Leadership & Governance: SLAB Workshop February 8, 2017
Who is the N3CS?

N3CS stands for North Carolina Community College System.

History of N3CS

- **1950-1952**: Study conducted to assess need for tax-supported community colleges
- **1957**: General Assembly adopted first Community College (CC) Act & provided funding for CC and Industrial Ed. Centers
- **May 1963**: Both educational options brought under State Board of Education & local board of trustees
- **1966**: 43 institutions across NC
- **1969**: 54 institution across NC
- **1978**: 58th CC established
- **1979**: State Board of Community Colleges established to oversee all CC’s across state
- **1988**: 25th anniversary of N3CS
- **2013**: 50th Anniversary of N3CS

Mission of N3CS

...open the door to high-quality, accessible educational opportunities that minimize barriers to post-secondary education, maximize student success, develop a globally and multi-culturally competent workforce, and improve the lives and well-being of individuals by providing:

- Education, training and retraining for the workforce including basic skills and literacy education, occupational and pre-baccalaureate programs.
- Support for economic development through services to and in partnership with business and industry and in collaboration with the University of North Carolina System and private colleges and universities.
- Services to communities and individuals which improve the quality of life.

Fun Facts

- 8 presiding presidents of the system from 1963 to present
- NEW PRESIDENT- Dr. James C. Williamson
  (appointed July 1, 2016)

Developing Leaders in the on Your Campus & in the n4csga
Leadership Development

Tools to Use:
- Strengths Based Leadership (Personal Favorite)
  [http://strengths.gallup.com/default.aspx](http://strengths.gallup.com/default.aspx)
- True Colors
- Low/ High Ropes Course
- Group Book Studies
    - The Energy Bus
    - The No Complaining Rule
    - Hard Hat
N4CSGA: North Carolina Comprehensive Community College Student Government Association

Fun Facts:

- **1969** - 6 out of 13 SGA Presidents attended the first representatives meeting to determine feasibility of a state while organization and it’s purpose
- After 4 meetings together, a name, purpose, officers and support of NC Community Colleges created the N4CSGA

Structure of the N4CSGA

- **General Delegation**: Developed of delegates “students” from each of 58 CC’s registered with N4CSGA
- **Executive Board**: Made up of 9 elected officers and 3 divisional representatives
- **Advisory Council**: group of 3 advisors from various cc’s to advise the leadership of the organization in all decision-making processes; also advise N4CSGA President- representative of N4CSGA on N3CS Board of Trustees


N4CSGA Conference:
Developing Initiatives for State Wide Action
Division Meetings & State Conference: Preparation and Expectations

Division Meetings

- **Be Prepared**
  - Assess YOUR needs as a COLLEGE student and campus
  - Talk with your campus administration about items that they think SGA could steward through N4CSGA

- **Bring Ideas**
  - No idea is “stupid” - anything from state wide academic programs/ academic support/ student support
  - Collaborate with other schools to see if they are facing same questions/ issues

State Conferences

- **Present issues that affect students STATE WIDE**

- **DO YOUR RESEARCH**

- **Build coalitions prior to business meetings to gain support from other schools**

- **Collect data to share prior to/ during Motion Presentation pro/con**
Stay Connected

Who Are YOUR Legislative Representatives?

House Members

http://www.ncleg.net/House/House.htm

Senate Members

http://www.ncleg.net/Senate/Senate.html

Stay up-to-date with North Carolina General Assembly

- Visit ncleg.net
- Read new Bills proposed that pertain to education/ higher education
- Listen to House/ Senate Chamber Audio when in session
- Research recent passed bills to present in education programs on campus

Any questions?

Thanks!

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