2018 DCCC Report
Board of Director's Meeting
October 10, 2018
Vancouver, BC, Canada

Submitted by Algerian Hart, DCCC Chair, Submitted October 10, 2018,
Committee Members: Jafus Cavil, Emmett Gill, Charles Crowley, Alaina Di Giorgio, Elizabeth Taylor, Christina Gipson, Sam Twito, and Erica Zonder.

Year in Review

1. By way of email exchange and conference calls the DCCC explored options for a "Writers Workshop". The goal of the workshop is to help hone and enhance the scholarship writing of young and/or minority scholars for publication and related activities that support their matriculation across the tenure process.

2. Re-visiting the mentoring of new members. While, NASSS has improved the visibility of Board members and additional volunteers through badges etc.., how can "we" as a collective continue to grow efforts that encourage new member "future" participation within the organization? Potentially, creating spaces of common interest for individual to mix and mingle under various areas of interest while encouraging active participation/exploration of committee, service, and leadership within NASSS.

3. A NASSS Spotlight Session for the Post DCCC Award Winners.
   -It would be a session designed to highlight and address the emerging research agendas of past award recipients while nurturing the organizations continued support of diverse grounded scholarship.

4. Success of 2+1 "Activity"
   -The DCCC identified that there were a total of 30 individual that participated in the 2 + 1 promotion during the conference.

5. SSJ Editorial Board Make-Up
   -At the 2014 DCCC meeting in Portland, OR the committee shared in dialogue concerning diverse scholarship, diverse representation on the SSJ board, and topical areas published that support diversity. We are very proud of the tremendous work the SSJ has made toward inclusive representation on the board and with scholarly inclusion. Currently the SSJ editorial board is comprised of 16 women and 14 men; where significant diverse representation exists throughout the board.

New Board Members

In November 2018, DCCC committee member term of service will expire: Charles Crowley (Olivet College), and current DCCC Chair Algerian Hart (Western Illinois University), Four new

committee members will enter their first year of service: Alaina Di Giorgio (Elms College), Elizabeth Taylor (Temple University), Christina Gipson (Georgia Southern), and Sam Twito (University of Texas, Austin).

DCCC Awards (The Gary Sailes Diversity Scholarship Award)
Two awards will be made at the 2018 NASSS conference in Vancouver, BC, Canada for One Masters award and one Doctoral award.
Application specifics for the 2018 GS-DSA:

1) Ten (15) applications received (11 Doctoral & 4 Masters)
2) To date this is the largest submission pool for the award.
3) All scores were tallied and names of the winners were transmitted to the NASSS Secretary.
4) The Research proposed and being conducted was/is insightful, diverse and stimulating.

Award Winners

GS-GSDA Masters Level Winner
Tori Thompson (University of Maryland)

1) Research Agenda (The Importance of Examining the Relationship between Black Women, BMI, and Health). 2) Faculty Support Statement (Shannon Jette, Ph.D./University of Maryland)

GS-GDSA Doctoral Level Winner
Nida Ahmad

1) Research Agenda (Muslim Women's Participation in Sport) 2) Faculty Advisor Statement (Holly Thorpe, University of Waikato)