

**Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Pi Lambda Chapter
Chapter Meeting Minutes
Winston-Salem NAACP
November 8, 2015**

Call to Order and Invocation

Brother President Tyrone Travis called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. and Brother Chaplain Charlie Wall gave the invocation. This was followed by introductions from all brothers present.

Approval of Minutes (Brother Christian Burris)

The minutes from October's meeting had been mailed to the brotherhood on Friday, November 6. With no corrections submitted, a **motion** was made by Brother David Tanner to approve the minutes as written, and it was seconded Brother Jesse Hymes. The **motion** was passed by the usual Alpha sign.

Correspondence (Brother Tajuan Sellars)

The chapter received information about the [Black Nativity](#), presented by the North Carolina Black Repertory Company beginning on Friday, December 4.

Brother Sellars added the following reminders regarding chapter correspondence:

- The password to access documents on the website is apl1931 (it isn't case sensitive).
- Responding to apl1931@gmail.com responds to chapter and not to a specific brother. Use a brother's personal e-mail address when replying to specific messages.

Financial Status (Brother Napoleon Richardson)

Brother Richardson stated that he is accepting payments for dues and assessments for the Founders Day Dance. If a brother has paid his grand tax via AlphaNet, he should let Brother Richardson know.

Brother Richardson will send information regarding the chapter's active membership to the national office on Sunday, November 15. This will include two transfer forms for Brother Rahn Bailey and Brother Jay Garcia.

As of today, 13 brothers have paid their dance assessments with two more on the way.

Treasurer's Report (Brother Richardson)

As of last Friday (November 6), the balance is \$3,642.16. A **motion** was made by Brother David Tanner to adopt the treasurer's report, and it was seconded by Brother Sellars. The **motion** was passed by the usual Alpha sign.

Presidential Remarks (Brother Travis)

It was a busy month for the chapter, with a bowling outing, IMDP, and a visit to Brother Perry Lackey.

Preparations for the dance have been going smoothly.

ANCA had several issues with Beta Iota and Brother Tony Caldwell is no longer serving as the chapter's advisor. Brother Clevell Roseboro was asked to step into this role pending approval by Brother District Director Carl Pickney.

Priority Business Items

Founders Day Dance (Brother Travis)

The dance is set for the Embassy Suites Winston-Salem's Gaines Ballroom on Friday, December 4. Other details include:

- The rate is \$300 per table.
- The Phase Band will perform.
- The initial reservation for the chapter is for fifteen tables, and more can be added. As of today's meeting date, five tables were left from that reservation.
- A cash bar will be used for all drink purchases.

The deadline for final acknowledgments to the hotel is Friday, November 20. There will be no "day of" reservations for table.

Invitations to other chapters have been extended and written invitations will also be printed.

Youth Education Project (Brother Alvin Howard)

The inaugural [Youth Empowerment Conference](#) has been scheduled for Saturday, November 21 at Carver High School from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

There will be five workshops for the youth:

1. Camp Millionaire
2. Dining 101
3. Law Enforcement Encounters
4. For Young Men: What Every Young Man Should Know
5. For Young Women: Healthy Squared: Now and Later

The conference will be free to participating children, specifically high school students. The goal is to fill 100 seats, and appreciation bags will be given to all participants.

Volunteers will be needed to serve as group leaders, registration managers, evaluators, and a set-up crew. Additional sponsors and underwriters will also be needed.

The deadline for registration is Saturday, November 14.

Project Alpha (Brother Victor Isler)

Fall's Project Alpha event will be incorporated into the Youth Empowerment Conference (see above) as the workshop "For Young Men: What Every Young Man Should Know".

Additionally, NC LINKS has a workshop scheduled for December, and Alpha Pi Lambda has been invited to facilitate.

Brother's Keeper (Brother Stanley Mitchell)

An event for January is still being planned.

Go To High School, Go To College

The chapter was invited to work with Beta Iota on its "Be Inspired" program. This program could also be aligned with the Beautillion.

A Voteless People Is A Hopeless People

Brother Travis asked Brother Caldwell to serve as new chair, and he has accepted the position.

Beautillion (Brothers Sellars and Jeremi Cheeks)

Currently, one person has signed up to participate. As a result, no applicants will be introduced at the Founders Day Dance as planned. The committee is looking for ways to get the word out for more young men to attend.

Brother Derrick Hargrove is working on a paper application for individuals without Internet access.

The Committee is moving forward with Alpha Academy for 2016, and the [application is on the website](#). The timeline for the Academy is begin in early February and end in early June.

ANCA Convention Report (Brothers Burris, Keith Ferguson, Garcia, Hargrove and Travis)

Overall, the convention went very well.

More than 50 brothers attended the investiture service of Brother Everett B. Ward as the [eleventh president of St. Augustine's University](#) on Friday, October 30.

There were business sessions on Friday and Saturday along with competitions for the college and alumni chapters.

The State of the Southern Region address was given by Brother Regional Vice President Ronald M. Natson. Among the highlights were:

- [The 2016 Regional Convention will convene in Atlanta, Georgia](#) beginning Thursday March 4 and ending Sunday, March 7.
- [The 6th Annual Southern Region College Brother Empowerment Retreat](#) will be from Friday, January 29 until Sunday, January 31 in Birmingham, Alabama.
- ANCA stands at 15% in reclamation, with 10% for the Southern Region overall.

The State of the District address was given by Brother District Director Pickney. The highlights included:

- The current situations of the Beta Epsilon and Beta Iota chapters was revisited.
- Chapters will be more responsible for their respective financial statuses due to directives by the national office.

Most of the costs for the conference went toward the Carolina Theatre, putting the conference into a deficit; the convention center and conference hotels were also factors in the overruns. Other raised costs came from a lack of intake fees from Area 2 and Area 5.

Brother Tejaun Manners (Phi Lambda) was elected as the next District Director. He will be installed at the Regional Convention in March.

Brothers Robert Sakaguchi and Burley Levette competed in the Hobart Jarrett Debate, and Brother Noah Williamson competed during the Belford V. Lawson Oratorical Contest. Brother Sakaguchi also won the Leonard Cortez Leadership Award.

Brother Travis extended thanks to Brothers Sellars and Garcia for serving on the Awards Committee.

Various proposals, such as combining the College Brother Empowerment Retreat with the regional convention and holding district conference every other year, are up for discussion.

Greensboro will host the 2016 ANCA Conference, but the dates will not be announced until the hotel reservations have been finalized.

Standing Committees

Amenities (Brother Travis)

Brother John Williams is out of surgery and recovering. He is accepting phone calls, so brothers are encouraged to make contact.

Archives (Brothers Wall and Burris)

The new chapter directory will be printed in January. Information will be e-mailed to brothers to confirm that their information is up to date.

Both print and electronic copies will be available.

IMDP/Reclamation (Brother Turner)

The next brotherhood bowling event will be on Tuesday, November 17 at 8:00 p.m. at the AMF Lanes on Jonestown Road. This will serve as a reclamation event and aspirants are also welcome.

Based on information from Brothers Hargrove, Sellars, and Turner, there are eight gentlemen aspiring to join the chapter.

Alpha Pi Lambda's Informational Seminar will be on Thursday November 19 at 7:06 p.m. The location at Winston-Salem State University, with the room to be announces later.

Standing Reports

College Chapter Reports

- **Beta Iota (Brother Noah Williamson)**
 - The chapter had three delegates at the ANCA conference. As previously stated, Brother Williamson participated in the Oratorical Contest, and Brother Levette in Debate.
 - Male Empowerment Week will be held this week (Sunday, November 8 until Thursday, November 12) with several events scheduled.
 - The chapter will host a Founders Day Luncheon from 12:00 pm until 2:00 pm in Red Room on campus.
 - A joint retreat was proposed to plan events collectively for the spring semester with Alpha Pi Lambda.
 - The chapter will work with Brother Howard on Youth Empowerment Conference on November 21.
 - Beta Iota participated in Xi Eta's "Stroll to the Polls" event and won \$250.

- **Xi Eta (Brother Robert Sakaguchi)**
 - At the ANCA: Brother Sakaguchi participated in Debate, Brother of the Year and Chapter of the Year.
 - Alpha Week was held last week, and it was a success.
 - Items from a campus-wide school supply drive will be donated to Winston-Salem Prep on Friday, November 13.
 - Xi Eta's Miss Black and Gold for 2015-2016 is Miss Hunter Roberts.
 - The chapter's Informational Seminar for Spring 2016 will be on Wednesday, November 11 at 7:06 p.m.
 - The chapter will partnering with Kappa Beta Gamma (a NPC sorority) on a forum about Planned Parenthood.

- **Pi Nu**
 - No report.

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

- The chapter will donate two Thanksgiving turkeys for two families on Tuesday, November 24 at 6:00 p.m. The chapter has been invited to attend the event (wearing paraphernalia) at the Winston Lake YMCA
- The Pan will serve Thanksgiving breakfast at the Winston Lake YMCA beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 26.
- The Pan will also participate in the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Drive in December. Interested brothers should see Brother Roseboro for more information.
- The Habitat for Humanity build for the pan will be in April 2016.

New Business

Science Fair

Brother Aaron Harrill announced the upcoming 2015-2016 WS/FCS District Science Fair. The competitions will take place on Friday, January 15 (elementary) at SciWorks and Friday, January 29 (secondary) at Deacon Tower. Judges will be needed from the chapter to manage both events.

Brother Harrill added that the chapter would be required to the Louden Anderson Science Fair award, as it had in previous years. A **motion** was made by Brother Tanner for the chapter to fund the Louden Science Fair Award at \$1,000, the same amount as last year. The **motion** was seconded by Brother Hymes and passed by the usual Alpha sign.

MLK Oratorical Contest

Brother Mitchell announced a new event for the chapter, and it will be a completion planned for either January or February at Carver High School. Monetary awards will be also part of this competition for the winning speeches. More information will be presented at January's chapter meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m. **The next meeting will be on Sunday, January 10, 2016.**

Respectfully submitted,

Brother Christian Burris
Recording Secretary