Strengthening the Retention and Graduation of African American Students BLACK STUDENT UNION ADVISORS FORUM

Robbinsdale Area Schools

New Hope, MN

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The Office of National Black Student Union (NBSU), www.nbsu.org, is pleased to have Robbinsdale Area Schools host the Black Student Union Advisors Forum on their respective campus. This one day forum is designed to network advisors. The Office of NBSU work to: establish a communication network to establish professional standards for BSU advisors; propose plans and programs to strengthen/support new and continuing advisors in their work with the BSU on their respective campus.

The Black Student Union (BSU) Advisors Forum is a series of working sessions that enable advisors to address academic/student affairs and professional development related issues with BSU advisors from across the country. Advisors will be given the opportunity to exchange insight into prevailing practices on campuses.

Since the establishment of the annual National Black Student Union (NBSU) conference (1998), advisors have articulated the need to become more engaged with BSU advisors throughout the country. The series of BSU Advisors Roundtable sessions are an integral part of the annual NBSU conference. More recently, three BSU Advisors Forums have been hosted by colleges: Ripon College, Ripon, WI; College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL.; McHenry County College, Crystal Lake, IL., and University of Illinois at Chicago.

Registration

- A. Breakfast Plenary Session: Status Report on BSU's Across America
- B. Black Student Unions on Campus
 - The Impact of BSU on the DePaul University Campus
 - Involvement and Participation
 - Undergraduate Research and Internships
 - Travel Study Abroad
 - Graduate and Professional Study: Careers in Higher Education
 - Networking with Multicultural Groups
 - Establishment of a Community Service
 - Saturday College Programs
 - Summer Pre-College Camps
 - Recruiting College Students: high schools; transfers
 - Entrepreneurship Linkages with Alums and Campus Foundation African American Alum Narratives
- C. Luncheon Plenary Session: The Status of the BSU Advisor
 - i. The Role of the BSU Advisor

- ii. The Academic and Professional Profile of the Advisor Retention and Promotion by Campus
- D. Closing: Summary of Forum