

# **The Graduate Student Advisory Council**

Division of Student Development



**North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University**



# The Graduate Student Advisory Council: The Beginning

- Vice Chancellor Melody C. Pierce identified the need
- Steering committee established in Student Development
- 2011 – 2012 Graduate Student Needs Assessment
  - » Tuition, Student Fees, Representation, Stipends, Research, Child Care, etc.
  - » 17 percent of the graduate population responded
- Spring 2012 – First Graduate Student Council elections
- Fall 2012 – Constitution and By Laws established
- Name changed to, “The Graduate Student Advisory Council.”

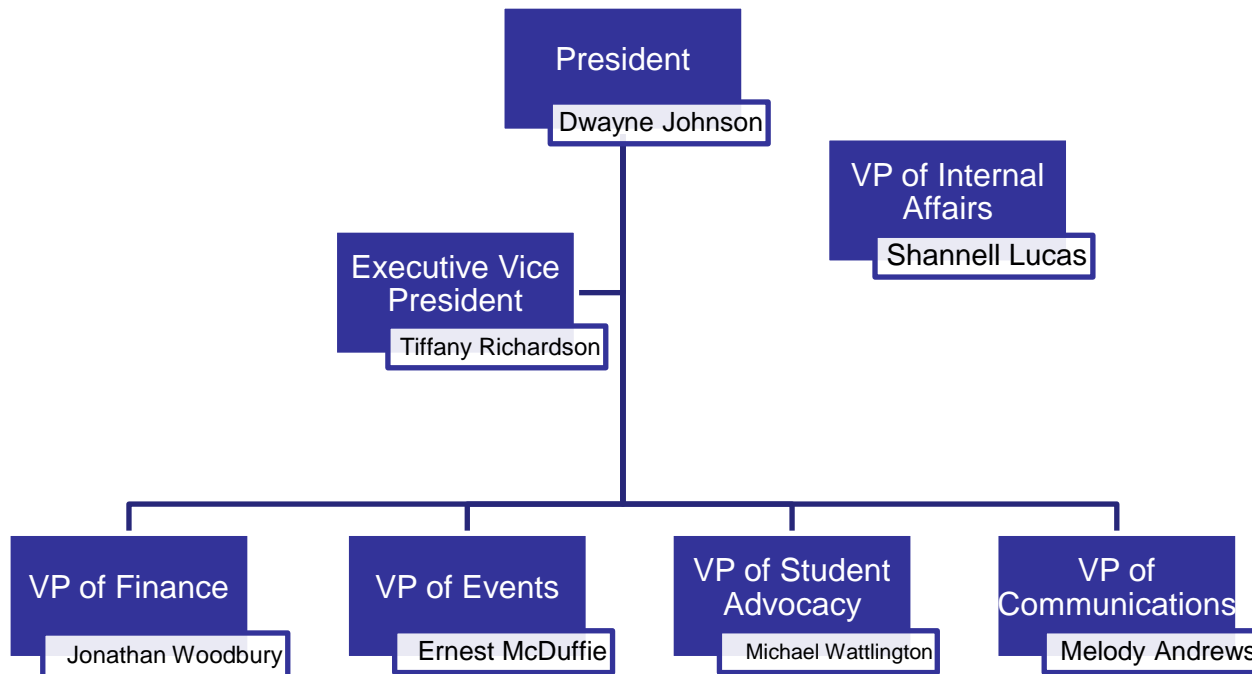


# The GSAC Vision and Mission Statements

- The Graduate Student Council will be an advocate for effective growth and development of the graduate community.
- To represent the needs and desires of a diverse graduate student population by promoting organized events, that will allow students to unite through service, social enjoyment and professional development. We will recognize issues and concerns affecting graduate students and encourage effective communication and robust collaboration across the university community.



# 2013 – 2014 Organizational Structure





## The GSAC Highlights: 2012 - 2014

- Graduate Student Mix and Mingle
- Class council mentorship
- Civic and Service Engagement
- Social Collaboration
- Research and Award Grants
- Graduate Student Day ~ Fall 2013
- “Hooded for Success” reception
- Unofficial Logo
- National Association of Graduate and Professional Students



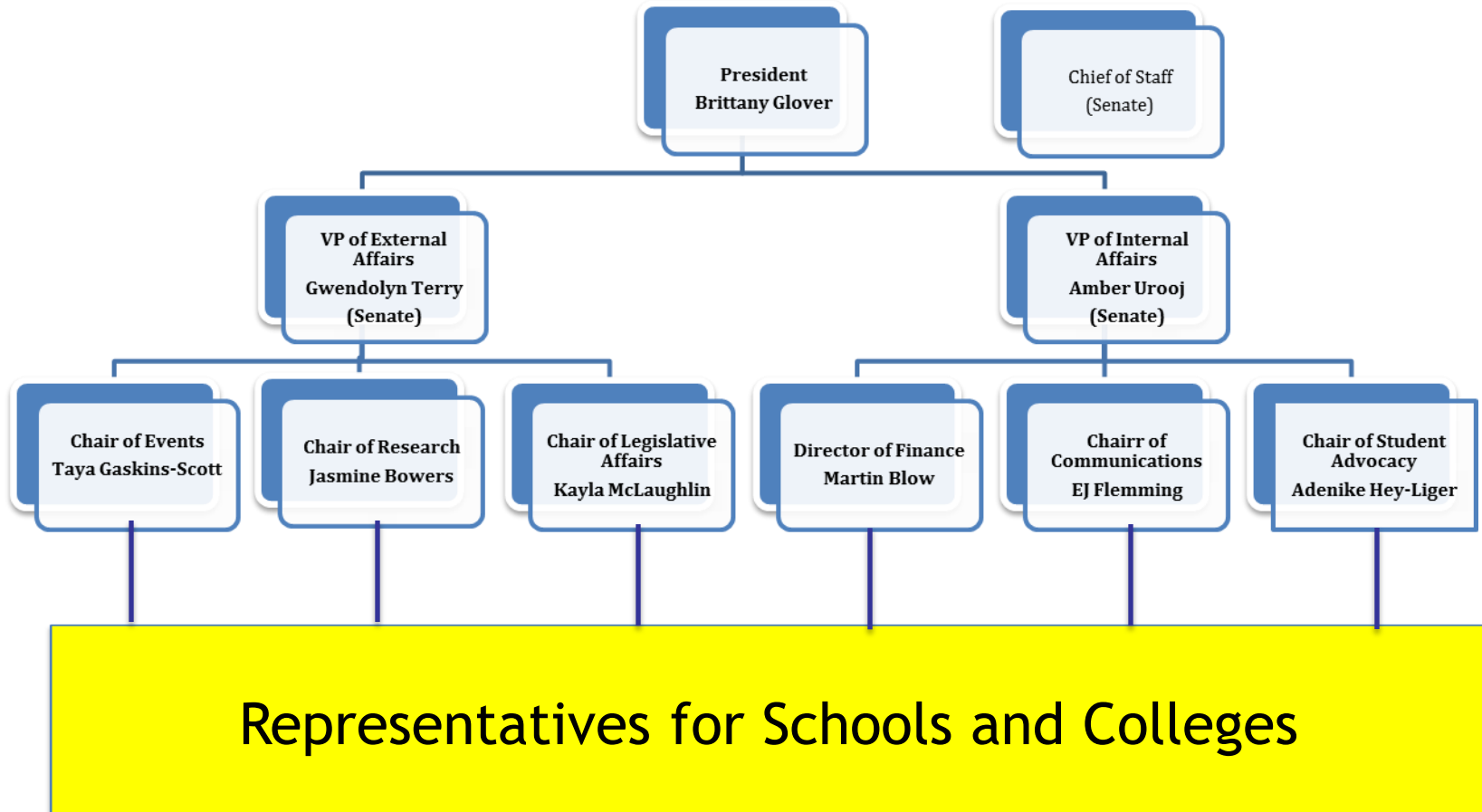


## National Association of Graduate and Professional Students

- 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of NAGPS at Western Michigan University. November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 10<sup>th</sup>
- The NAGPS is made up of 90 universities throughout the United States.
- The GSAC of NC A&T State University makes history as the first HBCU voting member
- Affiliated Schools includes: Carnegie Mellon University, Duke University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Harvard University and Syracuse University
- GSAC officers elected to two regional and one national position



# 2014 – 2015 Organizational Structure





## 2014 -2015 GSAC Agenda Items

- Interdisciplinary research opportunities
- Professional Development
- Award Grant Opportunities
- Graduate Student Day
- Student Fees
- National presentations and conferences
- Intellectual property recognition





# Q & A.