

Tennessee State University Alumni Association  
Washington DC Metropolitan Chapter  
MINUTES  
General Membership Meeting  
February 13<sup>th</sup> 2013  
Disabled Americans Veterans Building  
807 Maine Avenue, SW

The meeting was called to order by President Kimberly Fowler at 7:13 p.m. We were asked to join hands as Mr. Edward Merriweather led us in prayer.

### **Secretary's Report**

Minutes were read and comments/corrections were noted. Mr. Leonard Stephens motioned to accept the minutes subject to corrections and seconded by Mr. Hubert Hamer.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Checkbook Balance as of 02/13/2013

Current Balance	\$6953.81
Local Scholarship	\$2485.98
Operating Fund	\$4467.83*

Ms. Susan Aimable motioned to accept the report and seconded by Mr. Hubert Hamer subject to audit.

### **President's Report**

*2103 Inauguration Reception* –Chapter Vice President Damien Johnson gave a report on the success of the inauguration event. The event made a profit of \$901 from ticket sales. Though TSU President Dr. Glenda Glover was invited to attend, she could not because of a last minute schedule conflict. LaKita Rowe and Leonard Stephens suggested that a small note/email be sent to persons who attended the event or made a donation.

*NE Regionals update* – Madam President reported on the NE Regionals and suggested the weekends of 6/21 or 6/28 depending on Dr. Glover's schedule. It was suggested to have it the same weekend as the Chapter's Annual Golf Tournament to get more support and participants. We are looking at DC or Baltimore for possible locations.

*HBCU Fellowship Day* – It was encouraged that Chapter members participate in the HBCU Alliance's Fellowship Day at DC's Shiloh Baptist Church on 2/24/13 for their 7:45 or 10 a.m. service.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **A. Amenities/Membership**

- Because of the increase in National Dues, Mrs. Barbara Akins made a motion that effective 7/1/13 the amount of dues that the chapter collects be increased to \$75.00 per year. The breakdown is \$45.00 (local) and \$30.00 (national). It was approved and voted on by the Chapter to accept these changes.
- Mr. James Ealey reported that he attended the service for Dr. James H. Davis '63 graduate. Madam President notated that a card was sent on the behalf of the chapter to the family of Dr. Davis.

- Ms. LaKita Rowe thanked the Chapter for the bereavement card sent to her during the passing of her uncle.

#### B. Recruitment

- Mr. Rodney Elam reported the Chapter will be participating in several recruitment events at local high schools, etc. An email was sent for dates and times for those who wanted to volunteer.
- Mr. Jekemian Wykle reported on the new Flag Football season is underway and are recruiting new members who want to participate.
- Mr. James Ealey, Amanda Johnson and Damien Johnson gave a report on the UNCF College Fair they attended earlier in the day at Vermont Baptist Church (DC).

#### C. Scholarship

Mrs. Susan Aimable reported that the deadline for the deposits for the cruise have been extended to March 1<sup>st</sup>. There are still only 3 confirmed cabins. If by March we do not have 8 cabins, we will have to determine if it's best to proceed with the cruise. Carnival does have a rebate program where if we get 8 cabins or more, they will contribute \$5 per day per cabin into the National Alum 5013c account.

#### D. Community Service

Mrs. Amanda Johnson reported on the MLK Day of Service at the DC Armory. We had nearly 10 participants who put together care packages and wrote letters for individuals in the military.

### **National News**

**Alumni Legend's Weekend (April 19-21, 2013)** – Madam President said that she will be attending and is recruiting for more attendees to support the Chapter during this weekend.

### **Informational Items**

The Chapter members celebrated Madam President's birthday during the meeting and enjoyed cake.

Marcus Butler, Tee Wiggins, and Charles Sears were new attendees and were welcomed by those in attendance.

**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE: Chapter Picnic is July 20th at Wheaton Regional Park \*\*\***

### **Concerned Corner**

Annual Chapter and National dues are due-\$65. Please contact Mrs. Barbara Akins or send in payment to the Chapters P.O. Box.

Mrs. Amanda Johnson brought up the need for fundraisers and asked the Chapter for suggestions that were successful in the past.

**Adjourned 8:18 p.m.**