

MINUTES
State Board of Community Colleges
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 14, 2021 –1:00 p.m.
Dr. Lee Barnes, Chair

Finance Committee Members Present

Dr. Lee Barnes, Chair	Mr. Andy Penry	The Honorable Sam Searcy*
Dr. Shirley Carraway	Ms. Sarah West	

Attended via phone or Zoom technology*

Members absent: Treasurer Dale Folwell

Other SBCC Members:

Mr. Mark Merritt*
Ms. Ann Whitford
Mr. William Holder
Mr. Hari Nath
Mr. Wade Irwin, Jr.
Mr. Tom Looney
Mr. William Holder

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

President Thomas Stith III	Mr. Alex Fagg	Dr. Robert Witchger
Ms. Elizabeth Grovenstein	Dr. Kimberly Gold	Dr. Rusty Hunt (Lenior CC)
Mr. Bryan Jenkins	Dr. James Kelley	Ms. Julie Woodson (NCACCT)
Dr. Kimberly Gold	Mr. Nate Humphrey	Ms. Emily Thomas (Education NC)
Ms. Tawanda Artis	Ms. Tiffany Howell	
Ms. Sharon Gladwell	Ms. Petrina Herring	
Mr. Patrick Flemming	Ms. Brandy Andrews	
Ms. Judy Jefferson	Ms. Jonnell Carpenter	

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Barnes called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Herring took the roll of the Finance Committee members.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Ms. Grovenstein read the required ethics statement. There were no conflicts of interest.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Barnes asked for a motion to approve the agenda of the meeting as presented. Dr. Carraway moved, seconded by Ms. West, and the motion was unanimously approved.

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Dr. Barnes asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2021 Finance Committee meeting. Mr. Penry moved, Ms. West seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

FOR ACTION

Allocation for Pamlico Community College Recidivism Pilot Project (Attachment FC 01)

Ms. Grovenstein explained this is an item that has come before the Board in prior years, and this is the fifth year it is being presented to the Finance Committee.

Ms. Grovenstein stated it is a request to approve an allocation of funds for Pamlico Community for a joint pilot project between Pamlico Community College and Pamlico Correctional Institution with the goal to reduce recidivism among offenders.

Ms. Grovenstein stated this program was established in the 2017 Appropriation Act and it provides recurring funding for this pilot project. Ms. Grovenstein explained the college will receive \$412,340 and the college will be able invoice the Department of Public Safety for the tuition of students' enrollment in this program.

Ms. West motioned for approval; Dr. Carraway second the motion. The Committee approved Allocation for Pamlico Community College Recidivism Pilot Project (Attachment FC 01).

Service Agreement for Residency Determination Service (Attachment FC 02)

Ms. Grovenstein explained this service is a Legislative required service that is delivered to NCCCS, the UNC system, and independent college students who receive a state financial aid grant through the NC State Education Assistance Authority. That organization is administratively housed under the UNC System, and they were tasked with the developing this system that establishes residency of postsecondary students.

Ms. Grovenstein explained the System Office is responsible for paying for the ongoing cost and each sector of the three sectors pays the full amount towards the cost.

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed the annual and cumulative cost in the table of the item.

Mr. Penry motioned for approval; Dr. Carraway second the motion. The Committee approved Service Agreement for Residency Determination Service (Attachment FC 02).

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Improving Career and Technical Education with Perkins Carry Over Funds FY 2021-22
(Attachment FC 03)

Ms. Grovenstein explained this item has been approved historically before by the Board; this item has \$2,000,000 in Perkins carryover funds. Ms. Grovenstein explained when we say Perkins funds, we are referring to a federal grant from the US Department of Education for Career and Technical Education Programs.

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed the table in item FC 03.

Ms. Grovenstein, Dr. Witchger, and the Committee discussed the item.

Dr. Carraway motioned for approval; Ms. West second the motion. The Committee approved Improving Career and Technical Education with Perkins Carry Over Funds FY 2021-22 (Attachment FC 03).

Outreach and Marketing Contract Amendment for Longleaf Commitment (Attachment FC 04)

Ms. Grovenstein stated back in June of this year, the State Board approved an item to establish a marketing and outreach contract for Longleaf Commitment.

Ms. Grovenstein explained the Longleaf Commitment is a program that was established by the Governor's Office through the GEER funds. These are federal funds through COVID-19 relief that have been awarded to the Office of the Governor. The Governor decided to establish this Longleaf Commitment program. Ms. Grovenstein explained it is a program that provides financial aid for the graduating high school students of 2021 to enroll in a community college by this fall.

Ms. Grovenstein stated the contract we established for marketing was to be able to get the word out to the 2021 high school graduating students to encourage them to enroll in a community college. Ms. Grovenstein explained it is a need-based financial aid program. Ms. Grovenstein stated we currently have data that over ten thousand high school students met the criteria and were awarded a grant. But it was determined that not all of the funding will be awarded and at least nine million in financial aid dollars are still available.

Ms. Grovenstein explained we have worked with the Governor's Office, and they have agreed that we can bring this item to you. Ms. Grovenstein stated the Governor's Office is now allowing financial aid for 2021 high school graduates to continue to be eligible if they enroll in spring 2022.

Ms. Grovenstein stated this additional funding would enable us to amend this existing marketing contract and go back out to reach additional 2021 high school graduates who did not enroll in fall to encourage them to enroll in the spring. We also expect the program to be expanded to allow 2020 high school graduates to enroll in spring and receive an award.

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Ms. Grovenstein stated we are currently still working with the Governor’s Office regarding this matter.

Ms. Grovenstein, Ms. Gladwell, President Stith, and the Committee discussed the item.

Mr. Penry motioned for approval; Dr. Carraway second the motion. The Committee approved Outreach and Marketing Contract Amendment for Longleaf Commitment. (Attachment FC 04)

Construction and Property – October 2021 (Attachment FC 05)

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed the requested construction and property items.

Ms. West motioned for approval; Dr. Carraway second the motion. The Committee approved Construction and Property – September 2021. (Attachment FC 05)

For Information

Specialized Public Safety Waiver List (Attachment FC 06)

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed FC 06.

Ms. Grovenstein and the Committee discussed the item.

Estimated Receipts – September 2021 (Attachment FC 07)

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed FC 07.

Ms. Grovenstein and the Committee discussed the item.

Connect NC Bond Status Report (Attachment FC 08)

Ms. Grovenstein reviewed FC 08.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Barnes adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Petrina L. Herring,
Recording Secretary