

BLACK STUDENT UNION
202 Talbert
Amherst Campus

Dear Black Students, Faculty and Staff,

Recently the Black Student Union elections were held. I was elected President along with my board of Taharka Odinga (V.P.), Eileen Strachan (Sec.), Monica Towles (Treas.), and Lisa Webb (Act. Coordinator). With these new positions had come the task of turning the Black Student Union around.

I have the utmost faith in our new board's ability to achieve this goal, but I also know that we can't accomplish this goal by ourselves. We need you, the black faculty and staff at U.B., to help give us the guidance, leadership and cooperation that we will desperately need this upcoming year. We will need your feedback, criticisms and suggestions to help make our union a functional, responsible and effective organization.

I'm sure that some of you have developed a negative image of the B.S.U. (Black Student Union) and it will be our (82-83 board) task to eliminate any and all of the negative images that you have of the B.S.U. We can't do this without your criticisms of the things that you've seen in the past year(s). Without this feedback, we may repeat some of the things that you have been disappointed with. This we do not want to do.

For those of you who have seen something positive in our organization's past efforts, let us know so that we will be able to duplicate and/or increase those events, activities or whatever it was that impressed you.

For those of you who haven't seen anything positive or negative, I'm sure that you will have some suggestions as to how we can become an effective B.S.U.

I guess what it boils down to is that we, the Black Student Union, need each and everyone of you to help us get our union together. Call or come by our office at 202 Talbert and leave your ideas and/or criticisms with us so that we can prosper from this feedback. Our phone number is 636-3029 and my home phone number is 895-1484.

Together I feel that we can develop a Black Student Union that all of us, faculty, staff and students, can be proud of. We don't profess to be able to turn the B.S.U. around in one year but we do profess to begin the process of getting the Black Student Union on the right track. Please help us help the black students at U.B. and together we will all prosper.

Thank you,

Arthur O. Eve Jr.
President (82-83)
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