A BRIEF MOTIVATIONAL STATEMENT FROM PRO-VICE CHANCELLOR PROF. AKWASI ASABERE-AMEYAW

Professor Grace Yawo Gadagbui is the first and only female Professor of the University of Education, Winneba. She has been adjudged by many and from credible sources within and outside the University to be a professor with a difference because of her purpose driven, result oriented and dedicated qualities.

Her ideas, if recognized, related, assimilated and utilized would assist to enhance the materialization of policies regarding gender equity.

As a Professor, administrator and mentor to many, her commitment and desire is to see a steady change in the cultural practices that enforces male dominance.

She, as a leader, has led many of the lecturers and academic staff to move a step or two upwards. The University of Education, cherishes gender equality and equity and wishes as many women and men especially the young ones to aspire academically high to take up responsible roles within the University. As such, there are Master programmes mounted and PhD programmes in the process of being initiated within her Faculty. Professor Gadagbui lectures at both under graduate and Masters level. She is capable and even challenged to take up similar responsibilities at the PhD level.

People of such caliber as that of Professor Grace Yawo Gadagbui are to be nurtured and she has taken the initiatives to verbally interact and encourage the younger people at all levels to let them realize their potential through mentorship and reading inspirational books of which she authored "Winning with Distinction", a book dedicated to the younger generations to be inspired to act.

Professor Gadagbui has a lot to offer the University and it is for this reason that I support her to attend the two conferences: HERS – SA Academy 2006 for gender equity programme and the South African Institute for Advancement (SAIA) for Institutional Advancement, from 17th to 28th September, 2006.

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