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Foreword

I am pleased once again to share with you through this medium the activities undertaken by the National Commission for UNESCO for the 2014-15 period. This report is also the prelude to the 50th anniversary of the National Commission.

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Everton Hannam, JP
Secretary General

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1. UNESCO

1.1. Introduction

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) was founded on 16th November 1945 and is headquartered in Paris, France. The Preamble of the UNESCO Constitution establishes UNESCO as an organisation committed to the promotion of ideals of peace among the peoples of the world.

Since wars began in the minds of men, it is in the minds of men that the defences of peace must be constructed.

The goals of UNESCO include:

- promoting Education for international understanding;
- promoting Sustainable Development based upon observance of human rights, mutual respect and the alleviation of poverty;
- contributing to the establishment of Cultural Identity and the promotion of culture directly;
- building co-operation and promoting exchanges among its Member States in the fields of education, the sciences, culture, communication and information.

The screenshot shows the UNESCO website interface. At the top, there are language options: Français, Español, Русский, العربية, and icons for accessibility. A search bar with 'Google Custom Search' and an 'OK' button is present. Below this is a blue navigation bar with tabs for 'UNESCO', 'Education', 'Natural Sciences', 'Social and Human Sciences', and 'Culture'. Underneath are links for 'About us', 'Themes', 'Worldwide', 'Communities', 'Events', 'Join us', and 'Resources'. The main header features the UNESCO logo (a temple facade) and the text 'UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization Building Peace in the minds of men and women'. A red stamp-like graphic says 'Preview UNESCO's new website here'. The main content area has a large image of ancient statues with the text 'World Heritage Committee to inscribe new sites and examine conservation of sites already on the List'. To the right is a 'HIGHLIGHTS' section with three items: 1. UNESCO and Italy launch new cooperation to restore and conserve cultural heritage in Bamiyan, Afghanistan (with an image of a cave). 2. UNESCO to make its publications available free of charge as part of a new Open Access policy (with an orange 'e' logo). 3. Tara Oceans Polar Circle: a unique expedition (with an image of a sailboat).

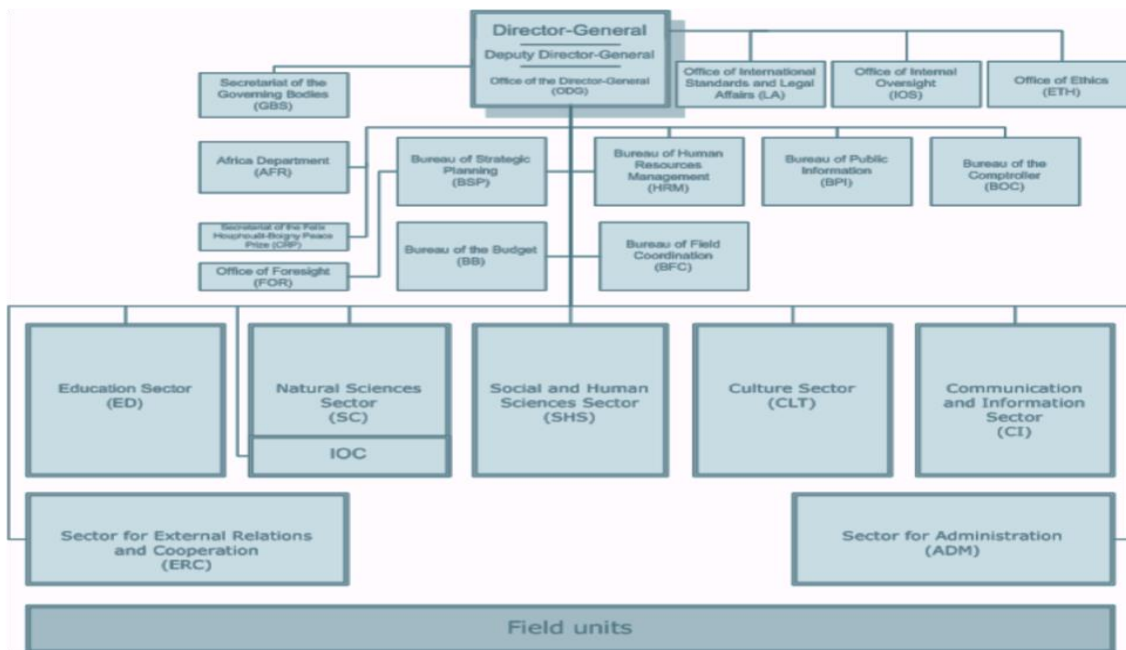
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It now has 195 Member States and 10 Associate Members.

1.2. Structure

<http://en.unesco.org/about-us/unescos-governing-bodies>

1.2.1. Secretariat



1.3. The UNESCO Office for the Caribbean

The UNESCO Kingston Cluster Office covers 13 member states including Jamaica and four Associate member states in the Caribbean. The new Director, Christine Norton, held office until January 2015 and the Officer in Charge to the end of the reporting period was Robert Parua. The office collaborates and cooperates with National Commissions within its cluster, other agencies in the UN system, CARICOM, the OECS, civil society groups, educational and research institutions as well as professional bodies operating within the areas of mandate.

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2. The Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

Almost all (201) Member States have established a National Commission for UNESCO. The UNESCO National Commissions are national cooperating bodies set up by the Member States for the purpose of associating their governmental and non-governmental bodies with the work of the Organization. Jamaica established its National Commission in November 1965

National Commissions are considered the mobilisers and catalysts for UNESCO's activities: they advise their governments on UNESCO affairs and work with the intellectual communities in the preparation, implementation and evaluation of UNESCO's programmes. National Commissions publicise UNESCO's mission and achievements, and are the channel through which the needs and aspirations of Member States are transmitted to UNESCO.

2.2. Members of the Board of the National Commission for UNESCO

Name		Title
Hon. Lisa Hanna, Chair	Chairperson	Minister of Youth and Culture
Dr. Donald Rhodd, Vice-Chair	Chair, Education Advisory Committee	
Lincoln Robinson	Chair, Information/Communication Advisory Committee	Information/ Communication Expert (OPM)
Professor Ronald Young	Chair, Sciences Advisory Committee	Science Expert (UWI)
Mark Thomas	Chair, Culture Advisory Committee	Corporate Image and Solutions
Everlyn Craig Brown		Private Sector
Tracy Ann Thomas	Member	NGO/Civil Society Representative
Janice Miller - September 2014	Member	Multilateral Affairs Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade
Amb. Sheila Sealy-		Under Secretary for the Multilateral

Monteith, October 2014-present		Affairs Division
Diedra Coy	Member	Planning & Research Division, PIOJ
Dr. Dorothy Raymond	Member	Jamaica Teachers' Association
Michelle Small-Bartley	Member	Senior Director, Youth, Adolescent and Policy Division, NCYD
Keitho Nembhard	Chair, Youth Committee	Youth information Centre, MYC
Everton Hannam, JP	Member	Secretary-General, JNC-UNESCO

NATCOM Board Retreat

6 June 2014: Hon. Minister Lisa Hanna hosted a retreat for the JNC-UNESCO to collectively prepare a Jamaica UNESCO Work Plan involving all sectors of UNESCO which presently impact on or influence the policy direction of the Government of Jamaica. This was done against the background of her presentation in the Sectoral Debate, the need to align the priorities of the MDA's and a paradigm shift in the culture of governance which emphasizes greater collaboration among all stakeholders to work collectively towards vision 2030.

The expected outcomes:

- MDA's would be clearer in their understanding and appreciation of the work of UNESCO and the role of the JNC-UNESCO in facilitating their involvement in UNESCO's areas of competence
- Greater collaboration between the various MDAs on matters relating to UNESCO for an organized and coordinated approach to achieve the objectives established by each MDA
- A communication plan to increase the visibility of JNCUNESCO.

In attendance were (**see pictures below**): * Hon Lisa Hanna, Chair, JNC-UNESCO * Dr Donald Rhodd, Vice Chair * Prof. Ronald Young, Science Expert * Mark Thomas, Creative Industries (JAMPRO) * Lincoln Robinson, Info/ Communication expert * Keitho Nembhard, Youth representative * Janice Miller, Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade * Deidra Coy, Planning Institute of Jamaica * Vivienne Johnson, Ministry of Education * Kadian Smith, Ministry of MSTEM * Lt. Col. Oral Khan, Ministry of Water, Land & Environment * Sonia Oreggio Angus Actg. Permanent Secretary MYC * Cesar Toro, UNESCO Kingston Cluster Office * Erica Smith, UNESCO Kingston Cluster Office * Everton Hannam, JNC-UNESCO Secretary General * Dr. Maria Smith, JNC-UNESCO Programme Manager.





Participants at the Retreat

Since the retreat the Board did not meet but the Executive Committee had three meetings:
9 April 2014, 12 May 2014 and 11 Feb 2015

2.3. The Secretariat

The Jamaica National Commission functions through a Secretariat, Advisory Committees and Adhoc Committees (Education, Culture, Communication & Information, Sciences).

2.3.1. Committees

The Advisory Committees relate to the major programme areas of UNESCO to:

- advise the Commission on matters pertaining to their special areas of competence;
- advise the Commission of possible co-operation between the Commission and UNESCO;
- advise the Commission on the preparation of Jamaica's paper and resolutions to the General Conference of UNESCO;
- contribute to the creation of a climate favourable to the development of the areas of UNESCO's competence

2.3.2. The Secretariat

The Secretariat is responsible to the Commission for the effective implementation and co-ordination of the programmes and activities of UNESCO in Jamaica, and for advising on and implementing policy decisions.

The secretariat prepares and administers the annual budget of expenditure; prepares briefs on the various areas to be covered at the General Conferences of UNESCO; monitors projects; and ensures that reports and invoices are sent to UNESCO at the completion of each project.

• Staff

The complement is:

- *Secretary-General, E. Hannam JP*
- *Programme Manager, Dr. M. Smith*
- *Librarian/Documentalist, D. Hopkinson*
- Accountant K. Davidson
- Senior Secretary, S. Jowhill
- Office Attendant/Messenger, Y. Francis

This small staff complement is complemented from time to time through the work experience programme:

28 Jan-27 Feb 2015	Lishan Beckford/Michael Sterling (NYS)
4-15 August 2014	Roger Tur (NYS)
28 July - 15 August 2014	Tah-jay Lindsay (NYS)
7-25 July 2014	Emil Livingstone/Taliah Layne (NYS)

Staff Training

Doolarie Hopkinson, Librarian/Documentalist	Supervisory Management course, MIND (completed on 5 January 2015)
Kedon Davidson, Accountant	Government Accounting Level 1, MIND (December 2014)
Yvette Francis, Office Attendant	Service Skills Training course, MIND (March 2015)

• *The Documentation Centre*

The Centre has 2250 books listed on its database in areas as:

- Adult Education
- Early Childhood Education
- Women's education
- Primary Education
- Education for All
- Technical and Vocational Education
- Heritage and museums
- Human Rights
- History
- Arts and Architecture
- Science
- Bioethics
- Biosphere Reserves

2.4. Permanent Delegation

Ambassador Vilma McNish is Jamaica's Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium, Permanent Representative to the European Union and UNESCO. She is a non-resident ambassador and operates from the Mission in Brussels.

Permanent Delegates represent their member states in the many activities of UNESCO and its subsidiary bodies particularly when there cannot be a representative from the member state to attend the many meetings convened by UNESCO.



Our Ambassador also coordinates, in collaboration with the Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO, the Ministry of Youth & Culture and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Jamaica's participation and attendance at the Executive Board and General Conference.

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2.5. Jamaica's Representatives on various UNESCO Bodies/Committees

Organ/Committee	Representative		Duration
World Heritage Committee	Janice Lindsay PH.D. (Culture)	Principal Director of Culture, Ministry of Youth & Culture	2013-2017
	Tracey Commock (Natural History)	Director, Natural History Museum, Institute of Jamaica	
Higher Institute for Education in Latin America and the Caribbean	Maxine Henry-Wilson	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Jamaica Tertiary Education Commission	2011-2015
World Federation of UNESCO Clubs (WFUCA)	Audrey Tulloch-Lorne	Executive Member, WFUCA for Latin America & the Caribbean/ President, Jamaica Federation of UNESCO Clubs	2011-2015
International Bioethics Committee (IBC)	Cheryl Brown	former Director, Office of Sponsored Research, UWI	

3. Activities in UNESCO's Programme Areas

3.1. Education

Junior Debate International

The Junior Debate International series of debate culminated on 20 June 2014. JNC-UNESCO assisted this exercise with the provision of certificates to approximately 200 participants.

3.2. Natural Sciences

Themes are:

- Science and Technology
- Environment
- Oceans
- Small Island Developing States (SIDS)

3.3. Human and Social Sciences (IS-SHE/MOST)

Includes:

- Ethics of Science and Technology
- Human Rights
- Social Transformations
- Sport

Bioethics

International Conferences

8 - 10 March 2015: Cheryl Brown was one of the 13 members of the 36 members of the IBC who was selected to attend the First International Bioethics Conference and Private Meeting of the IBC Working Group.

The Conference was held in Muscat, Oman and was organised by The Omani National Bioethics Committee (NBC) in collaboration with the Sultan Qaboos University (SQU), the

Research Council (TRC) of Oman and UNESCO.



Cheryl Brown, former member of NBCJ (centre) on board a Sultan's yacht in Oman with some members of the IBC group who attended the meeting

3.4. Culture

International Conferences

— 24-28 November 2014: David Brown, the Senior Research Fellow at the ACIJ/JMB, was selected as Jamaica's Delegate to attend the 9.COM meeting in Paris (Ninth Session of the Intergovernmental Committee on the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage,).

He had been involved in the planning and staging of UNESCO co-ordinated, Japanese-Funds-In-Trust funded national workshops on the Safeguarding of Intangible



Cultural Heritage in Jamaica. The first of these was held in December 2012.

Jamaica had previously never attended a meeting of the Intergovernmental Committee on the Intangible Cultural Heritage. The information gathered from attendance at 9.COM will now serve to enhance the Government of Jamaica's ability to not only safeguard local ICH elements but to also observe the mechanisms and processes involved in the submission of elements for consideration to the Representational List and how to access funding for local safeguarding activities. The process has changed significantly since the 2003 Declaration and the inscription of the Maroon element. He was able to observe this process so as to inform the Government of Jamaica agencies about how best to proceed when making nominations and how to access funding for safeguarding activities.

(Taken from a report by David Brown)



David Brown presenting brochure and poster set on Jamaican Intangible Cultural Elements to the Japanese Delegation as a token of appreciation. (The Japanese Government, through the Japanese-Funds-in-Trust had funded the Jamaican workshops on Safeguarding ICH elements in Jamaica.)

- 4-15 June 2014: The International World Heritage Youth Forum, “Cultural Heritage of Qatar: Management, Preservation, Sustainability and Impact on Local Communities” was held in Qatar. The two representatives from Jamaica, Marlon Walcott and Marcella Phillips-Grizzle, gave a joint presentation on Seville Heritage Park.

The youth forum consisted of lectures, presentations by participants, a conservation workshop, visits to museums and archaeological/heritage sites, an educational activity simulating a World Heritage Committee session (the *Youth Model*) – attendant to which were the plenary sessions which required the participation of the youth delegates in preparing a speech to the WHC – and on the final day of the forum, a participatory visit to the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC) where the 38th session of the World Heritage Committee (WHC) was being held.



Elderly Qatari showcasing traditional straw craft

UNESCO Award for Excellence in Handicraft 2014

Congratulations to three entries from Curacao, Suriname and Jamaica who were awarded the UNESCO Award for Excellence in Handicraft. The 2014 award was judged in Curacao.

Jamaica’s entry “Bench drum” was submitted by the Charles Town Maroon (CTM) Council. It was first created as a disguise to hide the drum from the colonizers is still used in spiritual rituals calling on the ancestors.

The 3 member jury panel evaluated them from among 26 entries from The Bahamas, Curaçao, Guyana, Jamaica and Suriname following the criteria underlined by UNESCO which includes excellence in design, craftsmanship, innovation, authenticity, and marketability. The jury added sustainability as a crucial criteria for this award.



Conferences and Workshops in Jamaica

10-11 June 2014: The UNESCO Kingston Cluster Office held the ICH Review Meeting in Kingston, Jamaica with participants from Jamaica, Belize and Trinidad & Tobago. UNESCO consultants, Dr. Kris Rampersad and Dr. Harriet Beacon led the review process to discuss the way forward.

This review was the culmination of a sub-regional project implemented in Belize, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago within the context of UNESCO's Global Strategy on capacity building on intangible cultural heritage. The project was funded through the UNESCO/Japanese Funds-In-Trust Project for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH). Participants included Nigel Encalada, National Institute of Culture & History (NICH), Belize; Division of Culture, Ministry of the Arts & Multiculturalism, Trinidad & Tobago; Bernard Jankee, David Brown and Kesia Weise, ACIJ, Jamaica. All three countries had initiated community workshops to build knowledge in accordance with the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of ICH. These laid the groundwork for future ICH inventorying and a framework was established for the process.

Also in attendance were representatives from the Japanese Embassy, JNC-UNESCO and Kingston Cluster Office (**see pictures below**).





3.5. Communication & Information

Conferences and Workshops in Jamaica

2-4 September 2014 : The website development training workshop 2014 was held in the Conference Room, JNCU with national commissions staff or their representatives from Curacao, St Vincent & the Grenadines, St Martin, Aruba, St. Kitts and Jamaica. The participants were appreciative of the invitation extended to them by the Jamaica National Commission who, together with the Korean National Commission, hosted this Training Workshop. The Website Development Project emanated from a MOU signed between KNCU and JNCU as a means of fostering South South cooperation through UNESCO's Bridge Capacity Building Project.

The Hon. Minister Lisa Hanna, Chairperson of JNCU, said of the website development workshop "it is a glorious opportunity to build the capacity and raise the performance... to better service the peoples whom we serve, especially the young who desire to see governments speaking their language and meeting them where they are".

The websites were developed using Wordpress which is a content management program that will facilitate real time uploading and currency and so raise the visibility of the respective NATCOMs



PS Sherrill O'Reggio Angus reading Minister Hanna's message. She is flanked by (left) JNCU Secretary General Everton Hannam, (right) by KNCU Secretary General Dong-seok Min and UNESCO Caribbean Director Christine Norton.

World Press Freedom Day

2 - 3 May 2014: About 50 journalists/ information officers/ media workers from 18 Caribbean countries gathered in Kingston, Jamaica to celebrate World Press Freedom Day (WPFDD) on the theme "Reaching New Goals: Free Media Fortifies the post-2015 Development Agenda". UNESCO Director General, Irina Bokova's message was delivered by Hara Padhy, Adviser for Communication and Information on behalf of Christine Anne Norton, Director and Representative of the UNESCO Kingston Cluster Office for the Caribbean. Welcome remarks were given by Jenni Campbell, PAJ while Senator the Honourable Sandra Falconer, Minister Without Portfolio (Information) in the Office of the Prime Minister covered "Shaping the Enabling Environment to Achieve Freedom of Information and Expression in the Caribbean" and was moderated by Sonia Gill, CBU with presentations from Grenada, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago.

Day two commenced with a "Freedom Walk" which terminated at the Emancipation Park where participants endorsed the Declaration of Port of Spain, adopted by the International Press Institute on 25 June 2012, in Trinidad and Tobago, and reiterated that they remain guided by Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights which states that "Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression: this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media regardless of frontiers", and Volume 8, ISSUE 26 Article 13 of the American Convention on Human Rights and other international instruments which establish freedom of expression as a fundamental human right. They also called on all Caribbean people, wherever they are, to express support for freedom of the press as an integral part of the freedoms they have earned throughout their turbulent past. Following this were two workshops on the topics "Reporting Development" and "Main-streaming gender in Media". Facilitators of these workshops were Alison Bethel and Martha Steffens, IPI and Ingrid Brown, Jamaica Observer. Participants were presented with a copy of the IPI's Publication titled: "Reporter's Guide to the Millennium Development Goals: Covering Development Commitments for 2014 and Beyond."



Senator the Hon Sandra Falconer (in red) with participants



World Radio Day

13 February 2015: Following the theme "Youth & Radio" The Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO celebrated World Radio Day in Accompong, Maroon Town, St. Elizabeth. JNC-UNESCO hosted a seminar to provide information to youths in the community on how to operate a community radio station as Accompong Town had recently received IPDC funding for a community radio station.

Basic school, high school, tertiary level and young people from the community participated **(see pictures below)** and were assisted by Patrick Prendergast and Alistair McLaren of CARIMAC, University of the West Indies. Topics covered in the Seminar were:

- the importance of Radio
- programming and programme content
- technical aspects of operating a Radio station
- how to empower and advance the work of the community





Memory of the World (MOW)

International Conferences

5-6 June 2014: UNESCO held a Pan-Caribbean Consultative Meeting on Memory of the World in Anguilla. Claudette Thomas, Jamaica Archives & Record Department (JARD), attended on behalf of Jamaica's MOW Committee.

In keeping with the proposed strategy for a UNESCO Pan-Caribbean Consultative Meeting on Memory of the World to refine nominations from countries of the Pan-Caribbean Region, twelve representatives were present at the June 5-6, 2014 meeting in Anguilla, at La Vue Boutique Inn. These included Suriname, St. Kitts and Nevis, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, Jamaica, St. Maarten, BVI, Dominica, Guyana, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

As part of the objective to identify and finalise the nominations to be submitted by Caribbean countries nine nominations were reviewed, discussed extensively and suitable adjustments were recommended for submissions to either the regional register (MOWLAC) or the International Registers of Memory of the World. Two proposals were presented on behalf of Jamaica: W. Adolphe Roberts Archive from the National Library of Jamaica and the Land Patent Collection from Jamaica Archives & Records Department (JARD).



Conferences and Workshops in Jamaica

25-28 November 2014: UNESCO contracted the services of Library Consultant/Researcher, Elizabeth Watson, to enhance the Memory of the World Project, not only in Jamaica, but across the Caribbean.

MOW is a UNESCO initiative which seeks to identify, publicize and preserve the documentary heritage of the world, so as to make those documents of great historical significance permanently accessible.

Ms. Watson visited libraries and held a workshop with stakeholders. Arising from these interventions she will be able to provide assistance to the Cooksone Dobb MOW submission.

At a press conference, hosted by Minister Hanna and Ms Watson and held at the MYC Offices on Wednesday, November 26 Minister Hanna said that there is much in Jamaica to be shared with the world as part of the Memory of the World. “We wish to increase the number of collections from Jamaica on the regional and international registers through a strategic, focused and deliberate programme. We want to improve the quality of our submissions by building the capacity of our teams who will do the research and make the submissions,” she said.

She noted that to date, Jamaica has had two collections listed on the International Register (‘Registry of Slaves of the British Caribbean between 1817 and 1834’ and ‘Silver Men: West Indian Labourers at the Panama Canal’). The Regional Register contains seven collections from Jamaica including: Helen Adelaide Wood Collection, Natural History Museum of Jamaica (2010); Indentureship Collection, Jamaica Archives and Records Department (2010); Minute Book of the Institute of Jamaica, National Library of Jamaica (2010); The Patents (Land Grants) 1661-1940/Jamaica Archives and Records Department (2014); Registry of Slaves of the British Caribbean (2011); Roger Mais Collection/The Library, University of the West Indies (2014); and the Silver Men: West Indian Labourers at the Panama Canal. (JIS)



Elizabeth Watson at the press conference with Minister Hanna (top)
MOW committee and interested parties at a meeting with Elizabeth Watson

Website/Facebook

The Commission’s website (www.jncunesco.gov.jm) has been kept updated and current as was JNC-UNESCO’S facebook page.

Publications

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WEBSITE DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP

The Hon. Minister Lisa Hanna said of the website development workshop "it is a glorious opportunity to build the capacity and raise the performance... to better service the peoples whom we serve, especially the young who desire to see governments speaking their language and meeting them where they are".

Participants from across the Caribbean were keenly involved in developing their websites as a means of raising the visibility of their respective NATCOMs. They were appreciative of the invitation extended to

them by the Jamaica National Commission who, together with the Korean National Commission, hosted this Training Workshop.

The workshop was held at JNCU from 2-4 September and participants included national commissions staff or their representative from Curacao, St Vincent & the Grenadines, St Martin, Aruba, St. Kitts and Jamaica.

The websites were developed using Wordpress which is a content management program that

will facilitate real time uploading and currency.

The Website Development Project emanated from an MOU signed between KNCU and JNCU as a means of fostering South South cooperation through UNESCO's Bridge Capacity Building Project.

To date two National Commissions have launched their new websites and will be followed by JNCU in the New Year.

www.natcomcuracao.org
www.sknunesco.com

JAMNAT E-NEWS 1

Along with the website and exhibitions the following publications were produced by the librarian to sensitise the public on the work of the Commission and to increase their knowledge of its work and that of UNESCO:

- Three issues of the Commission’s newsletter, JAMNAT e-news
- Annual Report 2013-2014

3.6. YOUTH

UNESCO Clubs



During the 2014-2015 school year there was regular club meetings which included activities as debates, science experiments, arts and crafts among others.

Of note was the creation of a flower garden in an unused dry pond on the campus. This is regularly maintained by the clubites during time set apart on meeting days. Other on campus activities included garbage collection and the cleaning of the whiteboards in the classrooms. In March 2015 the club made a visit to the Glenhope Nursery. There the girls entertained the residents, aided in feeding and other activities that they were permitted. They also provided a treat for the residents and left a care package for their use. In all, it was an exciting and productive year for the clubites.



4. External Relations

First Interregional Meeting of National Commissions for UNESCO

22 July - 24 July 2014: More than 110 National Commissions for UNESCO from all regions of the world came together in Astana, Kazakhstan, to look at ways of strengthening their efforts to promote the Organization's work and optimize their contribution to UNESCO's programme. The meeting was attended by Secretary General Everton Hannam.

The meeting was opened by Adilbek Zhaksy-bekov, State Secretary of the Republic of Kazakhstan. Speaking on behalf of President Nursultan Nazarbayev, who called on National Commissions to reinforce their efforts to promote UNESCO's ideals and values. In a video address to the meeting, UNESCO Director General Irina Bokova stressed that "National Commissions are essential members of the 'UNESCO family', connecting the Organization to the concerns and visions of societies, sharpening UNESCO's action to strengthen the foundations of lasting peace and sustainable development."

Also present at the opening were Arystanbek Mukhamediuly, Minister of Culture and FIRST INTERREGIONAL MEETING OF NATIONAL COMMISSIONS FOR UNESCO Chairperson of the National Commission of Kazakhstan for UNESCO, Nurlan Kaparov, Minister of Environment, Imangali Tasmagambetov, Mayor of Astana and Alexey Volkov, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs.

VCB, Champion for Sports Ambassador

15 January 2015: Olympic champion Veronica Campbell Brown, as UNESCO ambassador, held two motivational sessions with Vere Technical and St Andrew Technical High School (STATHS). Campbell Brown had this to say, "It's great. I enjoy giving back because when I was younger, I received a lot of help and I know the importance of giving back, so I enjoy doing it and that's why I launched the Veronica Campbell Brown Foundation to help girls and it ties in very well." Having the foundation that deals with girls and having the gender equity in

sport, it's just a perfect match and I am able to use those platforms to motivate young girls," she added.

Campbell Brown explained about the motivational sessions - "We asked questions which the girls answer in groups then we discussed the answers. It's to let them think, it's to engage everybody and help with their thought process. It's an upliftment session,". She continued: "It is to help them to think about what it means to have self respect, have ambition, to be positive and it helps to provoke their thought process about things that can help with social changes."

"She is one of the first female athletes from the Americas to be appointed as a champion for sports. There are only two in the Americas, the other one is a volleyball player from Brazil and we are very pleased to have her as our representative as she continues to develop our programme," said Secretary General Hannam who also added "We are pleased to have her here this morning undertaking this activity. It's a success for UNESCO, and of course the UNESCO family will be proud of her".



UNESCO Ambassador, Olympian Veronica Campbell Brown, in discussion with students of St Andrew Technical High School (STATHS) during a workshop at the school's Spanish Town Road campus on Thursday. (PHOTO: JOSEPH WELLINGTON)

PROJECTS/FUNDING

NAME	TOTAL	ACTIVITY	ORGANIZATION
IPDC	USD 13,500	radio station set up	Accompong Town
UNESCO Participation Programme	USD26,00	“Youth leadership training in preservation and protection”	(sole PP for the reporting period)

Internship Programme

JNC-UNESCO hosted a number of interns during the period:

- 2 March – August 2014 Janina Brendel (Germany)
- September 2014– February 2015 Liane Schafer Germany)/Florentina Kolb (Germany)
- 2 March - August 2015 Manana Kulumbegashvili (Germany):

5. Farewell

The JNCU family bids adieu to Janice Miller, Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade, who served on our Board until September 2014. She is now Jamaica’s High Commissioner to Canada. We wish her all the best



Appendix 3: Advisory Committee Members

Members of the Education Advisory Committee

Meetings:

Three Advisory Committee Meetings were held: 26 May 2014, 28 January & 18 March 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Dr. Donald Rhodd	Chairperson
Dr. Dorothy Raymond	Retired Senior Secretary for Administration and Finance Jamaica Teachers' Association
Dr. Lorna Down	Senior Lecturer/Associate Dean University of the West Indies, Mona
Mrs. Maxine Henry-Wilson	Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer Jamaica Tertiary Education Commission
Dr. Maureen Campbell	Principal Manchioneal All-Age, Manchioneal, Portland
	Programme Specialist UNESCO Office of the Caribbean
Mr. Maurice Smith	Youth Rep
Ms. Shamair Henry	Director of Cross Sectoral Coordination Early Childhood Commission
Mr. Worrel Hibbert	Executive Director Jamaican Foundation for Lifelong Learning
Ms. Rose Davis	Former Lecturer, UWI
Mr. Jermaine Lambert	St. George's College
Dr. Maria Smith	Programme Manager, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

*Members of the Sciences Advisory Committee**Meetings:*

Two Advisory Committee Meetings were held: 23 January & 27 March 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Ronald E. Young, PhD Chair	Emeritus Professor of Human & Comparative Physiology, UWI
Dr. David Smith	Coordinator, Institute for Sustainable Development, UWI
Mr. Cliff Riley	Associate Professor, UTECH
Dr. Fred Hanley	Technical/Research and Development Manager, Best Dressed Feed Mill
Dr. Marcia Roye	Biotech Centre, University of the West Indies
Ms. Vilma Charlton	Lecturer, University of the West Indies
Mr. Carey Brown	Executive Director, JADCO
Ms. Sharon Coburn Robinson	Director, Policy & Research (Actg.) Bureau of Women's Affairs
Mrs. Mona Whyte	Manager Information Services Division, SRC
Mr. Chadwick Anderson	Coordinator, Resource Mobilization Unit, Dean's Office, Fac of S & T, UWI
Dr. Tunde Bewaji	Department of Language, Linguistics & Philosophy, UWI
Mr. Paul McFarlene	Youth Representative Programme Specialist UNESCO Office of the Caribbean
Ms. Godiva Golding	Youth Representative JNATCOM
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Dr. Maria Smith	Programme Manager, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

*Members of the Culture Advisory Committee**Meetings:*

Three Advisory Committee Meetings were held: 19 June 2014, 22 January & 26 March 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Mr. Mark Thomas Chair	Corporate Image and Solutions
Ms. Carol Newman	General Manager, JAMCOPY
Ms. Stephanie Abrahams	Jamaica Producers
Ms. Donna Hayes	
Mr. Delroy Gordon	Executive Director, JCDC
Ms. Annmarie Bonner	Executive Director, Institute of Jamaica
Mrs. Gillian Wilkinson	Ministry of Tourism
Ms. Krystal Tomlinson	Youth rep
Ms. Himachuli Gurung	Programme Specialist, UNESCO Caribbean Office
Mr. Vivian Chin	Executive Director, Jamaica National Heritage Trust
	Principal Director of Culture Ministry of Youth and Culture
Mr. Bernard Jankee	Director, ACIJ
Ms. Dianne McIntosh,	Director-General, Ministry of Finance and Planning
Ms. Diedra Coy	Planning Institute of Jamaica
Dr. Maria Smith	Programme Manager, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

*Members of the Communication & Information Advisory Committee**Meetings:*

Two Advisory Committee Meetings were held: 13 January & 10 Feb 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Mr. Lincoln Robinson Chair	Senior Communications Specialist
Professor Fay Durrant	Dept of Library and Information Studies UWI
Ms. Carol Newman	General Manager, JAMCOPY
Mr. Patrick Champagnie	c/o The Marketing Counsellors
Ms. Lilyclaire Bellamy	Jamaica Intellectual Property Office
Mrs. Winsome Hudson	Executive Director, National Library of Jamaica
	President, Library and Information Assoc. of Jamaica
Mrs. Karen Barton	Director Jamaica Library Service
Mr. Bernard Jankee	Director ACIJ
	Communication Representative, MYC
	Communication and Information Adviser, UNESCO Office of the Caribbean
Mrs. Doolarie Hopkinson	Librarian/Documentalist, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Dr. Maria Smith	Programme Manager, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

*Members of the National Bioethics Committee of Jamaica**Meetings:*

One Committee Meeting was held: 18 March 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Prof. Ralph Robinson PhD	Professor of Parasitology Dept. of Life Sciences UWI, Mona Hon. Secretary – BSEC
Dr. Tunde Bewaji	Department of Language, Linguistics & Philosophy

	University of the West Indies, Mona
Ms. Gillian Mignott	Pharmacist, Bioethicist & University Lecturer, University of the Technology (UTECH)
Mr. Simeon Mohansingh	Bioethicist and University Lecturer (UWI)
Ms. Donna McKoy,	Registered Nurse and Pharmacist
Ms. Sarah Newland-Martin	Executive Director YMCA Administrator/General Secretary
Mr. Carey Brown	Executive Director JADCO
Rev. Gary Harriot	Jamaica Council of Churches The United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands, Synod Administration Centre (SAC) 2b Washington Blvd, Kingston 20
Ms. Erica Virtue	Editor The Gleaner Company Limited
Mr. Vincent Morrison	President Union of Clerical Administrative & Supervising Employees
Mr. Charles Grant	Director General International Centre for Environmental and Nuclear Sciences University of the West Indies
Dr. Wayne West	Chairman Jamaican Coalition for a Healthy Society
Ms. Godiva Golding	Youth Representative JNATCOM Social and Human Science Committee, University Student (UWI)
Dr. Maria Smith	Programme Manager, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

Members of the Memory of the World (MOW) Committee

Meetings:

Two Memory of the World meetings were held: 25 April 2014, 13 January 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Mrs. Winsome Hudson Chair	Executive Director, National Library of Jamaica
Dr. Stanley Griffin	Asst. Archivist, UWI
Ms. Carol Newman	General Manager, JAMCOPY
Dr. Kathleen Monteith	History Dept, UWI
Ms. Lilyclaire Bellamy	Jamaica Intellectual Property Office
Mrs. Claudette Thomas	JARD
	President, Library and Information Ass. Of Jamaica

Mrs. Karen Barton	Director Jamaica Library Service
Mr. Bernard Jankee	Director ACIJ
Mr. Peter Espeut	Catholic Diocese
Mrs. Nicole Prawle	NLJ
Mrs. Doolarie Hopkinson	Librarian/Documentalist, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO
Mr. Everton Hannam	Secretary-General, Jamaica National Commission for UNESCO

Members of the UNESCO Youth Committee

Meetings:

Two meetings re Leadership Heritage Training: 25 February & 19 March 2015

Name	Title/ Organization Representing
Keitho A. Nembhard Chair	Youth Representative, Mandeville, Manchester
Shamoy Hajare	Young Women of Purpose
Paul McFarlane	Youth For UNESCO
Steffany Thomas	Youth For UNESCO
Sudany Blair	Youth for UNESCO
Jamila Pinto	NSSC/JUTS
Sujae Boswell	NSSC-Munro College
Mario Mitchell	PNPYO
Andre Marriott Blake	G2K
Maurice Smith	Youth For UNESCO
Jermaine Porter	Police Youth Clubs /NYCJ
Tamoy Singh	Jamaica Environment Trust
Marlon Campbell	Private Sector
Shanique Hayden	UWI
Roshane Foster	Special Needs Community
Whitney Givans	
Krystal Tomlinson	