



ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED

OMEGA MU OMEGA CHAPTER

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

March 12, 2021

Meeting Attendees

Tyra Ford - Chair

Soror Milika Singleton - Basileus

Orrika Blanding

DawnMarie Calloway

Deneen Hendrick

Sicily Hill

Jackie Mason-Scott

Jayminn Sanford-DeShields

Tracy Scott

The Scholarship Committee ("Committee") met on March 11, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. At the meeting we discussed the following:

Scholarships

- The scholarship application packet was assembled, approved and distributed to Philadelphia contacts on 3/1 and 3/5.
- In addition to the OMO Freshman and OMO Continuing Student scholarships, we received requests for the following memorial scholarships this year:
 - \$500 Norman and Betty Wilson Book Scholarship - Petria Wilson-Lewis
 - \$1000 Yvonne Cooper Watson Memorial Scholarship - Soror Jacqui Hugee
 - \$1000 Marie Woolfolk Taylor Memorial Scholarship - Soror Brianna Perrin
- Because of the timing, Soror Brianna will be encouraged to support one of the existing scholarships this year.
- The committee will also forward applications to the Target 1 Committee for their \$1000 HBCU Scholarship.

Applications

- A new online application form was created. This will be the preferred method of application submissions. Email and mail applications will also be accepted.
- Several requests for scholarship application packets have been received from parents and students.
- The committee has received 5 applications as of 3/12/21.
- The committee discussed whether chapter Sorors' children would be allowed to apply.
 - No. Because of the limited number of scholarships that are available and in an effort to not be self-serving, OMO family members are not encouraged to apply.
- The committee discussed whether the children of Sorors from other chapters would be allowed to apply.
 - Yes.



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- Discussions included the possibility of creating a future special AKA Scholarship for which OMO family members can apply.

New Essay Writing Workshop

- Soror Sicily Hill will represent the Scholarship Committee in partnership with #CAP to plan
- Scholarship Committee Chair and members will support this activity
- Workshop Date - March 27
- The purpose of the workshop is to help scholarship applicants improve their writing skills and increase their chances of being awarded an OMO scholarship as well as other scholarships.

Scholarship Award Celebration

- June 6, 2021
- Initial ideas were discussed about creating a celebratory experience for the scholarship awardees.
 - #1 - Parking lot celebration. Come to us safely. Drive up. Set up podium and audio outdoors. Give them their awards.
 - #2 - Virtual program via Zoom
- Check into sorority guidelines for hybrid events

Activities Since Last Report

Action Items Completed:

- The scholarship application packet was assembled, approved and distributed to Philadelphia contacts.
- A new online application form was created.
- A scholarship flyer was created and shared through social media.
- PR Committee was notified and provided all information.
- The Chapter website page was updated to include the application packet.

Budget requirements for these items include \$0.



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Anticipated Future Activities

Action Items In Progress/Pending:

- Second and third round of scholarship promotion
- Essay writing workshop
- Application review and selection
- Prepare and send scholarship award letters
- Scholarship celebration
- Collect proof of admission
- Distribute financial awards

Budget requirements for these items include TBD.

Recommendations to [Executive Committee] [Chapter]

None.

Other

Suggestions/Comments:

- What guidelines or restrictions do we need to be aware of when planning an in-person award celebration? (parking lot, door-to-door, etc.)
- Are there any risk management issues or requirements for Sorors and outside guests?

The Committee's next meeting will take place on April 8, 2021 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Soror Tyra Ford