

**CONGRATULATION TO ALL NAACP MEMBERS WHO RAN FOR OFFICE IN THE
PRIMARY ELECTIONS AND ARE NOW RUNNING ON A PARTY TICKET!**

If you hold offices (State Executive Committee or Local Branch) remember to meet your duty under the NAACP Constitution to formally resign any and all positions. Have your Branch notify the State Secretary of changes resulting from your resignation. We must protect our non-partition status.

The Pennsylvania State Conference has been working!

This has been an exciting 19 months for me as your state president. **Some, but not all of our success includes:**

We have on-line registration to Quarterlies and State Conventions! And now – the National Convention has on-line registration  . ***Check the State Conference web site for up-grades that have caused nearly 1 million visits!***

Our committees have addressed legislative proposals – lending the voice of the NAACP PA to discussions on state-wide policy and intervening/ changing legislator perspectives on some issues.

We have worked to unite the NAACP PA into one voice. Western, Central and Eastern Sections constitute one NAACP PA with common state wide social justice interest and needs.

We have worked with the Governor and the Department of Education to have them create a “Safe Schools Plan” to address overt racism in our schools. A ToolKit for school districts is being created as a result of our work.

We have held “Think Tank” meetings with PA’s leading advocacy groups and have identified where NAACP PA needs to place our resources and focus our committee work. A white paper will be distributed soon.

We have formed an alliance with AFL-CIO and will work jointly with them across the state on issues of importance to citizens of Pennsylvania.

We have taken a stand on Fair Districting and passed a resolution to support legislation to establish an independent commission to draw voting district lines in 2020 so that all votes count.

We have advocated to preserve Cheyney University of Pennsylvania, the oldest institution for the education of students of African American descent in the United States and the Western Hemisphere. **The University stands!** The State Conference must now monitor and protect it.

We have worked with Cheyney University’s Education Department to write the only college of education certificate program in Pennsylvania, and perhaps the US, to train teachers on how to work with traumatized children.

ACT- SO is expanding. This builds interest in the NAACP – our sustainability.

WIN is expanding. This increases Branch membership.

An increasing number of Branches are in Compliance. This is where our strength and political influence is!

Thanks to your commitment to the NAACP! **We are becoming stronger!** *It's not too late.* **We need skilled, trained people to run for State Executive Committee and to work in the areas of their expertise. There is much to do!**

Blessings to you all!
President Flynn