



Happy New Year!

First giving honor and recognition to our TSU President Dr. Rudley, our COST Dean Dr. Yu, TSUNAA President Julia Askew, TSU Alumni Relations Director Connie Cochran, COST Advisory Board, COST Executive Administration, COST Faculty and Staff, COST Partners, COST Alumni, TSUNAA and its affiliated Alumni Chapters, TSU Faculty, Staff, Students, and Friends.



My name is LaKeisha D. Melton, I am the new COST Alumni Chapter President, 2006 Graduate of the COST Computer Science Department, with a minor in Electronic Engineering Technology. I am a Full-Time Corporate IT Professional, Small Business Owner, Entrepreneur, and proud TSU Alumnus. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as COST Alumni Chapter President, and I am eager for you to embark on this new journey with us.

We would like to thank our past President, Mr. Perry Miller for his years of service, and for helping us lay the foundation for our Chapter. We would also, like to thank our past officers for their assertive efforts and dedication.

We now introduce our new COSTAC Executive Board:

- **Shaunté Abdin** - Vice-President
- **Amanda J. Henry** - Vice-President of Membership
- **Dr. Hilton J. LaSalle** - Treasurer
- **Roben Armstrong** - Secretary
- **Rev. Carl Melton, Sr.** - Parliamentarian

The COST Alumni Chapter in strong affiliation with the University, the TSU National Alumni Association and the College of Science and Technology, strives to give back to TSU's foundation, legacy, the students, and the future of this great university. We serve as networks, mentors, supporters, and most importantly family. We want TSU students to be confident, be encouraged, and claim their place in society. We are all here to help.

Join us and take part in the following upcoming Events/Fundraisers:

TSUNAA/COSTAC Membership Drive (Now through Feb. 15th): Join the TSU National Alumni Association and our COST Alumni Chapter and help give back to TSU. Make a difference in a student's life. Your membership dues allow for scholarship opportunities. \$100 (\$50 TSUNAA/\$50 COSTAC yearly). TSUNAA Lifetime Membership opportunities are also available. Applications and payment information can be found at www.tsunaa.com. Sign-up by Feb. 15th for the COST Alumni Chapter, and be entered into a drawing for a Fitbit step/activity/calorie counter. New TSU graduates get one year of free membership, contact us today if you meet this qualification.

TSU Athletics (Men's Basketball): Come out and show your Tiger Pride with the undefeated, show stopping TSU Men's Basketball Team. First home game, Saturday, January 17th, HPE Arena, 7:30 p.m. Ticket information can be found at: www.athletics.tsu.edu.

COSTAC First General Body Meeting 2015: Join us Saturday, January 24th at 10:00 a.m. CST for our first 2015 COSTAC General Body Meeting via teleconference. Meet our new officers, learn more about TSUNAA/COSTAC, and build your network.

TSUNAA Convention Summer 2015 (Houston, TX): Networking, Break-out Sessions/Professional Development, Community Service and Social Events. More details coming soon.

COSTAC Commemorative Tile Fundraiser: Raising money for student scholarships and COST. Leave your legacy at COST. More details coming soon.

As a member of TSUNAA/COSTAC, you will not only provide scholarship opportunities for students, give your physical time to support COST and mentor students, but you will be engaged in:

- Networking Opportunities
- Professional Development
- Career Fairs (Students and Alumni)
- Social Events
- Community Service
- Fundraisers

Let's show the University that COST Alumni and Supporters are making an impact as well. We look forward to you joining and supporting our Chapter, as we embark on a new journey to show what One TSU, and One COST are really about! Get the word out! Join team TSUNAA/ COSTAC today! **#COSTAlumniCare**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at tsucostac@gmail.com. For chapter concerns or suggestions, please feel free to contact me directly at president.tsucostac@gmail.com.

Have a great year and we look forward to hearing from you soon!

Regards,

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