

Board Highlights

James J. Woody, Chair

H. Martin Lancaster, NCCCS President

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**SUMMARY OF OFFICIAL BUSINESS –
STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES 03-18-05 MEETING**
(For details, see official minutes or contact the Office of Board Affairs.)

Summary of Chairman Woody's remarks:

- Encouraged members to help with our legislative efforts by making personal contacts, by joining President Lancaster on his daily appointments, or allowing President Lancaster to schedule a joint appointment to include the member, the contact, and President Lancaster. Members were reminded to keep the President and staff informed of any legislative efforts or information they should know. Ms. Steiner advised that the previous contact list could be updated, and encouraged the support of N4CSGA in these efforts.
- Congratulated Ms. Pinnix-Ragland on her selection as "Tarheel of the Week" by the *News and Observer*.
- Welcomed Mr. Richard Sullins as the Executive Director of the State Board of Community Colleges who came to the System Office from Mayland Community College.
- Reported on the trip to Thailand that Dr. Tim Brewer, Mr. Fred Williams, Dr. Stuart Fountain, and he participated in during February. Their four-year old community college system now has 8,000 people enrolled in 10 community colleges. They anticipate opening seven more within the next 12 months. Three two-day training sessions were provided for their trustees. They are very excited about their community-based program and the opportunity to make decisions locally.
- The Academic Excellence Awards Luncheon is to be held on April 27 in Raleigh, and the April SBCC meeting will be held at Stanly CC in Albemarle. Attendance plans need to be reported to the staff. Mr. Watkins extended an invitation to a reception at the Watkins' home as a part of the activities of the SBCC meeting on Thursday evening, April 21, and relayed that Dr. Mike Taylor and his staff are looking forward to the visit.

Summary of President Lancaster's report: *(The full text of the President's remarks is available on the NCCCS Website)*

- Reported the following legislative activity:
 1. The Legislature is back in session, and a lot of requests for information are being received.
 2. Dinners hosted by President and Mrs. Lancaster have been completed for freshmen members of the General Assembly, and they were well received.
 3. The legislative strategy group has met twice, and the third meeting is scheduled for next

week.

4. NCACCP hosted a very successful breakfast, and will host another at a later date.
 5. President Lancaster and Dr. Molly Broad testified before the Joint Appropriations Committee. Dr. Gordon Burns, Dr. Deborah Lamm, and students followed that afternoon in their address to the Education Appropriations Subcommittee. Only positive comments have been heard from legislators who participated in the two sessions.
 6. The Faculty Association has begun organizing its curriculum demonstrations for the Legislative Building. These have been very successful in the past.
 7. All of our bills have been introduced as far as we know, and are working their way through the system.
- Reported that President Broad and he continue their efforts to increase cooperation between the NCCCS and the UNC System, especially in regards to the study mandated by the General Assembly on the role of higher education and economic development. The listening tour has been completed, and there have been multiple meetings between senior staff of the two systems.
 - Reported that the Governor's budget has been released, and three NCCCS top priorities are included in his budget. These include full funding for enrollment, an extra increment for faculty and professional staff salaries (including a good deal of the funds needed for the second-year portion of the five-year plan to bring salaries to the national average), and a plan to infuse equipment funding with an additional \$10 million at the end of the year. The joint request made with the University for funding for collaboration between the systems in teacher preparation is also included. There is great concern regarding the funding for the continuation of our bionetwork initiative, which is not included in the budget. This program was initially funded with Golden LEAF funds, and it is hoped they will continue to provide funding. However, they have stated it was clear they were to provide start-up funding only, and they would expect the State to continue the operation. A bill has been introduced to provide funding for the bionetwork initiative.
 - Reported he recently participated in a conference in NY on the role of community colleges in teacher preparation.
 - Reported that a very successful orientation was held for the new presidents in March at the System Office.
 - Reported that the final round of Golden LEAF grants for innovation and equipment have now been awarded, and those grants will no longer be available unless funding is continued by the Legislature.
 - Reported that Mr. Briggs has done a magnificent job in chairing the Transition Team of the Center for Applied Textile Technology to Gaston College, and he believes that we will now provide a more effective program of service to the NC textile industry.
 - Reported that Dr. Garry Green and Mr. Briggs have been working with Senator Linda Garrou on the implementation of the high-cost allied health programs as recommended by Hockaday, Hunter and Associates. The need for additional student services discussed earlier is also a recommendation included in this report.
 - Reported that he is pleased with the success of the university and community college faculty committee articulating degrees from the community college to the university online. They are near completion on degrees in communications, business administration, liberal studies, criminal justice, and information and computer technology.

- Reported that we continue to be proud of Dr. Delores Parker, recipient of the 2005 International Leadership Award presented by NISOD at the University of Texas.
- Reported that the Appropriations Subcommittee has been given a \$221 million cut that will come out of education budgets. This means NCCCS is likely to endure a 4% cut in the existing appropriation. Because of this, there is a great need for members to participate in our legislative efforts. We do not know how we can make the necessary adjustments without negatively affecting the classroom, as instruction is the only area left to cut. There is recognition of our contributions to the economy of NC and an understanding of our needs; however, the consensus is that there will not be a source for additional revenues. If there are any, they will have a dedicated purpose, and the appropriation cut is likely to occur.

The Board received and approved the following:

- Davidson County Community College's Request for Redesignation of the Davie County Off-Campus Center
- Approval of Proprietary Schools for Licensure: HealthCore Resource, Inc, Raleigh, and ECPI College of Technology, Spring Lake.
- Curriculum Program Application (*New to the System*): Catawba Valley CC and Pitt CC to offer *Polysomnography* [C45---], Davidson County CC to offer *Histotechnology* [A45---], and Sandhills CC to offer *Resort and Spa Management* [A55---].
- Curriculum Program Applications (*FTFA*): Fayetteville Technical CC to offer *Emergency Preparedness Technology* [A55420], and Montgomery CC to offer *Dental Assisting (Diploma)* [D45240].
- Curriculum Standard Revision: Lenoir CC-*Court Reporting and Captioning* [A25140].
- Course of Instruction to Captive/Co-opted Groups/Basic Skills: Cleveland CC to offer at Cleveland Correctional Center and Sandhills CC to offer at Open Arms Rest Home two courses each, ABE and GED.
- Course Modification Continuing Education Master Course List: HOS 3060 *Special Events and Convention Planning*.
- Two Percent Transfer Restriction Reports: Requests to Transfer in Excess of Two Percent Report as outlined in Attachment FC-6 including requests from Caldwell CC and Cleveland CC for transfers, Budget Flexibility 2% Transfer Percentages for FY 2004-05 Established by HB 1414, and Curriculum and Noncurriculum Salary and Fringe Benefits Transfers Processed through February, 2005.
- Construction/Property/Bond Authorization Report: Report as of March 18, 2005 including 11 project approvals for Brunswick CC, two each for Guilford Technical CC, Halifax CC, Wake Technical CC, and Western Piedmont CC, one each for Carteret CC, Central Carolina CC, College of the Albemarle, Durham Technical CC, Lenoir CC, Pitt CC, and Robeson CC; Lenoir CC was granted permission to acquire property; and the Bond Authorization Report as of March 18, 2005.
- Approve the Hearing Officer's Report for 23 NCAC 03A .0101 and 03A .0102: Approved the adoption of the rules included in the Hearing Officer's Report for 23 NCAC 03A .0101 "Definitions and Application for Initial License" and 23 NCAC 03A .0102 "Application for Renewal of License".

- Legislative Issue from UNC General Administration concerning H-771 UNC/Dual Office Holding: approved the endorsement of a request received from the UNC General Administration concerning H-771, UNC/Dual Office Holding.
- Basic Skills Revised State Plan (for 2005-2006).
- Professional Service Agreement for Ms. Q. Elizabeth Isler.
- New Contract with the John Tyler Community College Foundation for the Center for Entrepreneurial Development, Community College Workforce Alliance.
- Contract with NC Department of Health and Human Services Office of Long Term Care
- Performance Incentive Grant Project – Pathways to Employment: Biotechnology/ Pharmaceutical Careers : Allocation of \$350,000 to be distributed to five colleges as outlined in Attachment FC-11 for demonstration projects for the "Pathways to Employment: Biotechnology/ Pharmaceutical Careers" grants at Central Carolina CC, Durham Technical CC, Johnston CC, Pitt CC, and Wilson Technical CC.
- Contractual Services—Improve Student Access to Services and Optimize Registration Resources Project—Contract Amendment with Affiliated Computer Services (College Information Systems Project): Finance and Capital Needs (FCN) Committee was granted permission for the FCN Chair to call a committee work session(s) to establish the details of a contract amendment with ACS for contractual services to enhance the CIS Project to allow web-based registration in Colleague. It was noted that this enhancement is currently expected to cost \$520,000 and Central Piedmont CC has agreed to fund \$145,000 of that amount for the up-front detailed specification work.

The following items were presented to the Board for information:

- Special Application Approval By System President: Alamance CC *Community Spanish Interpreter* [A553700].
- Special G.O.T. Approval By System President: Haywood CC *General Occupational Technology* [A55280].
- Curriculum Program Terminations By System President: James Sprunt CC *Esthetics Instructor (Certificate)* [C55270], *Esthetics Technology (Certificate)* [C55230], and *Real Estate* [A25400], and Western Piedmont, *Industrial Engineering Technology* [A40240].
- NC Community College Nursing Programs Update for Programs with less than a 75% Pass Rate on NCLEX.
- 1993 Bond Status Report (as of March 18, 2005).
- Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB) State Bond Utilization Report (as of December 31, 2004).
- Estimated Receipts/Estimated Tuition and Fees Report (through February 28, 2005).
- Governor's 2005-2007 Expansion Budget Recommendations: The 2005-07 Expansion Budget Tracking Chart indicating the Governor's recommendation of \$20,776,438. (See Attachment FC-4)
- Computer Information System (CIS) Project Discussion and Implementation Update
Mr. Herbert L. Watkins, Chair

The following items were presented to the Board for future action:

- Establishment of an Off-Campus Center in Cabarrus County.

- Curriculum Standard Revisions: Gaston College-*Industrial Engineering Systems* [A40240], and from the NC Real Estate Appraisal Board-*Real Estate Appraisal (Certificate)* [C25420].

Reports/Presentations/Other:

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- Small Business Center (SBC) Network Awards for Excellence, Willa Dickens: NCCCS SBC Director presented the 2005 SBC Network Awards for Excellence to the following recipients: State Award-Forsyth Technical CC, East Regional Award-Craven CC, and the West Regional Award-Asheville-Buncombe Technical CC.
- NC Association of Community College Trustees Report, Helen Dowdy
- NC Association of Community College Presidents Report, Dr. Gordon Burns
- N4CSGA, Mani Memari, President

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- Public Hearing on the SBCC's Recommendation Opposing the Use of Medication Aides in re. to the Institute of Medicine Task Force Report
- Issues Session/Luncheon:
 - "Status Report on the Transition of the Center for Applied Textile Technology to Gaston College," Senator David Hoyle and Vice President Kennon Briggs
 - "What has Happened to Tuition and Fee Receipt Collections," Kennon Briggs, Vice President, Division of Business and Finance

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