Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek.

For more information contact robert.page@mcckc.edu
Dear Educator:

The Consortium on African American Higher Education administrators and the Metropolitan Community College are pleased to host “The Gathering” an African American Higher Education professional development day. The program will be held Friday, July 22, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at MCC - Penn Valley’s campus located at 3201 Southwest Trafficway in Kansas City.

The goal of The Gathering will provide professional development, fellowship and networking opportunities for senior, mid-level, intermediate and new professional African American faculty and staff in higher education. Though an interactive program format, participants will explore best practices to develop a personal career plan, while connecting with fellow colleagues, and learning the tools to strengthen their personal brand. Focusing on the following Summit competencies, participants will develop broad professional knowledge, skills, and attitudes expected of higher education professionals in order to develop an “action plan” navigating their personal and professional career trajectory.

To attend this day, you must register in advance by completing this registration form and email it to robert.page@mcckc.edu. Registrations must be post marked by Friday, July 1, 2016. Space is limited so please register early!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Eric Thompson, eric.thompson@mcckc.edu

Sincerely,

The Gathering Committee
“The Gathering”
African American Higher Education Summit
Registration Form

Contact Information:

________________________________________  ________________________________________
First Name                                             Last Name

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School                                             Title

Name you would like to appear on your nametag: ______________________________

Address:

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Street                                             City                  State                  Zip Code

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Office Phone                                             E-mail Address

Registration Fee: $45.00 (covers all meals and registration materials)

*Special services and/or vegetarian meals:   ____ Yes   ____ No (Clarify): __________________________

Make all check payable to: Metropolitan Community College

Please send one registration form for each person attending. Please keep a copy of this form for your
records and email the original to:

Metropolitan Community College – Penn Valley
The Gathering
Eric Thompson
Office of Admissions
3201 Southwest Trafficway
Kansas City, MO 64111
“The Gathering”
African American Higher Education Summit
Proposed Program Agenda

9:00  Welcome and Opening Speaker
Welcome: Dr. Kirk Nooks, President, Metropolitan Community College-Longview
Opening Speaker: Dr. Kevin Rome, President, Lincoln University Jefferson City, Missouri

10:00 Panel Discussion – Out Paths, Our Journeys; Women of the Profession
Topic #1 Professional Development & Professional Growth
Dr. Tammara Durham, Vice Provost of Student Affairs, the University of Kansas
Topic #2 Family Values/Spirituality/Ethics
Dr. Nina Caldwell, Vice President of Student Affairs Maryville University
Topic #3 Mentoring & Networking
Dr. Lori White, Vice President of Student Affairs, Washington University

11:15 Building your competencies and professional plan
James Nofleet, the Spelman Johnson Group

12:00 Luncheon and Keynote Speaker
Remarks: Joe Seabrooks, President Metropolitan Community College-Penn Valley
Dr. Dwaun Warmack, President, Harris Stowe State University

1:30 Navigating your Career Pathway
Career Pathway #1: Student Affairs
Career Pathway #2: Career Track-Faculty
Career Pathway #3: Academic Administration
Career Pathway #4: Diversity Officers

2:15 Small Group Networking Groups
New Professionals – Facilitated by: Dr. Nina Patterson-Caldwell
Mid-Level Professionals – Facilitated by Dr. Tammara Durham
Senior Level Professionals – Facilitated by: Dr. Lori White
Faculty – Facilitated by: Dr. DeAngela Burns-Wallace

3:15 Closing Session
James Norfleet, the Spelman Johnson Search Group