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# Newsletter

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## President's Message

My fellow labourers, greetings. With the Annual General Meeting now behind us, we must redouble our efforts as we strive to make our passage productive and memorable. Much has been accomplished over the past year, and yet so much more is there to be done. Let me extend sincere thanks to all who served over the past term – your work and efforts have not gone unnoticed. I note the breadth of commendation to a member of our executive (Dr. Patrick Anglin) who has demitted office as Centre representative, and join in the applause. However, unfortunately, for many others who have served, their transition has not been as celebrated. It must never be seen that we measure the impact we have made based on the applause, as important as that may be, because many times it does not occur, or when it does, it may be unconventional. We must serve with diligence and sincerity.

You should be aware of the discussion about a change in governance in the Open Campus and the One UWI rebranding. These are on-going and WIGUT (Jamaica) is fully engaged in the conversations, along with our counterparts on the other physical campuses.

We have noted, for instance, that these changes are likely to have implications for administrative structure, leadership, teaching and research arrangements, relationships with stakeholders, and the financial arrangements with respective governments. While we have advised the Task Force that changes to the Open Campus, that might contravene existing Statutes and Ordinances, must

## Management Committee 2016-2017



**President**  
Dr Paul  
Brown



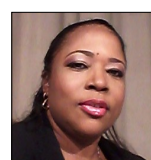
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## Co-opted Members



**Prof Hubert  
Devonish**



**Dr Donna  
Minott Kates**



**Industrial Relations  
Consultant**  
Mr Carl Pilgrim

be done using the existing procedures for discussion and implementation, we need you to be vigilant that nothing becomes operational via a 'back door.'

Let us join together in making this year the best ever for WIGUT and The UWI.

Paul D. Brown, PhD  
President

## Executive Committee 2016-2017

The **Executive Committee** is comprised of the Management Committee (on Page 1) and the following groups:-

### Committee Chairs/ Special Secretaries:

- ⇒ Grievance - Dr Patrick Anglin, Office of the University CIO (ext. 8880)
- ⇒ Professional Development - Mr Dunstan Newman, Library (ext. 2479)
- ⇒ Membership - Mr Kirk Mullings, MITS (ext. 7272)
- ⇒ Public Relations & Publications - Miss Levene Griffiths, Open Campus (926-2246-7)
- ⇒ Research - Miss Cherry-Ann Smart, Main Library (ext. 3597)
- ⇒ Pensions - Dr Marie Freckleton, Economics ( ext. 3017/ 977-1188)

### Faculty/Section Representatives:

- ⇒ Humanities - Dr. Vivette Milson-Whyte, Lang., Ling., & Philo. (ext. 3197/ 970-2950/927-1641)
- ⇒ Education - Dr. Yewende Lewis-Fokum, School of Education (927-2130)
- ⇒ Social Sciences - Dr. Charlette Donalds, MSBM (977-3808/ 977-3775, ext. 263)
- ⇒ Medical Sciences (Pre-clinical) - Dr. Dagogo Pepple, Basic Medical Sciences (927-2216, ext. 8101)
- ⇒ Medical Sciences (Clinical)- Dr. Samantha Longman-Mills, Community Health & Psychiatry (927-2492)
- ⇒ Law - Mrs. Natalie Corthésy (927-1855)
- ⇒ Science and Technology - Dr. Raymond Reid, Chemistry (ext. 3116)
- ⇒ Western Jamaica Campus - Mr. Denarto Dennis (ext. 7032)
- ⇒ Senior Administration - Ms. Anthia Muirhead, Office/Campus Registrar (ext. 2200/ 977-0612)
- ⇒ School of Nursing - Mrs. Cynthia Pitter, UWISON (ext. 2299 / 2696)
- ⇒ Library - Ms. Jessica Lewis, Main Library (ext. 3618) /Mr. Godfrey Walker (ext. 3399)
- ⇒ Professional Staff - Mr. Eton Chin, Bursary (ext. 2671)
- ⇒ Open Campus (Mona) - Mrs. Sharon Gilzene (927-2831/977-6349/ext. 2417 / 2635)
- ⇒ School of Clinical Medicine - Mrs. Corrine Sinqee-Brown (242) 356-6666 (w)
- ⇒ Centre for Hotel & Tourism Mgmt. - Mrs. Valderine Major (Bahamas (242) 323-5714; ext. 7600)
- ⇒ University Centre - Mrs. Florence Francis, Office of Administration (ext. 8961/977-3325/ext. 2407)
- ⇒ Norman Manley Law School - Miss Tania Mott – (ext. 2407)
- ⇒ MITS - Mr. Gary Stines (ext. 7280) / Dr. Kevin Duncan (ext. 7246)
- ⇒ School of Engineering - Mr. Eric Hall (977-3559)

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◆ Estate Management

◆ Heads of Centres

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Positions  
to be Filled

WIGUT  
Bursaries &  
Scholarships

## UWI Students need our HELP

Please consider making a **commitment or increase your current contribution** to the WIGUT Bursaries & Scholarship FUND. The Fund needs an injection of funds from members in order to give it a boost, so that more students can be offered bursaries.

**To make a commitment, complete a form at the WIGUT Secretariat TODAY!**

For further details call the Secretariat at 970-4596; or Ext. 2307

## AGM 2016

@ the Rex  
Nettleford  
Hall

# AGM Highlights

- ⇒ 100 members were in attendance.
- ⇒ The Union filed a grievance on behalf of persons in the professorial range. Work is still on-going to resolve this matter.
- ⇒ Complaints were received from members at the Open Campus regarding payment of the Study and Travel Grant.
- ⇒ A Task Force was set-up to examine the governance structure of the Open Campus and to make recommendations. The Task Force conducted focus group sessions with staff members and also received submissions from individuals within and outside of UWI.
- ⇒ A security survey and vulnerability assessment is now underway. The results are expected to strengthen and guide the strategic direction of security on the Mona Campus over the next three (3) to five (5) years.
- ⇒ Fifty (50) car duty concession applications were processed and approved. None were denied.
- ⇒ A total of 43 WIGUT bursaries were awarded.
- ⇒ Between December 7-18, 2015, a total of **J\$30 million** was allocated for royalty payment by JAMCOPY.
- ⇒ The Union settled and signed-off on the additional items of claim for the 2014-2017 triennium.
- ⇒ The Union is monitoring very carefully, the mold mitigation efforts on the Campus.
- ⇒ The **Capital Development Fund** stood at **\$9.4M** up from \$6.9M, while the new Welfare Fund stood at \$440,000. The Union's **investments** at the end of the year stood at **\$30.3M** up from \$25.4M for the year 2014. The balance in the **Student Bursary Fund** stood at **\$3.4M** down from \$6.7 M for the year 2014.
- ⇒ The issuing of the AGM eBook 2016 is a first for WIGUT (Jamaica). It consists of all reports for the various WIGUT Committees presented at the AGM. The eBook was pre-circulated before the AGM.

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## Congratulations on Academic Success

WIGUT Jamaica extends heartiest congratulates to **Dr Patrick Anglin**, Grievance Secretary on obtaining his Doctorate in Business Administration from the Manchester Business School, University of Manchester.



## AGM 2016 Snapshots



## Retirement Readiness

The Office of Finance has made arrangements for **Pensions Funds Expert** Mr Rezworth Burchenson, Managing Director of Prime Asset Management, to discuss retirement readiness with members of the UWI-FSSU.

These consultations are **one-on-one sessions**, primarily for persons who are **within 5 years of retirement**. Each member is asked to make a contribution of \$2,500 (this can be done via salary deduction). For further information, contact Miss Yanique Carby, Office of Finance, email: [yanique.carby02@uwimona.edu.jm](mailto:yanique.carby02@uwimona.edu.jm) Tel: 977-1710/1690, Ext. 8899.

**Interested persons must register with WIGUT's Secretariat.**

## NEW WIGUT Website

WIGUT is currently **re-designing** the website for an enhanced member experience. We therefore invite your **suggestions** to help improve the offerings on this new interactive website.

Send the **suggestions** by email to the Secretariat at: [wigut@uwimona.edu.jm](mailto:wigut@uwimona.edu.jm) by **June 30, 2016**.