

MINUTES
State Board of Community Colleges
PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
Thursday, October 14, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bobby Irwin, Chair	William Holder	Sarah West
Hari Nath	Ann Whitford	Tom Looney
Shirley Carraway	Nathan Vasquez	Mark Merritt
Jena Gallagher*	Ray Trapp	Andy Penry

*Attended via phone or Zoom technology

NCACCP LIAISONS

Amanda Lee, President, Bladen CC
David Heatherly, President, Coastal Carolina CC

SYSTEM OFFICE STAFF AND OTHERS:

Kimberly Gold, Senior Vice President	Judy Jefferson Tawanda Artis	Gilda Rubio-Festa Nate Humphrey
Alex Doles	Elizabeth Grovenstein	Elizabeth Grovenstein
Thomas A. Stith III, NCCCS President	Alex Fagg Tiffany Howell	Julie Woodson (NCACCT) Patty Pfeiffer (Wayne Community College)
Patrick Fleming	Bryan Jenkins	
Sharon Gladwell	JW Kelley	

WELCOME AND ETHICS STATEMENT: Chairman Irwin called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. in the Dallas Herring State Board Room in the Caswell Building. Roll was taken and there was a quorum. Chairman Irwin read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any known conflicts. None were noted.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Chairman Irwin requested a motion to approve the October 14, 2021, agenda. Mr. Holder made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Nath seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved by the committee.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Chairman Irwin made a motion to approve the September 16, 2021, minutes. Mr. Holder made a motion to approve the minutes and Dr. Carraway seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved by the committee.

FOR FUTURE ACTION:

Curriculum Program Application – New to the System (Attachment PROG 01)*

- Artificial Intelligence (A25710)

Dr. Gold and Dr. Pfeiffer reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

The Committee members expressed their support of this program as one of the two community college Artificial Intelligence programs in the country and extended their congratulations to Wayne Community College for initiating this program. They noted that this program should be highlighted when discussing the North Carolina community colleges.

Mrs. Whitford asked if this program would now be available to the other community colleges to implement. Yes, once the State Board approves this program, the other colleges could start their own Artificial Intelligence program.

Mrs. Whitford asked if Seymour Johnson Air Force Base is involved with this program. They are not at this time, but it is expected in the future as the military is making large investments in artificial intelligence.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Dr. Carraway, the full Board will be asked to suspend the rules. On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Nath, PROG 01 was approved for the “For Action” agenda at their meeting on October 15, 2021. The motion was approved by voice vote.

FOR ACTION:

Review of Comment for Proposed Amendment 1D SBCCC 800.2 – General Provisions (Attachment PROG 02)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Dr. Carraway, seconded by Mr. Nath, PROG 02 was approved for the “For Action” agenda at their meeting on October 15, 2021. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Review of Comments for Proposed Amendment 1D SBCCC 800.4 – State or Industry Recognized Credentials/Continuing Education to Curriculum Credit (Attachment PROG 03)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Dr. Carraway, PROG 03 was approved for the “For Action” agenda at their meeting on October 15, 2021. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Review of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement That Exists Between Constituent Institutions of the North Carolina Community College System and Constituent Institutions of the University of North Carolina System (Attachment PROG 04)

Dr. Gold and Dr. Kelley reviewed the item. All documents are in order. Dr. Kelley noted the successes community college transfer students were experiencing when transferring to four-year institutions and that there are still technological and operational barriers needing to be addressed to ease student transfer. He noted that the Community Colleges System and the University of North Carolina System is currently holding conversations to address these recommendations.

Mr. Nath asked if graduation rates are part of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA) evaluation. It is not a part of the current criteria, but the information is available on the dashboards. There is a partnership with the UNC System and Independent Colleges System to do a self-study to analyze that data to determine where there are weaknesses in policies and procedures so that improvements can be made. Mr. Nath suggested that the Transfer Advisory Committee (TAC) could consider adding it to their evaluation criteria.

Dr. Gold noted that, on Chairman Irwin's request, there will talking points on the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement provided to the State Board that summarizes the report and the Legislative committee members who will receive the report.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Dr. Carraway, PROG 04 was approved for the "For Action" agenda at their meeting on October 15, 2021. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Curriculum Program Applications – Fast Track for Action (FTFA) (Attachment PROG 05) [CA]

- Cape Fear Community College
 - Medical Laboratory Technology (A45420)
- Wayne Community College
 - Entertainment Technologies (A25190)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Nath, PROG 05 was approved for action and placed on the full board "Consent Agenda" for action at their October 15, 2021, meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Curriculum Program Application – Captive/Co-Opted (Attachment PROG 06) [CA]

- Beaufort County Community College – Hyde Correctional Institute
 - Agribusiness (A15100)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Nath, PROG 06 was approved for action and placed on the full board "Consent Agenda" for action at their October 15, 2021, meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.

Combined Course Library – Continuing Education (Attachment PROG 07) [CA]

- New Course Approvals, Modifications, and Tier Designations
 - New Course Approval – Coastal Carolina Community College
 - Transition Digital Skills Applications (BSP-4011)
 - New Course Approval – Guilford Technical Community College

- Composite Adhesive Bonding (MEC-3016)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Mr. Nath, seconded by Dr. Carraway, PROG 07 was approved for action and placed on the full board "Consent Agenda" for action at their October 15, 2021, meeting. The motion was approved by voice vote.

FOR INFORMATION

Programs Committee Information Items

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

- College of The Albemarle
 - Supply Chain Management (A25620)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents are in order.

Mr. Nath asked what the criteria are for terminating a program and if there are evaluations conducted prior to programs being terminated. Staff review a program accountability report that requires the colleges review their new programs every three years. There was a yearly report that listed the terminations each year, but the System Office is reviewing the reporting process to provide feedback on the mix of programs and how they address employer needs.

The committee asked if there are areas in the state where the community colleges could make recommendations on key jobs. North Carolina receives funds from the Perkins federal grant. The grants are jointly administered and the NCCCS Career and Technical Education team works closely with partners. There are also the Council of Associations for Engagement meetings where employers are brought in to discuss employer needs with the colleges. Also, when there are programs that have high employment needs, the System Office will request that program to be placed on the Special Applications list so that the System President can approve the program and allow the colleges to offer those programs in a more expedited manner.

Curriculum Standard Revision as Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 09)

- Human Services Technology/Substance Abuse (A4538E)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item. All documents were in order.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Finance Committee Information Items

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

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Service Agreement for Residency Determination Services (Attachment FC 02)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Improving Career and Technical Education with Perkins Carry Over Funds (Attachment FC 03)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

Specialized Public Safety Waiver List (Attachment FC 06)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m. on a motion from Mr. Holder, seconded by Dr. Carraway.

Recording Secretary

Alex Doles