

STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES
State Board Reserve Funding for Career and College Ready Graduates

Request: The State Board of Community Colleges is asked to approve up to \$6,000 in State Board Reserve funds to cover travel expenses for two team members of the Career and College Ready Graduate State Committee to attend the National Repository of Online Courses (NROC) Meeting in Monterey, California, on March 14-16, 2016.

Background: SL 2015-241, Sec. 10.13 (HB97) charges the State Board of Community Colleges in consultation with the State Board of Education to "...develop a program for implementation in the 2016-2017 school year that introduces the college developmental mathematics and developmental reading and English curriculums in the high school senior year and provides opportunities for college remediation for students prior to high school graduation through cooperation with community college partners." To achieve this, the System Office worked with colleges and affiliated association leadership to develop a state level team responsible for recommending possible programming, assessment, and needed professional development to address this charge. Specifically, this team is working to review national best practices as well as any North Carolina community college-secondary partnerships already engaged in program design and delivery and is also researching potential assessment instruments that target both the placement into and the successful completion of proposed remediation.

Rationale: NROC is a community-guided, non-profit organization focused on college and career readiness. The member institutions cooperate to develop and share digital resources and tools that support learning targeted toward college and career readiness. Resources include formative as well as summative assessment and additional tools for personalized learning. The 2016 annual NROC meeting will provide opportunities to engage in and learn about the latest NROC initiative, *EdReady. Set. Go!* This initiative helps assess students' readiness for college math. Participants learn about latest resources and tools, while networking with other member institutions to develop digital content and applications.

Allocation Amount and Time Period: The allocation of up to \$6,000 (up to \$3,000 for each team member) is for the period of March 13, 2016 through March 17, 2016.

Fund Source and Availability: FY 2015-16 funding is available from the State Board Reserve fund.

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