- Beta Iota (Bro. Caldwell):
  - Alpha Week was successful.
  - Miss Black & Gold interest meeting coming soon.
  - The chapter will step at Homecoming.
  - Sixteen candidates for IMDP in Fall 2014.

## Winston-Salem National Pan-Hellenic Council

Shoebox ministry: a <u>motion</u> was made to support the ministry with a donation equivalent to the value of ten boxes at \$11.00 each (\$111.00). The motion passed by a majority vote.

The fraternity is responsible for two turkeys to be served at on Thanksgiving Day at Winston Lake YMCA. There will also be a distribution of knit items (hats, gloves, scarves) and coats.

A Habitat for Humanity event will be planned for Spring 2015.

### **Other Fraternity Business**

Volunteers to provide food for November's meeting: Bros. Richardson, Purcell and Travis.

The 2015 National Black Theatre Festival will be held Monday, August 3 until Saturday, August 8. A possible bus trip fundraiser from the General Convention in Charlotte could be arranged with Bro. Roseboro.

The next volunteer event at the Ronald McDonald House will be on Tuesday, October 14, at 5:30 p.m.

Zeta Phi Beta held a one day conference for the state leadership yesterday at Winston-Salem State University.

# <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned the meeting adjourned to the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Hymn at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro. Christian Burris Recording Secretary