Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter Chapter Meeting Minutes Room 1302, Wake Forest University School of Law Sunday, November 18, 2018

Call to Order and Invocation

Brother President Roland Leak called the meeting to order at 5:08 p.m. and Brother Chaplain Charlie Wall gave the invocation. This was followed by introductions from all brothers present.

At this point, the repast was served. The meeting resumed at 5:20 p.m.

President's Remarks (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak thanked brothers for their support to the Brotherhood over the last month, particularly when <u>Brother Dieter Cantu</u> visited the Wake Forest University School of Law last week from Texas.

He mentioned briefly that the Education Committee will send applications for the chapter scholarships out this week, and the Founder's Day dinner will be coming up in December.

Vice President's Remarks (Brother Tony Caldwell)

Brother Caldwell stated that the 2018 ANCA Conference in Fayetteville was a huge success. Registration for the conference was the strongest for several years and a lot of business was handled.

He also thanked brothers for giving a delayed Halloween for his sons, with thirteen brothers stopping by with candy and other treats.

Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)

The minutes from October's meeting would be sent very soon, and hardcopies were available for brothers to review at today's meeting. With no corrections, a **motion** by Brother Dwayne Cordier to approve the minutes as written was moved and seconded by Brother Tony Caldwell. The **motion** was passed unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.

Correspondence (Brother Lenwood Thompson III)

Brother Thompson requested a 48-hour notice for any e-mails that should be sent to the chapter.

To date, 51 brothers have responded to the survey to create the new chapter directory.

Financial Report (Brothers Napoleon Richardson and Tyrone Travis)

Brother Travis reported that as of October's meeting, the beginning balance for the chapter's account and M&F Bank was \$5,234.12. With total deposits of \$1,125.00 during the past month the current balance is \$6,359.12. (One deposit of \$450.00 will be reflected on next month's report.)

Brother Richardson will be sending grand tax payments for seven brothers to the Corporate Headquarters tomorrow (Monday, November 19). Currently, 35 brothers have paid their chapter dues and are considered active with Alpha Pi Lambda. Brothers who need to update their status should check with him as soon as possible.

College Chapter/District/NPHC Reports

Beta Iota (Brother Chris Taylor)

Miss Taylor Walker, the Beta Iota Chapter's reigning Miss Black and Gold, will be representing ANCA at the Miss Black & Gold pageant in March 2019.

Beta Iota was also recognized at the following competitions at the District Conference:

- Belford V. Lawson Oratorical Contest: Brother Kambre Stephens
- Stroll-Off Competition: Co-Winner with the Tau Omicron Chapter (Davidson College)
- College Brother of the Year: Brother Devin Rankin (runner-up)
- Frank Gilbert Service Award: Brother Devin Rankin
- Leonard Cortez Leadership Award: Brother Kambre Stephens

The chapter's "Stroll Like an Alpha" competition will be held on Monday, December 3.

Xi Eta (Brother Christian Burris)

The chapter is planning for Founder's Day as well as an Alpha Week in December.

Xi Eta was also recognized for highest GPA of all NPHC organizations at Wake Forest.

ANCA District Conference/Area 4 (Brother Derrick Hargrove and Chapter Delegates)

Brother Hargrove reported the following items:

- 2018 District Conference:
 - This was the highest-attended conference in recent years with over 325 brothers registered.
 - Area 4 was well-represented well in the awards competitions, with the Beta Iota, Sigma Delta, and Kappa Lambda Chapters being recognized.
- Chapters wishing to participate in IMDP for Spring 2019 need to send a request form, flyer, and copy of their PowerPoint presentation to Brother Hargrove for approval.
- Xi Eta had highest GPA for college chapters in Area 4, and Brother Isaac Moore of Beta Iota had the highest individual GPA.
 - Several brothers had low GPAs that affected the entire district, and interventions have been made.

- Alumni chapters have been recommended to have a stronger mentorship role with their college chapters.
- All chapters are asked to send their event calendars for the spring semester to Brother Hargrove by Friday, December 14.
- New rule from the Brother Regional Vice President Kelsey Rushing: if a college chapter is put on cease and desist and/or subsequently suspended, its advisor will share the same sanction.
 - This is intended to be as means of accountability.
 - Brother Hargrove has no idea for how long this will be in place.
- ANCA is working with North Carolina A&T for return of Beta Epsilon Chapter, but they will not be active for Spring 2019.
- Kappa Lambda has been suspended for ten years and cannot have intake, but can operate as a chapter during that time.

National Pan-Hellenic Council of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County (Brother Derrick Hargrove)

Brother Hargrove shared the following items:

- The Lifeline Shoebox Ministry has asked for support for delivering "shoeboxes" of toiletries and similar essentials for the holidays. Chapters (or their representatives) are asked pledge \$45.00 to support this cause.
- Thanksgiving Baskets will be distributed at the Winston Lake YMCA on Tuesday, November 20. Alpha Pi Lambda has been asked to provide a turkey, and members from all organizations are asked to arrive 5:45 to make baskets.
- The "Give a Helping Hand" Breakfast will take place on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 22) from 5:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Three volunteers from each organization to participate, and interested brothers are asked to contact <u>Sonjia Samuels</u> (Sigma Gamma Rho) for more details.
- Chapter dues for 2019, in the amount of \$150.00, will be due at the year's first meeting on Tuesday, January 8.
- The NPHC's chapters of Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta are hosting a <u>Blue & White</u> <u>Founders' Day Ball</u> on Saturday, January 19. Tickets are \$40.00
- The Twin City Eagles, the Winston-Salem Chapter for alumni of North Carolina Central University, will sponsor an Old School-New School Stroll Competition on Saturday, April 6, 2019. The time and location will be announced later.
- The next NPHC Scholarships will be awarded in 2020, moving to a biennial schedule.

Committee Reports

Founder's Day Meal Updates (Brother Christian Burris)

Billing will be shared between Xi Eta and Alpha Pi Lambda. The event will also be included in the chapter's scrapbook for the 2019 District Conference.

Membership, Reclamation and Retention (Brother Fredrick Evans)

51 brothers have responded to the request to update the chapter directory. A working version will be presented to the chapter at February's meeting.

Social (Brother Fredrick Evans)

Brother Evans had the following items:

- The 2019 APL Cookout is set for Saturday, June 22 at Shelter #4 in Tanglewood Park. The cost to reserve the shelter will be \$450.00.
- Tentative plans are set for brothers and guests to attend a Hornets-Trailblazers game on Sunday, March 3. 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Information regarding cost will be shared later.
- The Twin City Choristers will perform a Christmas concert on Sunday, November 25 at 7:00 P.M. It will be held at United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, and admission is free.
- Brothers who supported both the Caldwell Family (Reverse-Halloween) and the Davis Family (funeral expenses) received special thanks. A possible event to support the Davis Family at Easter may also be scheduled.

IMDP (Brother Darrel Clodfelter)

Brother Clodfelter had the following items:

- Profiles for nine candidates were presented to the chapter, and each profile will be sent to the chapter by e-mail after tonight's meeting.
- Chapter concerns about a potential brother's intent to remain with Alpha Pi Lambda after his initiation will be addressed. Also, candidates without a both sponsor and a recommender from the chapter cannot complete an application.
- The signatures required for the IMDP request form will be collected this week.
- Brothers are reminded to be present for the chapter's Smoker as well as all three IMDP weekends.
- Trainings for IMDP certifications done for this year. Future dates will be shared with the chapter should any become available.

Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)

Brother Mitchell had the following items:

- Thanksgiving cards were mailed to all brothers and their families.
- There were tremendous losses for brothers of the chapter this year. An activity to show support for brotherhood during the holidays will be scheduled.
- The Committee recognized Brother Victor Isler for his work in the community.

Technology /Communication (Brother Ken Patridge)

There has been a "hiccup" with the launch of the new website. Brother Patridge plans to meet with Brother Hargrove and Brother Burris about bringing the new site online with either Netfims or Wix.

Education (Brother Nate French)

Brother French had the following items:

- Applications for this year's scholarship are set to go out on Monday, November 19.
- There will be a meeting regarding the composition of the Scholarship Committee, as Brother French will have to step aside as chair for the coming year.

Adopt-A-Highway (Brother Dwayne Cordier)

The next cleanup will be held on Saturday, December 15 at 8:30 a.m.

Ronald McDonald House (Brother Tony Caldwell)

Five brothers participated in November's visit and helped with a delivery from Sam's Club. The next date to volunteer will in December.

A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People (Brother Chris Taylor)

Brother Taylor had the following items:

- Brother Paul Lowe was congratulated by the chapter on his re-election as state senator.
- Voting was up 38% in Forsyth County for the midterm election.
- The <u>Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education</u> now leans to the Democrats.
- Voter education drives will be planned for the next election.

Youth Life Skills Institute (Brothers Arron Horne and Lenwood Thompson III)

Brothers Horne and Thompson had the following items:

- Brother Horne specifically thanked brothers for their support during his recent challenges.
- Three goals for this year: 1) enhance scholarships and their support, 2) support the Youth Empowerment Conference with backing from Alpha Pi Lambda, and 3) support the Golf Tournament as the YLSI's main fundraising event.
- The next meeting of the YLSI Executive Board will be scheduled for December.
- The balance of the YLSI's account in October was \$13,208.19; currently, the balance stands at \$14,008.19.
- All brothers who pledged financial support the TLSI, either through the Capital Campaign or the Golf Tournament are asked to submit their donations as soon as possible.

Golf Tournament (Brother Dwayne Cordier)

Both the date and location are being considered for the 2019 tournament, and they will be announced at the next meeting.

Delegates for Regional and General Conventions (Brother Roland Leak)

Two brothers have submitted their names as potential delegates for next year's General Convention. A vote to decide the delegates for both the upcoming Regional and General Conventions will be taken at January's meeting.

Discussion about Permanent Home for Alpha Pi Lambda (Brother Roland Leak)

A committee will be formed to develop a plan to obtain a permanent home for the chapter, which will ideally include a meeting space and an event space, especially for the National Programs. The following brothers agreed to serve on this committee: Christian Burris, Tony Caldwell, Fredrick Evans, Nate French, Victor Isler, Curtis Reid and Lenwood Thompson III.

For the Good of the Order

Worship on Founders Day

The chapter will worship at Brother Vincent Howell's <u>church</u> on Sunday, December 9 in observance of Founders Day.

Requests for Thanksgiving Basket

Brother Caldwell has identified a family to receive a Thanksgiving basket of items to prepare breakfast and a traditional dinner. Brothers who would like to participate should speak with him after tonight's meeting.

Area 4 Meeting

Brother Hargrove is planning to convene a meeting of Area 4 in January. The date, time, and location of the meeting will be determined later and sent by e-mail.

Thanks of Support

There were thanks of support to the chapter from Brothers Caldwell, Patridge, and Travis and for their families following recent events. Brother Taylor may seek support for his sister who is moving to Winston-Salem for purposes of safety at a future date.

Brother Parks' Campaign for General President

Brother Parks is anticipating the launch of his campaign to become the next General President in a few weeks, and he is looking forward to prayers, feedback, and critiques from brothers. The campaign will run from December 2018 until July 2019, when the field of potential candidates will be narrowed to two brothers.

Repast for December

Brothers willing to volunteer to provide the repast for December's meeting should see Brother Evans.

Keeper of the Spirits

Brother Evans will assume this title, and he asked for brothers to send a list of requested items to him and chapter will reimburse him later.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 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