



Association of Black Women in Higher Education

NEWSLETTER

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Moving from Passion to Practice: Celebrating 15 years of Supporting Education

Welcome!

Thank you for electing us as your new Chapter President and Vice President for 2014-2016. We are excited to collaborate with you individually as well as collectively, to revive this wonderful organization, so that it becomes a premiere resource for African American women, students, K-12 partners, and postsecondary institutions in Minnesota. Yolanda Lewis and I bring to you and the organization, diverse educational and professional backgrounds, and life experiences that we know will be assets to building sustainable relationships and a thriving organization for years to come.

We are asking current members to recommit your membership and in-

terested individuals to join a thriving association, ABWHE, specifically the Minnesota Chapter (ABWHE-MN). The Chapter offers a variety of membership benefits that you will receive from partnering with this organization. Some include: (1) bi-monthly professional development, (2) community engagement, (3) access to database employment options, (4) consistent mentoring, and (5) marketing and publication opportunities.

We are sisters uniting! So we look forward to cultivating a relationship with you, engaging in different activities, as well as contributing to the educational and professional advancement of Black women and student in Minnesota.

Dream Big Institute

In September 2014, Dr. Yvette L. Pye launched the ***Dream Big Institute***; an ASSET-based approach to *helping all people of all ages have the life they want through education!* The goal is identification of the current of state of being (personally, academically, or professionally) and strategizing how to get to the desired state of success.



Dr. Pye is available for speaking and teaching engagements and can be reached at: pye.yvette@gmail.com.

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Chapter Meeting Dates:

November 15 from 10:00 - 12:00 PM

January 17 from 10:00 - 12:00 PM

March 21 from 10:00 - 12:00 PM

Spring Conference: April 17 - 18

The location for each meeting will be updated on the chapter web site.

Community and Networking events will be emailed and updated on the chapter website.

Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education.

Congratulations to MnSCU's Black Female Presidents



Dr. Annette Parker
South Central College



Dr. Joyce Ester
Normandale Community College



Leslie McClellon
Rochester Community
and Technical College

Save the Date!

Mark your calendar for **Wednesday, December 10, 2014** and make plans to attend the 2014 Human Rights Symposium.

The Department of Human Rights will kick off Human Rights Week in Minnesota with an all-day symposium providing must-have information on the latest trends and legal decisions that affect you.

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"If your vision is for a year, plant wheat. If your vision is for ten years, plant trees. If your vision is for a lifetime, plant people."

Member Highlight:



Dr. Artika R. Tyner has published her book: *Planting People, Growing Justice*. *Planting People, Growing Justice™* is the guiding principle of Dr. Tyner's leadership development and community engagement work. This model developed by Dr. Tyner focuses on the future of social change and community-building. This process begins with community members working together collaboratively to create a shared vision of justice, valuing each individual as an asset, and partnering to facilitate the process of social change. is a passionate educator, author, sought after speaker, and advocate for justice.

Dr. Tyner serves as a public policy/leadership professor at the University of St. Thomas College of Education, Leadership & Counseling, . She trains graduate students to serve as social engineers who create new inroads to justice and freedom.