



Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc.
Alpha Nu Omega Alumni Chapter
December 6, 2016
Business Meeting Minutes

-Meeting called to order by Polaris John Branch Jr. at 6:42 pm.

-Prayer was led by Bro. Freddie Green Jr.

-Brothers in attendance-John Branch Jr., Gibbs Hightower IV, Torrie Richardson, Donald Wright, Jarret Woodley, Jarvis Mock, John Allen, Scott Dalencourt, Tremaine Russel, Shawn Santana (EA), Freddie Green Jr., Ryan Johnson Sr., Justin Manuel

-Quorum of 5 locally financial brothers was achieved.

-In regard to the approval of the November Minutes, it was noted that the date on the minutes should reflect November 3, 2016. A motion was made by Bro. Green Jr. to approve the November minutes with the necessary corrections. The motion was properly seconded by Bro. Richardson. (Motion carries)

-The October Business Meeting minutes were submitted to the webmaster and can be seen on the secure section of the website. The chapter will have to approve October minutes at the January meeting.

-Treasury Report

-For the month of November there were numerous transactions. Expenditures included \$100.00 to Bro. Torrey Thompson Sr. for the NPHC-H Foundation, \$4525.90 to Bro. Green Jr. as reimbursement for him covering the Scholarship Gala, \$32.44 to Bro. Green Jr. for Wine Pour expenses, \$300.00 to DJ for Gala

There is a pending transfer of \$669.39 being transferred from the PayPal to the Chase account. Once the pending transfer is complete the balances will reflect the following Chase-\$2659.10 , PayPal-\$249.00, Centaur Fund-\$901.28. Total-\$2908.10

The Centaur Fund is dedicated to the scholarship, community outreach programs, and other service oriented events. The Fund is based upon being 15% of ANO's balance. Having a separate account for the Centaur Fund was recommended to the Bro. Richardson. Centaur Fund will remain in ANO Chase account until new account is opened.

The ANO chapter was nationally financial for the 2016 year, and there were 27 brothers who were locally financial. The goal was 25

-Community Service

-Polaris Branch Jr. presented a proposal about the #MoreThanAHashtag series. This is a joint effort with Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. The event will be panel discussion made up of 4 people to discuss police interactions, citizen rights, etc. The event is preliminarily scheduled to take place in February 2017. A motion to accept this event was made by Bro. Torrie Richardson. The motion was properly seconded by Vice Polaris Johnson Sr. (motion carries)

-National/Regional Information

-Bro. Green Jr. presented a report for the Super Regional Conference. The conference will feature the Southern and Far West Regions and take place on the dates of March 30-April 2, 2017. Whitehall Downtown Houston is the host hotel. Registration is as follows Early Registration-\$100.00 thru December 31, 2016, Regular Registration-\$125.00 January 1-February 28, 2017, Late Registration-\$140.00 March 1-28, 2017. There will be no onsite registration. Brothers are encouraged to book rooms in the host hotel @\$99.00 per night.

-Bro. Hightower IV presented a report on Conclave 2017. The conference will take place in Orlando, Florida on the dates of July 16-23, 2017. Alumni registration is \$400.00 and will have a \$100.00 late fee as of May 1, 2017. If brothers register by 12/31/2016 and pay for one night in the host hotel their 2018 National dues will be paid. Undergraduate chapter with the most registered delegates will receive the registration cost back for 2 delegates.

-There will be 4 brothers from the ANO Chapter serving on the Southern Region Executive Board in the next administration.

-NPHC-Houston

-Bro. Green Jr. serves as NPHC President gave a report on Evening with Santa. The event took place on December 3, 2016, there were 6 brothers present on behalf of Iota. He encouraged brothers to attend the NPHC-H End of Year Meeting/Christmas Social. This will take place on December 12, 2016 at the Third Ward Multi-Service Center. We are responsible to supply the prepackaged silverware for 250 people. Also, note that dues for NPHC-H are due by January 31, 2017 in the amount of \$350.00.

-Iota Youth Alliance

-Bro. Torrie Richardson presented an update on the status of I.Y.A. The chapter will sponsor an elementary school in HISD to mentor a group of students. Also would like to prepare college prep materials to give to college bound kids.

-Scholarship/501C3

Bro. Justin Manuel presented an update on the status of the scholarship. There were 2 scholarships given out at the November gala in the amount of \$500.00 each. One scholarship was sponsored by ANO, while the other was sponsored by the family of the late Bro. Narada Lovings. The family has already committed to sponsoring another scholarship for the 2017 gala. In regard to the Foundation, all paperwork is prepared and ready to go. The brothers were informed to consider hiring an agency to carry out the 501c3 application, or file independently. The application fee is \$400.00 and must be paid to file the application. The Scholarship gala was held on November 5, 2016, although the event was a success it was noted that the event did not profit due to low ticket sales. Up to 40 tickets were given to people to help fill the room.

-Intake

Bro. Jarret Woodley presented the report on ANO Intake 2017. There are 5 interested individuals who are being considered for intake. In order to participate brothers must be intake certified. Please contact Bro. Allester Taylor to get information about the certification. Email is preferred @iotasouthintake1963@gmail.com. Intake potentials were voted upon by a show of hands, results are as follows:

- Eric Ford-3 Yays/0 Nays-Approved
- Derrick Johnson-4 Yays/0 Nays-Approved
- D'Jae Huie-4 Yays/0 Nays-Approved
- Danny Smith-5 Yays/1 Nay-Approved
- Tobias Trejo-4 Yays/0 Nays-Approved

-Undergraduate Reports

Lambda (PV)- Bro. John Allen gave an update on the chapter activity. On Saturday, December 10, 2016 Bro. Demarr Holmes will be graduating from the university. Also, Bro. Tremaine Russel Sr. will assume the role of Advisor for the chapter.

-Epsilon Alpha (TSU) Bro. Shawn Santana updated the chapter on the state of EA. They are expecting a check from the university in the amount of \$1000.00 for winning the stepshow. Upon receipt of those funds the chapter will pay ANO the amount of \$300.00. They will log community service hours once the portal opens back up.

Zeta Omicron (SHSU)-Bro. Hightower IV gave an update on the chapter. The university has dropped its rule of having 10 active member to be an active organization to now have 5 active members to be an active organization. He will coordinate efforts to get 5 interested men for intake.

-New Business

-2017 Dues are now able to be paid through the secure section of the national and chapter websites.

Alpha Nu Omega Alumni Chapter 5 Star Awards

- Citizenship Award-Bro. Freddie Green Jr.
- Leadership Award-Bro. Gibbs Hightower IV
- Scholarship Award-Bro. Justin Manuel
- Fidelity Award-Bro. Scott Dalencourt
- Brotherhood Award-Bro. Torrey Thompson Sr.

ANO Elections

- Polaris-Bro. Ryan Johnson Sr.
- Vice Polaris- Bro. Freddie Green Jr.
- Treasurer-Bro. John Allen
- Secretary- Bro. Justin Manuel

-The Holiday Lights proposal was done by Bro. Hightower IV. This is a fundraiser/chapter outing, the event will take place on December 23, 2016 @7pm in Sugar Land, Texas. Tickets are \$12.00 and for every ticket that we purchase \$2.00 will be given to the chapter. Bro. Hightower IV will send out a link for everyone to purchase their tickets. A motion to accept the proposal was made by Bro. Johnson Sr. The motion was then properly seconded by Bro. Allen. (motion carries)

Vice Polaris Johnson Sr. appealed to the brothers to change the meeting date and time to the 2nd Saturday of every month at 10:00 am. The meeting location will remain the same as of now. He then made a motion to accept this change. The motion was seconded by Bro. Allen. (Motion carries)

Bro. Manuel read communications about the chapter website domain being up for renewal at the price of \$18.99. Bro. Hightower IV informed the group that he will handle the domain renewal and will possibly find a cheaper host than Brinkster (current host).

-In the past the ANO Chapter has donated winter coats to Cashmere Elementary. Bro. Green Jr. has coats to be given away. If no other ideas are presented then the coats will be donated to Cashmere again.

-Meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm by Polaris Branch Jr.

Submitted by Secretary Bro. Justin Manuel
12/7/2016 10:00pm