

The Tiempo

Change: New Normal, New Expectations, New Roles

Tampa AAUW had a very challenging few months. The health edits issued as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic called for learning the 'new normal' social distancing, remote shopping, wearing masks, and finding new ways to connect. And today, all of us are trying to make sense of the aftermath of closing a country to protect our health. Additionally, the world is grappling with how to make the Black Lives Matter movement really *matter*. AAUW National and AAUW Florida both endorsed the movement. In the midst of it all, Tampa AAUW continues to take steps to finding ways to get it all done.

On May 16th, five Tampa AAUW members were installed as board members. They will begin their tenure on July 1, 2020. The new board members will join Mrs. Irene Bemby-Director of Programs, Mrs. Shella Miller-Director of Membership, Ms. Yvette Williams-Director of Finance, Mrs. Mattie Parr-Recording Secretary, and Ms. Jasmine White-Bynum-Director of Scholarships. Ms. White-Bynum was reconfirmed and will be retained in office through FY 2022. She is pictured with the new board members below right.

Become a Two-Minute Activist

Looking for a low-energy, low-stress, yet powerful way to make a difference? You can let your voice be heard from the comfort of your home computer or hand-held device. Go to aauw.org and sign up to become a Two-Minute Activist.

From aauw.org website:

Take action on issues impacting women and girls by joining AAUW's Action Network. As a Two-Minute Activist, you will receive urgent email notices when your advocacy is needed most. We will provide all the tools you need to call or send messages to your Members of US Congress, write letters to the editor for your local newspapers, contact your state legislators about pressing issues, and more.



Dr. Saundra Johnson
Austin
President



Mrs. Dree Jenkins
Director of Tech Trek



Dr. Lucinda Hovi
Director of Public



Ms. Franca Washington
Director of Commu-
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Mrs. Connie
Fountain
Corresponding
Secretary



Ms. Jasmine-White-
Bynum
Director of Scholar-
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Opportunities to Serve

Tampa AAUW is still in search of:

1. Vice President
2. Director of Communications Managers for:
 Newsletter
 Facebook/Tampa AAUW Web Page
3. Executive Committee Members

Interested? Please email aauwtempresident@gmail.com



For the past three years, AAUW Tampa members celebrated camaraderie by participating in Colors Day. Members wear AAUW colors, admiral blue and leaf green, for fun and as a display of cohesiveness. Because of the increased need for community donations, this year's winners had donations made in their names to a charity serving families in the local area.



Franca Washington
First Place



Paula Stewart
Second Place



Connie Fountain
Third Place



Sherry Foecking
Honorable Mention

From the President's Desk

The next occupant of this space is Dr. Saundra Johnson Austin. She is no stranger to AAUW. Her first encounter was as a 2004-2005 Selected Professions Fellowship recipient for her master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame. At our Tampa Branch, she served on the 2019-2020 TechTrek committee under the leadership of Dr. Gloria Hilton.



As a child, she recalls her parents instilling in her the value of an education. Her career modeled after her father working in construction and her mother as an elementary school special education teacher. Hence the reason she earned a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University and a Doctor of Education from the University of Southern California in organizational change and leadership. The title of her dissertation is "The Challenges Teachers Face Implementing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Curricula, An Evaluation Study."

Dr. Johnson Austin is the project coordinator for the Florida Alliance for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) at the university of South Florida. She also teaches 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls and boys at Academy Prep Center of Tampa. In 2007 she founded Charis Consulting Group, LLC as the President and CEO. Formerly, she was the executive director of Curated Pathways™ to Innovation, senior vice president for operations at the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering, Inc., president and CEO of St. Michael's High School, executive vice president of the Community Partnership for Lifelong Learning, executive director of the National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science (GEM), and Minority Engineering Program director at The Pennsylvania State University. She began her career at Bechtel Power Corporation as a cost engineer.

Dr. Johnson Austin is an innovative leader, researcher, and public speaker. She has published several professional articles addressing the broadening the participation of students of color in STEM education and careers. She is known for her ability to influence and focus on building expert teams, incorporating community development, marketing and communications outreach, and education policy. "We must become the change we want to see" (M. Gandhi) is her approach to life.

She is an active member of: the American Association of University Women; member-at-large for the American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE) Minorities in Engineering Division (MIND), vice president of the Coalition of Hispanic African and Native Americans for the Next Generation of Engineers and Scientists (CHANGES); education committee consultant for the Caribbean Community Association; and member of the United States White House endorsed initiative Algebra by 7th Grade, which was established under the Obama administration. 1998, she was awarded the National Society of Black Engineers' Inaugural Golden Torch Award for Minority Engineering Program Director of the Year and Outstanding Contribution by a Minority Engineering Program Administrator Award by the National Association of Multicultural Engineering Program Advocates. In April 2015, she was recognized by The Pennsylvania State University as Outstanding Engineering Alumnus for Civil and Environmental Engineering and she currently serves on the College of Engineering's Industrial and Professional Advisory Council.

Dr. Johnson Austin is married to Rev. Clyde L. Austin, Jr. She is stepmother to Joshua and Charity. She enjoys volunteering her time to mentor girls, college students, and early professionals on the opportunities in STEM education and careers. Her skills are sure to be a critical asset throughout her tenure as president of Tampa AAUW.

Please welcome Dr. Saundra Johnson Austin.

Thanks for the Memories



Thank you for giving me the opportunity to lead Tampa AAUW for the past four years as your president. It has been an experience that was fulfilling, delightful, and oh yeah, sometimes very challenging. I believe I have grown as an individual and as a professional. I made many friends. Your giving me a standing ovation at the annual fundraiser last February, signaled to me that you were pleased with what I offered. It is my sincere belief that Tampa members are motivated, tenacious, generous, and committed. I have no doubt this group will keep

AAUW's mission of seeking equity for women and girls in schools, the workplace, and in the community.

Berthenya (Bert) Dunbar, PhD, APRN
President (July 1, 2016-June 30, 2020)



***Recognition from Florida AAUW:**

1. Increase in membership.
2. Membership renewal maintained at 134%. Mrs. Shella Miller is Director of Membership.
3. One of the first Annual Awards for financial support of Tech Trek. Dr. Gloria Hilton is Director of Tech Trek.

*** Tampa is a participant in AAUW Economic Inequity Research.**

*** Home to a National AAUW Art**

Competition Winner: Mrs. Catherine Clark Martin.

*** Home to a National AAUW Educational Grant**

Alternate: Ms. Jasmine White-Bynum.

*** Home to State Officer:** Dr. Kay Lee-Smith

Florida State AAUW Director of Public Policy.

- Tampa AAUW members donated \$1,000 to two community charities to help address the increased need in the community secondary to the impact of COVID 19.

well done

The following members are leaving the Tampa AAUW Board: of Directors on June 30, 2020:

Dr. Berthenya (Bert) Dunbar, President

Dr. Gloria Hilton, Director of Tech Trek. Developed the Tech Trek Program at Tampa. Her leadership earned the program a Florida AAUW award.

Mrs. Avis Chaplick, Corresponding Secretary.

Ms. Aleseya Pinkney, Facebook and Webpage Manager- Aleseya created the Tampa Facebook site.

Note: Both Avis and Aleseya remained in their appointed positions for four years to avoid letting their positions go vacant.

Thank you 



June

Lucia Stevens	2
Belinda " Smithe" Johnson	15
Sherry Foecking	18
Shirley Stamford	19
Kay-Lee-Smith	28

July

Kirk Guillory	9
Mattie Parr	11
Aleseya Pinkney	15
Kay-Lee-Smith	28
John Chaplick	23
Connie Fountain	29

August

Madge Soyster	2
Jacqueline Vento	3
Erica Reynolds	11
Avis Chaplick	11

Tampa AAUW 2020-2021 Scholarship Recipients



Sarah Dietrick



Eve De Rosa

I am pleased to announce the 2020-2021 Tampa AAUW scholarship recipients. The interviewing process was very successful despite having to manage around the limitations of the current pandemic. The recipients are Sarah Dietrick and Eve De Rosa. Students at the University of South Florida, Tampa. Sarah is a chemistry PhD candidate and Eve is a bio-medical science major. Please look for more bio information in the 2020-2021 Yearbook. The yearbook will be distributed at the October, 2020 meeting.

Ms. Jasmine White-Bynum
Director of Scholarships



If you have not renewed your membership, this is a friendly reminder that memberships end June 30th. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Shella Miller, Director of Membership at email: Shellamiller078@gmail.com.

Let's keep the record going!



June 20 , 2020 Final Board Meeting
11:00 am-1:00 pm of FY 2019-2020
Via Zoom

September 19, 2020 TBD

Board of Directors

President	Dr. Bert Dunbar
Vice President	Vacant
Director of Programs	Irene Bembry
Director of Membership	Shella Miller
Director of Finance	Yvette Williams
Director of Public Policy	Dree Jenkins
Director of Scholarships	Jasmine White-Bynum
Director of Tech Trek/STEM Ac-	Dr. Gloria Hilton
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