

STRATEGIC PLAN 2019-2020

'Building with a legacy in mind'

Our Vision

To continue to be the leading network for professional women in Trinidad and Tobago

Our Value Proposition

 AFETT possesses a strong network and opportunities for members to grow and develop their business; the opportunity to play a greater role in policy formation and advocacy on women's issues and is viewed as an effective educator (wealth of knowledge and information).



Our Board of Directors

Yolande Agard-Simmons - President

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Inga Dottin-Wiltshire - Secretary

Michelle Low Chew Tung - Director, Communications

Cheryl Sue Wing - Director, Finance

Sunita Gopaul - Director, Fund Raising

Dulcie Furlonge - Director, Membership

Dixie Ann Dickson - Director, Programmes

Jeane Warner - Director, Research and Public Advocacy

Solange Richardson - Director, Social Outreach

Our Committees

Finance
Communications
Membership
Research and Public Advocacy
Programmes
Social Outreach
Fund Raising

Finance Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 maintain the financial viability of the Association and ensure proper financial records are kept in accordance with international accounting standards

- Collaborate to ensure monthly meetings are self sustaining
- Advise on programme funding options
- Explore partnerships and sponsorship for events



Communications Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 Reinforce the image of the Association as the leading organisation for networking for female executives

- Activate a well-planned social media strategy
- Implement a Member-to-Member monthly bulletin
- Issue e-magazine 'Take Note' by the 1st Thursday of each month
- Facilitate a sustain media presence through media interviews and media releases on topical issues and statement pieces



Membership Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

offer members best value for their membership

- Review and promote the benefits of being a part of the Association
- Increase and promote the profiles of members through collaborations with the Communications and Programmes committees via roll out of member showcase segments
- Review/streamline the application process using a combination of technology and personalized interaction
- Increase member engagement through a variety of channels



Research and Public Advocacy Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 lead in the advocacy and publicity of issues faced by women and young girls

- Continue with weekly Newsday Ask AFETT Column, include a Youth Arm article each quarter
- Actively seek Grant Funding for a Research Project: topics to explore include Top 5; Female entrepreneurs as executives; or Migrant workers
- Host the second Podcast series
- Ongoing Judicial review
- Advocacy activities to include participation in 16 days of activism events; and IWD 2020 Walk
- Award the annual Bursary to two (2) female University students

Programmes Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 build a stronger AFETT Community, offering women professional development and networking opportunities

- Introduce our 'Women in' Series ... Export, ICT, Health, Communications, Law
- Continue our 'Mix & Mingle' Series to ensure the networking element of our meetings are maintained
- Partner with various organisations to increase the reach and appeal of our Meetings
- Financial Members to continue to showcase AT NO COST at monthly Membership Meetings, EGM and AGM

Social Outreach Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 To offer women and young girls personal and professional development opportunities

- Host the 2nd Annual Networking Session for graduates of our Mentorship Programmes (December 2019)
- Execute the REACH Mentorship Programme in the Sangre Grande area (February 2020)
- Explore partnership/sponsorship opportunity to host an instalment of the Six Steps to Success programme



Fund Raising Committee

***Strategic Objective:**

 to raise funds to assist with the effective operation and sustainability of the Association

- Suit Me Up 2019 (October 5 2019)
- Inaugural BYOB Parang event (November/December 2019)
- Cruise Party (January 2020)
- IWD Women of Influence Awards and Mentorship Function (March 2020)
- 4th Annual Women in Leadership Series (May 2020)

