

**South Carolina State University  
National Alumni Association  
National Council Meeting**

**Triad Ballroom  
Marriott Greensboro Downtown  
Greensboro, NC**

**November 20, 2010**

**Call to Order** at 9:04 a.m., President Nathaniel Howard presiding.

**Adoption of Agenda:**

Additions:

Alumni House report before the Audit report

Technology Report under Scholarship

Nominating report to be given by Rudolph Cunningham

The **Agenda** was adopted by the body.

**Invocation** was given by Ned Felder, in the absence of our Chaplain, Rev. Willie Heggins. The **Minutes** from the last meeting were presented by the Recording Secretary, Mary Wade. The **Minutes** were approved as presented.

**Chapter Roll Call**

Verna Wade, Financial Secretary

(18 chapters present)

Anderson County, Atlanta Chapter, Greater Baltimore, Beaufort ,Berkeley, Charleston, Charlotte, Greater Columbia, Central Florida, Military, New York, Northern Virginia, Orangeburg, Raleigh-Durham, Richmond-Petersburg, Sumter, Tidewater-Peninsula, Washington, DC

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Valerie Lott, Corresponding Secretary

Thank you cards:

1. The Busby Family, expression of sympathy
2. The Franklin George Family
3. Iva Gardner and Family
4. The Family of the late Tom Robinson
5. Sharon Wigfall, 2010 Alumni Queen
6. Sharon Wigfall, expression of kindness
7. President Nathaniel Howard, passing of brother
8. Roberta Berry Family, bereavement
9. Angie H. Evans and Family, passing of husband
10. MG Abraham Turner (hwy 41 named in his honor)
11. Family of the late John Adams, Sr.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** President Howard

**Action taken:**

Bernard Kelly, Audit Committee, proposed a waiver of registration and hotel fees for committee members. The proposal was withdrawn, no action taken. It may resurface, if so, the Executive Committee will make a decision at a later date.

## **PRESIDENT'S UPDATE**

President Howard

(copy on file)

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| August 12     | Wrote Letter of Appreciation to President Quarles and members of the Greater Augusta Alumni Chapter – Host of the 2010 Alumni Convention   |
| August 12     | Wrote Letter of Appreciation to Officers of SCSUNAA to express gratitude for their service During 1 <sup>st</sup> 15 months of this administration   |
| September 3-5 | Traveled to Atlanta for game vs. GA Tech   |
| September     | Attended BOT meeting via teleconference call   |
| September 27  | Wrote letter to Committee Chairpersons to express gratitude  |
| October 8     | Wrote letter for Stellar Alumni Calendar   |
| October 10    | Conference call with Officers to discuss plan for Homecoming 2010  |
| October 15    | Wrote letter of Congratulations to members of Class of 2000  |
| October 15    | Wrote letter to Chapter Presidents to inform them of the important deadlines pertaining to 2011 National Alumni Election of Officers   |
| October 16    | Wrote letter and Agenda for November's National Council Meeting  |
| October 21-24 | Traveled to Orangeburg for Homecoming Weekend activities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>*Met with "Friends of SCSU" to discuss University concerns</li><li>*Attended celebration and unveiling of the 2011 Stellar Alumni Calendar</li><li>*Attended Parade Marshall's Dinner</li><li>*Participated in Homecoming Parade</li><li>*Attended Alumni Meeting with Military Alumni members</li></ul> |
| October 30    | Traveled to Dover, DE for game vs Delaware State   |
| November 4    | Attended BOT meeting via conference call to discuss and vote to name the playing surface at football stadium as "Willie Jeffries Field"  |
| November 14   | Conference call with members of Executive Committee to discuss agenda items for November's National Council Meeting  |

November 19

Traveled to Greensboro, NC for National Council Meeting

**FOUNDATION BOARD MEETING** Vernell Brown, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
( copy on file)

**Information and Actions of the SCSU Foundation, Inc.**

1. An independent audit was completed by Cherry, Bekoerts & Holland, Charlotte, NC, for the year ending December 31, 2009.
2. 2010 Gala net profit was \$121,813.38
3. 2011 Gala will be held Saturday, February 26, 2011 (Goal: \$200,000)
4. 2010-2011 Fundraising Goals:
  - a. \$3 million Dollars
  - b. Increase the percentage of Alumni Giving
  - c. Increase unrestricted giving
  - d. Increase corporate and foundation giving
  - e. Increase SC State's Endowment
  - f. Increase number of active alumni chapter (5)
  - g. Continue to enhance the SC State Brand
5. 2010-2011 Fundraising strategies
  - a. Annual Fund Appeals
  - b. Phone-a-thon
  - c. Mobile giving
  - d. Class Reunions
  - e. Scholarship Gala
  - f. Planned and Major giving
  - g. Corporate and Foundation Relations
6. Three new members were appointed to the Board of Directors:
  - a. Mrs. Suester R. Johnson
  - b. Mr. James C. Hampton
  - c. Major Paul A. Miller
7. 2011 Officers:
  - a. Chairman, Mr. George Quick
  - b. Vice Chairman, Mr. Jerry Hubbard
  - c. Secretary, Mrs. Barbara Waymer
  - d. Treasurer, Mr. Edward Williams
8. Foundation's proposed Fee Policy was approved and will be explained by Mr. Anthony Holloman. (highlights)

A rate of 3% will be assessed on all new money, a one-time fee, beginning January 1. This is a management fee, and will be assessed at ¼ point each year. The purpose is to increase staff and fundraising and take ownership in what we do.

(question from Frances Hooks) How soon will we receive a report for money on hand? (response) by March.

(Berkeley Cty VP) How are phone calls handled? All members are not called by the phone-a-thon. ( response) Calls will be continuing until March. Updates will be given to all contributors. (Pat Lott) suggested make a list of all in attendance who did not receive a call.

New Board members were introduced:

Patricia Lott  
Suester Johnson

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Verna Wade, Financial Secretary  
( copy on file)

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Balance in Operating Acct , July 29, 2010 | \$63,790.70 |
| Total Receipts                            | \$34,551.09 |
| Gross Receipts                            | \$98,341.79 |
| <br>                                      |             |
| Total Expenses                            | \$41,440.12 |
| Balance in account, Nov 12, 2010          | \$56,901.67 |

The Budget for July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 was presented. (copy on file)

After much discussion, an attempt will be made to re-evaluate Budget to come up with a zero balance. President Howard will call a special conference to discuss the Budget items listed on the report. A motion was made to approve the budget as presented, but go back to committee for further action. (Passed by the body)

**CONVENTION 2010 REPORT**

Verna Wade, Financial Secretary  
(copy on file)

A Banking Summary was presented to all present.

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total 2010 Convention Registration | \$32,220.00 |
| Total Convention Souvenir          | 6,810.00    |
| Total Golf Tournament              | 2,125.00    |
| Total Expenses                     | 41,104.15   |

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Loretta Taylor, Treasurer (copy on file)  
(July 29, 2010 – Nov 12, 2010)

Operating Bank Account

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Starting Balance                  | \$63,790.70 |
| Ending Balance (after correction) | \$56,901.67 |

Scholarship Bank Account

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Starting Balance | \$28,853.37 |
| Ending Balance   | \$28,861.78 |

Life Membership Bank Account

|                  |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| Starting Balance | \$30,099.59 |
| Ending Balance   | \$30,109.74 |

Life Membership Investments – BOA

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| CD-5955 Balance 11/12/2010 | \$20,742.44 |
| CD-3815 Balance 10/30/2010 | \$20,805.77 |

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Morgan Stanley Investment Account |              |
| Balance 10/31/2010                | \$64,653.36  |
| SCCB                              |              |
| Balance 6/30/2010                 | \$103,005.82 |
| Alumni House Bank Account         |              |
| Starting Balance                  | \$16,416.85  |
| Ending Balance                    | \$16,422.37  |
| Edisto Federal Credit Union       |              |
| Starting Balance 6/30/2010        | \$77,947.00  |
| Ending Balance 5/7/2010           | \$77,947.00  |
| Edisto Federal Savings            |              |
| Starting Balance                  | \$29.06      |
| Ending Balance                    | \$29.06      |
| SCSU FDN                          |              |
| Starting Balance 11/12/2010       | \$637.95     |
| Ending Balance                    | \$637.95     |
| Scholarship Account               |              |
| Starting Balance                  | \$23,975.00  |
| Ending Balance                    | \$24,475.00  |

## **PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS**

Dr. George E. Cooper, President, SCSU

(Highlights)

President Cooper received a warm welcome from the group assembled.

He acknowledged the following:

- SC students in attendance, Cabinet members, Athletic Director, Charlene Johnson, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Anthony Holloman, and Erica Taylor.
- Giving is up 33%, which reflects pledges from Alumni members.
- Second Phase Construction –
  - Library Archives - to be completed in 24 months
  - Computer Science Building – to be started in January, 2011
  - Hodge Hall – to be named after Former President, Leroy Davis, dedication to take place in February
- Dec 11 – Winter graduation, speaker Rick Wade, Dept of Transportation
- May graduation speaker – Gen Colin Powell
- Honors College – 250 students are enrolled. Program is offered to sophomores and juniors. Most are Presidential Scholars, with fees paid by the University.
- A Technology firm is looking at our networking system to improve how business is being done. Some streamlining is taking place at the present.
- University received 1.2 million dollars from Orangeburg County

- Chestnut Street entrance – the road is not paved, but between now and mid January work will be done. This will improve the looks of the campus and will provide safe access to University Village.
- The University is working on enrollment for the second semester.
  - Real Challenge: financial assistance for student scholarship and other needs.
  - Financial support from Alums is deeply appreciated.  
Please call direct to office: 803.526.7013 with donations
- Goal – to be the best among HBCU’S
- Motto – Students First

## **ALUMNI RELATIONS –**

Mrs. Adrienne Clinton,  
Director of Alumni Relations  
(Highlights)

- Background info:
  - Appointed as Director, July 1
  - a third generation graduate of SCSU
  - Introduced Pre-Alumni Council members in attendance
- Important dates:
  - Founders Day, Feb 26-28
  - Scholarship Gala, Saturday 28 (150<sup>th</sup> year Celebration)
  - May 6 – 8 Alumni Weekend
  - 2011 Directory in publication. Please call to be included.

President Howard recognized Past Presidents in attendance:

Mr. Lewis Berry  
Mrs. Deborah Joseph  
Ms. Patricia Lott, Immediate Past President

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ALUMNI HOUSE REPORT**

Freddie O’Bryant, Chair  
(copy on file)

The Committee has received only one photo, that of past president, Patricia Lott, since the request was made last fall.

Contact was made Mr. Anthony Holloman, Vice President of Institutional Advancement, and Executive Director of Foundation, concerning the use of the Alumni House for Alumni Relations Office. At present, a phone-a-thon is being conducted there.

Plans for the future:

- During the first of the year (2011), needed repairs will be done on the building.
- Alumni relations will have offices on the second floor.
- First floor will remain a place for Alumni to come, relax, and fellowship while in Orangeburg.

The Committee and Cedric Wright, president of Orangeburg County Alumni Chapter, have continued to maintain the interior of the Alumni House. Cedric has volunteered to serve since the death of Dr. Robert Howard, our director. His service is very much appreciated.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Bernard Kelly, Chair (copy on file)  
(Reference July-September 2010)

An Audit was conducted on November 6, 2010 at the Holiday Inn in Orangeburg, SC. Operating, Scholarship and Life Members accounts managed by the current Financial Secretary, Verna Wade and Treasurer, Loretta Taylor, for July 1, 2010 – September 30, 2010.

The Committee met from 9:00 am to 10:30 am. They reviewed the bank statements, vouchers and check book ledger and no discrepancies were found. No recommendations were made.

#### **AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT**

David Doctor, Chair (copy on file)

- David introduced Sharon Wigfall ( Ms National Alumni Queen), and Mrs. Ramona Manning (Alumnus of the Year).
- He also introduced the Committee members in attendance.
- An Awards Package was distributed to all chapter presidents in attendance. Package included:
  - SCSUNAA Awards Amenities
  - Awards Transmittal Sheet for 2011 Nominations
  - 2011 Nomination Form
  - 2011 Awards Criteria

(A copy will be mailed to those presidents not in attendance)

#### **DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

Beverly Curry, Chair (copy on file)

(Highlights)

- Beverly introduced members of the committee.
- 2010 Golf Tournament (National Convention)
  - Total Proceeds \$2115.00
    - Net Income (loss) per report \$824.68
- > Stellar Alumni Calendar
  - 1,000 calendars printed
  - \$12,000 realizable gross sales
  - Presales and sales \$2490.00
    - Total calendars sold to date 287
    - Net profit \$969.83
    - Remaining Potential Sales \$7139.00

Calendars are still available for purchase.

Up-Coming Fundraisers:

2011 SCSUNAA Golf Tournament at the Convention in Myrtle Beach, SC

A possible Spring 2011 fundraiser in discussion.

We were thanked for our participation in activities to date.

**FUTURE ALUMNI COMMITTEE REPORT** Carl Johnson, Jr. Chair  
(copy on file)

The Future Alumni Committee is asking all chapters to inform them and the Membership Committee of the number of 2010 graduates who join each respective chapter in the association. Additionally, it is important that you inform the committee when you provide items or service to any LLC so appropriate credit may be given.

The report also included a list of phone number, contacts, and email address for each of the LLC's.

Recommendation: All chapters appoint a local coordinator/chairperson to work with the adopted LLC and National Alumni Association Future Alumni Committee Chair.

**HOSPITALITY RECOMMITTEE REPORT** Ramona Manning, Chair  
( copy on file)

The Hospitality Committee provided acknowledgements to the following members

**Illness** – cards sent to:

Mrs. Rose Moye, (53) Richmond-Petersburg Chapter  
COL (RET) John S. McLeod, Sr.(53) Central Florida Chapter  
Helen Corbett-Brandyburg, (74) Atlanta Chapter  
Lavern Wade, Washington Chapter  
Michael Jarvis, (84) Orangeburg Chapter  
Harvey Durant, (51) Orangeburg Chapter

**Death** – cards sent to members who had death in their family

James Sumpter (67) Richmond-Petersburg Chapter (mother)  
Sonya Summers (87) Atlanta Chapter (mother)  
Allison (90) and Keiry Preston (98) Charlotte Chapter  
(mother and mother-in-law )  
Rodney Jenkins (73) Greater Columbia Chapter (cousin)  
Willie Bamberg (79) Orangeburg Chapter (brother)  
Hercules Busby (77) Orangeburg Chapter (father)  
Francenia Williams (75) Orangeburg Chapter (sister)  
Annie Jenkins (56) Orangeburg Chapter (brother)  
Jennifer Mintz (00) Orangeburg Chapter (mother)  
Hope L. Doe (96) Life Member (mother)

**Death** – card sent to family

Dr. Alfonso Evans, Sr. (56) Charleston Chapter  
Calvin Washington, (SCSU student) Wando, SC

**Congratulatory** cards sent

\*Dr. Jackie R. Epps, (71) Greater Columbia Chapter  
(Appointed by Gov Sanford to the SCSU Board of Trustees)  
\*Coach Emeritus Willie Jeffries, Orangeburg Chapter

(Inducted into the 2010 Divisional College Football Hall of Fame)  
\*Barbette Stevens (68) Washington Chapter (retirement)  
\*Reinell Thomas-Myers (83) Orangeburg Chapter (wedding)

**Thank you** cards received

President Nathaniel Howard, New York Chapter  
Roberta Berry, Washington Chapter  
MG Abraham Turner, Military Chapter  
Hercules Busby, Orangeburg Chapter  
Annie Jamison, Orangeburg Chapter  
Angie H. Evans, Charleston Chapter

- Additional info received:
  - Teddy Wright, Charleston Chapter (death)
  - Jesse Prince, Washington Chapter (death)

**2010 HOMECOMING REPORT**

Derrick Greene, Chair  
(copy on file)

**THEME: "GENERATIONS COMING TOGETHER:**

We were given a list of activities for the week, October 20 - 24  
Comments or suggestions for 2011 Homecoming activities should be  
addressed to Derrick Green, PO Box 714, Orangeburg, SC, or emailed to  
[dgreen64@scsu.edu](mailto:dgreen64@scsu.edu).

(concern) getting information on time to all chapters.

Goal – to get information out by 2011 Convention

(concern) judging of floats, procedures?

Response – will coordinate with committee. Criteria is on the website.

**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

Sharon Wigfall, Chair (copy)

The Committee has received interest in the formation of three new chapters in SC: Gaffney, Georgetown and Horry County, and Houston, Texas. Reactivation information was requested from Walterboro and Band Program Activity Chapters. Alumni Director, Mrs. Adrienne Clinton and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Vernell Brown, will be joining me as we visit the Horry County Chapter Drop-In in Myrtle Beach on December 2, 6 pm. The Future Alumni and the Membership Committees are in the process of evaluating the National Alumni Association Membership brochure. It has been updated and available for use by the Office of Alumni Affairs, chapters and distribution for the Class of 2011. The brochure will be available Founders Day Weekend for Alumni who are not affiliated with a chapter.

During the convention a presentation was made during the Ecumenical Service acknowledging the passing of Anthony Grant and his contribution to SCSU and the National Alumni Association. Attached to the Membership Committee Report was a copy of the Resolution Format which will become a part of the permanent record of the Alumni Association. The report also included a Life Membership Application.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Rudy Cunningham for Sabrina  
Williams, Chair (copy on file)

The report served as a status update of activity by the committee:

October 6 – 22 – Timelines approved  
Process description distributed  
Nomination solicitation forms distributed

As of 11/18/2010 – No nominees for President, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary nor Chaplain.

Nominations may be submitted electronically no later than Dec 1, 2010.

Key dates were included from 10/22/2010 to 5/10/2011.

Process Adjustments and Improvements were outlined in the report.

Nominations were made from the floor. Sharon Wigfall agreed to serve as Recording Secretary for the next term. If no further nominations are made, the Executive Committee will meet, discuss and make recommendations for the vacant offices.

### **POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Frederick Wilson for Bill Goodwin, Chair  
(Copy on file)

The Committee spoke with the legislative liaison to the legislature, Joyce Green, concerning the university's legislative agenda. Items discussed were:

Bond Bill, Regulatory Relief, Deferred Maintenance, Whittaker Library, Reinstatement of Vetoes. Communication was also made to members of the Higher Education Committee and the Orangeburg Delegation.

### **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

Suester Johnson, Chair  
(copy on file)

Chapter presidents and scholarship chairs were encouraged to meet with their school guidance counselors, church education departments and other community leaders to let them know about our National Alumni Scholarship and to encourage students to apply.

The application must be postmarked by March 15, 2011

The application is posted on the SCSUNAA website

A copy of the current application was attached to the report.

### **TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT**

Derrick Fennell, Chair  
(copy on file)

The report presented a brief summary of the committee goals for 2010-2011

The website was listed and activities have consistently increased

Design changes were made, and the Technology Request Procedures were outlined

Emails sent to individual members of the Technology Committee will be returned. Send questions or comment to:

[technologycommittee@scsunaa.org](mailto:technologycommittee@scsunaa.org)

## **2010 CONVENTION EVALUATIONS**

Distributed for completion and collected by Carol Richburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

## **2011 CONVENTION REPORT**

Carol Richburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
(copy on file)

- Date – July 28-31, 2011, Myrtle Beach, SC
- Hotel is in negotiation, more later
- Proposed SCSUNAA Budget was presented for Convention
  - Projected Income \$57,625
  - Projected Expenses \$56,500

(Suggestion from Deborah Joseph):

Consider using the campus as the site for the next three conventions.

(Carol's response): the suggestion will go to the Executive Committee for further discussion and action taken will be shared at a later date.

## **2012 CONVENTION**

Joyce Richardson, President  
Baltimore Chapter

Joyce shared plans for the 2012 Convention. Infrastructure is in place for this event.

To be held Weekend of July 19 – 26

Check Website for information – Be More Happy

Jazz Festival to be one activity

Stay tuned, more information later

The Executive Committee will discuss and make recommendations.

## **2011 STELLAR CALENDAR COMMITTEE REPORT** Vernell Brown, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President (copy on file)

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE AWARD WINNERS:**

|                          |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Thurman D. Shuler        | Art               |
| Oliver "Buddy" Pough     | Athletics         |
| Timothy Taylor           | Business          |
| Wilhelmina P. Johnson    | Community Service |
| Patricia B. Lott         | Education         |
| Willie Mae McLeod        | Education         |
| Ervin Smalls             | Engineering       |
| Lillie M. Brown-Crowder  | Industry          |
| Alphonso Pendergrass     | Law               |
| Justice Donald W. Beatty | Law               |
| Monnie Singleton, MD     | Medicine          |
| Leroy "Zeke" Zimmerman   | Military          |

Vernell gave special thanks to the committee members for dedicating their time and resources to this project. The award recipients will be recognized in the 2011 National Alumni Convention Booklet. Vernell recognized Patricia Lott, Honoree, in attendance.

John McLeod – Military Chapter, shared recruiting goals for the chapter.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Federal taxes** – extension requested for SCSUNAA.

President Howard is seeking someone to take the position for filing.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Please see Beverly Curry for Stellar Calendars
- Verna Wade – tailgate will be held today behind the scoreboard area.
- Frederick Warsaw –
  - Invitation to attend church services 11/21/2010, 10:am
  - Rev Dr. Claude Williams, Pastor
  - Episcopal Church of The Redeemer
  - 901 Friendly Street
  - Greensboro, NC

Adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Mary L. Wade, Recording Secretary

November 20, 2010