

**STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES**  
**Approval of Service Agreement with Gaston College to Develop the SuccessNC Website**

**Request:** The State Board is asked to approve a service agreement with Gaston College for \$30,000 to develop the SuccessNC Website.

**Background:** The NC Community College System just completed the SuccessNC Listening Tours to all 58 community colleges. Over 200 best practices were collected from the colleges. In order to disseminate information on the best practices, a website is needed. Plans call for the website to allow users to access the information via a searchable database, and to access taped presentations of the college staff discussing their particular best practices.

**Rationale for Agreement:** The BioNetwork's BioEducation Center has the experience and human resources to develop and launch a website as demonstrated by their redesign of the current BioNetwork website. Additionally, many of the existing features and functionality of the BioNetwork website are desired in the SuccessNC website, and efficiencies can be realized by utilizing the same technology currently built into BioNetwork's website.

**Method of Procurement:** In accordance with the procurement practice of the State of North Carolina, there is no requirement for competition or approval by outside purchasing authorities for contracts between the System Office and a community college. The BioEducation Center is located at Gaston College, hence the service agreement is with Gaston College.

**Time Period Covered:** November 19, 2010 through May 31, 2011

**Fund Source and Availability:** General fund appropriation available through State Board Reserve.

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