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Northeast Region Fall 2017 Newsletter





**BRONX COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOSTS  
NCBAA/NE 2018 REGION CONFERENCE  
"Equity, Inclusion, and Leadership:  
A Role for Community Colleges"**



**PAST AND  
PRESENT**

**Welcome to**  **BRONX  
COMMUNITY  
COLLEGE**



Dr. Thomas A. Isekenegbe,  
President of Bronx CC.



Greetings!



It is an honor and a privilege to serve as the president of the National Council on Black American Affairs, Northeast Region (NCBAA-NE). I would like to take this opportunity to thank YOU for supporting the Northeast Region of NCBAA. In our newsletters gather newsworthy events and happenings that have occurred at institutions in our region. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Region, I extend a personal invitation for you to join us at our **2018 Spring Conference, Equity, Inclusion, and Leadership: A Role for Community Colleges**. The 2018 conference will be held on **March 15 and 16, 2018 at Bronx Community College in Bronx, New York**. A special thank you to Dr. Thomas A. Isekenegbe and the Bronx team for hosting the upcoming conference. For full conference details, visit the NCBAA/NE conference webpage at: <http://www.ncbaa-ne.org/ncbaa-northeast-2018-spring-conference/>

I encourage you to stay connected to NCBAA-NE by browsing our website, looking for us on [LinkedIn](#), in your email box, and by contacting us directly. I personally welcome your feedback, input and comments. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [president@ncbaa-ne.org](mailto:president@ncbaa-ne.org), or any of our board members.

If you have any news you would like to share, please send it to **Dr. Gwendolyn W. Sanders, Vice President, Public Relations** at [publicrelations@ncbaa-ne.org](mailto:publicrelations@ncbaa-ne.org) or [drdgs@aol.com](mailto:drdgs@aol.com).

Hope to see you at Bronx Community College in March!

Warmest Regards,

*Barbara*

Dr. Barbara Gaba  
President, NCBAA-Northeast Region



**Dr. Orinthia T. Montague Joined Cortland Community College, Dryden, NY**

Dr. Orinthia T. Montague, Ph.D. joined Tompkins Cortland Community College on July 5, 2017 as its fourth president. She previously served as the vice president of student affairs and chief diversity officer at Normandale Community College in Bloomington, Minnesota. Before joining Normandale in 2010, Montague spent eleven years at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, as student service coordinator, director of student life, assistant vice provost and then to associate vice provost and dean of students. Dr. Montague holds a Bachelor of Arts in interpersonal communication from Truman State University in Missouri; a Master of Arts in counseling from Lindenwood University in Missouri; and a Doctorate in higher education administration from the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She has completed several leadership programs, including the League of Innovation Executive Leadership Institute.



**Dr. Aminta Breaux President at Bowie State University**

Dr. Aminta H. Breaux, joined Bowie State University Maryland's oldest historically of black university, as president in July 2017. Previously, she was dean of students at University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. At Drexel University, she served as assistant provost, and director of co-operative education and career services. She holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Temple University, a master's degree in psychological services in education from the University of Pennsylvania, and a doctorate in counseling psychology from Temple University. She is also a graduate of the Harvard Institute for Executive Management and the American Association for State Colleges and Universities Millennium Leadership Institute.



**Dr. Michael A. Baston, President at Rockland CC**

Dr. Michael Anthony Baston, is the 7th president of Rockland Community College. He joined Rockland from LaGuardia Community College, where he served as the Vice President for Student Affairs and Associate Provost. Dr. Baston began his career as a public interest lawyer representing educational institutions and social justice organizations. He pursued a second career in academia as both a professor of legal studies and a student affairs administrator. Dr. Baston holds a BA from Iona College, a JD from Brooklyn Law School, and an Ed.D from St. John Fisher College.



Dr. Baston is a member of the North East Region of the National Council on Black American Affairs.

**Dr. Tyjaun Lee named President of Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley Campus in Kansas City- Missouri**

Since 2009, Dr. Tyjaun Lee served as vice president for student affairs at Prince George's Community College in Maryland. She was a member of the senior leadership team responsible for a range of administrative units and functions, including recruitment, enrollment, marketing, athletics and student auxiliary services. She began her new role in August.



Before working at Prince George's Community College, she served as associate vice president for enrollment management and student services at Tidewater Community College in Virginia and as director of counseling at Cuyahoga Community College in Ohio, where earlier she was national director of the Science, Engineering, Mathematics and Aerospace Academy (SEMAA). Throughout her career, she has taught at least one course a quarter and has been involved in curriculum development for master's and doctoral level programs.

Dr. Lee holds three degrees from Ohio University in Athens, Ohio: a bachelor's degree in specialized studies; a master's degree in education; and a doctorate of philosophy in educational leadership, with an emphasis on higher education administration.

**HOLD THE DATE**

**NATIONAL COUNCIL ON BLACK AMERICAN AFFAIRS/ NORTHEAST REGION**

**Bronx Community College  
Bronx, New York**

**March 15-16, 2018**

**"Equity, Inclusion, and Leadership:  
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**Dr. Ty A. Stone, New President at Jefferson Community College, SUNY**

Dr. Ty A. Stone, appointed as the sixth president of Jefferson Community College, SUNY. Dr. Stone comes to Jefferson Community from Sinclair Community College, in Dayton Ohio. Dr. Stone’s appointment at Jefferson began July 1, 2017. Dr. Stone holds a doctorate in organization and management from Capella University, a master’s in business administration from Trinity University, and a bachelor’s degree in business administration from Columbia Union College. Additional professional development includes a conflict analysis and management certificate from Antioch University and participation in Harvard Law School’s Negotiation Institute in 2012, Leadership Dayton in 2010, the League of Innovation’s Executive Leadership Institute in 2015 and the Lakin Institute in 2016. She is a veteran of the United States Air Force where she served as an air traffic controller.



**Dr. Jacqueline Jackson is New VP of SAIE at Harford Community College**

Harford Community College announced the appointment of Dr. Jacqueline Jackson to the position of Vice President of Student Affairs and Institutional Effectiveness. She assumed her duties July 31, 2017. Dr. Jackson received a Ph.D. in Urban Education with a concentration in Higher Education Administration from Old Dominion University (VA) and Master and Bachelor of Science degrees from Western Illinois University in College Student Personnel and Counseling, and Psychology, respectively. She joins HCC from Anne Arundel Community College (AACC), where she served as the Dean of Student Services.



Dr. Jackson is originally from Monmouth, Illinois (“Home of Wyatt Earp”.)

**Dr. DeRionne Pollard Receives Carnegie Corporation of New York’s Academic Leadership Award**

American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) board member and Montgomery College president DeRionne Pollard was named a recipient of Carnegie Corporation of New York’s Academic Leadership Award. The only community college president selected, Pollard was recognized as one of seven “exceptional American college and university presidents.” Each winner also will receive \$500,000 in support of academic initiatives.



**Dr. Peggy Bradford Selected as SCC President**

Dr. Peggy Bradford former provost and vice president of academic affairs at Westchester Community, SUNY, selected as president of Shawnee Community College In Illinois. Dr. Peggy F. Bradford is the college’s eighth president. She is a Southern Illinois native and attended Shawnee Community College earning her Associate of Arts degree. Bradford earned her Ed.D. in higher education administration from Northern Illinois University, Juris Doctorate in corporate and business planning law from The University of Iowa-College of Law, Master of Science in administration and community development from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, and Bachelor of Science in counseling and administration from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.



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