

National Pan-Hellenic Council of Greater Cleveland
General Body Minutes
Monday, January 27, 2014
6:30pm

As of 3/3/2014 2:04 PM

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to Order by Frater Steven H. Robertson at 6:41pm

Meditation:

Frater Conrad Huffman offered the meditation for the evening.

Roll Call:

The roll of affiliate organizations was called and a quorum was established.

Installation of Officers:

The 2014-16 NPHC of GC officers were sworn in by the outgoing president, Frater Robertson.

Soror Michelle A. Kenney – President

Soror Patricia E. Jones – 1st Vice President

Soror Latasha D. Brown – 2nd Vice President

Frater Anthony H. Brown – Secretary

Soror Chamomile Ware – Financial Secretary (absent)

Soror Marlene Robinson-Statler – Treasurer (absent)

Soror Vikki Pruitte-Sorrells – Chaplain (not pictured)

Frater Steven H. Robertson – Sergeant-at-Arms



The remainder of the meeting was now under the leadership of Soror Kenney.

Welcome:

Soror Michelle Kenney gave her opening remarks and thanked the council for their continued support.

Mission Statement:

The mission of the organization was read by Soror Kenney.

Adoption of Agenda:

An official agenda was not presented and the meeting would follow the outline that was used at the Executive Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

Minutes:

Minutes from the previous meeting were not available at this time.

Correspondence:

- A letter of support was received from the Association of African American Cultural Gardens to support a benefit fundraiser in support of the cultural gardens and John Hay High School Scholarship Fund.

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- A thank you note was received from the NPHC Choir for supporting their concert with a program ad.

Treasurer:

- As reported by Soror Kenney and Frater Robertson, the checking account balance as of today's meeting is \$1,703.88.
- An appeal was made to all council affiliates to please pay annual dues by the February general body meeting.

Committee Reports:

1. Scholarship Committee – Soror Monica Bourn was appointed to the position of Scholarship Committee Chairperson.
2. Adopt-a-Highway – Soror Kenney reported that during the spring season, we will arrange dates to begin the highway clean-up. Training will be required for all participants.
3. Website – Frater Brown presented information and rationale to switch our website management provider (host site) and domain name. Three estimates were given.
 - a. Motion: Change our website host to Weebly.com for a 2 year service at \$226.90. Moved by: Soror Joyce Thornton. Second by: Soror Bourn. The roll was called and motion passed.
 - b. Action: The temporary website is – www.ClevelandNPHC.weebly.com. Upon payment, the website will be listed as www.ClevelandNPHC.org. The site will be owned by the council with a minimum of three authorized users.
4. Greek Weekend – The event is scheduled for the 2nd weekend of August (8th-10th). Some type of after work activity for Friday evening will be planned. For Saturday, Luke Easter Park is not available. Paperwork was submitted to secure Kerruish Park (Lee Road and Tarkington Ave area). We are taking recommendations for the all Greek Sunday church service. A committee will need to be established for this annual weekend activity.
5. NPHC Bowling Party – (Update) Southgate Lanes. Friday, May 9th 2014. 10pm – 2am. Ticket pricing will be available by next month.

Special Presentation:

At this time, at the request of the president, the meeting was suspended to make a special presentation to Frater Steven H. Robertson for his invaluable years of service as the president of the NPHC. A plaque, card and Omega cake was presented to him by members of the Council. Frater Robertson thanked everyone for this acknowledgment. After this presentation, the meeting was resumed.



Committee Reports: (resumed)

6. 2nd Annual Black and White Ball – The date is scheduled for Saturday, June 21, 2014 at the Sherwin Gilmour Party Center. The hall deposit of \$500.00 has been made. The balance is \$7000.00. The minimum number of expected participants is 200 people. The maximum is

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350. The event is open to the public. Other information presented was the consideration of incorporating the NPHC Silver & Gold Recognition for those members who have served their affiliate organization for 25, 50 or 75 years, into the Black & White Ball.

- a. Motion: The Silver & Gold recognition to be included in the 2nd Annual Black & White Ball. Moved by Soror Bourn. Second by Soror Thornton. The roll was called and motion passed.
- b. Soror Bourn volunteered to chair the event and Soror Thornton volunteered to co-chair.

Unfinished Business:

Fundraiser Proposal: Vehicle Raffle 2014 – Soror Kenney shared with the group that potentially each affiliate could raise \$2200.00. The Alphas reported that they did discuss the concept in their executive board and general body meeting. There were questions raised regarding ticket price, cross promotion and sustainability of fundraiser. The Deltas also gave a report from their chapter with concerns of who will be liable if total tickets are not sold. No other affiliate made a report. Soror Kenney stated that she will continue to research this proposal and attempt to present at another time.

New Business:

1. Supporting Worthwhile Community Service Projects – In an effort to increase the Council's outlook among affiliates and to physically or financially support each affiliate's programs/activities, Soror Kenney is asking each affiliate to identify one major community service project from your affiliate organization that the Council can assist in promotion and attend. Begin submitting those projects by the next meeting.
2. Fundraising Ideas – Each affiliate is asked to submit a major fundraising project that the Council could adopt. As it stands, the Cleveland Classic will not be returning in 2014, therefore there is a possible market for a Greek Step Show. Frater Clyde Christian suggested that we should consider developing this event as the Friday activity for the annual Greek Weekend in August. He, along with Frater Brown, volunteered to lead an initiative to further explore this idea.
3. NPHC of Cleveland State University – Several of our undergraduate affiliates at CSU have made application for official chartering. The event is scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd, 2014. The lead advisor of the group is Soror DeAna Morgan (SGRho). Per the NPHC National Constitution, a member of the local graduate/alumni NPHC must also serve on the NPHC of CSU Executive Board. Soror Kenney will make the determination of the representative.

NPHC Affiliate Announcements:

February 2014

1. [Delta Sigma Theta - Stop in the Name of Love event to teach youth about healthy relationships. Saturday, February 1, 2014 at the Delta Center from 11am - 2pm](#)
2. [Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Omega & Omega Chapter - American Heart Association "Pink Goes Red" Fitness Friday, February 7, 2014.](#)
3. [Omega Psi Phi, Zeta Omega Chapter & Sigma Gamma Rho Alpha Lambda Sigma Chapter - Mardi Gras Friday, February 7, 2014](#)
4. [Alpha Phi Alpha - 31st Annual Sweetheart Brunch. Saturday, February 8, 2014 - 11:00am - 4pm](#)
5. [Alpha Kappa Alpha, Lambda Phi Omega Chapter - American Heart Association "Pink Goes Red" Line Dancing Saturday, February 8, 2014.](#)

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1. Sigma Gamma Rho - Youth Symposium. Saturday, March 8, 2014. Memorial Jr. High, South Euclid, OH.
2. Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Omega Chapter - Gospel Brunch. Saturday, March 22, 2014. \$30 breakfast and show.

For updates see <http://clevelandnphc.weebly.com/nphc-affiliate-activities.html>

Other Announcements:

1. Phi Delta Kappa Sorority – Alpha Xi Chapter will be hosting their Midwest Region Youth Conference. April 4-6, 2014. Marriott (Harvard Park). Judges are needed. Contact Soror Kiena Hughley for more information.
2. Committee members are needed for the various NPHC-related activities that are planned throughout the year. Please solicit members from your affiliate organization to serve.

Adjournment:

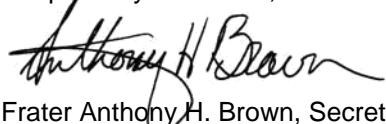
Meeting was moved to adjournment at 8:20 pm

Attendance:

Checked and highlighted names indicate those in attendance.

<i>Affiliate Organization</i>	<i>Representative #1</i>	<i>Representative #2</i>	<i>Representative #3</i>	<i>Other</i>
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Alpha Omega Chapter	Terri Eason	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Monica L Bourn	Ashley N Thomas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joyce Thornton
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Lambda Phi Omega Chapter	Jean Taylor	Shelley D Hill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michelle Kenney	
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Delta Alpha Lambda Chapter	Clarence McElrath	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony H. Brown	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clyde Christian III	
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Greater Cleveland Alumnae Chapter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deborah Cartwright	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Latasha D. Brown	Shaunte Dixon	
Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. Beta Lambda Omega Chapter	Orlando Grant	Chantone Baker	Roberto Robinson	
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Cleveland Alumni Chapter	Imanu Lewis	Eric Howard	Thomas Pipkin	
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Zeta Kappa Kappa Chapter	Fred Ray	Dustin McClain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steven H Robertson	
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Zeta Omega Chapter	Lamar Cole	Bennett Gaines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conrad Huffman II	
Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Gamma Alpha Sigma Chapter	Percy Turner	Lee Jackson	Mark Newbauer	
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Alpha Lambda Sigma Chapter	Denine Goosby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vikki Pruitte-Sorrells	Marlene Robinson-Statler	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kiena Hughley
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Kappa Gamma Sigma Chapter	Aqueela Jordan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shirley Seay	Jamie Watkins-Buckingham	
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Gamma Delta Zeta Chapter	Andrea Aarons Payne	Louise Gooch	Michelle Higgins	
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Nu Theta Zeta Chapter	Tamara Manning-Gordon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patricia Jones	Chamomile Ware	

Respectfully submitted,



Frater Anthony H. Brown, Secretary
NPHC of GC

Minutes approved on: Monday, February 24, 2014

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