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## ZOOM

### JSUMAC Chapter Meeting Secretary's Report

Chapter Meeting Date: October 16, 2023

**Call to Order** – President Sylvester Taylor officially called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

**Invocation** – Jerome Jones provided the opening prayer.

**Parliamentary Procedures** – William Buchanan reviewed the parliamentary procedures and provided rules to making a motion. The meeting will follow the newly revised Robert's Rules of Order and will last one hour unless a motion is accepted to extend for 15-minute increments. Committee heads are reminded to be mindful of a 2-minute limit.

**Roll Call** by Assistant Secretary Dr. Renee Slaughter: President – Sylvester Taylor, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Richard Taylor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President- Dr. Carlos Sample, Secretary – Amethyst Whitley, Assistant Secretary – Renee Slaughter, Treasurer – Alyse Samuels (excused absence), Financial Secretary – Dylester Scott, Chaplain – Debbie Lowe, Parliamentarian – William Buchanan, Immediate Past President – Deborah Taylor (excused absence).

### **Greetings and Welcome Message:**

- Sylvester Taylor reported that the new president will be named on Monday, October 23.
- Senior Industrial Technology major, student Jaylen Burns was fatally shot on Sunday night. He was a native of Chicago, IL. Our prayers are with his family during this tragic time. Our condolences will be sent to the Chicago chapter to be sent to the family.

### **Secretary's Report:**

- The minutes from the **September 2023** Chapter meeting were read silently by the members. The recap was done by Secretary, Amethyst Whitley. The reporting was based on Roberts Rules of Order, stating facts and voted on decisions. The motion was made by Amethyst Whitley and seconded by Jerome Jones to accept the report with the noted revisions.

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Dylester Scott reported that the September 2023 opening bank balance was \$15,120.33. September total income was \$3,957.81. Total expenses for September \$4,208.38. The September ending balance as of September 30<sup>th</sup> \$14,869.76. The JSUMAC Scholarship Fund available balance was \$2,173.50, restricted funds was \$700, and the adjusted total balance for the month of September was \$11,996.26. The Treasurer's Report for September was presented for information purposes only and subject to audit.

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP Committee Reports/ Updates**

- Richard Taylor reported on the Double Good Popcorn Fundraiser that will take place Tuesday, October 17 at 5 pm until Saturday, October 21 at 5 pm. Asking members to create pop-up shops to increase funds raised. The top 3 sellers will receive prizes that range from a full-page ad in the Jazz Brunch souvenir book, a year membership, and a gift card. Funds from this fundraiser will go towards student scholarships and student recruitment initiatives.

- Amethyst Whitley reported that the monetary donations were used to purchase pantry items for the Student Pantry on campus. Upcoming community service projects include Toys for Tots and Meals on Wheels.

**Public Relations Reports/Updates:**

- Amethyst Whitley requested that all members provide pictures from Homecoming 2023 using the hashtag #jsuatpix. We are requesting feedback from members about the website which is currently under construction but still viewable.
- Sylvester Taylor reported that Metro Atlanta Chapter was the first chapter to donate ready to wear business attire to the Tiger Career Closet during Homecoming 2023.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP Committee Reports/Updates:**

- Carlos Sample reported that Patrice Wade will be coming on as the Membership Co-Chair.
- Student Recruitment Fairs: We have upcoming college fairs that still require volunteers. Dates include Thursday, Nov 2 8:30 am-11:30 am at Stephenson High, Saturday Nov 4 at Langston High from 9 am-12 noon, and Friday, Nov 9 Mt. Zion High.
- There is a volunteer raffle that takes into account any assistance provided to the chapter during Sunday, Oct 1, 2023- Thursday, Nov 30 with the raffle taking place the early part of December; the raffle winner will win membership dues paid for FY 2024/2025.
- Dr. Erica Dixon reported that the scholarship window is now open until December 1, 2023. Please encourage students to apply now as the application can be accessed on JSUMAC website. Transcripts do not have to be official; JSU PAWS account transcript will suffice.
- The remainder of MAC JSU Football Parties will take place at J.R. Crickets on Panola Rd. with the next game being against MS Valley at 3 pm EST.
- High School Day will be Saturday, November 4. Currently, we have 40 students that have paid their deposits or the full amount with all additional payments being paid by Wednesday, October 18. Student Recruitment are asking members to donate snacks for the trip; can be brought to the watch party or bus pickup. Also, monetary donations are accepted via Cashapp or Zelle. Parent meeting for the trip will take place via Zoom on Tuesday, Oct 17 and Thursday, Oct 19.
- Sylvester Taylor reported on a Trap City Café Brunch for MAC; tentatively set for Saturday, November 11 at 1PM-4PM, but confirmation of details is forthcoming.
- Jerome Jones reported on the student engagement meet and greet that took place at the Student Union on Friday, Sept 22. GA Students were encouraged to apply for the JSUNAA scholarship as well as the JSUMAC scholarship. The next student meet and greet will be Friday, Nov 17 at 4pm.

**JSUNAA Alumni Update:**

- Sylvester Taylor reported on the Virtual Fall Leadership Meeting that took place on Saturday, September 30, 2023. Chapter Presidents presented on topics that included membership, fundraising, and student recruitment to name a few.

**50/50 Drawing:**

- \$70.00 was collected for 50/50. Roderick Johnson won half of the total amount collected (\$35.00) and he donated his winnings to the GA Tag Project.

**AOB:**

- Debbie reported that Metro Atlanta Chapter was represented in many ways during Homecoming 2023; thank you members for continuing to mark MAC a step above other chapters.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:58PM and Released by the President The meeting beginning with Secretary's report was recorded \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ (sign after every meeting)