

**University of Alabama
National Alumni Association
East Tennessee Chapter**

**Minutes for Thursday, February 18, 2016 Dinner Meeting
Cherokee Country Club**

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Members met at 6:00PM and President Bob Bland called the meeting to order at 6:30PM with 37 people attending. Ann Payne gave the invocation.

Secretary and Membership Report: Bill Campbell

- Bill welcomed two new attendees to our meeting: Jo Ann and Jerry Yarbrough.
- Bill Stallworth is now at home recovering after being hospitalized last month with the flu and pneumonia; Norene said he is doing better. She asked Bill to tell everyone they hope to get back to attending our meetings soon.

Executive Committee Report: Charlie Schilleci

- Charlie introduced our guest speaker Tony Johnson who is currently a member of ETUA along with his wife Tonjanita. Tony gave a very moving and heartfelt presentation in which he described: his journey from a small town in Mississippi to Tuscaloosa; the impact his time at the University had and continues to have on his life; his experiences with Coach Stallings and the impact the Coach had on him; and his time as a player in the NFL. After the meeting many of the attendees congratulated Tony for the outstanding manner in which he represents our University; he is truly an inspiration for all.

Treasurer's Report: Marianne Goodwin

- Marianne gave a brief financial report. Our checking account balance was \$5,310.28. Bob commented that an expense of approximately \$1,057 will appear on our next financial report; this was required as a deposit for our River Boat Cruise in October.

President's Report: Bob Bland

- Bob moved that the minutes from the January meeting be approved which they were.
- Bob mentioned that Gene Chunn and Don Barksdale had attended the Executive Committee meeting last month, and they provided a status of actions already underway for the River Boat Cruise. In 2014, ETUA made between \$7,000 and \$8,000 from this event. This year we hope to make \$10,000 from the two cruises which will be hi-lighted again by attendance from the pep band, Big Al and our cheerleaders. We also hope to have a couple of footballs signed by Coach Saban. Facebook will be one of the means of advertising for the event this year.
- The Annual Banquet will be held at CCC on the evening of Thursday May 19. The University has been contacted to assist ETUA with identifying a speaker. Dan Proctor offered to help Bob develop the program for the Banquet. Bob reiterated that we will have an auction which everyone is encouraged to contribute to either financially or with valued articles.
- Charlie reported that working with UA Assistant AD Aaron Vold, he has a tentative commitment from UA men's golf coach Jay Seawell to be our guest speaker at the June 17 luncheon meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45PM with a ROLL TIDE!!!!

The next meeting's date is March 18th at 11:30AM at the Cherokee Country Club.