

## **Minutes**

### **MCAAA Executive Board Meeting**

**8/13/2019**

The executive board of the Morehouse College Atlanta Alumni Association met on the above date @ the Forbes Arena Conference Room, Morehouse College. The meeting was called to order @ 1837 hours by the association's President, Javarro Edwards.

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

The President announced that the son of Brother Rodney Howard, was funeralized on August 10, 2019. He succumbed to injuries suffered during an automobile accident earlier in the year. Brother Val Shumate and the Nero Brother's represented the association at the funeral service.

The president advised that the facility-use contract holding the cost for 2019 – 2020 to \$5,000.00 had been signed. This will allow that the next Honoring Our Father's event can be held on the campus and will allow that it be advertised as a campus event. Lapel pins for life-time members have been received. These pins will be distributed to those brothers who have fully paid association's lifetime dues. The president after discussions with the board, the board unanimously agreed that collaboration with National for the Homecoming tent would not be in the best interest of the association. It was agreed by the board that the association would not collaborate with National on this endeavor but would support it thru advertising National's event and encouraging members to support National. The board agreed that the association would partner with the Jazz Tent committee headed by Dr. Byron K. Edmond. Brother Hill was tasked to contact Dr. Edmonds and advise of the decision.

VP noted that Brother Kozmo Miller (not in attendance) has developed a short video on honoring our fathers but before it is distributed, it requires some editing. Once complete it will be incorporated into social media blasts. He has created a report-out document for committee's to use but after discussions with other members elected to modify and use one that the president and treasurer have used in the past. He reported that Brother Rory Smoot advised that he can no longer serve on the Kwanza and Membership committees due to his devoting

full-time to working on a MBA in Accounting. The president advised that Brother Sean Jones will assume these duties.

IT - Reported that he still needs headshots of association's officers for loading onto the web site. The web-site is now capable of providing the necessary support to the association. He noted that the "Alumni Feeding The Soul" event will be held on Saturday at the Chivers Dining Facility. Brothers are encouraged to participate and share with the new members of the class of 2023.

Student Assistance – No report.

Treasurer – Treasurer reported on the end of month finances for the periods ending July and August. There were no discrepancies in reports from either period. He advised that the transfer of association funds from BB&T to C&S Bank had been completed. The BB&T account has been closed. The association's certificate of deposit will remain until full maturity then will be transferred. The association's IRS Form 990 was filed on time for the current year. The treasurer advised that the association is holding National Association dues of \$1650.00. These funds are paid thru the association for National Association membership, however there appears to be no procedure by which these funds are transferred to National. He suggested and a motion, was made, seconded and approved to divest the association from collecting National's dues. National will be advised of this and monies along with names of those who paid for National membership currently being held by the association, will be transferred to National.

New Business: Brother Jackson asked Brother Hill to determine if the association's officers were an even or odd number, as this might pose a problem in voting within the executive board.

Brother Hill noted that of all the HBCU's represented at the HBCU 5K Run/Walk, Morehouse and Spelman had the shoddiest looking tents. He will bring to the next board meeting a tent purchase proposal.

Terrence Dixon, the college's Associate director of recruitment will speak at the September meeting.

If coordination can be positively accomplished with the owner, the October meeting will be held at Alums Sports bar near Grant Park.

The meeting was adjourned @ 1957 hours.

Mark W. Hill, '67

**Recording Secretary**