Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc.

Alpha Nu Omega Alumni Chapter

Houston Alumni Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Torrie Richardson, Freddie Green Jr., Baron Barnes-Gates (In Person)

Justin Manuel, Ryan Johnson Sr., Allester Taylor (Conference Call)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:12 am by Vice Polaris Freddie Green Jr.

Prayer

Bro. Allester Taylor led the brothers in Prayer.

Recitation of Stars

Polaris Ryan Johnson Sr. led the Recitation of Stars

Quorum was determined to be achieved. (5 locally financial brothers)

Acceptance of Agenda

Bro. Torrie Richardson moved we accept the agenda with flexibility, the motion was properly seconded by Secretary Justin Manuel. (Motion Carries)

Approval of Minutes

Secretary Manuel moved to accept the May minutes with the necessary corrections, the motion was properly seconded by Bro. Taylor. (Motion Carries)

Treasury Report

There was one debit for this period in the amount $416.76 to ShadowHouse Productions for the new chapter Step and Repeat, Scholarship event tickets and flyer design. The ending balance for this period $1810.87 in the Chase account.

Community Service

The next chapter community service event is July 7, 2018 at the Houston Food Bank from 8am-12noon. Polaris Johnson Sr. will coordinate the Food Bank appointment. There is also the AKA HBCU Expo on July 7, 2018 from 9am-1pm. The Fort Bend chapter will be present at this event.

Back 2 School Event

The chapter is working on a Back 2 School Event to offer free haircuts and collect school supplies to be donated to local students. We also hope to have 100 clear backpacks donated which will be given to the first 100 children. Refreshments for the event include bbq hot dogs, chips, drink. A proposal has been submitted to Harvest Time Church with the tentative date of August 26, 2018. The event will take place at the church and serve the Greenspoint community. Bro. Allester Taylor will draft a letter to the Houston Food Bank to donate the school supplies to them so educators may shop and give the supplies to students in need. Upon approval of the proposal we will inquire to partner with a Sigma Gamma Rho Alumni Chapter.

Membership

Bro. Allester Taylor presented an update on membership and intake. The period for Summer intake is May 17-July 31, 2018. The period for Fall intake is October 1-November 30, 2018. The fee for Alumni intake is $1075.00 plus the BIP and ACH fees. The fee for undergrad is $675.00 plus the BIP and ACH fees. Members who do fall intake will be financial through December 2019. Brothers who would like to participate in intake need to take the No 2 Hazing course June 4-July 16, 2018. The link can be found on the fraternity national website.

The chapter has agreed to host a citywide informational meeting which will be open to both graduate and undergraduate men interested in joining the organization. Bro. Taylor will be keeping n contact with potentials for the graduate intake for Fall 2018.

I.Y.A. Houston

The Houston Iota Youth Alliance will continue to operate at Kashmere Gardens Elementary School. The chapter did log community service hours for the Real Men Read a few months ago. The chapter has been requested to participate in a few events at the school including Real Men Read, Fall and Spring festivals, etc. For the 2018-2019 the chapter will have a group of students from the 3rd-6th grades. As these students progress to new grades we will continue to keep them in IYA through high school graduation. Tentatively we would like to do 1 monthly activity with the IYA.

Houston NPHC

Vice Polaris Green Jr. gave the NPHC-Houston report. There will not be the usual June NPHC annual meeting. Instead there was a special meeting called to vote on the budget for next year. Also, in lieu of the annual meeting there will be a 60th Anniversary Gala on June 24, 2018. The cost of the ticket is $45.00. Bro. Tyrone Hinton does have tickets available for purchase.

Happy Hour with a Purpose is an initiative of the NPHC-Houston. The Iota edition will take place in May 2019. Chapters will be responsible for a venue and cause to donate proceeds to.

Undergraduate Reports

The Epsilon Alpha chapter remains in good standing with the fraternity and Texas Southern University. The chapter will be approved for special fall intake upon release of information from the university.

National Reports

The next national event is the Iota Leadership Conference 2018. The conference will take place July 12-14, 2018. Host hotel is the Royal Sonesta in Baltimore, Maryland. Brothers Green Jr. and Manuel will be attending the conference.

Old Business

The AKA Boule Welcome to Houston 90s Party hosted by the Greater Houston Alumni Chapters will take place July 5, 2018. We have requested 75 wristbands for entry into the party for brothers. Please come and invite as many brothers as possible.

July 8, 2018 will be the AKA Public Meeting. The National Secretary will represent the organization at this meeting. Brothers are asked to dress in a suit with tie when attending the public meeting. Upon receiving the itinerary brothers will be alerted about possibly having dinner with the National Secretary upon his arrival. AKA will coordinate his plane ticket and hotel accommodations. We will coordinate his transportation to and from the airport.

Scholarship Event

The R.E.A.C.H. for the Stars BlackOWt Affair will take place on November 3, 2018 at 7:00pm. Attire for the event is all black “after 5” attire. There will be a cash bar and plated meal. Scholarships will be presented at the party. The event will take place at the Crowne Plaza-NRG and tickets will be $55.00.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 am by Vice Polaris Green Jr.