
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®

Pi Omicron Omega Chapter
Monthly Business Meeting
Minutes

DATE: April 4, 2024

Meeting Number 4

Pi Omicron Omega Chapter conducted its monthly chapter business meeting on Thursday, April 4, 2024, at the Alamance Community College Dillingham Center, 1304 Plaza Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, Room 120.

Basileus Takesha Briggins called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. and projected the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Social Media Policy for viewing. Chaplain Vickie Morrow read an inspirational message by Soror Coretta Scott King (IBTW), "Woman Power", and offered a prayer. A quorum was established – (x) Yes () No - with twenty-nine (29) members present at 6:42 p.m. A total of thirty-three (33) members and one (1) guest, Soror Juliet Lowery, were present at the meeting. The attendance is attached.

GREETINGS	Soror Briggins welcomed all assembled and remarked about all of the changes accompanying the Spring season.
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	The agenda was adopted with one change. (X) Yes () No Addition as the final report to the list of Committee Reports: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advocate for Social Justice Committee - Soror Carolyn Long, Chairman, reporting
READING AND DISPOSITION OF MINUTES	The March 7, 2024 Chapter Business Meeting minutes were approved as presented: (X) Yes () No
SISTERLY RELATIONS	Basileus Briggins invited the members of each Sister Squad to gather and make final plans for gathering at their selected dinner locations during the upcoming Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference (MARC). Each squad reported their final arrangements to the membership.
REPORTS OF OFFICERS	
Basileus	Report Attached (X) Yes () No Basileus Briggins reported details regarding discussion topics from the March 18, 2024 Regional Basilei meeting, including but not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ MARC Notes<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Service project- African American book donation▪ EAF Legacy Campaign- goal \$71,000, EAF raffle tickets for sale▪ Conference bag sale Sunday April 14 10 am-12 noon➤ Sorority Denouncements<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ not fully covered in <i>Manual of Standard Procedure</i>;▪ steps will include writing letter/ mailing to corporate office and regional director; mailing back official AKA badge; recommendation for expulsion at Boulé➤ AKA branding/Risk Management<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Social media (do not post picture of drinking with paraphernalia on)➤ Boulé<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ MAR Luncheon▪ MAR gathering on Sunday▪ Boulé assessment for MAR hospitality will be discussed at MARC➤ Divine 9 Legislative Day May 8 9:00 am Halifax Mall Raleigh NC

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ MAPP (Mid-Atlantic Preparatory Platform) has been launched with free training modules • Her attendance at chapter Executive, business, and committee meetings, as well as MARC Delegate training and Omicron Epsilon Mentoring. • Her full report will be posted to the chapter’s website for viewing by the membership.
Epistoleus	<p>Monthly Correspondence Log Attached (X) Yes () No Monthly correspondence distributed to appropriate points of contact: (X) Yes () No Monthly correspondence filed: (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Epistoleus Eleanor Scott reported correspondence received from March 28, 2024 to April 4, 2024.</p>
Hodegos/Courtesy and Social Affairs	<p>Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Hodegos Gwendolyn Broadnax welcomed visiting Soror Juliet Lowery and reported no courtesies extended on the chapter’s behalf during the month of March 2024.</p>
Pecunious Grammateus	<p>Report Attached (X) Yes () No Summary of Funds for March 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 submitted and filed for audit (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Pecunious Grammateus Charmene Harris reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Receipt of Funds via Cash, Paper Checks, PayPal Transactions, and Zelle Transactions, and the Total Funds Received for the Community and Operating accounts through March 31, 2024.
Tamiouchos	<p>Report Attached (X) Yes () No Financial Statement for Operations & Community Service accounts for March 2024 submitted and filed for audit (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Tamiouchos Deshelia Watson reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Operating and Community accounts: Beginning Balance, Deposits, Disbursements, Ending Balance, and Total Account amounts; ➤ The reports will be posted to the chapter’s website/Members Only Section for information following the chapter business meeting.
Graduate Advisor	<p>Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Graduate Advisor Shana Mebane, reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The first Joint Chapter Meeting for 2024 is scheduled for Monday, May 13, 2024, at Elon University with Omicron Epsilon Chapter hosting; • Omicron Epsilon Chapter’s program activities for the month of March in each of the SOAR Program areas during <i>Skee Week</i>; • Attendance at Pi Omicron Omega Chapter Executive and business meetings, and Omicron Epsilon Chapter meetings, program, and mentoring activities. • Her full report will be posted to the chapter’s website for viewing by the membership.

REPORTS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, STANDING COMMITTEES, AD HOC COMMITTEES	
<p>The Disposition of the Committee Report was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Referred back to committee B. Postponed C. Placed on file 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> D. Adopted in part (explain) E. Adopted in its entirety F. Referred to another committee (explain)
<p>Program</p>	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Anti-Basileus Seanee Alexander, Chairman, reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ CHIPP (Empower our Families): - CHIPP bags were delivered after the March chapter meeting for the February and March distributions. ➤ GenNEXT – Soror Ashley West reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The family emergency donation event has been rescheduled to April 4, 2024, from 10am to 12pm, at Allied Churches, due to inclement weather on the date originally scheduled (March 23, 2024). ○ The committee is proposing the following initiatives for consideration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highway Clean-Up or Tree Planting - April 27, 2024 ▪ Allied Churches Front Entrance Refurbishing – date(s) to be determined ▪ Chapter Fitness Walk – May 18, 2024 <p>COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Pi Omicron Omega Chapter will engage in a tree-planting event at Robinson Park in Burlington on April 27, 2024 and refurbish the front entrance at Allied Churches.</p> <p>VOTING RESULTS: Majority In Favor; 2 Opposed. Recommendation Adopted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The committee will provide the chapter with detailed plans for the upcoming Allied Churches event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Gallon 4 Gallon Canned Food & Cleaning Supplies Drive - Soror Deshelia Watson reminded members that the event was rescheduled to Saturday April 6, 2024, from 10am to 12pm, at Allied Churches, due to inclement weather on the date originally scheduled (March 23, 2024). <p>The complete Program report and a list of Anti-Basileus activities on behalf of the chapter since the February Chapter Business Meeting will be posted to the chapter’s website for viewing by the membership.</p>
<p>Standards</p>	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Soror Linda Carter, Chairman, reported the following regarding:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>The Standards Workshop: Chapter Recording and Reporting</i>, which was postponed from March 21, 2024, has been rescheduled to Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 6:30pm-8:30pm, at the Kernodle Senior Center. An electronic flyer will be emailed to the membership tomorrow, April 5, 2024. ➤ <i>The Pi Omicron Omega Chapter Strategic Plan Evaluation Summary, Findings, Recommendations, and Conclusion; and the 2023-2027 Strategic Plan Measurement Tool.</i>
<p>Membership</p>	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> </u> Report Attached () Yes (X) No</p> <p>No information was reported in the absence of Chairman Geleana Alston.</p>
<p>Enhance Our Environment</p>	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Soror Tawn Evans reported the following in the absence of Soror Crystal Taylor, Committee Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Arbor Day, the last Friday in April, celebrates nature. On that day this year, April 26, 2024, plant a tree in honor of a loved one. ➤ In recognition of Earth Day, the committee is providing packets of seed paper to encourage planting flowers during the month of April.

Scholarship	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached () Yes (X) No <i>Yes</i></p> <p>Soror Sharron Williams, Chairman, reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Information regarding the chapter’s 2024 high school scholarships has been posted to the chapter’s website and sent to counselors at each high school in Alamance County. ➤ Applications are due to the committee by April 19, 2024. ➤ Scholarships will be awarded in the amounts of \$1,000.00 (for attendance at a 4-year college/university) and \$500.00 (for attendance at a community college). The number of scholarships will be based on the number of qualified applicants and the chapter’s budgeted amount.
Archives	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached (X) Yes () No</p> <p>Soror Shirley Ray reported the following in the absence of Soror Vernetta Bridges, Chairman:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Chapter Storage Unit – On Saturday, April 20th and 27th, 2024, committee members will meet at the storage unit to accept chapter items from sorors who have made appointments to bring their items between 11am and 2pm. ➤ Storage Practices, Policies, and Procedures – a committee meeting is scheduled for April 17, 2024 to review a draft of the procedures document to present to the chapter for input. ➤ Annual Committee Reports – Several reports are still outstanding. ➤ Chapter History – the group is continuing its work on updating the chapter’s history from 2014. ➤ The chapter photograph will be taken on Sunday, April 7, 2024, at 2pm, at Beth Schmidt Park in Elon. In case of rain, the picture will be taken at Morgantown Baptist Church in Burlington; same date and time.
Advocate for Social Justice	<p>Disposition of Report: <u> C </u> Report Attached () Yes (X) No <i>Yes</i></p> <p>Soror Carolyn Long reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Divine Nine Legislative Day is scheduled for May 8, 2024. More details regarding time and place are forthcoming. ➤ The Divine Nine Planning Committee is recruiting AKAs to become more involved in planning the event and registering to attend the event in person. ➤ On May 18, 2024, there will be a meeting with Ken Freeman in Burlington to work on organizing for the November election. More information is forthcoming.
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 71st MARC Service Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Basileus Briggins informed members of the project, which is for chapters to donate children’s books by African-American authors to Charlotte, NC school-children ages 5 to 11, in grades K-5. ○ Books have been ordered from Amazon at a cost of \$77.67. <p>RECOMMENDATION: The Executive Board recommends using community funds from an appropriate budgetary line item to pay for the cost of books, which the chapter will donate to the 71st MARC Service Project.</p> <p>VOTING RESULTS: In Favor: Unanimous MOTION PASSED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Individual sorors may add books to the chapter’s contribution by adding their titles to the chapter’s list and donating them in Charlotte. ➤ Candidate Selection of Nominee for MAR Representative to the International Nominating Committee <p>MOTION: Pi Omicron Omega Chapter delegates will cast their votes at the 71st MARC for Soror Felicia Culbreth-Setzer for MAR Representative to the International Nominating Committee.</p> <p>VOTING RESULTS: In Favor: Unanimous MOTION PASSED</p>

<p>New Business (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Parliamentarian Vacancy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basileus Briggins announced the office of Parliamentarian is vacant due to resignation. • Members interested in being considered for appointment to the office are asked to notify Basileus Briggins.
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>Basileus Briggins announced the following, which were included on the meeting agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Chapter Photo ~ April 7, 2024 ~ 2:00 pm ~ Beth Schmidt Park, Elon ➤ 71st MARC ~ April 11-14, 2024 ~ Charlotte, NC ➤ 71st Boulé ~ July 5-11, 2024 ~ Dallas, TX <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Soror Catherine Smith announced the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ➤ Basileus Briggins announced arrangements are being made for a group photo on Saturday, April 13, 2024, for members attending the 71st MARC. More details will be announced once arrangements are confirmed. ➤ Soror Vanessa Tribble requested prayers in anticipation of her upcoming surgery on Wednesday, April 10, 2024. ➤ Soror Catherine Smith informed the membership of successful recovery from recent eye surgery and thanked Sorors who have helped and called while she was recuperating.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. The next chapter meeting will be held on Thursday, May 2, 2024, 6:30pm, at Alamance Community College Dillingham Center, 1304 Plaza Drive, Burlington, NC 27215, Room 120.

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	SOROR	April 4, 2024
1.	ALEXANDER, Seanee	A
2.	ALSTON, Edna	P
3.	ALSTON, Geleana	A
4.	ALSTON, Lizzie	A
5.	ALSTON, Nicole	A
6.	BLACKWELL, Kimberly	A
7.	BOYLAN-WALKER, Dana	A
8.	BRADSHER, April	A
9.	BRAYBOY, Jessica	A
10.	BRIDGES, Vernetta	A
11.	BRIGGINS, Takesha	P
12.	BROADNAX, Gwendolyn	P
13.	BURNETTE, Connell	P
14.	CARTER-WATSON, Demetria	A
15.	CARTER, Linda	P
16.	COHEN, Michele	A
17.	COPELAND, Ebonie	P
18.	COUSINS-COOPER, Kathy	P
19.	DODD, Shannon	A
20.	EDWARDS, Adriane	A
21.	ENOCH, Valerie	P
22.	EVANS, Tawn	P
23.	FORIEST, Clara	A
24.	FOUST, Patricia	A
25.	FOUST-PLATT, DeAnna	A
26.	FRANKLIN-CRANK, Tamra	A
27.	FULLER, Alisha	A
28.	GRAVES, Rose	A
29.	GREENE, Stacy	P
30.	HAMPTON, Brenda	P
31.	HARRIS, Charmene	P
32.	JACKSON, Maurice	P
33.	JEFFRIES, Marian	P
34.	JERNIGAN, Quintara	A
35.	JOHNSON-TONKINS, Lisa	P
36.	KENAN, Jinx	P
37.	LONG, Carolyn	P
38.	McDONALD, Sheila	A
39.	McKIEVER, Shinika	A
40.	MARK, Nancy	A
41.	MEBANE, Shana	P
42.	MORROW, Vickie	P
43.	PAYNE, Dawn	P
44.	PETERSON, Shannon	P
45.	RATLIFF, LeAndra	A
46.	RAY, Shirley	P
47.	SAULS, Kandis	P
48.	SCOTT, Eleanor	P
49.	SELLARS, Barbara	P

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50.	SMITH, Catherine	P
51.	SMITH, Shonetta	A
52.	SWEET, Brittney	A
53.	TAYLOR, Crystal	A
54.	THOMPSON-GRAVES, Jennifer	A
55.	TRIBBLE, Vanessa	P
56.	TRUESDALE, Pamela	P
57.	TURNER, Felicia	A
58.	WATSON, Deshelia	P
59.	WEST, Ashley	P
60.	WILLIAMS, Doris	P
61.	WILLIAMS, Sharron	P
62.	WILSON, Deborah	P
63.	WILSON, Janie	A

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP		63
Total required for quorum - 37% of active membership		23
QUORUM Established (Yes/No) + (Total # Present)	Yes	33

Grammateus: Jinx S. Kenan Signature: 

Date Approved: 05/02/2024

Basileus: Takesha Briggins Signature: 

Attachments:

- Business Meeting Agenda
- Business Meeting Minutes

- Officer Reports:
- Basileus
 - Epistoleus
 - Hodegos/Courtesy and Social Affairs
 - Pecunious Grammateus
 - Tamiouchos
 - Graduate Advisor

- Committee Reports:
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