

Chronology

Move Forward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter

Officially Chartered by the National Association for the  
Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) on

February 20, 2016



*Thurgood Marshall STEM High School*  
4447 Hoover Ave.  
Dayton, Ohio 45417

*"Pride • Service • Leadership"*



## ***The Founding of the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter***

On February 20, 2016 during the NAACP National Board Meeting in New York, the following Branches, Youth Councils, High School and College Chapters were approved for charters:

- Baytown Branch, TX (Pending Staff Review)
- Utica College Chapter, NY
- Vincennes University College Chapter, IN
- Move Foward Thurgood Marshall High School Chapter, OH
- St. Ambrose University College Chapter, IA
- Craven County Youth Council, NC
- Lakeland Youth Council, FL
- Chapel Hill Carrboro Youth Council, NC

The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was first announced during the Thurgood Marshall Army JROTC Military Ball on March 14, 2015 where Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), served as the keynote speaker. The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was the brainchild of LTC (R) Claudia L. Mason, Senior Army Instructor, Thurgood Marshall STEM High School's Army JROTC Leadership Program. The official kick-off meeting was held on October 20, 2015 to heighten the interest of the students. The organizing committee was formed on October 27, 2015. The organizing meeting was held on October 30, 2015 and the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was officially chartered by the NAACP Board of Directors effective February 20, 2016. The chapter is named in honor of its primary benefactor, President Derrick L. Foward, a visionary, as he made certain everything was in place to establish the chapter. The first official meeting was held at Thurgood Marshall STEM High School on Wednesday, March 3, 2016. The chapter's primary objective is to focus on civic engagement, civil rights history and leadership/decision-making amongst teenagers /young adults. Their core goals are Pride, Service and Leadership.

### ***The First Elected High School Officers are as follows:***

Dariana Tolliver, President; Amanda McClellon, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Jayiana Pooler, Secretary; Rahjae Mack, Assistant Secretary; Shemaya Wingard, Treasurer; and Briana Thomas, Assistant Treasurer

### ***The First Elected High School Advisor is as follows:***

LTC (R) Claudia L. Mason, Advisor

### ***The First Appointed High School Executive Committee Member is as follows:***

Malcolm Hazelton

### ***Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter Vision Statement***

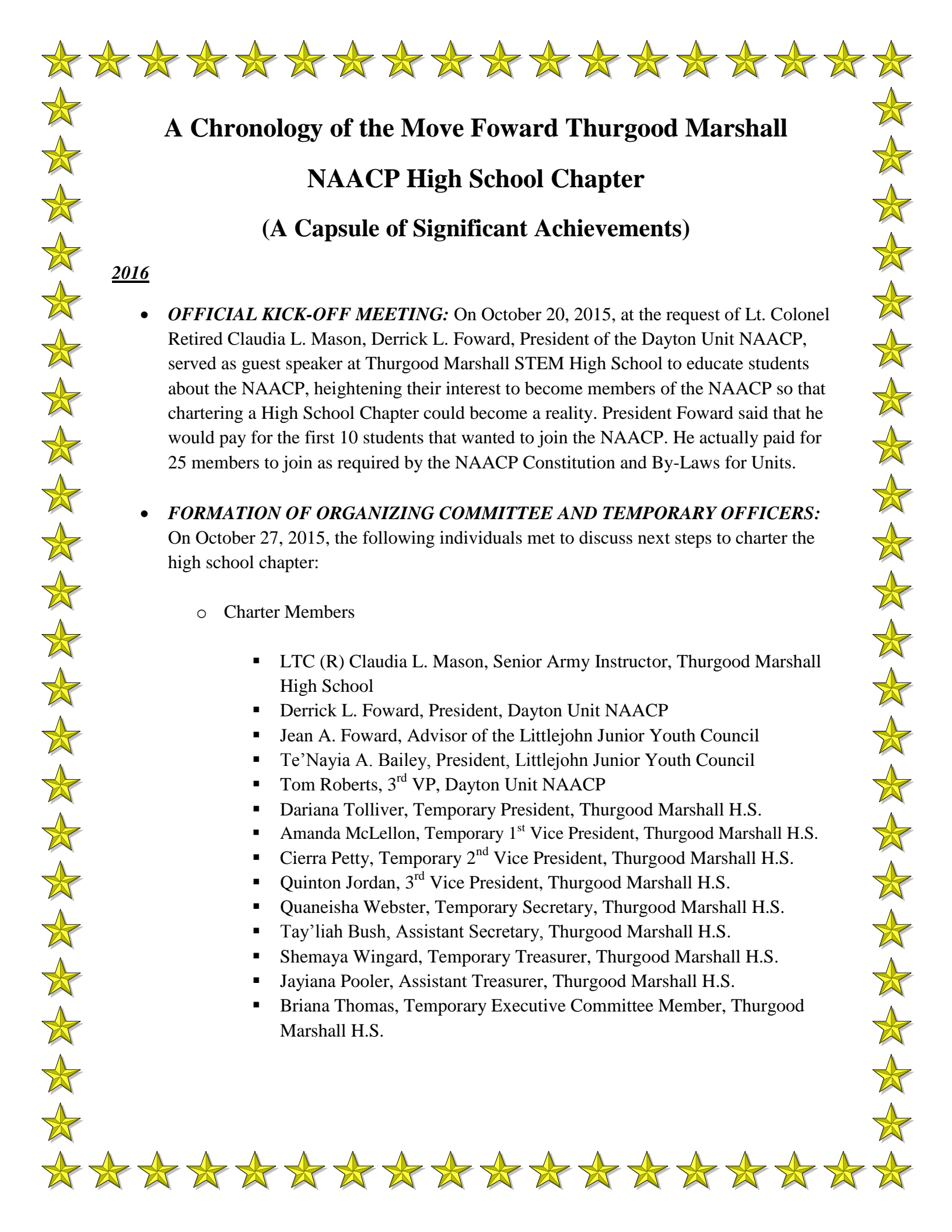
The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter mission is to: "Develop the next generation of Community and Civil Rights Leaders."



# YOUTH & COLLEGE DIVISION



Seventy-five years ago during the NAACP's St. Louis Convention, a passionate and determined youth delegate, Juanita E. Jackson, challenged the leadership of the Association to create a department that focused on the growing concerns of Black youth in America. Through her intelligent leadership, the National Board of Directors passed a resolution creating the NAACP Youth & College Division and named Ms. Jackson its first Youth Secretary in March of 1936.



# A Chronology of the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall

## NAACP High School Chapter

### (A Capsule of Significant Achievements)

#### 2016

- **OFFICIAL KICK-OFF MEETING:** On October 20, 2015, at the request of Lt. Colonel Retired Claudia L. Mason, Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit NAACP, served as guest speaker at Thurgood Marshall STEM High School to educate students about the NAACP, heightening their interest to become members of the NAACP so that chartering a High School Chapter could become a reality. President Foward said that he would pay for the first 10 students that wanted to join the NAACP. He actually paid for 25 members to join as required by the NAACP Constitution and By-Laws for Units.
- **FORMATION OF ORGANIZING COMMITTEE AND TEMPORARY OFFICERS:** On October 27, 2015, the following individuals met to discuss next steps to charter the high school chapter:
  - Charter Members
    - LTC (R) Claudia L. Mason, Senior Army Instructor, Thurgood Marshall High School
    - Derrick L. Foward, President, Dayton Unit NAACP
    - Jean A. Foward, Advisor of the Littlejohn Junior Youth Council
    - Te’Nayia A. Bailey, President, Littlejohn Junior Youth Council
    - Tom Roberts, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP, Dayton Unit NAACP
    - Dariana Tolliver, Temporary President, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Amanda McLellon, Temporary 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Cierra Petty, Temporary 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Quinton Jordan, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Quaneisha Webster, Temporary Secretary, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Tay’liah Bush, Assistant Secretary, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Shemaya Wingard, Temporary Treasurer, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Jayiana Pooler, Assistant Treasurer, Thurgood Marshall H.S.
    - Briana Thomas, Temporary Executive Committee Member, Thurgood Marshall H.S.

- ***MOVE FOWARD THURGOOD MARSHALL NAACP HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER CHARTERED:*** The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was the brainchild of LTC (R) Claudia L. Mason, Senior Army Instructor, Thurgood Marshall High School. She asked Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit NAACP to assist by paying for 25 memberships to establish the organization. Foward asked Mason if she would lead the Move Forward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter as the Advisor. Mason accepted. The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter was officially chartered by the NAACP Board of Directors effective February 20, 2016.
- ***MOVE FOWARD THURGOOD MARSHALL NAACP HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER INTRODUCED TO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP:*** On Monday, February 22, 2016, during the Dayton Unit NAACP General Membership Meeting, members of the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter were introduced to members and friends.



- **MOVE FOWARD THURGOOD MARSHALL NAACP HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER OFFICIALLY INTRODUCED TO THE COMMUNITY:** On Monday, February 29, 2016, chapter holds first press conference to announce to the community the historical chartering of the first high school chapter in the State of Ohio.



- **NAACP HIGH SCHOOL ELECTION:** On March 9, 2016, Dariana Tolliver, was elected and sworn into office as the 1<sup>st</sup> President of the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter. Joining Tolliver in this first administration are Amanda Mc Amanda McClellon, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Jayiana Pooler, Secretary; Rahjae Mack, Assistant Secretary; Shemaya Wingard, Treasurer; and Briana Thomas, Assistant Treasurer. The Honorable Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit NAACP, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected officers.



To The Left:

- Name: Dariana Tolliver
- Position: 1<sup>st</sup> President
- Member Since: November 13, 2015
- School 2016: Thurgood Marshall STEM High School
- Aspiration: Social Worker / International Student Aid

Below:

Amanda McClellon, Vice President

Malcolm Hazelton, Executive Committee

Shemaya Wingard, Treasurer

Briana Thomas, Assistant Treasurer



- **FIRST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING:** On March 9, 2016, chapter members held first Executive Committee Meeting
- **DAYTON UNIT NAACP APPROVES ELECTION RESULTS:** On March 21, 2016, the Dayton Unit NAACP Executive Committee approved the Move Forward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter election results as presented. This action has to be ratified by the General Membership.
- **DAYTON UNIT NAACP RATIFIES ELECTION RESULTS:** On March 28, 2016, the Dayton Unit NAACP General Membership ratified the action of the Executive Committee to approve the Move Forward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter election results as presented.
- **CHAPTER EDUCATED ON NAACP POLICY AND PROCEDURES:** On April, 6, 2016, Tom Roberts, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President and Former Ohio State Senator, conducts training at the request of Advisor Mason.



- **CHAPTER VISITS OHIO CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION:** Before participating in Lobby Day activities, Advisor Mason educates members about the purpose of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission.



- **CHAPTER PARTICIPATES IN OHIO CONFERENCE NAACP LOBBY DAY:** On April, 20, 2016, Cadets Shemaya Wingard and Thyiell Caldwell attended NAACP Lobby Day at the Ohio State House. Lobby Day, also known as Advocacy Day, is our opportunity to speak “truth to power”---by meeting with state-elected officials to discuss our position of issues that most impact our community. During the visit to the Ohio State



House, Shemaya and Thyiell observed various NAACP-unit leaders from across the state and members of the Ohio NAACP State Conference confer with other advocates/lobbyist. They observed Ohio Congressional proceeding and received words of wisdom from State Senator Teresa Fedor (D-Toledo) about her experience as legislator especially on her efforts to prevent human trafficking. State Representative Strahorn and State Senator Beagle presented proclamations formally recognizing our chapter. Both proclamations are prominently housed in the school's display case.



- **CHAPTER LEADERSHIP ATTENDS 1<sup>st</sup> NAACP NATIONAL CONVENTION:** From July 17-20, 2016, Cadets Dariana Tolliver and Shemaya Wingard attended the NAACP 107<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio. Both currently hold key leadership positions in the chapter and are very deserving of this honor. Due to the chapter's membership and its standing as being compliant with established rules/regulations, the chapter qualified to have two voting delegates. Dariana and Shemaya represented our chapter on decisions regarding who would serve on the National Board of Directors, who would hold nationally elected staff positions within the Youth and College Division and voted their approval or disapproval on various resolutions before the convention.

*"The convention definitely got me out of my comfort zone. It opened my mind to the rest of the world."*

***Dariana Tolliver—President, Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter***

*"It was a great learning experience. The convention taught me the struggles of those who fought for my rights."*

***Shemaya Wingard--- Treasurer, Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter***



- **DAYTON UNIT NAACP PRESIDENT BRINGS NATIONAL YOUTH & COLLEGE DIRECTOR TO DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF VOTING AS WELL AS NAACP POLICIES & PROCEDURES:** On September 7, 2016, Derrick L. Foward, President of the Dayton Unit NAACP, organized a meeting with the Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter, the Dayton NAACP Youth Council, the Littlejohn Junior NAACP Youth Council, Stephen Green, Director of the NAACP Youth & College Division, Anthony Davis and Devon Crawford, National Youth & College Division Staff Members of the NAACP, to provide all three youth organizations with resources and giveaways and talk to them about the importance of VOTING as well as NAACP policies and procedures.



*We Are The Move Foward Thurgood Marshall NAACP High School Chapter*