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INAUGURAL TEACHERS COMMISSIONING CEREMONY

Spring 2017



UNIVERSITY OF THE BAHAMAS

Tuesday, 23rd May 2017, 10:00 a.m.

Kendal G. L. Isaacs National Gymnasium

University Drive

Nassau, The Bahamas

Dawn of A New Era: The Power of Perseverance

Guest Speaker

Mr. Paul G. Knowles

Paul G. Knowles, a 2012 graduate of The College of The Bahamas now University of The Bahamas, earned a Bachelor of Education degree in Primary Education. Upon graduation, Mr. Knowles was hired by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology and posted at the Central Abaco Primary School where he presently serves as a sixth grade teacher and grade level Coordinator.

Mr. Knowles was very active as a college student. As a member of the Education Awareness Society, he served first as its Treasurer and later as its President. The recipient of a number of awards including Most Outstanding Teacher Cadet Award, COB Alumni Leadership Award and the School of Education Award, he was named Teacher of the Year for Central Abaco Primary School for 2017 – 2019 and was subsequently named the Abaco District Teacher of the Year 2017 – 2019!

Mr. Knowles enjoys public speaking and has assisted numerous community programmes and events by delivering keynote addresses, motivational charges and coaching students for various speech competitions and debates. His involvement in these activities has strengthened his own teaching and has helped to produce top achieving students in placement and national examinations across the Abaco District and the country.

Mr. Knowles is a proud native of Eleuthera who loves being a ‘teacher’, touching and building lives. His wish is to continue to excel in his chosen career as an educator, continuing his own development into the individual God has called him to be.

Order of Ceremony

Moderators

Obria Brown, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Education, Primary Certification*

Theorelle Nottage, *Candidate for Graduation, Diploma in Secondary Education, Chemistry*

Procession of Candidates

National Anthem

Please join in the singing of the National Anthem led by:

Anna Adderley, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Education, Music (K-12)*; **Branae Coakley**, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Education, Music (K-12)*; and **Tania Martinborough**, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Education, Music (K-12)*

Invocation

Laressa Saunders, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Secondary Education, Religion*

Welcome

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, *Associate Professor/Chair, Education*

Remarks

Dr. Linda A. Davis, *Provost*

Significance of Ceremony

Mrs. Raquel Edgecombe, *Assistant Professor/HOD Secondary Field Placement*

Musical Selection and Dance

Your Destiny – *T. G. Glover Professional Development and Research School Dance Troupe*

Introduction of Speaker

Dr. Ruth Sumner, *Dean, Social and Educational Studies*

Commissioning Address

Mr. Paul G. Knowles, *B.Ed., Primary Education; Abaco District Teacher of Year 2017 - 2019*

Pinning of Teachers

Dr. Ruth Sumner, *Dean, Social and Educational Studies*

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, *Chair, Education*

Pledge

Led by: John Henderson, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Secondary Education, Biology/General Science*

Candidates' Response

Avriel Cartwright, *Candidate for Graduation, Bachelor of Secondary Education, Mathematics & Bachelor of Science, Mathematics*

Musical Selection

Candidates for Graduation

Special Presentations

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, *Chair, Education*

Vote of Thanks

Ms. Wendy Riley, *Assistant Professor, Education*

Recessional

Candidates for Graduation

SUMMER 2016

FERGUSON, Anthony D.
PINDER, Malika B. C.

FALL 2016

BETHEL, J'Liesa D. H.
BOWE, Joanne D.
BROWN, Obria L.
CLARKE, Courtney B. C.
CLARKE, Merleen
CULMER, Karsonique L.
DELANCY, Samantha B.
GREENE, Olivia V.
HALL, Shontia T. L.
HART, Shenique J. R.
HENDERSON, John W. I.
ISAACS, Germany M.
JOHNSON, Sheldira R.
JUSTILIEN, Sydline
KNOWLES, Bettina M.
LUNDY, Cordinia
MCKENZIE, Zaviera A. A.
MINNIS, Cecilly C. S.
MUSGROVE, Sandhia S.
NAIRN, Vashte J.
PARKER, Kenneia J.
PENNERMAN, Angella A.
PINDER, Quianna O. E. A.
ROLLE, Ticharo S.
ROLLE, Tonya L.
RUSSELL, Kathonia J.
SAUNDERS, Lacreasa A. A. M.
SHEPPARD, Garnell R.
STEWART, Portia A.
*TAYLOR, Billi C.R.
WHYMNS, Marcia T.

SPRING 2017

ADDERLEY, Anna
ADDERLEY, Christopher H.
ADU, Sebrina L.
ALBURY, Shannen T. R.
ARMBRISTER, Danya B.
ARMBRISTER, Floyd M.
ARMBRISTER, Pauline A.
BAIN, Franique T.
BAIN, Mia M.
BARTLETT, Danielle A.
BOWLES, Denykco A. J.
BURROWS, Patricia U.
CARTWRIGHT, Avriel R. M.
COAKLEY, Branae N.
CONLIFFE, Brenique J.
COOPER, Felicia C.
COOPER-LEATHEN, Vernitta L.
CORNISH, Clydesha V.
CULMER, Elizabeth V.
CURRY, Janis T.
CURRY, Omega I.
DELANCEY, Deangela D.
DUNCOMBE, Jennifer M.
*EDGECOMBE, Averill
FERGUSON, Rudell D.
FLOREUS, Leonel G.
GILBERT, Anthoneak A.
GOODMAN-CASH, Keishla J.
GREEN, Alicia G.
GRIFFIN, Krystal L.
GULCE, Claudia
HALL, Cornetta F.
HARRIS-SMITH, Nowe H.
HENDFIELD, Anjonique G. M.
HUDSON, Alexis P.

Candidates for Graduation

SPRING 2017

JOHNSON, Carolyn M.

JOHNSON, Latheria S.

JOHNSON-ROMER, Sheenagh P.

KELLY, Tavette L.

LARODA, Yogah S. E.

LEWIS, Tyeashia F.

LIGHTBOURNE, Shekeitra T.

MACKEY, Gia A.

MARTINBOROUGH, Tania T.

MCDONALD, Naomi C.

MCINTOSH, Delvernique A. P.

MCPHEE, Wyrissa K.

MILLS, Earlyn E.

MILLS, Sherese R.

MORLEY, Spurgeonique P. V.

MUNNINGS, Jewel Q.

NOTTAGE, Theorelle D.

OUTTEN-ALBURY, Lashonne C.

PATTON, Shawnique V.

RAMSEY, Shantera M.

ROLLE, Adriana R.

RUSSELL, Caranique R.

RUSSELL, Patrick L.

RUSSELL, Walniecia N.

SCOTT, Anishka N.

SEYMOUR, Ariel B.

SIMMONS, Danielle L.

SMITH, De'Ondra S.

STORR, Clara M.

STRACHAN, Rachelle S.

STUBBS, Alexandria L.

SWEETING, Melissa

SYMONETTE, Clara V.

THOMPSON, David D.

*THOMPSON, D'Angelo

WATSON MALCOLM, Bianca A.

WILLIAMS, Helga S.

WILLIAMS, Marcia L.

WRIGHT-PATRICK, Linda

Teachers' Pledge

I WILL promote equity in education, high expectations and give strong support to all students.

I WILL create a learning environment, which encourages mutual respect personal trust and confidentiality among students and other stakeholders.

I WILL facilitate and monitor students' learning, actively building on their prior knowledge and experiences.

I WILL utilize research to inform professional practice and national development.

I WILL participate in relevant professional global communities for the enhancement of "sustainable education".

I WILL conduct myself with utmost integrity, honesty and professionalism, always protecting those entrusted to my care.

I WILL uphold the principles and standards of this noble profession.

School of Education Faculty, The College of The Bahamas, May 2010

Spring 2017 Teachers Commissioning Committee

Mrs. Margo Blackwell, Associate Professor

Dr. Faith Butler, Associate Professor

Mr. Paul McCann, Assistant Professor

Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, Associate Professor

Dr. Andre Neely, Associate Professor

Ms. Wendy Riley, Assistant Professor