NAACP Durham Branch
Executive Committee Meeting

March 11, 2025

Call to Order:
Executive Committee of the NAACP Durham Branch was called to order by President Dr. B. Angeloe Burch, Sr. at 7:30 PM. Rev. Dr. Cornelius Battle lead us in the opening prayer.

President Dr. B. Angeloe Burch, Sr. read the Mission Statement. *The mission of the NAACP is to achieve equity, political rights and social inclusion by advancing policies and practices that expand human and civil rights, eliminate discrimination, and accelerate the well being, education, and economic security of Black people and all persons of color.*

Quorum Call:
Informed the President a quorum was established. With the ascertainment of a quorum, President Burch proceeded with the business of the meeting.

Approval of Minutes:
President Burch requested the approval of the minutes from the last meeting, February 11, 2025, minutes. The minutes were emailed previously. Motion made by Dr. Cornelius Battle to approve the minutes and seconded by Jadda Richardson. The motion passed unanimously; motion carried.

Report of Officers:

A. Secretary / Correspondence

a. We currently have 267 members on our list. Seven members without emails or home addresses. I've reached out to the National Office and am waiting to hear from them.
b. The National Office has still not scheduled the next portal training, nor have they answered any of my emails. President Maxwell has been made aware, and she is reaching out to find out more information. I must take the training over due to being elected as the Secretary for our Branch.
c. **WIN Coronation** – Will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025 – This year's event will be held at Martin Street Baptist Church, 1001 East Martin Street, Raleigh. Tickets are $50. All tickets must be purchased through ActBlue. I will share the link with anyone who is interested in participating.
d. **National Convention** – will be held July 12th – 16th in Charlotte - Registration information for the 116th NAACP National Convention will be provided closer to the event date. Registration for Delegates and Alternates is open to **nationally compliant State Conferences and**

Units. Only compliant units and state conferences will receive registration information. Please contact your unit or state conference secretary to register.
Sign up for National - https://naacp.org/sign-up

e. The new email address from the National office for our Branch is 5387secretary@naacpunit.org. I will send it out so everyone has it and start using it.

B. **Treasurer's Report –** The report was emailed to the Executive Committee. Below is a summary of the report.

Balance Brought Forward

Commercial Community Checking
Bank Balance: $4,776.56
Book Balance: $4,776.56
ACT-SO Restricted: $ 530.14 (restricted)

Total receipts: $1,093.17
Receipts (ACT-SO) Total receipts: none

Disbursements

(Commercial Community Checking) **Total disbursements:** $ 774.97

Balance on Hand

Commercial Community Checking:
Bank Balance: $5,094.76
Book Balance: $5,094.76
ACT-SO: $ 530.14(restricted)

Total monies: $5,624.90

Committee Reports:

A. **Membership** – President Burch informed us that Chair Thaddeus Hodge will not be able to continue being the chair of the membership committee. He has appointed Aalayah Sanders as the membership chair. Aalayah has agreed to serve and is excited to work with us. The college branches report to the main branch. Dr. Burch gave a summary of the Duke and the NCCU's chapter and states it is a process to get the two college chapters back up and running. President Burch thanked Rosa Anderson for all she does with the college chapters. She is working on getting an advisor for these chapters and that advisor must be a member of the NAACP.
B. **NCCU Chapter Update** – Rosa Anderson - Still working on getting this chapter back up and running.
C. **Duke Chapter Update** – Rosa Anderson - Still working on getting this chapter back up and running.
D. **Religious Affairs** – Rev. Bernard Penn - Rev. Penn has agreed to be the chair of this committee. He is the Pastor of the Immanuel Temple SDA Church on Alston Avenue.
E. **Legal Regress** – President Burch will speak with Josiah Gouker about being the chair of this committee. Mr. Josiah expressed interest in this committee, and he asked him about being the chair. He will let us know after he speaks with him.
F. **Housing** – President Burch states he thinks right now everything is quiet right now as they are waiting to see what is going to happen with Federal funding. He is being told that the Federal Government will resend on funding that was being made, but he finds that a lot of the agencies still have not received funds. Jadda Richardson says he will investigate this matter. President Burch states food banks are closing.

Unfinished Business:

A. **Fundraising for the NAACP** – We need some ideas on how we can do fundraising for our Branch. We have a lot coming up and a lot to do. The offices still need their upkeep and the other bills that we have. Also, to take care of the work with our legal redress. Some of our other commitments that go to the State and to the National office, we need to make sure we are on top of the game. Also, with the NCCU and Duke chapter, we want to ensure they have the resources they have what is needed by them. We also have the upcoming Freedom Fund banquet and our Prayer Breakfast. We hope to start back our Gold Tournament. Attorney Antoinette Burwell and Gwen Valentine will oversee the fundraising.

B. **Prayer Breakfast –** Dr. Michael Page is not on the call, but President Burch will speak with him

C. **Freedom Fund Banquet** – Antoinette Burwell - President Burch will meet with the chairs of this committee to see when/if any progress has been made. He will set up a meeting when he returns to North Carolina. She will be on our next Full body meeting after they meet.

New Business:

A. **Durham hosting State Conference** – We are still waiting on our Executive Director, Da'Quan Love, to let us know all we need from Durham to host the State conference. President Burch has heard they have the hotel books. He will wait on direction from the State President and will provide more information when he knows it.

B. **National Conference** - will be held July 12th – 16th in Charlotte - Registration information for the 116th NAACP National Convention will be provided closer to the event date. They are **looking for volunteers** so if you are interested there will be a link provided (when available) for you to sign up.

C. **Durham New Tax Assessment –** The Durham Committee had a speaker the other week at the meeting who talked about the appraisals that will be coming out. Dr. Burch will ask the speaker to come to our General meeting so he can speak about how it's happening, why it's happening and what it means for our community. Dr. Burch will let us know once confirmed.
Action Item – Dr. Burch to confirm the speaker that was at the Durham Committee meeting to speak about the New Tax Assessment.

D. **Additions to the General Body meeting** - Dr. Burch asked what other things we could have on our General Body meeting that would be helpful for our members.
    a. Rosa Anderson says she feels it would be helpful for us to have a Civic Engagement update. She says there are a lot of false narratives out there about what is going on in terms of increasing taxes, reevaluations because there is a process. Also, Seniors have some benefits she says they are returning money so there is a lack of communication. We need to get that type of information out to our members. Dr. Burch thinks that is a good idea. The larger picture is what we do for and with our community even through the website and Facebook pages. Putting the right kind of information is a great way to engage others.
    b. Educate our people in the Municipal elections, what the candidates stand for. President Burch wants to see our branch be more specific with our communities. Dr. Battle and Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church hosts food banks at the Church on the 2nd and 4th Fridays.

c. Dr. Cornelius Battle ask if we can do a pie chart so we should give data on African Americans that move into Durham, housing, incarcerated or that got out of jail those types of things so we can keep ahead of those sociological things. It will show the importance of what we are doing. A snapshot of Durham, even include the unemployed in Durham. President Burch says the Visitor Bureau and the Black Chambers has that information, we just need to get it and get it out.

E. **National Night Out** – This will be in October, Shriners, Masons, and the NAACP will partner on this event. We can bring applications. Dr. Burch received the application for this last week. This is a good thing so we can be more active in the community.

F. **In Person meetings** – Dr. Burch asked what our thoughts are on one in person meetings a quarter. Secretary Holder says it is a great idea to meet in-person meeting quarterly. Others agreed.

Announcements:

- **Next General Meeting** – March 27th 7:00 p.m. As a reminder the general meetings are open to the public. So please inform everyone about the General meetings. **These meetings are held monthly on the 4th Thursday at 7:00 p.m.**
- **Next Executive Committee meeting** – April 8th at 7:30 p.m. **These meetings are held monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.**

Pastor Charles Dunstan, Pastor of Northeast Baptist Church lost his father, the funeral was last week. Let's continue to pray for him and his family during this time.

Adjournment & Closing Prayer:
President Burch asked Rev. Dr. Cornelius Battle to lead us in our closing prayer and the meeting ended at 8:12 pm.

Recorded by,
Demetrius Holder, Secretary