



**National Board of Directors – Fall 2021 Meeting
Sunday, October 24, 2021; 8:30 am (EST)**

Zoom Link:

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
 - Meeting called to order at 8:33 am by President Moore
- II. MEDITATION**
 - General Body member prayed.
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
 - Byrnes Guillaume motioned to approve previous minutes. Connie Jenkins-Pye seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
- IV. APPROVAL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MINUTES**
 - President Moore was unable to locate minutes from the Spring meeting; deferred to Secretary Hill –she was not the secretary at that time and volunteered to contact the previous Secretary.
- V. OLD BUSINESS/UPDATES**
- VI. NEW BUSINESS**
 - President's Report (Ahli Moore)
 - Doak Campbell Stadium Statue –
 - President Moore met with the Athletic Director. The Athletic Department desires to honor the contributions of Black Athletes at FSU with a statue similar to those that currently surround the stadium
 - Anticipated Cost of the Statue: \$100,000
 - FSUBA is not responsible for funding the initiative but rather serves as consultants with former Black Athletes and Alumni to discuss further logistics.
 - Black Alumni Collective – Duke 2022
 - Name changed to reflect that they are a collective of Black Alumni from PWIs
 - An invitation extended to attend the annual conference –
 - Virtual Conference: Saturday, March 12, 2022
 - In-person: Thursday, April 28 – Sunday, May 1, 2022, in Durham, NC on the campus of Duke University
 - Kyle Hires, FSUBA Atlanta Regional Representative, is a part of the committee
 - Registration is required
 - FSUBA previously offered a stipend to subsidize registration costs in 2019.

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- Will look to provide something similar for interested attendees.
 - If interested in attending please let President Moore know.
- Student Union Room Naming
 - Nine (9) board members toured the construction site.
 - Completion target Spring 2022
 - Cost of naming rights \$10,000
 - Agreement reached in Spring 2021 to pay
 - **QUESTION: Is there a current fundraising campaign to pay for this?**
 - **RESPONSE: Yes, the FSUBA is always accepting monetary donations for operational initiatives like this.**
- D9 Garden (Alanna Kibiloski)
 - End of Union – adjacent to Moore Auditorium
 - Brick Base
 - Informational Panel including organizations shield, FSU chapter history, and national history
 - Will represent all D9 organizations
 - Currently, seven (7) of nine (9) organizations are active on FSU's campus/
 - Anticipated cost - \$300,000 – 350,000
 - Start of a campus initiative to share costs
- Embracing FSU Panama City Alumni
 - Spoke with the Dean of Students. The purpose is to make graduates of the Panama City Campus feel more connected to Main Campus.
 - Appointed FSU Panama City Regional Representative
- FSU Alumni Association Board applications (Julie Decker)
 - CEO/President Decker shared the timeline for the FSU Alumni Board of Directors Application process:
 - **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER:** Applications open on November 12 until the end of December 2022.
 - Candidates will submit applications with resumes
 - **JANUARY/FEBRUARY:** Subcommittee reviews candidate applications
 - **MARCH:** Candidate Interviews
 - **APRIL/MAY:** Candidate names go before the current board
 - **JUNE/JULY:** Candidates are notified of the decision.
 - In this election cycle, there is a very limited number of vacant positions (4).
 - Representation matters:
 - The average age of all alumni is e 45
 - 40 total board member spots
 - 57% men 43% women
 - 8 Networks
 - The goal is to find service opportunities for all applicants.
- 2021 – 2024 Platform
 - Strategic Plan
 - The overall vision, the strategic plan needs to be revised.
 - We're not starting from scratch rather building on the foundation.
 - Interested members, please email President Moore.

- Vice President’s Report (Erika Kegler)
 - MyVillage Project
 - A Black-led organization out of Jacksonville, FL.
 - They specialize in funding service projects through education.
 - 50 organizations including FSUBA involved
 - Received \$2000 stipend to FSUBA to assist in the community
 - Ribault Middle School
 - Sankofa Emeritus Recognition
 - There was a discussion in August 2021 about celebrating and honoring those Alumni that graduated 40+ years ago.
 - Major Upcoming Milestones
 - 2022 – 60th anniversary of FSU Integration
 - 2023 – 40th anniversary for FSUBA
 - We want to recognize graduates/enrollees that fall within the gap of the current Emeritus Society and these milestone years.
 - Individuals that are interested in serving, please contact Vice President Erika.
- Treasurer’s Report (Kimberly Jackson)
 - Reunion Weekend: We had 23 sponsors that donated
 - \$ 12,300 donations from Sponsors
 - \$ 1,568.61 Scholarship Donations
 - \$ 9,697.41 Profit from Reunion Weekend
- DSO Updates (Lindsey Alligood) Julie Decker reported
 - University Updates
 - New President
 - Provost Retiring → The replacement will be an internal one and will be named by January 2022
 - The Board of Trustees has a committee to advance the University forward towards a \$1B endowment
 - Alumni, Alumni Clubs, Boosters all play a role in this with better and more purposeful reporting of who is attending functions and meetings.
 - Eric Carr from Seminole Boosters
 - 12,000 Members strong
- Scholarship Report (Michele Burt) Cassandra Jenkins reported
 - 2021 Scholarships
 - FSUBA is the first network group to endow scholarships through the FSU Foundation
 - Preparing for 2022
 - **JANUARY – FEBRUARY:** Application for Scholarships open
 - **MARCH:** Applicant interviews
 - **APRIL:** Applicant winners announced
 - **FALL 2022:** The Scholarship committee coordinates with the Office of Financial Aid to ensure that students receive their scholarship award in August.
 - There are 8 scholarships available through FSUBA, including:
 - Maxwell Courtney, first black undergraduate
 - Dr. William Jones Black Studies Program
 - International Studies/Study Abroad

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- 3 Alumni have endowed scholarships under
 - The Frialls
 - Walter T. King, named in honor of Dr. Frialls father, for a Medical school student.
 - Byrnes Guillaume
 - Self-named scholarship for 1st Generation Haitian or Caribbean descent student.
 - MLK Book Scholarship
 - Members interested in serving, please contact either Michele Burt & Cassandra Jenkins.
 - Black Student Union Report (Victoria Paul & Kennedy Cross)
 - 2021 Homecoming Week Events
 - **SUNDAY:** Mr. & Ms. BSU Pageant
 - **MONDAY:** Wild ‘n’ Out – Comedy Show
 - **TUESDAY:** Powder Puff Game
 - **WEDNESDAY:** Bridge the Gap (co-hosted with FAMU) at Donald Tucker Center
 - **THURSDAY:**
 - **FRIDAY:** Homecoming Parade
 - Thank you to Ms. Tova, Ms. Connie, and Ms. Erika for riding on the float.
 - **SATURDAY:** Tailgate and Game
 - **SUNDAY:** FSUBA Awards Ceremony
 - Establishing Joint Programming
 - BSU will share their January (MLK) calendar and Black History Month programming.
 - Regional Rep Reports (Byrnes Guillaume)
 - The Regional Reps met via Zoom on September 28, 2021
 - Discussed Best Practices
 - The Representatives decided to meet quarterly:
 - **UPCOMING MEETING DATES:**
 - January 4
 - April 5
 - July 12
 - The Reps also decided to have bi-monthly events hosted by FSUBA Regions
 - A good amount of events are already scheduled and dates will be shared on the website.
 - All events will be held virtually which allows for a broader audience.
 - Communications Team (Kara Payne, Russ Hill, Briana Wilson)
 - President Moore expressed his gratitude to Kara, Russ, and Briana for their patience and tireless work.
 - Committee member Russ further expressed appreciation for the Communications Teams as well as shared which each committee member of the team is primarily responsible for:
 - Russ – Flyers and Social Media
 - Kara – The Drum (Monthly electronic newsletter)
 - Briana – Website Revamp

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- **QUESTION:** There was a suggestion from General Member to utilize text messaging as a means to communicate with members in addition to emails.
- **RESPONSE:** The Communications Team will look into a variety of ways to reach the members. There are a variety of methods of communication that need to be looked into with such a great number of members and ever-changing contact information.
- 2021/2022 Events
 - Great Give – March (Spring 2022)
 - One day event to fundraise funds
 - 2022 National Brunch
 - July 2022
 - This event is in its 4th year of operation and a great opportunity to reach potential members.
 - Members that are interested in planning, please respond to the email when the call goes out.
 - 2022 Reunion
 - Members interested in being a part of the planning committee, please email FSUBA
 - 2022 FSUBA Travel - possible trip locations: Ghana (with Duke Black Alumni), St. Croix, other suggestions
 - This idea was birthed out of wanting to travel as a group, but to places that Black Alumni have connections to. There are already similar travel opportunities through FSU Alumni Association.
 - Members interested in helping plan, traveling, etc, please contact President Moore.

VII. MEETING SCHEDULE

- January 2022: Zoom Meeting
 - The date will be shared once we are closer to time.

VIII. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Thank you to Byrnes Guillaume from FSU CARE Program
- In memoriam section being added to The Drum
- Cassandra briefly explained the main FSUBA archetype: The Drum
 - It represents us collectively coming together and connects us to our African and Native ancestors and the heartbeat of coming together.
- The Drum is being sent out the first week of each Month
- FSU BSU VP thanked their Homecoming Committee Chairs for their involvement.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 am by President Moore.