BFSA Meeting Minutes September 9, 2005

Present: Dr. Marian Whitson, Stefanie Murphy, Dr. Yousif Elhindi, Lea Brown, Laura Terry, Vanessa Stephens, Jeff Roach, Waymond Babb, Karen Sullivan, Daphne Henderson, Clifford Hudson, Dr. Angela Radford Lewis, Jeanette McCray, Sheba Y Keaton,

Meeting called to order 12:09 p.m. by Dr. Yousif Elhindi, Vice President

Treasurer

The following recommendations were presented to the body for the Position of Treasurer:

1.) Allow the current treasurer Edith Tillman to serve until the next election in

November.

2.) Have reelection for the position of Treasurer only.

3.) Allow President to appoint Treasurer until the next election for Treasurer.

A motion by Karen Sullivan; allow current treasurer to serve until next November election; second by Laura Terry. This motion was retracted due to elections are held in March.

Karen Sullivan moved to allow the President to appoint a Treasurer until the next election for Treasurer; followed by Laura Terry seconding the motion.

Nine (9) votes for allowing the President to appoint a Treasurer until the next election for Treasurer

Zero (0) votes against allowing the President to appoint a Treasurer until the next election for Treasurer.

Motion carried.

Programming

The Executive Committee recommended that 15 minutes of the Monthly Meeting be allocated for presentation of a specific topic (I.e. Wills and Trusts, Real Estate, Financial Advice). Lea Brown suggested giving the speaker at least 30 minutes to be worthwhile to the Presenter and to BFSA. The body agreed. The president appointed a Program Committee consisting of Yousif Elhindi; Chair, Lea Brown, Sheba Keaton, and Cliff Hudson.

Dues

Dues are \$25 per year. Five dollars of the dues will continue to be restricted to the Book Fund. Individuals may contribute more to the Emergency Book Fund.

Membership Committee

Lea Brown suggested reinstating the Membership committee that will establish goals and timelines to recruit new members and retain old members. The President informed the body that Linda Nwosu had requested to spearhead a drive to recruit new members as well as explore why more people do not affiliate with the organization. Linda Nwosu will be asked to chair such a committee. Individuals with ideas or concerns should refer them to either Linda Nwosu or Dorothy Dobbins who will be asked to serve as co-chair of the Membership Committee.

Recognitions

The Executive Committee presented the idea of recognizing the following at the October meeting: New Faculty or Staff, those that have received promotions, tenure, awards and October Birthdays. Recognitions of birthdays will be monthly. A motion was made by Laura Terry to accept the recommendation of the executive committee. Karen Sullivan second. The motion carried. Please submit names to Stefanie Murphy, Secretary or Edith Tillman, Treasurer.

Christmas Activity

Begin planning for Christmas activity and start presenting ideas for location.

Hurricane Katrina

Karen Sullivan volunteered to collect black hair care products for distribution to displaced victims. Lea Brown suggested getting involved with various Sororities and Fraternities and their efforts to assist those that have been affected by Hurricane Katrina. BFSA wants everyone to BE ACTIVE and BE SUPPORTIVE of current efforts.

Parliamentarian

Marian Whitson asked Angela Lewis to fill the position of Parliamentarian with the added responsibility of heading a committee to review the constitution and present changes for the March election. Angela Lewis accepted. The Constitution will be sent to the body via email.

Women's Luncheon

A recommendation was made for the BFSA Women's Luncheon to be the First or Fourth Friday to avoid conflicts with general meetings. Jeanette McCray will notify every one of the luncheons with ample time for them to plan to attend.

BFSA Website

Jeff Roach presented plans for the BFSA website and solicited ideas from the body regarding the purpose and the target of the website. He provided the body with examples of websites from other institutions.

Announcements

Lea Brown has programs available for the Tour of 100 Year Old Churches, this is a 14 city tour and will be in this area Saturday, September 17, 2005 the walking tour is from 10-4 programs are available for \$5.

Laura Terry extended an invitation to the Multicultural Expo September 13, 2005 at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom.

Marian Whitson requested nominations for Women of Excellence in the areas Business, Education, and Lifetime Achievement to be recognized by the Pi Omega Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

The next BFSA meeting will be October 14, 2005 at 12:00 p.m. in Culp Dining Room 1

Meeting adjourned at 1:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefanie Murphy, Secretary