



VSUAA NOVA CHAPTER STANDING COMMITTEES

January 2, 2025

As expressed in the Chapter's Bylaws, the President may establish, change, and terminate standing committees as necessary to meet the purpose of the Association. Below find an excerpt from the Chapter's bylaws, listing our standing committees, including its description of duties, committee chairs and committee members.

Section 1. Nominating Committee. Shall prepare a slate of candidates for chapter officers to the Board of Directors and Officers of the Association. To delineate the procedures for voting for Directors and Officers, prepare the ballot and ensure that it is copied for the Chapter meeting. Supervise the election process. The President of the Chapter shall assign the principal functions of this committee and appoint members to the committee.

Veronica Abrams-Chair
Brenda Stith Finch

Section 2. By-laws Committee. The Bylaws Committee shall review all recommendations for amendments and revision. The Committee shall prepare recommendations received and deemed appropriate in proper order for submission to the Board of Directors. The chair shall be a Board member.

Veronica Abrams-Chair
Darryl Sharp, Sr.
Lanita Thweatt
Diane Haight

Section 3. The Budget and Finance Committee. Shall consist of not less than three Board members, one of whom shall be the Treasurer, financial secretary, President, or Vice President. Plan and develop a proposed Association budget annually and maintain fiscal practices and programs to support the Association's financial needs. Encourage fiscal responsibility as related to VSUAA's assets. Act as custodians of Association funds and monitor the spending to be sure that the budget is being adhered to and that funds are not expended without proper authority. Review the records of the Financial Secretary and the Treasurer quarterly. Coordinates annual audits with the Audit Committee subject to no conflict of interest or internal control issue per Association policies. An annual operating budget shall be prepared and presented to the Executive Board in April. It will be presented to the general body and voted on at the May meeting.

Melanie Wade-Chair
Shanequa Frye
Michelle Barcliff Glover



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Section 4. The Fund-Raising Committee. Shall plan and coordinate activities that will raise funds for chapter purposes stated in Article II. Plan and coordinate activities that will raise funds for the annual chapter operations, community sponsorship, scholarship-giving campaign, and other needs determined by the active chapter members. The committee shall plan for and execute fund-raising projects that follow the University's Board of Visitors fund-raising guidelines.

Shanequa Frye-Chair
Nashira Blackmon- Co-Chair
Ashanti Day
Jneva Norfleet
Patty Scott Barbour
Patricia Eure

Section 5. The Legislative Committee. Shall have the Parliamentarian as a member of this committee. Shall monitor and review ongoing governmental operations and legislation on local, state, and federal levels, which may impact and influence VSU. The committee will explore, gather, and evaluate information and recommend courses of action and positions that the Alumni Association should take on various legislative or political issues. The committee will keep the membership abreast of activities that influence public policy that impacts the University, its families, and community members.

Patty Scott Barbour-Chair
Brenda Stith Finch

Section 6. The Membership Committee. Shall develop programs and strategies to increase membership, retain those currently active members, establish commitments with previous members, and recruit new members for the chapter. Main duties consist of the following: recruit new members, urge delinquent members to become active, and develop guidelines and procedures for the qualifications, dues, etc., of Associate Members. Establish an annual goal to increase the number of active contributing members, conduct an annual membership drive, and make an annual report of committee achievements.

Sandra Attidore- Chair	Joe Creasy	
Keenan Taylor-Brooks	Rachel Hicks	Takyshia Frazier
Linsey Burch	Rhonda Garner	Phyllis Coleman Lacy
Vanita Reynolds		



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Section 7. The Events Committee. Shall serve as the liaison with VSUAA NOVA Chapter committees, as well as the other area VSU Alumni Chapters, to plan events for alumni fellowship and increase our footprint in the area of community service and in support of Virginia State University (VSU). The main duties of the Events Committee are to outline the annual program and activities of the VSUAA NOVA Chapter.

Diane Haight-Chair	Melanie Wade – Co Chair
Shanequa Frye	Michele Barcliff Glover
Catera Ruth	Kendra Hamilton
Bianca Robinson	Sandra Carr-Carrington
Keith Yancey	Nashira Blackmon
Jeremiah Brooks	Brian Frazer
Tewanna Jennings	Seena Tucker-Williams
D. Renee Williams	Joseph Creasy
	Brittany Lamback

Section 8. The Recruitment Committee. Shall be responsible for the chapter's student recruitment program and work cooperatively with VSU's Student Recruitment Program.

Vanita Reynolds-Chair	Sandra Carr-Carrington, Vice Chair
Belinda Lindsey	Wilbert Briggs, Sr.
Patricia Eure	Patty Barbour
Elouise Kelly	Yvonne Sallis
Nashira Blackmon	Brian Elam

Section 9. Archives and Awards Committee. To compile, organize, and maintain records of the organizational functions of the Chapter. Specifically, the Archives and Awards Committee shall have charge of all properties of the Chapter except those in actual use, subject to the direction of the Chapter. The committee shall seek out items of significance to the Chapter and stimulate interest in collecting and preserving items of historical significance to the Chapter. The committee shall also identify, record, and catalog items collected; initiate measures to preserve archival items; and encourage and initiate writing and documentation of noteworthy events.

Ashanti Day-Chair
Darryl Sharp, Sr. – Co-Chair
Guy DeWeever
Brian Elam



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Section 10. Fusion Fun Activities Committee. Shall Share ideas around fundraising events that will engage our younger members and attract new members. Discuss social events for the chapter where we can interact as a group outside of our committee responsibilities. A majority of each committee shall constitute a quorum, and any questions may be decided by a majority vote of those in attendance. (**MERGED** with the Events Committee as of December 2023)

Section 11. Communications and Technology Committee. Shall be responsible for obtaining news from local chapter members, VSUAA Board Members, and the University and communicating news through print and electronic means, including social media.

Keenan Taylor-Brooks-Chair	Linsey Burch- Co Chair
Melanie Wade	Krisna Taylor
Hunter Anthony	Ashanti Day

Section 12. Scholarship Review Committee. Shall maintain the online NOVA VSUAA scholarship/grant applications for Northern Virginia high school students who plan to matriculate at Virginia State University (VSU) and for students who are currently enrolled at VSU; develop and update scholarship/grant selection criteria as needed; and manage distribution, collection, and evaluation of submitted scholarship/grant applications.

Gladys Fitzhugh-Pemberton-Chair	Vivian Bowie-Co-Chair	
Joe Creasy	Linda Via	Michele Barcliff Glover
Jennifer Pryor-Abraham	Rachael English	
Veronica Abrams	Cathy Simmons	
Sandra Carr-Carrington	Krisna Taylor	

Section 13. The Scholarship Dance Committee. Shall seek, investigate, and recommend logistics for the Chapter's annual scholarship dinner dance and present to the NOVA VSUAA membership. Such logistics include but are not limited to securing the location for the event; setting a date and time for the event; coordinating with the venue; securing entertainment and developing a program agenda. The committee will suggest a ticket price to be charged to attend this event.

Michele Barcliff Glover-Chair	Sandra Carr-Carrington Co-Chair	Darnell Wise-Lightbourn
Joe Creasy	Cynthia Brown	Brian Elam
Monique House	Wilbert Briggs	Diane Haight
Melanie Wade	Patricia Eure	Tiana Suber
Gladys Fitzhugh Pemberton	Vivian Bowie	

Section 14. Audit Committee. Shall audit the Treasurer's accounts in junction with the budget and finance committee, certify their correctness and present its report at the Annual Meeting (1st Saturday in June). One committee member shall have an accounting/financial background.



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Melanie Wade-Chair
Anthony Abrams, CPA