



# Tennessee State University Alumni Association Washington, D. C. Metro Chapter Business Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, September 12, 2018

**Time:** 7:00 – 8:00 pm

**Location:** DAV Building, 807 Maine Ave., SW, WDC 20024

## **I.** Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:22 PM. Attendees included:

Barbara Akins  
Bill Akins  
Brandon Foley  
Andrea K. Warren  
LaKita Rowe  
Wilson Ennis  
Ashleigh Tillman  
Dekarra Johnson  
Damien Johnson  
Hubert Hamer  
Jocelyn Smith  
James Ealey

## **II.** Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report was reviewed during the meeting and accepted by Ms. Akins first and seconded by Jocelyn, subject to audit.

## **III.** Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer discussed the annual operating budget of \$8,220.00 for the 2018/2019 calendar year. The full Treasurer's report will be provided at the October meeting. The budget was reviewed by the chapter a motion on the floor to accept the proposed budget, Ashleigh Tillman 1sted, and Mrs. Akins second the proposal budget is effective as of 09/12/18, and subject to audit.

## **IV.** President's Report

Madam President Lakita Rowe reported as follows:

-The President advised that alumni chapter dues of \$75.00 are due now and must be paid by December 31, 2018 to ensure financial membership status for the 2018/2019 calendar year.

-The President commented that the Chapter received 15 direct fundraiser donations from the June 30 HBCU Alliance 5K Run, with an estimated amount of \$500.00 in proceeds. The specific amount will be shared during the October Chapter meeting.





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-The President remarked that the summer picnic was held on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at Tucker Road community center with an estimated 40 attendees, the Chapter broke even with revenue vs. expenses. Mr. and Mrs. Akins have offered to host the 2019 summer picnic at their house in order to cut down on venue expenses.

-The President reminded the group of the upcoming golf tournament fundraiser, set for October 8, 2018 at Pohick Bay Golf in Lorton, VA. Mr. Hubert Hamer added that lunch will be provided to golf entry attendees, he additionally encouraged members to register advertise, and/or donate to the event for the overall success.

-The President summarized the TSU 3 in 1 giving campaign, the giving campaign was initiated by TSU to increase the alumni giving rate, and the overall funds that are sent to Endowment Fund by the alumni chapters. TSU has hired a 3<sup>rd</sup> party company to liaison between the alumni chapters and TSU finance office, if a chapter agrees to enroll in the initiative the 3<sup>rd</sup> party company will be responsible to manage all three funds simultaneously (Chapter dues, National dues, and Endowment contributions). All three funds will be sent to TSU for management/disbursement, and after funds are categorized, the local chapter funds will be sent back to the chapter on a local level for management.

-The President opened the floor to the chapter to discuss if the 3 in 1 initiative would be feasible for the TSUWDC chapter to implement. After the discussion Ms. Andrea Warren put a motion on the floor to raise chapter dues by \$10, this would bring Chapter dues from \$ 75, to \$ 85 annually (\$45 local chapter, \$30 nationals, and the additional \$10 to be sent to TSU endowment foundation. The proposal would go into effect for 2019/2020 calendar year dues that will count as early as January 2019. Ms. Andrea Warren proposed 1<sup>st</sup>, and Mr. Damien Johnson second the proposal.

-The President advised that 60 local DMV students received school admission acceptance to TSU during the 2017/2018 calendar year, The President will contact the school to determine how many of the students enrolled in the fall semester.

#### **V. Committee Reports**

-Membership is reporting 25 paid members for the 2018/2019 calendar year. Mrs. Akins has volunteered to initiate a chapter membership directory that will be added to the chapter website, hard copies of the directory will be available as well.

-Recruitment season has begun with the following upcoming college fairs on the horizon:

- October 10<sup>th</sup> Henry A. Wise High School College Fair
- October 13<sup>th</sup> Alpha Kappa Alpha College Fair
- TBD First Baptist Church of Glenardon College Fair
- November 10<sup>th</sup> Alpha Phi Alpha College Fair

#### **a. Scholarship/ Fundraising**

-The President commented that the local chapter executive board met pre-September kick off meeting and agreed that the board would like the chapter to initiate the Letter writing campaign fundraiser to help raise funds for scholarships.





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b. Community Service

-The President advised that the chapter will look to volunteer for a fall community service event; similar to previous years, once specifics are determined they will be disseminated.

**VI. National News**

Nothing to report.

**VII. Informational Items/Upcoming Events**

-WDC Chapter website: [www.tsuwdc.com/](http://www.tsuwdc.com/)  
-WDC Facebook page: "World Class" Tennessee State Washington DC Alumni Chapter  
-WDC email address to send correspondence: [wdc-tsualumnichapter@tsuwdc.com](mailto:wdc-tsualumnichapter@tsuwdc.com)

**VIII. Concerned Corner**

-President reminded the group that volunteer interest, fundraiser ideas, and activity hosting is needed for the current year, please contact the President if you have any ideas or information to share.

-2018-19 Annual Chapter/National dues of \$75, are due now. Please see Barbara Akins, mail P.O. Box 2997, WDC, 20013, or PayPal to chapter email above.

-Next meeting October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**IX. Adjournment**

-The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

