

**MINUTES**  
**State Board of Community Colleges**  
**PROGRAMS COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, October 17, 2019**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Sam Powell, Chair  
Bobby Irwin, Vice Chair

William Holder  
Mary Ann Rice

David Willis

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Hari Nath  
Bob Stephens

Jesse Watts  
Ann Whitford

**SYSTEM OFFICE STAFF AND OTHERS:**

Kimberly Gold  
Alex Doles  
Margaret Robertson  
Jennifer Haygood  
Gilda Rubio-Festa  
Hilmi Lahoud

Lisa Eads  
Andrea Poole  
Wesley Beddard  
Frank Scuiletti  
Jonathan Harris  
Jane Stancill

Tracy McPherson  
Walter Dalton (NCACCP)  
Amanda Lee (NCACCP)  
Linda Suggs (Gates  
Foundation)

**WELCOME AND ETHICS STATEMENT:** Dr. Powell called the meeting to order at 1:38pm in Innovation Station (B10) at the Caswell Building. 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 October 17, 2019 agenda. Mr. Holder made a motion to approve the agenda and Mr. Willis seconded the motion. The agenda was unanimously approved by the committee.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** Dr. Powell requested a motion to approve the September 19, 2019 minutes. Mr. Irwin made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Holder seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved by the committee.

**FOR FUTURE ACTION:**

**Amendment 1D SBCCC 400.11 "Education Services through Career and College Promise (Curriculum)" (College Transfer Pathway requirements for Freshmen and Sophomores) (Attachment PROG 01)\***

Dr. Gold and Dr. Eads reviewed this item. This code change is the second of two changes based off of Legislative requirements implemented in August 2019. This piece allows freshmen and sophomore students who are academically gifted to enroll in CCP programs.

Mr. Willis asked for clarification for students who are academically gifted in one or two of the academic areas (English, Reading, and Math) but not all three areas. The legislation is understood to mean that students must be considered "career and college ready" in all three areas to be identified as academically gifted. There are five requirements that freshmen and sophomore students must meet to be able to enter the program as listed in the code.

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Mr. Irwin asked when this item would return to the Programs Committee for a vote. It is projected that the code item would complete the public comment period in December 2019 or January 2020.

The committee recognized Dr. Lee and requested the NCACCP's input on this code piece. The presidents recognize the need to have this code in place as soon as possible as the legislation is already in effect. This guidance will allow for consistency across the community college system.

On a motion made by Mr. Irwin, seconded by Mr. Willis, the full Board will be asked to suspend the rules and place this item on the "Action" agenda at their meeting on October 18, 2019.

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**FOR ACTION:**

**Comprehensive Articulation Agreement Report (Attachment PROG 02)**

Mr. Beddard reviewed this item. This report is due for submission on November 1, 2019. This report is written collaboratively by the Transfer Advisory Committee, which is composed of four University of North Carolina staff and four community college staff. The report shows increases in transfers and degree completers and that students that transfer from the community colleges to the UNC system compare equally to those who attend the universities for all four years. Dr. Gold pointed out that this report shows a shorter list of recommendations compared to the 2018 report, which shows gradual improvement in the process and that comments and recommendations from the State Board Programs Committee and the NCACCP are greatly welcomed.

The committee acknowledged the amount of past and continued work by all parties and commented on how beneficial the articulation agreements are for students.

Mr. Willis asked if the numbers in this report includes those in Career and College Promise (CCP) and Cooperative Innovative High Schools (CIHS). These numbers only show high school completers enrolled but other data in the report shows that students who do complete the CCP program outperform both traditional community college and university students.

The committee discussed the challenges students have faced with community college courses successfully transferring to four-year institutions. In prior versions of the Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA), this was a challenge; however, the current CAA should address this and have courses transfer successfully. There is still work needing to be done to resolve this issue completely but this is occurring less frequently than with previous versions of the CAA.

Dr. Powell recognized President Dalton on behalf of the NCACCP to comment on their review of this item at the November NCACCP Programs Committee meeting. President Dalton stated that the NCACCP is very proud of the report and pointed out that the CAA has taken two of North Carolina's greatest assets in the sixteen universities and the 58 community colleges to create a great transfer agreement. He noted that there were still some issues with transferring credits but overall, the CAA is working.

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On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Willis, the above item was approved for action and forwarded to the October 18, 2019, meeting.

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**Curriculum Program Applications – Fast Track for Action (FTFA) (Attachment PROG 03) [CA]**

- McDowell Technical Community College
  - Emergency Medical Science (A45350)
- Rockingham Community College
  - Agribusiness Technology (A15100)

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

The committee had no questions or concerns.

On a motion made by Mr. Holder, seconded by Mr. Willis, the above item was approved for action and placed on the full board “Consent Agenda” for action at their October 18, 2019, meeting.

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**FOR INFORMATION**

**Curriculum Program Application as Approved by the System President (Attachment PROG 04)**

- Forsyth Technical Community College
  - Mechatronics Engineering Technology (A40350)

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

The committee had no questions or concerns.

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**Combined Course Library – Continuing Education (Attachment PROG 05)**

- New Course Approvals, Modifications, and Tier Designations
  - Course modification – NCCCS/Fire & Rescue Commission: Certification Board
    - Firefighter Training Block 1 (FIP-3031)
    - Firefighter Training Block 2 (FIP-3032)
    - Firefighter Training Block 3 (FIR-3033)

Ms. Robertson reviewed the item. This item will return to the Programs Committee in November for a vote. All documents are in order.

Mr. Irwin asked if these training blocks apply to paid firefighters or volunteer firefighters. These blocks are available for both and is set up so that completers will leave with a certification.

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**Finance Committee Information Items**

**State Board Reserve Allocation (Attachment FC 02)**

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

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Service Agreement for Residency Determination Service (Attachment FC 06)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

Mr. Irwin asked if the issues in the application process that affect students' completion of the application have been resolved. There has been information gathered that shows improvement in completion numbers and this information can be brought to the Programs Committee at a future meeting.

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Specialized Course List for Public Safety Waivers Authorized Under G.S. 115D-5(b)(2) (Attachment FC 09)

Ms. Robertson reviewed the item.

The committee discussed public safety waivers and tuition costs to the community colleges for the benefit of new members.

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Summary of 2018-19 State Funded Financial Aid Programs for Community College Students (Attachment FC 11)

Dr. Gold reviewed the item.

The committee had no questions or concerns.

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**OTHER BUSINESS**

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:51 pm on a motion by Mr. Irwin and approved via voice vote.

Recording Secretary  
Alexandra Doles