

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
February 8, 2015**

Call to Order and Invocation

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m. by Bro. President Tyrone Travis. Bro. Chaplin Charlie Wall gave the invocation.

Following the call to order, introductions were made by all brothers present.

Approval of Minutes (Bro. Burris)

The minutes from January's meeting were e-mailed to the brotherhood for review on Friday, February 6. Bro. Rann made a **motion** to accept the minutes as written, and it was seconded by Bro. Clarke. The motion passed by the usual Alpha sign.

Correspondence (Bro. Sellars)

The chapter was sent a notice by e-mail about an [upcoming 5K/10K run at Winston-Salem State University](#). It will take place on Saturday, April 11.

There will be a Read-In on Monday, Feb. 16 at Hall-Woodward Elementary School from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. See Bro. Coverson for more information.

Treasurer's Report (Bro. Richardson)

Bro. Williams e-mailed report to Bro. Richardson before today's meeting.

The checking account balance brought forward was \$4,508.20; after reconciliation, the balance is currently \$2,124.98. A **motion** was made by Bro. Sellars to approve the treasurer's report, and it was seconded by Bro. Hargrove. The motion passed by the usual Alpha sign.

Financial Status (Bro. Richardson)

Currently, there are two outstanding checks: the delegate strength for the 84th Region Convention in Orlando, Florida and the reservation of Shelter 4 at Tanglewood for the picnic in June.

Due to the low balance in the chapter's treasury, Bro. Richardson asked for brothers to pay their dues as soon as possible.

Presidential Remarks (Bro. Travis)

Bro. Travis described January as an "up and down month" for several reasons:

- There has been no resolution for the situation at Bowie State University; however, it could lead to an increase in the cost of insurance for each chapter in the next fraternal year.
- Delegates for Regional Convention are Bros. Burris, Caldwell, Parks, S. Wayne Patterson, and Travis. Chapters were strongly encouraged by Bro. Southern Region Vice President Natson to send college advisors to this convention.
- Conference calls with ANCA leadership on several matters.
- Bro. Dick Gregory was presented plaque by the chapter at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration on Tuesday, January 20.
- [The brotherhood event to see Selma on Friday, January 23](#) was a success. Bro. Turner hopes to do similar social activities at least once a month for brothers and wives/significant others.
- [Bro. Lowe was sworn in at Shiloh Baptist Church](#) as the new state senator succeeding Sen. Earline Parmon. As a result of his new time commitments, a new chair may be needed for the Founders Day Dance.

In other matters:

- Links are now included in the minutes for different websites, activities and events that were mentioned in each meeting.
- Bro. S. Wayne Patterson has agreed to be chapter advisor for Pi Nu. He needs to go through advisor training with Bro. Pittman (no date had been set before today's meeting).
- All committee chairs are requested to send rosters to Bro. Sellars for the website and to send reports to Bro. Travis before each chapter meeting.
- Registration for Region Convention went up on Sunday, February 1.

Priority Business Items

Founder's Day Dance Wrap-up (Bro. Lowe)

A report will be submitted by Wednesday, April 15 with information about the dance.

Bro. Travis reemphasized his goal for details regarding the dance to be settled by June, and he will be coordinating with Bro. Lowe to make that happen.

Bro. Travis also asked for a volunteer to help Bro. Lowe as he plans the next dance.

IMDP Update (Bro. Hargrove)

IMDP certification will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the Atkinson Science Building at WSSU on Saturday, February 21. Even though the chapter isn't having intake this spring, the chapter does need to participate in IMDP activities.

Only the Pi Nu and Beta Epsilon chapters are participating in IMDP this spring. Because of a cease and desist order, Beta Iota cannot participate as a chapter in any fraternal activities.

Science Fair Wrap-up (Bros. Clarke and Harrill)

The Science Fairs from January went off beautifully, with good participation by brothers from Beta Iota and Alpha Pi Lambda as well as participating students.

There was no media presence at either fair, but a story was sent to *The Chronicle*. It has yet to appear in print.

Project Alpha (Bro. Chunn)

No report about this event.

AVPHP (Bro. Chris Taylor)

The Moral Monday Movement is continuing this year. The next march is scheduled for Saturday, February 14 in Raleigh at 9:00 a.m. Support for the march has been encouraged by the brothers of the Phi Lambda chapter.

Brother's Keeper (Bro. Roseboro)

No report about this program.

Go To High School, Go To College (Bro. Coverson)

Bro. Coverson has spoken with Carl Russell Community Center about bringing more students into its community basketball program (a 2.00 GPA is required to participate). Volunteers are needed to help with tutoring program, with the eventual goal to move into SAT/ACT prep courses.

Bro. Coverson has also contacted the principals of Carver High and Winston-Salem Prep to seek participation from their respective students.

Standing Committees

Amenities (Bro. Roseboro)

Bro. Lackey is still in a coma and has been moved to progressive care at Carolina Medical Center in Charlotte for a heart condition. Bro. Roseboro asked for brothers to support his wife with a gas card for driving to and from their home in Statesville.

Bro. Roseboro has a plan to take the Alpha widows out to dinner at the Hawthorne Inn, possibly on Saturday, February 28. Details will be sent to Bro. Sellars, and all brothers asked to attend and donate to this event.

If there are ideas from the brotherhood for social events with their wives/significant others during the year, Bro. Roseboro said to let him know.

Adopt-A-Highway (Bro. Caldwell)

[A clean up was held on Saturday, January 17](#) with fifteen brothers participating (eight from Alpha Pi Lambda, seven from Beta Iota). It was also featured in the county newsletter.

Ronald McDonald House (Bro. Caldwell)

The next event will be on Tuesday, February 24 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Alpha Pi Lambda was also featured in organization's newsletter.

Scholarship (Bro. Howard)

The scholarship program for 2015 began at today's meeting, and Bro. Howard distributed donation forms for all brothers who were present. The goal is to award of minimum of \$5,000 in scholarships in 2015, and the funds raised at the 2014 Golf Tournament will serve as seed money.

Application packets for the scholarship will be due on Monday, April 20.

Fund Development (Bro. Sellars)

Bro. Sellars has taken over this committee.

Social Justice (Bro. Parks and Patterson)

Webmaster (Bro. Sellars)

Bro. Sellars is seeking corrections in names, prefixes, and suffixes.

An updated roster from Bro. Richardson will be included.

The documents and forms page is protected by password; brothers should see Bro. Sellars for information regarding access.

Archives (Bro. Wall)

Information regarding chapter events seen in papers and sent by e-mail is being saved and stored.

An updated directory will be available in May.

Reclamation (Bro. Turner)

The chapter outing to see *Selma* on Friday, January 23 was a success. The next social event may be midnight bowling in March, likely on Friday, March 27.

Social events for the chapter will be scheduled for the fourth Friday of each month.

Standing Reports

College Chapter Reports

- **Beta Iota**

No report due to cease and desist order; allegations against the chapter were received through the National Hazing Hotline. The recommendations from Bro. Area Director Pittman and Bro. Legal Counsel Mitchell are for no participation in social events and no intake until the fall semester of 2016.

Following discussion, a meeting between Beta Iota alumni and the current chapter was proposed. It will be scheduled to take place this week, possibly on Thursday, February 12.

- **Xi Eta (Bro. Burris)**

- A successful party was held in The Barn on Friday, January 23.
- A Valentine's Day party was canceled, but another party may be scheduled for a later date.
- The next Generation heART fundraiser for the chapter's scholarship will be held in March.

- **Pi Nu (Bro. S. Wayne Patterson)**

- Several men at Appalachian State have expressed interest in Alpha (currently, there is only one active brother on campus).
- Bro. Patterson plans to make a road trip Boone to show support for Pi Nu and to make a fraternal presence on campus.
- An interest meeting has been scheduled.

Winston-Salem National Pan-Hellenic Council (Bro. Roseboro)

- The Odd Fellows Cemetery clean-up on Martin Luther King Day was a success, with strong support from all chapters in the Pan.
- NPHC Founder's Day will be celebrated at Friendship Baptist Church on Sunday, May 17. The format will be a church service followed by lunch and an awards program in the fellowship hall.
- A Flapjack Fundraiser to support the Winston-Salem Scholarship Fund will be on Saturday, March 14 from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased from Bros. Burris, Hargrove, and Roseboro.

Other Fraternity Business

Bro. Younger read to students at Old Town Elementary as part of the Black Men in Suits Read-In program.

Bro. Roseboro asked about exploring whether debit cards linked to the chapter's checking account were feasible, with recommended cardholders as Bros. Richardson, Williams, and Travis.

The chapter picnic will be at Tanglewood's Shelter 4 on Sunday, June 14 from 5:00 p.m. until 11 p.m. The first 100 cars to the picnic will receive free entry through the main gate for the park.

Bro. Coverson will have a booth at the CIAA Tournament selling wood burnings representing fraternities, sororities, and other organizations.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. to the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Hymn.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro. Christian Burris
Recording Secretary