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Florida A&M University National Alumni Association (FAMUNAA)

Executive Board Minutes

Wednesday, April 20, 2016 8:00 p.m.

Call to Order

President Clark Called the Meeting to order.

Invocation

Opening Prayer was done by Chaplain Keith Shannon.

Roll Call

Roll Call was taken by the Recording Secretary

Executive Board Members Participating: 20

Akunna Olumba; Angela Bledsoe; Artisha Polk; Bob Porter; Carolyn Collins; Cassie Farmer; Charles Lewis; Greg Clark; Jean Downing; Juanita Moore; Kathy Times; Keith Shannon; Leroy Bell; Mary Smith; Pat Shaw; Reginald Mitchell; Skip McClemore; Tirrell Hamilton; Van Russ; and Yolanda Pinkard

Other Non-Voting Board Members Participating: 5

Regina Gardner
Doris Hicks
Carolyn Jones;
Andrew Lawyer;
Nicole Phillips

Invited Guests: FAMU Federal Credit Union: 1

Milton Overton FAMU AD;

Quorum

A Quorum was established.

Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was amended by the President to add the BOT Report; Miles Johnson Task Force; SOS Scholarship Update; WORD; and Bylaws to the end of the agenda before the good of the order. The Agenda was approved unanimously.

Presidential Invited Guests: FAMU Athletic Director Milton Overton

AD Milton gave an overview of the State of FAMU Athletics for informational purposes. He left his cell number of (205) 657-9360.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of 3/23/2016 were submitted for the board to review. Future minutes will be provided to approve the minutes.

Distinguished Alumni Awards

The president yielded to this report to allow Doris Hicks to present. She gave an overview of the latest efforts. Friday, May 27, 2016 in the Hotel Ballroom. Tickets are \$125. Ads are due Friday, May 6, and reports for the President's booklet are due Monday, May 9.

President's Report

The President wants to appoint Tomia Austin to the Image Building and Public Relations Committee. He may later add Tangelia Richardson to the committee as well once we confirm her active membership. Artisha Polk moved to accept the nomination. Charles Lewis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

General Counsel Report

General Counsel Akunna Olumba presented the latest report of 49 active subordinate FAMU NAA Chapter in good standing. The list will be sent to the IRS. Sample forms will be developed to add to the Procedures Manual. No action was taken.

New Business

Tirrell Hamilton wants a written financial quarterly Treasurer's Report. The President agreed and a full accounting will be available in the May meeting.

FAMU Board of Trustees Meeting

The June Meeting will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Friday is Strategic Planning and Saturday is the full board meeting. She will find out specifically where the meeting will be held in Jacksonville.

Miles Johnson Task Force

Dr. Carolyn Collins gave an overview of the Black Brains Matter II Summit. The Governmental Relations Committee is participating in the Summit. Report was presented for informational purposes only and no action taken.

Save Our Student Campaign

Mary Smith presented an update of the Save Our Student Scholarship Campaign. Monies are coming in. There will be a big push for donations at the national meeting. Report was presented for informational purposes only and no action taken.

Convention Report

1VP Charles Lewis gave an update on the progress. An e-mail update is forthcoming. We will get golf shirts if everyone provides shirt sizes. They are still working on blazers for a jacketing ceremony to become part of officer uniforms. Information will be presented later to see if we can make the deadline. Report was presented for informational purposes only and no action taken.

Bylaws

Chair Artisha Polk presented a report of the priorities of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee prior to the Convention. We will work on removing any inconsistencies in the Constitution and Bylaws and work on greater substantive changes in the future.

Fiscal Operations Update

Mary Smith asked about getting the computer equipment already passed by the Executive Board. President Clark asked the Budget & Finance Committee to review a temporary Contract for Regina Gardner. Her duties will get us ready for the annual audit; handling of NAA Vouchers; and many other essential transactions. There was conversation about office space at Parks and Crump. Eventually we will purchase the laptop and other equipment.

Student Life Membership

Carolyn Collins confirmed that the NAA still honors parents purchasing with \$125 a Student Life Membership subscription before students walk across the stage and pay it off 1 year after graduation.

FAMU Enrollment

President Clark gave an overview of the FAMU Admissions process that may lead to a decline in enrollment. President Clark will get FAMU VP William Hudson to present the facts to the students.

Engineering School Dean Search

President Clark raised the issue concerning the candidates for the job. They are interviewing the rest of the week. Members should review the candidates.

The Meeting adjourned at 10:43 p.m.