

## MINUTES

### Board of Postsecondary Education Credentials

Boardroom of the Community College System

October 10, 2017

2:00 p.m.

#### **In attendance:**

Chairman Dan Forest- Lieutenant Governor

Mark Johnson- Superintendent of Public Instruction

Junius Gonzales- UNC System

Scott Corl- Executive Director Office of Proprietary Schools

Mary Shuping- Director of Government Relations NC Community College System

Hope Williams- President of North Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities

Elizabeth McDuffie- Executive Director of the North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority

Will Miller- Department of Commerce

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At 2:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest, who explained the purpose of the meeting and at 2:02 p.m. each member introduced themselves to the Board.

The Board heard a presentation from Representative Hugh Blackwell of the North Carolina House of Representatives. The presentation began at 2:05 p.m. Rep. Blackwell discussed the Lumina Study, which found that by 2025 60% of the workforce would need a postsecondary credential to fund gainful employment. He discussed the multiple ways to receive postsecondary credentials, and asked the Board to consider which credentials were needs and valuable. He also encouraged the Board to set realistic goals and to find out what needed to be changed in North Carolina to ensure the workforce had the needed credentials. The plan the Board presents need to be flexible, help provide future stability, help students adapt, and recognize that the baseline is continuously disrupted. He explained the different

types of students: traditional- student to college, 1st generation, adult, independent. He also discussed nine emerging needs: reskilling, mentoring, continuous and real-time feedback, criticism, credentials, experiences, personalized instruction, spaces, tools, and templates, and differentiation. He finally discussed the Nashville Academies and Complete College America.

At 2:45 p.m., Steven Walker, General Counsel & Policy Director to Lieutenant Governor Dan Forest explained the proposed bylaws. There were no questions on the bylaws and they were approved unanimously upon the motion by Lieutenant Governor Forest and the second of Hope Williams.

The Board discussed setting a schedule for the year, and all agreed that would be preferred.

The Board also discussed the work flow of the Board, and upon the motion of the Lieutenant Governor and second by Elizabeth McDuffie, the Board decided to issue an RFP for consultants.

After a brief discussion on goals and longitudinal data, the Board adjourned by unanimous consent on the motion of Hope Williams at 3:02 p.m.