



TACAA NEWSLETTER

Vol. 1, Spring 2009



Tuskegee Architecture and Construction Alumni Association Executive Board/Officers

President	Tarlee Brown tbrown@thebrowndesigngroup.com
Vice President	Jarvis Weeks jarvisjmeeks@yahoo.com
Secretary	Wilford Ray wray@matrix-3d.com
Assistant Secretary	Mike Conley CMikempac@aol.com
Treasurer	William Robertson wrobertson@monumentalcs.com

Accreditation Status:

At the March 2007 National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) meeting the Board revoked the accreditation of the Tuskegee University Architecture Program. This followed the fall 2006 visit by the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) visiting team and the subsequent release of the 2006 Visiting Team Report (available at the Architecture Library). On March 15, 2007 President Payton issued a memo stating that the university would request candidacy leading to reinstatement of accreditation, and pledged the full commitment of the University to achieve this by 2008.

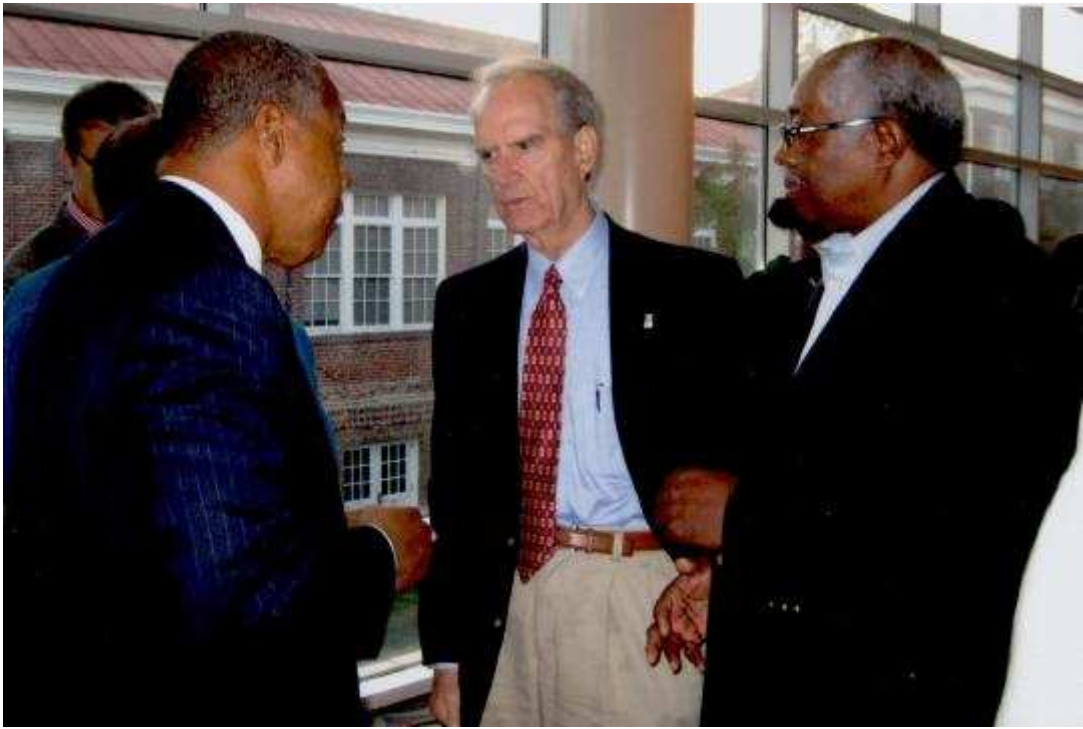
The years' Bachelor of Architecture degrees affected are degrees awarded in 2006, 2007 and 2008. According to NAAB, if accreditation is reinstated by July 2008, "the current students within the architecture program would be covered retroactively for their eligibility to pursue licensure."

At the February 2009 meeting of the NAAB, the board reviewed the Visiting Team Report for the Tuskegee University, Department of Architecture and Construction Science. As a result, the professional architecture program: Bachelor of Architecture was formally granted a three-year term of initial accreditation. The accreditation term is effective January 1, 2008. The program is scheduled for its next accreditation visit in 2011. Accreditation is subject to the submission of Annual Reports. Annual Reports are due by November 30, 2009.

Pictures from the reception for the NAAB team that we (TACAA) sponsored.







Membership

Please join us in our membership drive. We currently have approximately 65 names on our regular e-mail list and we are compiling other lists to locate fellow graduates so that we may continue to support the architecture and construction science programs at Tuskegee.

We ask that you join today by paying **\$125.00** for annual dues covering a 1 year period starting in January, 2009.

The dues are use to support the students and the programs. Our support is critical so that we never loose accreditation again. Our support is critical so that we know what is happening in the programs and not to rely on the administration to make things happen.

Mail your membership check or money order to:

Tuskegee Architecture and Construction Alumni Association
Matrix-3D
44 Broad Street, Suite 1000
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Upcoming Executive Meeting Date:

Time: 10:00 am

Day: Saturday, March 28, 2009

Location: Matrix-3D

44 Broad St. Suite 1000

Historic Grant Building

In downtown Atlanta, Georgia

Matrix3D, LLC was founded by Charles E. Bythwood, AIA; Wilford Ray, RA; and Anthony Paige in 1999.

Past Meeting

An Executive meeting was held on February 09, 2009 in Atlanta in the office of Matrix-3D. The following is a review of information discussed:

- Our Spring meeting for 2009 is scheduled to be held in Tuskegee on **April 24th and 25th**.
- An invitation has been extended for alumni to participate in the 5th year class Final Jury. If you are interested in participating as a juror, please contact of officers of this association. **Jury date is April 24, 2009.**
- Detailed meeting minutes will be released soon regarding issues discussed at the Feb. 9th meeting.