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## 2012 Inaugural Ball & Dinner

The BWINAANA 2012 Inaugural Ball & Dinner is scheduled for **September 29, 2012** at 6:00pm local time.

Venue: **Crowne Plaza Hotel in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota.**

You are invited. Come join the "TEA<sup>2</sup>M - imagine BWI 2012.

## BWIT Charter

The draft charter intended to enact an act of Legislature creating a college known as the Booker Washington Institute of Technology (BWIT) was written during the month of August. This piece of legislation is being sponsored by Honorable Ben A. Fofana of Class 1986, Representative District #4, Margibi County.

When we were contacted to contribute to this endeavor, I quickly setup a working committee comprised of Honorable Arthur K. Watson, Member / BWI Board of Governors, Dr. Joe Isaac, BWINAANA

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Liaison in Liberia, Mr. Anthony Selli, Former President / BWINAANA, Hon. J. Flomo Matthew, Chairman, Board of Advisers / BWINAANA Mrs. Margaret Toweh, National Historian / BWINAANA and myself serving as the chairman. The BWINAANA through the works of the committee recommended the following:

- That charter be written for 4-years degree granting college.
- The high school be maintained to serve as the primary feeder of the college.
- A board of Trustee be established for the college and maintain the Board of Governors for the high school as is.

## Meeting of the Presidents

The National President met with the local chapters presidents via teleconference on August 18, 2012. The National President A. Zaccheus Payne welcomed all chapter presidents and thanked them for their support during the electoral process. Even if you were not on our side, we invite you to join us on the side of BWINAANA and BWI.

Each of the presidents gave the states of their individual chapters and subsequently pledged to support the Payne's Administration.

At the close of the meeting, the presidents took home the task of formulating ideas relative to alumni benefit package and fundraising initiatives.

## Bldg Project / Trustee Meeting

The National President met with members of the BWINAANA Building Project Committee and Trustee on August 26, 2012. In a briefing, Project Chairman David Ballah informed the president that the project is on course. Trustee Manager Momo Zezele said the current fund available for the project is \$17,400.00. He then used the opportunity to ask the president to use his office to encourage members to pay their contributions to the project. A resolution to establish a PayPal account to be attached to the BWINAANA website: [bwitiger.org](http://bwitiger.org) was reached. The Paypal account will guarantee easy payment or donation.

## Around BWINAANA

1. **Alumnus Romell Whyte** of the Carolina Chapter had surgery on both knees. She is recovering at home. Please call her at **704.212.7669**
2. **Mother Mai Grisby** of the Great Lakes chapter is off the life-support. Please call her @ **313-623.0635**
3. President Justin Wennah was re-elected in DVC. Congratulations Mr. President.



## President's Corner: What's on the Plate

- Meeting with Dr. Thiemo Thiam of Tuskegee University in Alabama along with BWI Principal, Mulbah Jackollie and Maryland Chapter President John Fahnbutu on Sept. 15, 2012
- Meeting with Papa Samb of Phelps Stoke Foundation in Washington DC along with Maryland Chapter President John Fahnbutu on Sept. 18, 2012.
- Teleconference with the Georgia Chapter relative to EC planning Sept. 22, 2012
- Teleconference with the Board of Advisers Sept. 23, 2012