



## State Board of Community Colleges

**Carteret Community College  
North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores  
Pine Knoll Shores, North Carolina  
October 17, 2014  
9:00 a.m.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Following proper public notification, Chair Linwood Powell called the State Board of Community Colleges (SBCC) Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in Soundside Hall of the North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores. The Chair welcomed those in attendance. Mr. Bryan Jenkins called the roll and the following members were present:

Mr. K. Ray Bailey, Vice Chair	Ms. Hilda Pinnix-Ragland
Ms. Kendra Cotton (Rep. for Treasurer Janet Cowell)	Dr. Linwood Powell, Chair
Representative Jimmie Ford	Dr. Samuel Powell
Dr. Stuart Fountain	Mr. Lynn Raye
Mr. Wesley Fricks	Mr. La'Quon Rogers
Mr. Clyde Higgs	Mr. Scott Shook
Mr. Bobby Irwin	Mr. Jerry Vaughan*
Ms. Janet Lowder	Mr. Hal Weatherman (Rep. for Lt. Governor Dan Forest)*
Mr. Ernest Pearson	Ms. Ann Whitford
	Mr. James Woody

\*Participated by telephone

Absent: Dr. Darrell Saunders and Dr. Candler Willis

### **ETHICS AWARENESS AND IDENTIFICATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

The Chair reminded members of the Board of the ethical requirements for public servants and requested that members identify any conflicts or potential conflicts of interest with respect to any item on the agenda. Having so requested, the Chair asked that the record reflect no conflicts. Later in the meeting, Mr. Higgs, who works with Castle & Cooke, stated he would have a conflict of interest and would like to be excused if any discussion of the categorical areas related to the Research Campus occurs.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Dr. Fountain made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2014 meeting of the State Board of Community Colleges. Dr. Sam Powell seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

**CHANGES TO AGENDA**

The Chair polled the committee chairs as to any changes they might wish to make to the agenda, and the results were as follows:

**POLICY COMMITTEE, Mr. Lynn Raye, Chair**

Mr. Raye stated Policy Committee had no changes to the agenda.

**PROGRAM SERVICES COMMITTEE, Dr. Samuel Powell, Chair**

Dr. Sam Powell stated Program Services Committee would like to suspend the rules and move Attachment PROG 6 from Future Action to Action [CA].

**FINANCE COMMITTEE, Mr. K. Ray Bailey, Chair**

Mr. Bailey stated Finance Committee would like to suspend the rules and move Attachment FC 10 from Action [CA] to Action.

**ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT COMMITTEE, Mr. Jimmie Ford, Chair**

Mr. Ford stated Accountability and Audit Committee had no changes to the agenda.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, Mr. Clyde Higgs, Chair**

Mr. Higgs stated Personnel Committee had no changes to the agenda.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Representative Ford made a motion to approve the agenda, Ms. Cotton seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Ms. Pinnix-Ragland made a motion to approve the consent agenda as recommended, Ms. Cotton seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Items approved on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

**PROGRAMS COMMITTEE, Dr. Sam Powell, Chair**

Basic Skills Plus Career Pathway Requests (Attachment PROG 6)

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College

Bladen Community College

Central Carolina Community College

Guilford Technical Community College

Johnston Community College

Mayland Community College

Curriculum Program Applications (Fast Track for Action) (Attachment PROG 9)

Rowan-Cabarrus Community College  
Health and Fitness Science [A45630]  
Therapeutic Massage [A45750]

Curriculum Program Applications for Captive/Co-opted Groups (Attachment PROG 10)

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College  
Craggy Correctional Center (4630) – Business Administration [A25120]  
Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women (4635) – Business Administration [A25120]

Courses of Instruction to Captive/Co-opted Groups (Attachment PROG 11)

Continuing Education:  
South Piedmont Community College  
Brown Creek Correctional Institution – Plumbing (Residential Plumbing)

Repeal “1A SBCCC 300.99 – Instructional Service Agreements” (Attachment PROG 12)

Amend “1D SBCCC 300.97 – Instructional Service Agreements” (Attachment PROG 13)

Amend “1D SBCCC 400.96 – Instructional Service Agreements” (Attachment PROG 14)

**FINANCE COMMITTEE, Mr. K. Ray Bailey, Chair**

Service Agreement for Resources for Career and Technical Education Faculty (Attachment FC 7)

Allocation of NC Space Grant FY 2014-15 (Attachment FC 9)

Allocation for Small College Prison Program Startup – Mayland CC (Attachment FC 11)

Construction and Property (Attachment FC 12)

**Reports:**

**Dr. Garrett Hinshaw, President, North Carolina Association of Community College Presidents**

Dr. Lawrence Rouse presented the report for the NCACCP for Dr. Garrett Hinshaw who sent his regrets that he could not attend the meeting. The President’s met in Asheville last week for the NCACCP Fall Conference to discuss issues pertinent to North Carolina’s Community Colleges. One of the major initiatives of the NCACCP for the year is the formation of the Tuition Study Committee for the purpose of studying the treatment of tuition in the North Carolina Community College System. Ms. Jennifer Haygood will serve as the facilitator.

The Tuition Study Committee is tasked with answering the following questions: How could tuition be managed at the 58 community colleges in order to provide flexibility, planning, and potential revenue? Do we need to shift our current model and what are the options if we do? What are the future impacts of maintaining the current model or modifying the model on the NCCCS for the next five to ten years?

The Committee is comprised of three presidents (representative of tier 1, tier 2, and tier 3 colleges); three chief financial officers appointed by ACCBO (representative of tier 1, tier 2, and tier 3 colleges) and Ms. Jennifer Haygood, Executive Vice President of NCCCS (Staff).

Tuition Study Committee members are:

Dr. Stan Sidor, South Piedmont Community College  
Dr. Gary Green, Forsyth Technical Community College  
Dr. John Boyd, Mayland Community College  
Mr. Phillip Price, Central Carolina Community College  
Mrs. Betty Smith, Fayetteville Technical Community College

Mr. Bill Vespasian, Tri-County Community College  
Ms. Jennifer Haygood, North Carolina Community College System

The Committee should produce information and recommendations for consideration to the North Carolina Association of Community College Presidents by July 2015.

The North Carolina Association of Community College Presidents thanked the North Carolina State Board of Community Colleges for their continued support and advocacy.

**Ms. Lyn Austin, Chair, North Carolina Association of Community College Trustees**

Ms. Austin was unable to be at the meeting.

**N4CSGA, Mr. La’Quon Rogers, President**

The N4CSGA executive board met at the Dare County campus of College of The Albemarle on October 4, 2014 to review conference materials and plan. The board discussed the importance of giving back to the N4CSGA delegates and providing leadership. They have established two ad hoc committees; membership and website design.

Mr. Rogers extended a personal invitation to all of the board members to attend the N4CSGA conference, on October 24-26, 2014 at the Gateway Convention Center in Rocky Mount. There will be workshops that educate and empower. The theme will be NCCCS...It’s No Longer a Secret. The N4CSGA is stepping under the system umbrella to send a unified message to our legislators.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**POLICY COMMITTEE, Mr. Lynn Raye, Chair**

On behalf of the Policy Committee, Mr. Raye recommended and moved the following item be approved by the board:

Review Public Comments for and Amend “1D SBCCC 400.2 – Admission to Colleges”  
(Attachment POL 2)

The above item was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**PROGRAMS COMMITTEE, Dr. Sam Powell, Chair**

Dr. Sam Powell stated all Programs Committee items needing approval were on the consent agenda.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE, Mr. K. Ray Bailey, Chair**

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Mr. Bailey recommended and moved that the following items be approved by the board:

Summer 2014 FTE Report (Attachment FC 4)  
Budget Allocation for 2-1 Summary FY 2014-15 (Attachment FC 5)  
State Board Reserve Funding for a Study on the Future of Community College Nursing Education  
(Attachment FC 6)  
Allocation for Professional Development Workshop about Sub-Orbital Unmanned Space Flight  
Testing (Attachment FC 8)  
Allocation of CTE Leadership Grants – Career Pathways (Attachment FC 10)

The above items was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**ACCOUNTABILITY & AUDIT COMMITTEE, Mr. Jimmie Ford, Chair**

Mr. Ford asked that the board members to read the study the Vision for a New System of Accountability (Attachment AUD 1). Hopefully, the study will come before the committee for action at the November SBCC meeting.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE, Mr. Clyde Higgs, Chair**

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Mr. Higgs recommended and moved the following items be approved by the board:

Salary Increases Greater than 10% (Attachment PER 1)

The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

President Ralls did not present a report to the State Board. President Ralls thanked Megen Hoenk, Mary Shuping, Linda Weiner, Anne Bacon, Chreatha Alston and Matt Meyer for all the work they did on Align4NCWorks Learning Summits and the Planning Session.

**BOARD MEMBERS QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

Dr. Linwood Powell read a letter from President Ron Lingle of Coastal Carolina Community College. *(See attached letter)*

There were no questions or comments.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next State Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 20 and Friday, November 21, 2014 at the North Carolina Community College System Office in the Caswell Building in Raleigh, North Carolina. More information regarding this meeting will be communicated.

**EXPIRING TERMS AND VACANCIES**

There are currently no terms expiring and no vacancies for the membership of the State Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Ford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 a.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cotton and unanimously approved by voice vote.

**APPROVED MINUTES: November 21, 2014**

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:  
*Secretary*

APPROVED BY:

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Dr. R. Scott Ralls, System President

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Dr. Linwood Powell, Chair



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**Office of the President**

September 16, 2014

Dr. Linwood Powell  
Chair, State Board of Community Colleges  
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Dear Linwood:

As you and your colleagues on the State Board are very much aware, the past couple of years have presented some formidable challenges to the North Carolina Community College System. And, yet, having had the privilege of serving as President of Coastal Carolina Community College for more than 26 years, I cannot recall a time when our institutions were better “positioned” to do what we do best...make a profound difference in the lives of our students and in the economic prosperity of the communities we serve.

I believe that much of the credit for that “positioning” (and the political support that has come with it!) has to go to the leadership and vision of Scott Ralls, as well as the State Board of Community Colleges, that has helped him shape his vision and focus his leadership initiatives. In a period of rapid change at the international, national, state, and local community levels, the focus of the North Carolina community colleges on economic development, job training/retraining, and steadily increasing the rate of student success has earned the respect, admiration, and political support of the individual communities served by each of our 58 local community colleges...and, cumulatively, of the Governor and the General Assembly, as well.

And, as you know better than anyone, it has not been easy. The pace of change (and the sheer volume of change initiatives at the state and national level) has exacerbated the “built-in tensions” of a system of 58 public community colleges, designed to serve local community needs...and, together, to contribute to the solution of statewide needs as well. Trying to get 58 community college presidents, one of the most active and effective state trustees associations in the nation, the System Office staff, and the State Board of Community Colleges to “sing from the same hymn book” is a formidable challenge!

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**Ironically, Scott seems to be at his best when all of these highly motivated and talented “musicians” are most in need of a skilled, articulate, and visionary “conductor.”** Despite all of the challenges of the past year, the North Carolina Community College System succeeded in “getting its message across” to the Governor and the General Assembly very effectively. I had the privilege of participating in a “regional learning summit meeting” in March at Cape Fear Community College, designed to bring all of the “community partners” of several community colleges together with their legislators, for a “best practices” forum. It was a very successful experience and, as hoped, it attracted influential legislators from each community college district as well.

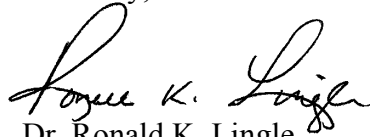
Linda Weiner and the planning committees from each of the colleges did a great job. The turnout and participation of the “strategic partners” of each of the colleges were very impressive. **But, the “star of the show” was Dr. Scott Ralls, who did a masterful job of setting the stage for the individual college team presentations. And the dinner with the key legislators exceeded all of our expectations!**

Throughout this difficult, exceptionally challenging year, Scott kept all of the “players” in an extremely complex system of public community colleges talking to each other and focused on truly important goals. In the process, he reminded many of us of the timeless wisdom of the famous quote of the poet Rudyard Kipling:

**“The strength of the wolf is the pack...  
and the strength of the pack is the wolf!”**

Please tell the members of the State Board how much we appreciate the time and effort they devote, year after year, to helping Dr. Ralls and his senior leadership team do an exceedingly important, extremely complex, absolutely essential, and frequently thankless job!

Sincerely,

  
Dr. Ronald K. Lingle  
President

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