

Minutes
MCAAA RETREAT Meeting
6/22/2019

The Executive Board of the Morehouse College Atlanta Alumni Association met on the above date @ the home of President Javarro Edwards to conduct its annual retreat. The meeting was called to order by the president @ 0934 hours. Brother Alex Branch offered a prayer for the successful execution of the retreat.

Members present: Javarro Edwards, Pres, Torrence Nero, VP, Terrence Nero, Strategic Planning Committee Chair, Timothy A. Ferrell, Parliamentarian, Maurice Baudy, Jr., Treasurer, Jason Jackson, IT Manager/Developer, Mark W. Hill, Recording Secretary

Committee Chairs present: Rev. Rodney Howard, Dr. Val Shumate, Avery Sellers, Al Branson, Alex Branch, Joe McNeil, Timothy A. Ferrell,

The president: reported on chapter activities/events past and future beginning with the just completed Honoring Our Fathers banquet. The event was a total success and the positive response from attendees suggests that it should serve as a springboard for upcoming activities during the 2019 – 2020 alumni year. A trophy should be provided to all who purchased a table for \$500.00.

Moving our monthly meetings to other areas of the city should help to promote membership. The August meeting of the association will be held at either the Ponce City market or Paschal's.

The activities of the Association during Homecoming 2020 will seek to get as many brothers involved during planning, execution and post activities.

The college's capital campaign will include focusing on renovating the athletic facilities, the football field and track field.

Giving to the college should be the primary driver for activities during the next association year.

The treasurer: reported on the status of the association's finances. There are no discrepancies or anomalies in any transactions conducted since the last general body meeting.

The Association's BB&T accounts will be closed NLT COB June 2019. The Association's accounts will be deposited with Citizens Trust Bank (CTB). The

Association's certificate of deposit will remain with BB&T until it matures and then will be moved to the CTB.

Discussions by committee members focused on: - Membership and getting more brothers engaged both financially and active in the association.

-Mass mailings to brothers in addition to internet. Can association use national's cost free mailing for this initiative?

- Can and or should the association's financial picture be provided to investors to increase sponsorships?

- Can life memberships be paid incrementally via website as is done with national life time dues? Note: Life membership is the driver for the Association's certificate of deposit.

The breakout portion of the retreat focused on: Outreach Engagement on campus and community outreach:

A discussion on MCAA Constitution and By-Laws centered on:

By-Laws - It is recommended that the treasurer be authorized to singularly sign checks of \$100.00 or less. This change should be reflected in Article IV, Section 2 (f) as the last sentence. It should read 'The treasurer is authorized to singularly sign checks of \$100.00 or less and shall report of the transaction(s) at the next Executive Board meeting or general body meeting.'

Article V, Section 2 (b) should be changed to read: ' Any expenditure in amounts \$250.00 or less than or equal to \$1000.00 necessitates prior approval by a majority of the Executive Committee before any such expenditure can be made unless having been prior approved by the Association.'

Article V, Section 2 (c) should be changed to read: 'Any expenditure in excess of \$1000.00 requires the prior approval of the Association's general body.'

Concerns expressed by members revolved around defining former students in the by-laws and scheduled meetings. Former students are defined in Article III, Section 1. Meetings are addressed in Article VIII, Section 1.

Summation of current chair assignments:

The Executive Committee governs all committees and follow up with chairs and co-chairs.

Committee Chairs:

Honoring Our Fathers- Rodney Howard, Valantino Shumate

TRO – Avery Sellers

Events/Social – Joe McNeil, Buster

Membership/Student/Alumni Engagement – Al Branch

Homecoming – Avery Sellers/Brandon Banks/Valantino Shumate

Communication/Social Media/Branding – Jason Jackson

**Community Outreach –
The retreat ended at 1714 hrs. with the singing of the college hymn.**

Mark W. Hill, '67

Recording Secretary