

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
Room 1302, Wake Forest University School of Law
Sunday, April 9, 2017**

Call to Order and Invocation

Brother President Gregory Parks called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. and Brother Alfred McQueen gave the invocation. This was followed by introductions from all brothers present.

President's Remarks (Brother Gregory Parks)

Brother Parks sent an e-mail last night to the brotherhood saying that even though it was a hard year for the chapter, a lot of ground has been covered to secure its future. He is looking forward to a chapter retreat during the summer to plot the direction of Alpha Pi Lambda for the next four to five years.

Vice President's Remarks (Brother Victor Isler)

As the chapter approaches the end of the fraternal year, the emphasis on the fraternity's National Programs will continue and reports all from chapter committees will be forthcoming.

Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)

The minutes from March's meeting were sent to the brotherhood by e-mail on Sunday morning. With no corrections, a **motion** to approve the minutes was made by Brother Isler and seconded by Brother Tyrone Travis. The **motion** was passed unanimously by the usual Alpha sign.

Correspondence (Brother Victor Isler for Brother Jeffery Purcell)

Brother Isler is considering electronic telephone alert system to relay information about chapter meetings, special events, and so forth. He is investigating several cost models and a proposal will be brought to the chapter later.

Financial Report (Brothers Napoleon Richardson and Tyrone Travis)

At the end of April's meeting, the chapter's checking account balance stood at \$196.53. Following a \$400.00 deposit- as well as a \$6.00 service charge- the current balance: \$590.53. The account has been reconciled with Mechanics & Farmers Bank.

Dues will be collected at the next meeting, and the financial officers will be prepared to receive them. There will be a push to have 40 brothers with their dues paid to pay for the delegate strength at the General Convention in July, as well as to budget for 2017-2018 fraternal year.

Priority Business Items

Area 4 Report (Brother Derrick Hargrove)

Brother Hargrove is sending an End of Year Report to all chapters that would be collected for the District Director.

IMDP request forms for Fall 2017 were due on Thursday, March 30, but any late requests should be sent to Brother Hargrove as soon as possible.

Brother Bertrand Bonnick (Kappa Lambda chapter) won the Man of Merit Award at Regional Convention in Raleigh.

A reminder: the registration fee for the 2017 General Convention in Baltimore, Maryland is \$400.00 for alumni brothers. Registration will end on Monday, June 12, and there is no onsite registration.

Foundation Committee (Brother Parks)

Brother Parks moved forward with Wake Forest's Business Law Clinic with paperwork for an Alpha Pi Lambda Education Foundation. It would be the primary fundraising arm for the chapter and handle funding for all national programs, committees, and philanthropy in the community.

The Youth Life Skills Institute will be sending its application to restore its non-exempt, nonprofit status restored on Monday, April 10. The 990 form has already been sent to the IRS.

A **motion** was made by Brother Calvert Jeffers to not set up a new foundation, and it was seconded by Brother Alvin Howard. The **motion** was passed by a vote of 8-7.

Standing Committees

Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)

The committee needs help from the chapter regarding ideas about engaging with the senior brothers, brothers who are ill, and the chapter's widows. Additionally, celebrating the achievements of the chapter and its brothers is also important, so information of such life events should be directed to the committee when necessary.

The committee is also looking for more fellowship opportunities amongst the chapter, and this would be coordinated with the Reclamation Committee.

A suggestion for May's meeting to take place at the Reynolds Park Golf Course was given to Brother Jesse Hymes by its golf pro, Julius Reese. The committee will forward that suggestion to the Executive Committee.

Reclamation (Brother Fredrick Evans)

A bowling outing for brothers and their families is being considered for either Sunday, April 23 or Sunday, April 30. Details about the event will be shared with Brother's Keeper.

Education Committee (Brother Nathaniel French)

The committee is seeking nominations to send at least two children to send to [this year's LDCEI at Savannah State University](#). The Institute will be held from Wednesday, June 21 until Sunday, June 25, and the fee for both students and chaperons to attend is \$225.00.

Attendance by brothers at local school meetings is encouraged from now until the end of the school year.

Mentorship programs at local high schools is being explored.

A Project Alpha presentation with the Crosby Scholars is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18 at Goodwill on University Parkway from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. A second program with Brother Mark Winbush's lacrosse team will be scheduled later.

Barbershop institute programs are being discussed to interact with students locally and to support black businesses.

A project to bring students from Winston-Salem's Pop Warner Youth Football and Cheerleading Leagues to the campus of Wake Forest is being planned.

Boy Scouts (Brother Isler)

Brother Isler now a Scout leader at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, and the program is now up and running.

Standing Reports

College Chapter Reports

- **Beta Iota (Brother Darian Palmer)**
 - Five brothers have been elected to serve as officers for the upcoming fraternal year.
 - A chapter retreat was held this morning to plan for next year.

- **Xi Eta (Brother Kyle Johnson)**

- The chapter hosted a party last weekend with assistance from Beta Iota.
- A movie night was held last Thursday evening, featuring *The Wiz*.
- An information seminar for Fall 2017 will be held on Tuesday, April 11 in Carswell Hall, Room 301.
- The Madden Tournament has been postponed until the fall semester.

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

- The Winston-Salem NPHC Founder’s Day will be held on Sunday, May 21 at Friendship Baptist Church.
- The inaugural Winston-Salem Greek Picnic will be held on Saturday, May 27 at Shelter 1 of [Triad Park in Kernersville](#). The picnic will begin at 12 noon.
- The Northern College Tour has been postponed until after high school graduations in June. Contacts are Dr. Iman Moore of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated’s Phi Omega chapter and Brother Clevell Roseboro.

For the Good of the Order

Dancing with the Frenches

Brother French and his wife will be salsa dancing at a fundraiser for the Bethesda Center on Thursday, April 27. Donations are welcome.

Graduation Event for College Brothers

An event is being planned for the graduates of the Beta Iota and Xi Eta chapters by the Brother’s Keeper committee. Five Points Restaurant on Stratford Road is one possible location.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m. to the Hymn. A meeting of the Youth Life Skills Institute followed the chapter meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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