

MINUTES
State Board of Community Colleges
PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
Thursday, July 16, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sam Powell, Chair
Bobby Irwin, vice chair
William Holder

Mary Ann Rice
David Willis
Ann Whitford

Frank Johnson
Breedon Blackwell
Hari Nath

ABSENT MEMBERS:

Jesse Watts

SYSTEM OFFICE STAFF AND OTHERS:

Kimberly Gold
Alexandra Doles
Mary Shuping
Tammie Hill
Sondra Jarvis
Jane Stancill
Immanuel Bryant
Maureen Little

Amanda Lee (NCACCP)
James JW Kelley
David Heatherly (NCACCP)
Hilmi Lahoud
Lisa Eads
Mickey Biggs
Frank Scuiletti
Jonathan Harris

Nancye Gaj
Robert Song
Matt Meyer
Bryan Jenkins
Mary Olvera
Michelle Lair

WELCOME AND ETHICS STATEMENT: Dr. Powell called the meeting to order at 9:32am in a virtual meeting. Roll was taken and there was a quorum. Dr. Powell read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any known conflicts. None were noted.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Dr. Powell requested a motion to approve the July 16, 2020 agenda. Mr. Holder made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Irwin seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved by the committee.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Dr. Powell requested a motion to approve the May 14, 2020 minutes. Mr. Holder made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Irwin seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved by the committee.

FOR ACTION:

Review of Public Comments for 1D SBCCC 400.6 – Curriculum Program Approvals and Terminations (Attachment PROG 01)

General Counsel Harris and Dr. Gold reviewed the background and the proposed amendment for this item.

President Lee, on behalf of the NC Association of Community College Presidents (NCACCP), discussed their stance on this rule. The NCACCP finds that the current language in the code allows the presidents to work through any issues that arise from program applications/terminations amongst themselves and grants the State Board the position to be a final arbiter when needed. They have requested that

the committee vote to maintain the language already in the code and not adopt the changes to the amendment while the procedures are reviewed.

Dr. Gold stated that the current code does allow the colleges to resolve issues amongst themselves and requesting the System President to be a mediator if a resolution is not reached prior to the program application/termination going before the State Board. The code as currently written also does not prohibit the State Board from hearing those proposals if a resolution could not be reached. She followed with the suggestion that if there is an amendment to this code in the future, the amendment should clarify the State Board's role when there is an unresolved objection to a program application.

General Counsel Harris provided more context on the background of this item relating to an unresolved objection with a Medical Sonography program in 2019. He followed supporting Dr. Gold's previous suggestion that if there are any changes to the code, the portion of the code that discusses resolution of any negative impact assessment should somehow be qualified to make clear that the State Board has the ability, notwithstanding an unresolved objection, to make a decision on a program application.

Mr. Irwin asked for more clarification on some of the comments surrounding the term "conditional approval" and the background on its inclusion in this proposed amendment. General Counsel Harris reviewed the comments focusing on this aspect of the rule and acknowledged the validity of the concerns raised by the community college presidents, leading to a motion requesting the proposed amendment not be adopted. Under the existing rule, if colleges were not able to come to an agreement, the procedures manual states that they would be referred to the System President for mediation, which could involve an informal process to reach a resolution. If that mediation did not result in a resolution, they would go before the State Board of Community Colleges Programs Committee and, if needed, the full State Board.

Mr. Holder asked how this proposed amendment addresses the initial rejection of the Medical Sonography program approval rejection, as that rejection involved competition for clinical spaces. Dr. Powell stated that there is search for a resolution that will not create conflict within the System and not encourage colleges to go outside of the current procedures to find a resolution to unresolved objections. The current processes which promote colleges resolve these unresolved objections amongst themselves have worked thus far and this proposed amendment was meant to help clarify the process, but it has only raised more questions and concerns, as shown in the public comments.

Mr. Johnson expressed his support of the NCACCP's comments and shared concerns that this proposed amendment seemed to be a way to undo the State Board's decision to refuse Central Piedmont Community College's Medical Sonography program application.

Dr. Gold followed expressing her gratitude to the NCACCP and the State Board that, even if the proposed amendment is not adopted, the discussion on this topic has been beneficial.

A motion was made to not adopt the proposed amendment to the rule.

On a motion made by Ms. Whitford, seconded by Mr. Irwin, this item was approved for the "For Action" agenda at their meeting on July 17, 2020. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Curriculum Program Application – Fast Track for Action (Attachment PROG 02) [CA]

- Beaufort County Community College
 - Boat Building (Diploma) (D35120)
 - Boat Manufacturing and Service (Diploma) (D60330)
- Randolph Community College
 - Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging (Diploma) (D45200)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Courses of Instruction - Captive/Co-opted Groups (Attachment PROG 03) [CA]

- Beaufort County Community College – Hyde Correctional Institution
 - Small Engine Mechanic (AUT-3200)
 - (Small Engine Mechanic)
 - Commercial/Residential Wiring (ELC-3119)
 - (NCCER Electrical Level 1)
 - Custodial/Environmental Services (HOS-3042)
 - (Certified Commercial Cleaning)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Combined Course Library – Continuing Education (Attachment PROG 04) [CA]

- New Course Approvals, Modifications, and Tier Designations
 - New Course Approval – NC Department of Insurance (NCDOI)
 - Residential Changeout Standard Inspection (COD-3102)
 - New Course Approval – Sandhills Community College
 - Construction Core Skills (CST-3110)
 - New Course Approval – Wake Technical Community College
 - Impartial Policing (CJC-5046)
 - Telecommunications Tower Technician (TCT-3200)
 - Course Modification – South Piedmont Community College
 - Computer Programming (CSC-3110)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

Ms. Whitford asked for clarification on who provides training for new police officers, the hours that are required for the Impartial Policing course, as well as increasing hours for police officer training. The community colleges, in cooperation with the Sheriff's Association and the Criminal Justice Commission, train both new police officers but also provide continuing education courses to keep those skills up to date and to be responsive to changes in technology, policy, and society. There are on-going conversations on several courses to roll out such as verbal de-escalation, screening and recruiting

officers that show the values of North Carolina’s criminal justice system, and the creation of a leadership committee to address training that will address systemic issues. The community colleges always welcome the opportunity to expand the curriculum in any way the Commission sees fit. There is initial training provided at the community colleges and also additional training that happens after the initial training. Officers will be better equipped when provided with more training and education and the System can support them in curriculum development, educational offering, and training opportunities. It is important that the commissions and associations endorse that additional education and the System is always open to be a part of those conversations.

Mr. Willis encouraged the committee to learn more about the opportunities offered to officers in the BLET program. The recommendations and support the Programs Committee and the community colleges can give for this program can put North Carolina at the forefront of these conversations and set an example nationwide on how we take the lead and put the best program forward.

Mr. Holder clarified that the six-hundred-hour initial training is followed by training offered at academies. The community colleges offer content that is critical to success in proper policing. This is an attempt to make training that may change the culture within a department.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Nath, PROG 02-04 were approved for the “For Action” agenda at their meeting on July 17, 2020. The motion was approved by voice vote.

FOR INFORMATION

Programs Committee Agenda Items

Associate in Arts in Teacher Preparation (AATP) (A1010T) and Associate in Science in Teacher Preparation (ASTP) (A1040T) Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 05)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Curriculum Program Applications as Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 06)

- Surry Community College
 - Entrepreneurship (A25480)
- Wake Technical Community College
 - Public Safety Administration (A55480)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Curriculum Standard Revision as Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 07)

- Bioprocess Technology (A55480)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Curriculum Program Terminations as Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 08)

- Brunswick Community College
 - Aquaculture Technology (A15120)
 - Biotechnology (A20100)
 - Marine Biotechnology (A20140)
- Martin Community College
 - Commercial Refrigeration Technology (A35200)
 - Office Administration (A25370)
 - School-Aged Education (A55440)
- McDowell Technical Community College
 - Carpentry (Diploma) (D35180)
 - Collision Repair and Refinishing Technology (A60130)
 - Dialysis Technology (Diploma) (D45300)
 - Surgical Technology (A45740)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

Dr. Powell expressed concern that Brunswick Community College is ending its Aquaculture Technology program as there are signs that this will be a promising program for the future. He noted international competition has affected the US market. Ms. Whitford noted that this used to be thriving program and that many times, lack of enrollment has been tied to lack of information to the community.

Dr. Eads agreed with the committee but stated that there are other programs that allow students to reach their career goals and, that if the college decides to pursue this program in the future, the System Office will support them in their application. Ms. Whitford stated that Brunswick CC has a good infrastructure for this program and hopes that they are able to increase enrollment in the future through advertising or other means.

SBCC Code Report – July 2020 (Attachment SBCCC 01)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Finance Committee Information Items

Allocation of Title II Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) Section 231 (Attachment FC 04)

[CA]

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Allocation of Title II, Section 235, Corrections Education and Other Institutional Individuals (Attachment FC 05) [CA]

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Allocation of Title II, Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (AEFLA) Section 243, Integrated Literacy and Civics Education (Attachment FC 06) [CA]

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am on a motion by Mr. Holder, seconded by Ms. Rice.

Recording Secretary
Alexandra Doles