

Notes of ACHSA's Executive Meeting held on Friday October 10, 2014

**Present were:** Robyn Broomfield, Oshane Jackson, Mona-lisa Delva, Colin Francis, Marsha-Ann Scott and Joy Walcott-Francis

Agenda item: The future of the club

The group felt that it was in the best interest of the club if the name of the club be changed, as it seemed pretty redundant to have 2 African Students' Associations on campus. At the same time, while the majority of the students who have been most active members of ACHSA are Caribbean students, it was felt that this was not the way to go. Furthermore, there isn't sufficient Caribbean students on campus to successfully form and effectively run a Caribbean students association.

A suggestion was made that we go back to the original name; Black Students' Association (BSA). However, it was the feeling that this should not be the way forward, since the name change to ACHSA was made to reflect the diversity of the student population at the time. Going back to BSA would bring back the same kinds of concerns that the club had tried to address.

It was however brought up that a majority of the activities (Black History Month celebrations, discussions on issues related to racism and stereotype, etc.) that the club hosts are activities that in some way address issues that are of concern to our members who are visibly black. In keeping with that, we should adopt a new name change that would reflect our activities.

After several rounds of brainstorming and process of elimination, it was suggested that the best name to reflect the club's objectives would be the "Black Awareness Students' Network."

A motion for the new name, "Black Awareness Students' Network" was put forward by Mona-Lisa Delva and seconded by Marsha-Ann Scott.

The name change was unanimously voted on by all the executives present. Let it be reflected that the **MOTION CARRIES THAT THE PREVIOUSLY NAMED AFRICAN & CARIBBEAN HERITAGE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION NOW BE REPLACED WITH THE NAME "BLACK AWARENESS STUDENTS' NETWORK."**

It was decided that the mandate and the constitution will be revised to reflect the changes.