

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

**Minutes for Thursday, October 18, 2019 Luncheon Meeting
Cherokee Country Club**

2019-2020 Officers

President: Greg Stroud
Treasurer: Gene Chunn
Secretary: TBD
Immediate Past Pres.: Bob LaRue

Members met at 11:30 AM and President Greg Stroud called the meeting to order at approximately 11:45 AM with 18 members attending. Ed Lester gave the blessing.

Treasurer's Report: Gene Chunn

- Gene provided the report which reflected a current balance of \$5,564.04. The report detailed our 2019 disbursements and receipts from the August Chris Lowe speaking engagement. The disbursements had a one-time transfer fee of \$150 for the website.
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President's Report: Greg Stroud

- The decision was made to move the ETUA.org website to a new server. Don Barksdale assisted in moving the website. The new server will save the chapter money and be more user friendly. Long term goals include getting an ETUA email (instead of emails coming from personal accounts) and developing the website and Facebook page further. It was mentioned that Facebook had an outdated security question (this has been fixed.)
 - Bill Campbell covered some of the news from the National Alumni magazine, all showing the tremendous success of UA.
 - Greg Stroud asked the members to give any ideas for meetings, including locations, costs and speakers. Buddy's Banquet Hall was mentioned as a possible place. A suggestion was made to form a meeting committee and Greg said he would handle that.
 - General comments were made about the success of the student reception and the freshman send-off.
 - Leslie Grossman gave a recruitment report, with an update on the progress of the University adding a recruiter (Meghan Whitten) to handle the East Tennessee area.
 - Greg Stroud shared NAA updates that were sent by Chris Lambert. Highlights: enrollment stands at 38,100; 2019's class had 256 national merit finalists; student body is 58% out-of-state; NAA has the largest scholarship endowment in the country with \$50.5 million.
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The meeting concluded with Happy Dollars and door prizes before the members sent our new officers off with a resounding "Roll Tide"!

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 17, 2020.
