

**ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED**  
**LAMBDA ETA OMEGA CHAPTER**  
**Saturday, December 12, 2020**  
**Soror JoNetta Terry, Basileus, Presiding**

**Present:** Members of Lambda Eta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

**Place:** Zoom Video Conferencing

**Quorum:** Yes

The meeting was called to order by Soror JoNetta Terry, Basileus, at 11:02 A.M.

The meditation was given by Soror Linda Sue Hill.

Adoption of the Agenda was accepted with the following corrections: Soror Charleena will give the Tamiouchos, Pecunious Grammateus, and Finance reports first under Officers' Reports.

Under Committee Reports, omit the Audit committee and add the Founders' Day committee.

Approval of the Minutes, Soror Toshiko Sims- The minutes from the November 2020 chapter meeting were accepted with the following correction: add Soror LaSonya White as the Chaplain under the 2021-2022 Appointed Officer's list.

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **Tamiouchos Report: given by Soror Charleena Walker**

- Soror Charleena presented the financial report for November 2020.
- The financial report is uploaded to LEO's website, [akalambdaetaomega.org](http://akalambdaetaomega.org). Please view online in the Members Only section. The report was accepted for filing and auditing purposes.

#### **Basileus Report: Soror JoNetta Terry**

- Madam Basileus thanked everyone for their guidance and allowing her to serve as the 2019-2020 Basileus for Lambda Eta Omega. She presented a bittersweet video that highlighted the events, community service activities, awards, and accomplishments that took place during her term. She stated, thanks for everything! I love you all!
- All End-of-the-Year reports will be finished by the deadline, December 31, 2020. Soror Portia has already completed and submitted the Standards report.

#### **Anti-Basileus: Soror LaKiesha Harris**

- Soror LaKiesha's report was included in the Weekly Wednesday Updates on 12/9/2020. She thanked everyone for their support on the Program committees as we touch the lives of so many in our community and beyond.
- The deadline to submit community service logs for the virtual program activities and The Black Dollar Business Logs is today.
- We completed all 7 COMMUNITY IMPACT DAYS for 2020!
  - January 20, 2020 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. International Day of Service
  - February 7, 2020 Pink Goes Red for Heart Health
  - April 10, 2020 AKA Global Impact Day Observance
  - August 23, 2020 AKA International Day of Prayer Observance
  - September 21, 2020 AKA HBCU Day of Observance

- October 5, 2020 Breast Cancer Awareness Day
- November 20, 2020 AKA Caregivers Day Observance
- Soror LaKiesha said she looks forward to serving as the 2021-2022 Basileus.

### **Epistoleus Report: Soror Vallery Brown**

- Thank you card from Soror Nancy Mitchell
- Correspondence from Headstart asking for a monetary donation to aid in helping families in need for Christmas. They will gift clothes, shoes, and accessories for 398 students, ages 6 weeks – 5 years old. To donate, contact Mrs. Garcia (256) 546-7431 ext. 117 or Brittany Garfield ext. 124. They will provide Tax ID & exempt number.
- Thank you card from Vickie Smith for Caregiver's Day
- Thank you card from Rosie M. Jordan for Caregiver's Day
- Solicitation from Doctors Without Borders
- Membership card from Mary G. Hardin Center for Cultural Arts
- Thank you card from The American Cancer Society for continued support and donation
- Thank you card from Soror Cynthia Smith & family
- Thank you card from the South Eastern Regional Director Mitzi Dease Paige
- Thank you cards from Jaeden and Bryan Bostick and family
- Thank you card from Soror Yolonda James

### **Hodegos Report: Soror Paige Patterson**

- No courtesies were extended this month. Please keep Sorors Tasha Rowe, Mandisa Perry, Yolonda James, Nancy Mitchell, and Beulah Harrell in your prayers as they recover from surgery and pray for Soror Sabrina Graves who's still in the hospital.
- Also continue to pray for all our Sorors who have been ill:

Soror Jan Avery

Soror Gertie Lowe

Soror Christina Baker White

Soror Teresa Thompson

Soror Katrina Harrell

Soror Barbara Jones

Soror Darlene Jones

Soror Vallery Brown

Sorors Yvette Latham, Patrice Maxwell and Paige Patterson have death in their family.

- Sorors, we know with all that's going on, times are rough to say the least. We encourage you to send your love and acts of kindness to each other throughout the Christmas season, and always be safe!
- **Recommendation read by Soror JoNetta-** Soror Gertie Lowe submitted a recommendation asking the chapter to consider waiving her 2020 local dues, 2020 chapter assessments, and 2021 Per Capita dues due to hardship. This equals a total of \$525. The Executive Committee did not accept the recommendation during their meeting on Monday, 12/7/2020. Madam Basileus asked did the chapter accept the

recommendation from Soror Gertie to waive the requested dues due to hardship.  
Virtual Poll Voting Ballot: Yes/No

- **Voting Result-** With the majority voting yes, Lambda Eta Omega will pay Soror Gertie's 2020 chapter dues and assessments, and 2021 Per Capita.

## **Program and Committee Reports**

### **Finance Committee, Soror Charleena Walker (given with Tamiouchos report)**

- The financial report will be uploaded in the Members Only section on LEO's website, [akalambdaetaomega.org](http://akalambdaetaomega.org).

### **Sisterly Relations Committee, Soror Sandra Graham**

- Soror Sandra thanked Soror JoNetta for her leadership and hard work during her term as the Basileus.
- Soror Sandra mailed customized AKA Christmas cards today to 86 chapter members and 14 inactive Sorors.

### **Membership Committee, Soror Sylvia Ferguson**

- The committee met on 12/3/2020 at 7:30 P.M. via conference call. The committee discussed Mentor Pairing and Reactivation 2021. The Membership subcommittee reported 28 Surveys were completed. The subcommittee has completed the pairing and they will notify the 18 mentors / 11 mentees via email prior to the December chapter meeting.
- November Activity- 16 Sorors attended the virtual "AKA Pretty Hour" on November 20, 2020. 4 Sorors are transferring and 2 are reactivating. We are making efforts to meet the request from the corporate office that we reclaim 5,000 pearls for Reactivation Day, January 15, 2021, "A Race to the Finish".
- **Recommendation for Membership Committee-** Consider fee modification as an incentive to inactive Sorors who reactivate or transfer (to include General Membership) as a Graduate Member to Lambda Eta Omega chapter- Reactivation Day 2021. The recommended incentive is to waive the 2021 local chapter dues in the amount of \$221. Modification extended is contingent upon inactive Sorors paying \$200 COIP (if applicable), \$100 Per Capita, \$60 chapter assessment, and \$10 EAF by January 15, 2021.
  - \*Virtual Poll Yes/No Vote via Zoom: **"Do you accept the recommendation from the Membership Committee to waive the 2021 local chapter dues as an incentive for reactivated/transfer Sorors by Reactivation Day on January 15, 2021?"**
    - **Voting Result-** With a majority vote (55 participants) of "yes", the Membership Committee's recommendation was accepted.
- The END GAME.... Life Long Active Membership – Committee members to notify all inactive Sorors listed on our 2021 inactive Sorors list via phone or email to

encourage reactivation. The committee will send an Evite to our VIPs (Very Important Pearls) informing them of our incentive for reactivation.

- The Membership Committee is working on their end- of- year report.
- Committee Members present for the meeting: Sandra Graham, Jan Avery, Eloise Turk, Doris Watkins, Cynthia Smith, Sharon Primm, Tanyeka Boley, JoNetta Terry, Sylvia Ferguson

#### **Foundation Committee, Soror Sylvia Ferguson**

- The Foundation Committee's end-of- the-year report is completed.
- The Foundation received its 501(c)(3) designation in December 2019 and is now accepting contributions and donations that are 100% tax deductible to the donor. The committee asks that the Sorors consider allocating a portion of their 2020 charitable contributions to the Foundation. Soror Sylvia will send an email regarding more information.
- A board meeting will be held on 12/27/2020 and it is open to all chapter members.

#### **Founders' Day, Soror Eloise Turk**

- The Founders' Day Committee met on Thursday evening, December 10, 2020 via zoom at 6:00 p.m. to plan Founders' Day 2021. We propose having a "Closed" Founders Day on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at the conclusion of our regular chapter meeting. The Rededication Ceremony will be a power point presentation so all sorors can participate. Soror Eloise will serve as the Leader. We will use the CD from the national office for the National Hymn. All sorors are asked to wear a black top and pearls.  
The following sorors were in attendance: Soror Deborah Allen, Soror LaKiesha Harris, Soror Patrice Mosley, Soror Rosalin Potter, Soror Iesha Williams and Soror Eloise Turk.
- The report was accepted.

#### **Pecunious Grammateus, Soror Charleena Walker (given with Tamiouchos report)**

- **The total amount collected in November 2020- \$2,500.05**
- **Soror Charleena asked for all payments to be sent through PayPal the rest of the month of December. If you need to make arrangements, please text (205) 612-5301 or email Soror Charleena, charleenawalker@gmail.com.**
- **In order to receive waived 2021 local dues of \$221, all 2020 fees should be paid by the December 2020 sorority meeting, today.**
- **\*If you have any balance from 2020 as of 12/12/2020, you will be responsible for paying the \$221 dues.**
- **2021 assessments of \$60 should be paid in full by March 31, 2021. The \$25 credit from the national dues (\$125 to \$100) can be used to reduce the 2021 assessments from \$60 to \$35.**

#### **Unfinished Business**

- **Thanksgiving Project, Soror Beulah-** a \$400 gift card was gifted to one family.

- **Recommendation to give monetary donation to Headstart, Soror Vallery**
  - o The Economic Legacy committee voted to give a monetary donation using the remaining funds in the committee's 2020 budget.

### **New Business**

- **Christmas Project, Soror Beulah Harrell-** DHR designated two families to sponsor for Christmas.

### **Announcements**

- Lambda Eta Omega will be featured in the next edition of the South Eastern Region's Newsletter
- Installation of 2021-2022 Officers immediately following the chapter meeting
- Executive Board Virtual Meeting, January 4, 2021
- Next Sorority Meeting January 9, 2021 at 11:00 A.M.

**Meeting Adjourned** at 12:27 P.M.

**Minutes submitted by:** Soror Toshiko Sims, Grammateus

**Minutes approved by:** Soror JoNetta Terry, Basileus

