

Name: Talika Buster Position: Secretary

Candidate Bio

My name is Talika Buster (Brown). I am running again for the position of National Alumni Secretary. I was born and raised in Washington DC, but then moved to Prince George's County, MD. I graduated from Suitland High School in 1996 and then continued my education to attend THE North Carolina Central University. I majored and received my Bachelor's degree in May 2000 in Political Science with a minor in Business Administration. I was also initiated in Spring 2000 as a member of the Alpha Chi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. I

currently reside in Clinton, MD with my husband Demetrius Buster and our son Jeremiah. I love going to the beach, volunteering and spending time with my family and friends. My volunteer participation include: local schools in my area with mentor/mentee programs, Shepards Cove shelter, Voter Registration drives, the NCCU Alumni Association (national) and the Metro DC Chapter of the NCCU Alumni Association, which I am an active and paid member of both. I have been employed in the Federal Government for over 20 years with several agencies. For the last 14 years I have been at the State Department and look forward to retirement from there one day. I am running for office as I have been assisting with this position for the past two years and have grown very fond of the position. I want to continue to give back to my alma mater by giving my time and dedication to serve with my fellow eagles. To increase membership and bring more Eagles into the fold of what NCCU is doing and will continue to do with their help.

What does Truth & Service mean to you?

To me Truth is to be you. You being yourself in everything you do. Service is giving back and providing. No matter how you do it. As a NCCU Eagle is no ordinary barnyard fowl we strive to continue to lay the legacy and foundation from what was taught and shown to us.

What are three goals you have for the position you are seeking?

As the National Secretary everybody sees that person as the administrator and note taker but it's more than that. Being in this position the last 2 years have allowed me think bigger and outside the box. To provide assistance and ideas to the Executive Board as needed. To lighten the load of the President and Vice President as needed. To be able to filter through the small areas that require and need attention.

Please list your involvement with the association locally /regionally/nationally

I have been involved in the role of the National Secretary and a local member of the Metro DC Chapter of NCCU. As the National Secretary for the last 2 years and a local member for many years. My involvement includes participating in various programs, activities and events to bring awareness to NCCU and give back to the community.