

Shanta James

Job Title: Associate Director of Financial Aid
Western Michigan University

Experience: Twenty one years of experience in various positions
within the financial aid profession.

Education: BBA, Western Michigan University
MA HRD, Western Michigan University, current

Professional
Associations:

MSFAA Scholarship Co-chair & EAMO committee - 2009
Early Awareness Multicultural Outreach Co-chair – 10 years
Early Awareness Committee/Co-chair – 5 years
MSFAA Leadership Workshops- 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007
College Goal Sunday Site Coordinator – 3 years
High School Counselor Workshop Site Coordinator – 3 years
Region 8 - member
President Award Recipient – 2005-2006
Special Achievement Award Recipient – 2005

MASFAA Family Educational Concerns Committee Co-Chair – 2009, 2008
MASFAA Leadership Symposium – 2007

NASFAA Leadership Conference – 2005

Statement of
Candidacy:

I am pleased to have been nominated to represent MSFAA in the role of vice-president. I have served under many executive boards and feel that I have numerous role models that have prepared me to be an efficient leader for this association. If elected I will support the President by staying informed of issues pertaining to our profession and serve on the finance committee. The regional directors/regions are revitalizing and I would like to be instrumental in continuing this growth. The upcoming year is going to continue to be challenging for our profession in the areas of budgets, state and federal issues, and assisting our families through this economical downturn for Michigan and I am willing to serve in the role of vice-president to support our association during this time.