Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter Chapter Meeting Minutes Annenberg Forum, Carswell Hall, Wake Forest University Sunday, October 14, 2018

### **Call to Order and Invocation**

Brother President Roland Leak called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m. and Brother Tyrone Travis gave the invocation. This was followed by introductions from all brothers present.

# President's Remarks (Brother Roland Leak)

Brother Leak said that the past month has been one of transition on several fronts. Regarding hr location for today's meeting, he hoped that the chapter would be back at the law school in November.

Displaying the chapter's calendar, he added that the chapter should continue to plan community engagement as well as social engagements, noting that Brother Fredrick Evans suggested the introduction of health care initiatives into the chapter.

Following up on the desire to discuss the standards and criteria of candidates seeking membership in Alpha Phi Alpha by way of Alpha Pi Lambda, Brother Leak announced that a separate meeting would be convened immediately following tonight's meeting for that purpose.

### **Vice President's Remarks (Brother Tony Caldwell)**

Brother Caldwell opened his remarks by thanking the brothers for the work they have been doing. He gave particular compliments to Brother Evans for organizing October's Phirst Saturday event at Golden Corral, saying that these events put brotherhood hand in hand with business.

He continued that November would be a busy month with Founders' Day following in December, asking for all brothers to do their part in the coming weeks.

### **Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)**

Hardcopies of the minutes from September's meeting were distributed at today's meeting. With no corrections, a <u>motion</u> to approve as written was moved By Brother Darrel Clodfelter and seconded by Brother Nate French. The <u>motion</u> was passed unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.

### **Correspondence (Brother Lenwood Thompson III)**

No correspondence had been received during the previous month.

# Financial Report (Brothers Napoleon Richardson and Tyrone Travis)

As of today's meeting, the current balance in the chapter's account at Mechanics and Farmers Bank was \$6,634.12. One check in the amount of \$1400.00 had been written to ANCA during the previous month for the chapter's delegate strength at the upcoming District Conference. Each delegate was mailed a copy of the canceled check and registration for ANCA in case there were any difficulties.

Currently, the chapter has 32 active brothers for the next year. Brothers who have requested Brother Richardson to pay their grand tax directly to the International Headquarters by Thursday, November 15 should get their money to him before that date as well as any outstanding chapter dues.

### **College Chapter Reports**

### Beta Iota (Brother Brian Rosa)

The chapter has the following events planned for Homecoming 2018:

- Friday, October 19: participating in the stepshow at 6:00 p.m. Beta Nu Lambda's Alpha Beautillion participants will also be in attendance.
- Saturday, October 20: marching in the Homecoming Parade that morning followed by a cookout/tailgate at the Homecoming Game later in the afternoon.

#### Additional items include:

- The chapter may need support for its Miss Black & Gold contestant at this year's District Conference.
- "Stroll Like an Alpha" has been moved to Monday, December 3.

# Xi Eta (Brother Eugene Thornes)

No report due to Fall Break.

# **ANCA/Area Four (Brother Derrick Hargrove)**

No report.

### Winston-Salem National Pan-Hellenic Council (Brother Derrick Hargrove)

Brother Hargrove reported the following items:

- The Pan will distribute Thanksgiving Baskets to two families identified by Winston-Salem's Sickle Cell Foundation on Tuesday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. Alpha Phi Alpha has been asked to provide a turkey for one of the baskets.
- A Christmas caroling event is being planned for a senior services center in early December.
- Brothers are invited to follow the <u>Pan's Facebook Page</u>, and the chapter is invited to contribute postings and share its events.

• Brothers are always welcome to attend meetings of the Pan. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month (except for July and August) at 7:00 p.m. at the headquarters of the Winston-Salem NAACP.

### **Committee Reports**

## Founders' Day Meal (Brothers Christian Burris and Nate French)

The Xi Eta chapter has agreed to host the Founder's Day Meal on Friday, December 7 at the Magnolia Room on the campus of Wake Forest. It will be a recreation of the first Initiation Banquet- including cigars for a Brotherhood Smoke- and will be for brothers only but open to all chapters in Area 4.

A "save the date" flyer will be distributed by e-mail as well as through Brother Area Director Hargrove and several Facebook groups.

The cost will be \$50.00 per alumni brother and \$25.00 per college brother. Online registration will also be available through an Eventbrite link.

# **Social (Brother Fredrick Evans)**

Brother Evans contacted Brother Chuck Watlington, the president of the Kappa Lambda chapter as well as his counterpart, social chair Brother Jason Caldwell. His goal is to engage both chapters with social activities during the coming year, and he asked for information that could be shared between both chapters to be sent to him and he can share it with Brother Caldwell accordingly.

Brother Evans had two additional items:

- Kappa Lambda will hold a Founders' Day Brunch on Saturday, December 8.
- Another Charlotte Hornets game social event is being planned with the date to be announced later.

#### Membership, Reclamation and Retention Committee (Brother Fredrick Evans)

Several e-mails have gone out to brothers to update their information for the chapter membership directory, and 34 brothers have currently responded.

An Omega Section will be added for historical purposes as well as for surviving chapter widows.

### **Picnic (Brother Fredrick Evans)**

This year's committee is made of Brothers Tony Caldwell, Dwayne Cordier, Roland Leak, Ken Patridge, Napoleon Richardson, and Lenwood Thompson.

The 2019 picnic was being planned for Saturday, June 8, but that date occurs around several high school graduations in the area. The committee is looking at other Saturdays in June as alternative dates, and Shelter 4 will be reserved by the end of this week.

# Valentine's Day Program (Brother Clevell Roseboro)

Brother Roseboro will have details at the next meeting.

# **IMDP** (Brother Darrel Clodfelter)

Brother Clodfelter reported that the chapter currently has nine aspirants for Spring 2019 (originally, ten, but one has been previously rejected). His goal is to bring in brothers who will stay in the chapter for some time, and he will contact each aspirant personally tonight as well as contacting brothers as soon as possible to introduce them to the aspirants. In addition, he will have a file for each candidate at November's chapter meeting.

Brother Clodfelter will meet with Brother President Leak and Brother Vice President Caldwell to discuss the meeting regarding intake standards/criteria after tonight's meeting.

He also stressed that presence from brothers is important at every stage of IMDP, particularly the chapter votes during both the smoker and week two of IMDP itself. Should any brothers require IMDP/Risk Management certification after the District Conference, Brother Chief Dean William Porter would be willing to do certification for Alpha Pi Lambda only upon request.

# **Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)**

Brother Mitchell had the following items:

- One of Brother John Williams' brother's mentees, Christopher Young, was murdered earlier this month. His obituary has been <u>printed in the Winston-Salem Journal</u>.
- Ruth Easley recently celebrated her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- Brother Patridge's grandmother passed away.
- A nephew of Brother Wall has passed.
- Brother Perry Lackey is showing signs of improvement as he continues therapy at Emory University Hospital.
  - o Brother Lackey's wife has continued to play his chapter dues during his convalescence.
  - Brother Roseboro asked the chapter to waive for next year. A <u>motion</u> to do so
    was moved by Brother Travis and was seconded by Brother Clodfelter. The
    motion was passed unanimously by the usual sign of Alpha.
- The Brother's Keeper Committee is working to select a date to visit Brother Vincent Howell's church to celebrate Alpha Day.

Brother Mitchell encouraged all brothers to continue to share their life events with each other.

### **Education (Brother Nate French)**

The application window for chapter scholarships will be open in November this year, with plans to move it earlier in 2019.

# **Project Alpha (Brother Nate French)**

Brother French is working with the Crosby Scholars to select students for the next program. Beta Iota, along with the WSSU Black Achievers, is also considering two potential dates.

### Adopt-A-Highway (Brother Dwayne Cordier)

Brother Cordier is the new chair of this committee, and he will communicate with local office about yesterday's event.

Two more Adopt-A-Highway cleanups will be scheduled for both in November and December.

### **Ronald McDonald House (Brother Tony Caldwell)**

Four brothers attended the chapter's visit in October, and dates for November and December will be announced later.

There is a possibility of preparing another meal at the house in a similar manner as this year's ANCA Day of Service.

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

Brother State Senator Paul Lowe held a campaign event at Winston-Salem State University earlier this month, and the Beta Iota chapter showed its support as well.

A Voter Registration Block Party followed by a candidate mixer was held at WSSU last Wednesday. October 10. 94 new voters were registered, and voter education component was also included.

An upcoming event will be on Saturday, November 3, which includes breakfast followed by participation on the last day of early voting before Election Day.

### **Delegates for Regional and General Conventions (Brother Roland Leak)**

Brother Lowe has expressed interest as serving as a delegate to the 2019 General Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada. Elections will be held before the end of the year to determine the remaining delegates for the chapter.

### **Standing Reports**

#### Youth Life Skills Institute (Brother Leak)

The YLSI currently has \$13,208.19 in its account.

# **Golf Tournament (Brother Dwayne Cordier)**

Brother Cordier thanked brothers for their support of this year's tournament as volunteers as well as with financial contributions. Any brothers who have outstanding donations should see Brother YLSI Treasurer Thompson as soon as possible.

Brother Cordier is considering dates for next year's tournament. An e-mail seeking for volunteers to serve on next year's golf tournament committee will be sent soon.

## For the Good of the Order

#### **Beta Epsilon**

There are plans for the Beta Epsilon chapter to return in the spring of 2019. North Carolina A&T is asking for a separate \$2 million policy to cover premiums for five years following the chapter's return to campus. Kappa Lambda will be responsible for the chapter as before.

### Repast

A sign-up sheet for providing the repast at upcoming meetings was sent around by Brother Evans. He will follow up with any brothers who fail to sig up tonight.

### Support for Brother Gregory Parks' Campaign for General President

The window for candidates is now open but limited for raising funds only through their respective chapters. Brothers are asked to support if so inclined: checks should be payable to Brother Parks, and electronic support should be ready in two weeks.

### Visit by Miss America to Winston-Salem

The current Miss America, Ms. Nia Franklin, will be visiting Winston-Salem on Saturday, November 3 and Sunday, November 4. A special worship service will be held at Mt. Zion Baptist Church on November 4 followed by a dinner served afterward. Tickets to the dinner are \$20.00.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 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