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**Press Release**

Minister of Labour and Small Enterprise Development Jennifer Baptiste-Primus says there is need for a paradigm shift back to a path of growth and development at the Cipriani College of Labour and Co-operative Studies (CCLCS). Minister Baptiste-Primus made this statement as she addressed the newly appointed Members of the Board of Governors of the CCLCS, as they received their letters of appointment at the Ministry's Head Office on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

Minister Baptiste-Primus stated to the newly appointed Chairman Dr. Roosevelt Williams that there are several issues the Board will have to address immediately at the College and called for institutional strengthening through strategic partnerships with the Trade Union Movement, the Co-operative Society Movement and the Ministry of Labour and Small Enterprise Development.

Dr. Williams was advised by the Minister that the College should revisit its "original moorings" and that in the spirit of the Memorandum of Understanding the Government has signed with the Joint Trade Union Movement (JTUM), the Board should consult and collaborate with the Trade Union Movement for views that could be practically applied to elevate the status of the CCLCS.

The new Board was given the mandate by the Labour Minister to develop the necessary training programmes and curricula with advice from locally available experts; develop a new strategic plan for the CCLCS; settle all outstanding negotiations; progress the relocation of the Tobago Campus and to undertake regular meetings with the Student Guild, as they are an integral part of the Institution.

Minister Baptiste-Primus took the opportunity to greet and congratulate each Governor of the nine-member Board before leaving the Chairman to convene his first meeting with his Members.

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