

# 24th Annual NSPAA Technical Assistance Workshop

Embassy Suites by Hilton  
300 Tallapoosa St., Montgomery, AL 36104

## Draft Program

As of May 29, 2019

ALL PLENARY SESSIONS and GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING IN SALON DEF/EMBASSY II

*Tuesday, June 4, 2019*

- 7:00am - 8:00am Exhibits Set-up - PREFUNCTION A
- 8:00am - 5:00pm Exhibits Open - PREFUNCTION A
- 9:00am - 5:00pm Registration - CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
- 1:15pm - 1:30pm Welcome and T/A Overview - SALON DEF/EMBASSY II
- 1:30pm - 2:30pm Plenary Session I - *Building Supportive Research Infrastructure at the Emerging Institution*
- FACILITATOR: Linda R. Jackson, Ed.D., NSPAA President and Director for Sponsored Research, Virginia Union University
- PRESENTER: *Pamela Whitlock*, Consultant  
MAXIMUS
- 2:30pm - 2:45pm BREAK
- 2:45pm - 3:45pm Plenary Session II - *Maintaining Your Sanity in an Uncertain Funding Climate*
- FACILITATOR: Schenika T. Harrison, Assistant Director, Office of Sponsored Programs and Research, Tougaloo College
- PRESENTERS: *Erika Thompson*, Director  
*Willette Brown-Fatoyinbo*, Program Manager  
Grants Resource Center  
American Association of State Colleges and Universities

**“Reaching Excellence in Research: “The Time is Now”**

**3:45pm - 4:30pm      Plenary Session III - *Partnering Research Opportunities***

**FACILITATOR:** Beverly McDonald-Robinson, Ed.S. Director  
Title III Program Administration and Sponsored  
Programs, Arkansas Baptist College

**PRESENTER:** *Renotta Young, JD*, Deputy Controller,  
Columbia University in the City of New York

**6:00pm – 9:00pm      General/Opening Banquet – **SALON ABC/EMBASSY I****

**PRESIDING:** Linda R. Jackson, Ed.D., NSPAA President and  
Director for Sponsored Research, Virginia Union University and  
Norma J. Frank, Ph.D., NSPAA President-Elect and Director  
for Sponsored Programs, Southern University and A&M College

**INVOCATION:** Veronica Goodman, Assistant Director  
Norfolk State University

**WELCOME:**

**GREETINGS:** Cynthia Warrick, Ph.D., President  
Stillman College

Andrew Hugine, Jr., Ph.D., President  
Alabama A&M University

Lily D. McNair, Ph.D., President  
Tuskegee University

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** *Quintin Ross*, Ph.D., President  
Alabama State University

***Wednesday, June 5, 2019***

**7:30am - 5:00pm      Exhibits Open - PREFUNCTION A  
Registration - CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

**7:00am - 7:50am      Continental Breakfast/General Body - OASIS  
Continental Breakfast Executive Committee Meeting - GOVERNOR**

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**7:50am - 8:00am**

**Welcome and T/A Overview**

Linda R. Jackson, Ed.D., NSPAA President and Director for  
Sponsored Research, Virginia Union University

**8:00am - 10:30am**

**Plenary Session IV - HBCU Research Opportunities with Department of  
Navy**

FACILITATOR: Dorothy Huston, Ph.D., Founder/CEO  
Technology Management Training Group, Inc.

PRESENTER: *Anthony C. Smith, Sr.*, Program Director/Manager  
Department of Navy's HBCU/MI Program

**10:30am - 10:45am**

**BREAK**

**10:45am - 12:00pm**

**Plenary Session V - HBCU Research Opportunities with the Air Force  
Office of Scientific Research**

FACILITATOR: Dorothy Huston, Ph.D., Founder/CEO  
Technology Management Training Group, Inc.

PRESENTER: *Edward J. Lee*, Program Coordinator  
HBCU/MIs SBIR/STTR Program, Air Force Office  
of Scientific Research

**12:15pm - 1:30pm**

**LUNCHEON - SALON ABC/EMBASSY I**

**INVOCATION:** Danette Hall, Director  
Office of Sponsored Programs  
Tuskegee University

**PRESIDING:** Mildred Ofosu, Ph.D., Assistant Vice President for Sponsored  
Programs and Research, Morgan State University

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** *Clarence A. Johnson*, SES Director  
Diversity Management Operations Center  
Defense Human Resources Activity

**1:30pm - 1:45pm**

**BREAK**

**1:45pm - 2:45pm**

**Plenary Session VI – HBCU Opportunities: U S Army Combat Capabilities  
Development Command**

FACILITATOR: Dorothy Huston, Ph.D., Founder/CEO  
Technology Management Training Group, Inc.

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PRESENTER: *Thomas W. Davis*, Ph.D., Division Chief  
Air and C2 Systems Branch, U.S. Army Combat Capabilities  
Development Command Data and Analysis Center

**2:45pm - 3:00pm**

**BREAK**

**3:00pm - 4:30pm**

**Plenary Session VII - An NSF Open Discussion: Are You in the Game? Or are  
You on the Sideline:**

FACILITATOR: Paula Shaw, Director of Sponsored Programs,  
Norfolk State University

PRESENTERS: *Pamela A. Hawkins*, Director of Operations  
Division of Grants and Agreements  
*Denise Martin*, Supervisor  
Division of Grants and Agreements  
National Science Foundation

**DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

**Thursday, June 6, 2019**

**7:00am - 5:00pm**

**Exhibits Open - PREFUNCTION A  
Registration - PREFUNCTION A**

**7:00am - 7:50am**

**Continental Breakfast/General Body - OASIS  
Continental Breakfast/Executive Committee Meeting - GOVERNOR**

**7:50am - 8:00am**

**Opening Remarks**  
Norma J. Frank, Ph.D., NSPAA President-Elect and  
Director for Sponsored Programs, Southern University and A&M College

**8:00am - 9:30am**

**Plenary Session VIII - Navigating the Federal Landscape**

FACILITATOR: Elbert Malone, Associate Provost Sponsored Programs and  
Research, South Carolina State University

PRESENTER: *Ronald Blakely*, Consultant  
Former Associate Director, White House Initiative on  
Historically Black Colleges and Universities

**9:30am - 9:45am**

**BREAK**

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**9:45am - 11:45am**

**Plenary Session IX - Partnerships and Team Building**

**FACILITATOR:** Elbert Malone, Associate Provost Sponsored Programs and Research, South Carolina State University

**PRESENTER:** *Sheadrick Tillman, Ph.D.*  
Consultant

**11:45am - 12:00pm**

**BREAK**

**12:00pm - 1:15pm**

**LUNCHEON - SALON ABC/EMBASSY I**

**INVOCATION:** John Barfield, Director of Engagement and Visibility  
Division of Research and Institutional Advancement  
Tennessee State University

**PRESIDING:** Elbert R. Malone, Associate Provost Sponsored Programs and Research, South Carolina State University

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** *Joann J. Hill*, Chief of the Office Business Development  
U.S. Department of Commerce and  
Minority Business Development Agency

**1:15pm - 1:30pm**

**BREAK**

**1:30pm - 3:00pm**

**Plenary Session X - Enhancing Institutional Competitiveness in the Acquisition Management Process**

**OPENING REMARKS:** The Honorable James E. Campos, Director  
Office of Economic Impact and Diversity  
U. S. Department of Energy

**FACILITATOR:** Annie Whatley, Deputy Director  
Office of Minority Education and Community Development  
U. S. Department of Energy

**PRESENTERS:** *Obiajulum Diei-Anene*, Contracting Officer  
*Melissa Pine*, Contracting Officer  
Office of Headquarters Procurement Services  
*Aaron Lax*, Attorney  
Office of General Counsel  
*Trina Bilal*, Program Manager  
Office of Economic Impact & Diversity  
U. S. Department of Energy

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**3:00pm - 3:15pm**

**BREAK**

**3:15pm - 4:15pm**

**Plenary Session XI - Networking Session with MAXIMUS and Grants Resource Center**

**DINNER ON YOUR OWN**

**Friday, June 7, 2019**

**7:00am - 8:00am**

**Continental Breakfast/General Body - OASIS**

**8:00am - 10:00am**

**Plenary Session XII - Institutional Capabilities and Proposal Development**

**FACILITATOR:** Elbert R. Malone, Associate Provost Sponsored Programs and Research, South Carolina State University

**PRESENTERS:** *Sheadrick Tillman*, Ph.D.  
Consultant  
*Ronald Blakely*, Consultant  
Former Associate Director, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

**10:00am - 10:15am**

**BREAK**

**10:15am - 11:30am**

**General Business Meeting: All are requested to participate**

Presiding: Linda R. Jackson, Ed.D., NSPAA President and Director for Sponsored Research, Virginia Union University

**11:30am -12:00pm**

**Closing Remarks**

Linda R. Jackson, Ed.D., NSPAA President and Director of Sponsored Research, Virginia Union University

**12:30pm – 5:00pm**

**Board Meeting and Final Closeout**