My name is Folashade Jose, MD (Fola) chair of BWFC. I will like to take this opportunity to welcome all BWFC members to an exciting, innovative and energetic 2013-2014 academic year. We strive to support ourselves through mentoring, collaborating and education, while supporting professionalism and leadership here at BSOM. Our energetic committee is devoted, as we have been in the past, to preparing programs to meet your professional needs and the needs of the entire BSOM.

I hereby call on all our energetic BWFC members to join us at our first business meeting of the year on September 17, 2013, to be held from 12:00-1:30pm in Brody Room 2W-50. We will welcome new members, discuss the BWFC advocacy award, review previous goals and establish new goals/objectives, discuss the agenda for the upcoming year and much more. Remember make a difference at BSOM; let your voice be heard.

Accomplishments
Dr. Lorrie Basnight has stepped down, after many years as the leader of the Vidant GME programs as the Designated Institutional Official. She has accepted the position of Executive Director of Eastern AHEC and Associate Dean of Continuing Medical Education, effective August 5, 2013.

Please send your accomplishments to Jamie DeWitt (dewittj@ecu.edu)

News & Events
Email Jamie DeWitt (dewittj@ecu.edu) if you have information for upcoming BWFC newsletters.

Did you Know?
Wage Premium from Having a STEM Job and/or degree

Source: Association for Women in Science

2013-2014 Brody Women Faculty Committee
tentative Event Schedule

9/17/13, Business Meeting, 12:00-1:30pm, Brody 2W-50
10/24/13, 12:00-1:30pm, Brody 2W-50
Annual joint meeting between BWFC and VCDI
11/19/13, Business Meeting, 12:00-1:30pm, Pine Room, Vidant Cafeteria
12/3/13, Program Meeting, time TBD, Brody 2W-38
Tentative topic: Where have we been and where are we now?
Guests: Dr. Virginia Hardy, Dr. Phyllis Horns, and Dr. Libby Baxley
1/21/14, Business Meeting, 12:00-1:30pm, Brody 2W-38
2/18/14, Program Meeting, time and location TBD
Topic: TBD
3/24/14, Business Meeting, 12:00-1:30pm, Brody 2W-38
April 3 or 4, 2014
Professional Leadership in Medicine and Science Conference
5/14/13, Business Meeting, time and location TBD
# BWFC Executive Committee

### Chair – Folashade Jose, MB.ch.B, MAS

- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Pediatric Gastroenterology
- Director of Endoscopy

MB.ch.B., Obafemi Awolowo University
MAS, UCSF

- Research focus: Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)
- Clinical focus: IBD, liver diseases, nutritional problems, constipation, and reflux disease, failure to thrive

### Chair-elect – Ruth Little, MPH

- Vice Chair, Operations
- Director of Community Initiatives
- Public Health

MPH, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
B.S., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

- Research focus: Health care delivery to underserved populations, interdisciplinary community education, access to health care, health and aging

### Secretary-Treasurer – Mary Gilliland, M.D.

- Professor
- Pathology & Laboratory Medicine

M.D., Loyola University of Chicago
M.S., Loyola University of Chicago
B.A., Dominican University

- Research focus: Child abuse and retinal hemorrhages
- Clinical focus: Child abuse, sudden cardiac death, mechanisms of injury

### Program Chair – Karen Oppelt, D.V.M.

- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Comparative Medicine

D.V.M., Virginia Tech
B.S., Guilford College

- Research focus: Laboratory animal health and welfare as well as collaborative research with other investigators

### Program Chair – Salma Syed, D.O.

- Clinical Assistant Professor
- Pediatric Infectious Diseases and Immunology
- Director, Pediatric HIV Clinic

D.O. Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine

- Research focus: HIV clinical trials, pediatric infectious diseases
- Clinical focus: Pediatric infectious diseases, HIV, primary immunodeficiencies, pediatric travel medicine, Lyme disease

### Program Chair – Jitka Virag, Ph.D.

- Assistant Professor
- Physiology

Ph.D. Louisiana State University Medical Center
B.S. Queen's University

- Research focus: The role of ephrinA1/EphA in myocardial infarction