

Board Meeting
January 24, 2013

NAME THE MAUELLE TANNER BROWN BOUSFIELD HALL,
URBANA

Action: Name of Maudelle Tanner Brown Bousfield Hall

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Vice President, University of Illinois and Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign recommends for approval a proposal from the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs to name the newly constructed residence hall at the Stanley O. Ikenberry Commons, the Maudelle Tanner Brown Bousfield Hall (Bousfield Hall).

Scheduled to open in fall 2013, Bousfield Hall would be named to commemorate Maudelle Tanner Brown Bousfield. Ms. Bousfield was the first African-American woman to graduate from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. From 1903 to 1905 she was the only black woman on campus and graduated with honors in 1906.

She taught mathematics at a number of high schools in Baltimore, East St. Louis, and Chicago. Ms. Bousfield was the first black dean of girls at the Wendell Phillips Academy High School in Chicago and went on to become the first black public

school principal in Chicago in 1927. She received her master's degree in education from the University of Chicago.

Upon retirement, she lectured at Fisk University and worked for the United Negro College Fund.

Maudelle Tanner Brown Bousfield stands first in many distinguished categories as both a student and educator, and the naming of this residence hall recognizes her accomplishments and will stand as an inspiration for students.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.