



STATE BOARD GENERAL SESSION

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APPROVED MINUTES

Thursday, August 3, 2017
12:45 – 1:45 p.m.

Chattahoochee Technical
College Building D – North
Metro Hall 5198 Ross Road
Acworth, Georgia 30102

Absent: Shan Cooper, Mary Flanders, and Dinah Wayne

I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Joe Yarbrough

Chairman Joe Yarbrough called the August 3, 2017 State Board meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia [TCSG] to order at 12:45 p.m. He welcomed the attending State Board members, the technical college presidents and the TCSG staff; thanking everyone for their participation during their respective committees. He also gave special reference and a special thank you to Dr. Ron Newcomb, President of Chattahoochee Technical College, for hosting the State Board meeting at Chattahoochee Technical College's North Metro Campus.

II. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS

Chairman Yarbrough

The Chairman's first order of business was to call for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2017 State Board meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Ben Copeland, was seconded by Mr. Trey Sheppard, and passed approval by the Board unanimously. Minutes stand approved.

Chairman Yarbrough then called on the Committee Chairs to give their reports.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- **Academic Affairs**

Lynn Cornett

I. Academic Standards and Programs



Motion (Approval of AAS Degrees, Diplomas, and Technical Certificates of Credit):

Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett that the college requests listed below to offer degrees, diplomas, and technical certificates of credit programs be approved effective the semester specified for each request. Any fiscal requirements to begin these programs must be approved through the standard budget approval process. Motion was seconded by Mr. Michael Sullivan and passed State Board approval unanimously. Motion stands approved.

Discussion:

Central Georgia Technical College - TCC program in Court Reporter, CR21, 35 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

The Court Reporter technical certificate program provides the necessary knowledge and competencies in machine shorthand and stenography writer skills to record testimony, judicial opinion, judgment or sentence of a court and other proceedings. Employment of court reporters is projected to grow 2 percent from 2014 to 2024, slower than the average for all occupations. As of 2017 there is a critical shortage of court reporters in the state of Georgia. Currently, Brown College is the only NCRA approved court reporting program in Georgia. This program is institutionally developed by Central Georgia Technical College in response to local industry demand. The curriculum was developed to meet National Court Reporters Association (NCRA) guidelines and general program standard requirements for technical certificate programs. The first year costs to offer the program is \$52,500 to fund one part-time faculty salary and purchase of thirteen stenography machines funded by Perkins (equipment) and tuition and fees (faculty). Enrollment is estimated at 12 students per year. This cohort is based on the number of stenography machines available in the classroom.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 12 Year 3: 12

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Central Georgia Technical College - TCC program in Literary Braille Transcriber, LBT1, 27 Credit Hours, effective January 2018

The Literary Braille Transcriber technical certificate program provides students an opportunity to learn to transcribe printed resources into braille. Students learn braille formats for transcribing textbooks, general literature and technical materials. While the Georgia braille program is not part of Georgia Correctional Industries, the initiative is an example of how partnerships can be forged in creating re-entry success. The Georgia Braille Transcribers (GBT) program is collaborative effort between the Georgia Department of Corrections, the Georgia Department of Education, and Central Georgia Technical College intended to provide an opportunity for offenders to learn braille transcription and create



other accessible materials for print-disabled students, such as large print and electronic textbooks. The program provides books in braille for K-12 students in Georgia free of charge, thus saving the state thousands of dollars annually. The program merged two existing braille units in Georgia prisons and is now located at Central State Prison in Macon, GA. This certificate is not offered at any institution or technical college in CGTC's service area or adjacent to it. The curriculum within this certificate is institutionally-developed by Central Georgia Technical College and meets State Board program requirements at its award level. The first year costs for this new program are \$48,000 for new FT instructor salary and purchase of 4 computer workstations for the student lab. Second and third years costs are expected to be \$43,000 for salary and supplies and will be funded by tuition and fees. The enrollment is estimated by the number of students that have enrolled in the braille transcriber program at Central State Prison in the past.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 8 Year 3: 8

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Central Georgia Technical College - Diploma program in Sports and Fitness Management, RA12, 53 Credit Hours, effective January 2018

In response to local demand from the Bibb County Recreational Department, Central Georgia Technical College requests the Sports and Fitness Management diploma program for student athletes and others to attain the necessary skills to work in various recreation and sports organizations. This program request is intended to complement the AAS proposal in order to provide stackable credentials in this field. Per the Department of Labor, opportunities for staff positions should be best for people with formal training and experience in part-time or seasonal recreation jobs, with growth estimated of 15% over the next 10 years. This is an institutionally-developed program by South Georgia Technical College and meets the state standards set forth by the Technical College System of Georgia. Since this diploma will run in conjunction with our currently offered Marketing Management programs and Business Management programs, costs for the first three years are for estimated at approximately \$6,000 for adjunct salary and supplies, funded by tuition and fees. The first year's enrollment is projected at 15 students and expect the third year enrollment to increase to approximately 20.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 12 Year 3: 15

Evening Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 5 Year 3: 5

Central Georgia Technical College - Degree program in Sports and Fitness Management, RA13, 60 Credit Hours, effective January 2018



In response to local demand from the Bibb County Recreational Department, Central Georgia Technical College requests the Sports and Fitness Management Associate of Applied Science degree program for student athletes and others to attain the necessary skills to work in various recreation and sports organizations. Per the Department of Labor, opportunities for staff positions should be best for people with formal training and experience in part-time or seasonal recreation jobs, with growth estimated of 15% over the next 10 years. This is an institutionally-developed program by South Georgia Technical College and meets the state standards set forth by the Technical College System of Georgia. Since this AAS degree will run in conjunction with our currently offered Marketing Management programs and Business Management programs, costs for the first three years are estimated at approximately \$6,000 for adjunct salary and supplies, funded by tuition and fees. The first year's enrollment is projected at 22 students and expect the third year enrollment to increase to approximately 30.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 15 Year 2: 18 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 7 Year 2: 7 Year 3: 10

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - Diploma program in Business Healthcare Technology, BHT2, 46 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC) would like to offer the new Business Healthcare Technology diploma program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of administrative healthcare professionals is expected to grow by 36% through 2022. The Business Healthcare diploma program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer the program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program will be \$3,700 for one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is expected to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - Degree program in Business Healthcare Technology, BHT3, 61 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC) would like to offer the new Business Healthcare Technology degree program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of administrative healthcare professionals is expected to grow by



36% through 2022. The Business Healthcare Technology program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer the program. The Business Healthcare Technology program will follow the state standard. First year costs of the program will be \$3700. This will be for hiring of one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and new library resources. First year enrollment is expected to be 20 students, increasing to 35 by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Die Maintenance Technician, DMT1, 34 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC) currently offers the Machine Tool Technology Degree and Diploma programs. We would like to expand our related offerings by implementing a new institutionally developed TCC program titled Die Maintenance Technician. According to the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment of machinists and tool and die makers is expected to grow by 6% through 2024. This includes the area of die maintenance which requires a broader set of skills for success. The Die Maintenance Technician TCC program will address this need. GNTC has obtained an Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) grant in the amount of \$500,000 to implement the program. The Die Maintenance Technician TCC will meet State Board and general program standard requirements for programs at the TCC level. Additional first year costs of the program will be \$498,000. This includes new equipment/supplies and required upgrades to facilities. These costs will be covered by the ARC grant. Enrollment for the first year is expected to be thirty students with the third year expected to be forty students.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 30 Year 2: 35 Year 3: 40

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - Degree program in Health Care Management, HC23, 60 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

We would like to offer the Health Care Management degree as a way for graduates to enter the field of healthcare management or as a way to advance within their current organization. Demand for medical and health services managers continues to increase at a much faster rate than the average for all other occupations. Employment in this field requires education beyond the certificate level. By offering the Healthcare Management degree, we will be equipping graduates with the necessary tools to be successful. No other colleges in our service area offer this program. The program will follow the state standards. There will be minimal additional costs for implementing the program of \$500 for additional



supplies. First year enrollment is expected to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Billing and Coding Specialist, HBC1, 30 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Billing and Coding Specialist TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of medical records and health information technicians is expected to grow by 15% through 2024. The Healthcare Billing and Coding Specialist TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program are expected to be \$3700 for one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Billing and Reimbursement Assistant, HBA1, 17 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Billing and Reimbursement Assistant TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of medical records and health information technicians is expected to grow by 15% through 2024. The Healthcare Billing and Reimbursement Assistant TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program are expected to be \$3700 for one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:



Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Documentation Specialist, HD51, 29 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Documentation Specialist TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the necessary tools to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to state labor projections, employment of healthcare documentation specialists is expected to grow by 3.5% through 2024. The Healthcare Documentation Specialist TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow the state standards. First year costs of the program will be approximately \$3700 for a new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Informatics Specialist, HIS1, 17 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Informatics Specialist TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of medical records and health information technicians is projected to grow 15% through 2024. The Healthcare Informatics Specialist TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program are expected to be \$3700 for one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 15 students, with an increase to 25 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 11 Year 3: 13

Evening Students Year 1: 7 Year 2: 9 Year 3: 12

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Office Assistant, HFA1, 26 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Office Assistant TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the necessary tools to successfully



enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of administrative healthcare professionals is expected to grow by 36% through 2022. The Healthcare Office Assistant TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow the state standards. First year costs of the program will be approximately \$3700 for a new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 20 students, with an increase to 35 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 12 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20

Evening Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Practice Manager, HPM1, 15 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Practice Manager TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of administrative healthcare professionals is expected to grow by 36% through 2022. The Healthcare Practice Manager TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program are expected to be \$3700 for one new adjunct instructor, additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 15 students, with an increase to 25 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 11 Year 3: 13

Evening Students Year 1: 7 Year 2: 9 Year 3: 12

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - TCC program in Healthcare Reimbursement and Compliance Specialist, HRA1, 15 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College would like to offer the new Healthcare Reimbursement and Compliance Specialist TCC program as a way to equip graduates with the tools necessary to successfully enter the business healthcare field. According to federal labor projections, employment of Medical Records and Health Information Technicians is projected to grow 15% through 2024. The Healthcare Reimbursement and Compliance Specialist TCC program will foster the skills, knowledge, and attitudes required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement in this demanding field. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow state standards. First year costs of the program are expected to be \$3700 for one new adjunct instructor,



additional supplies, and additional library materials. Enrollment the first year is anticipated to be 15 students, with an increase to 25 students by year three.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 8 Year 2: 11 Year 3: 13

Evening Students Year 1: 7 Year 2: 9 Year 3: 12

Georgia Northwestern Technical College - Degree program in Machine Tool Technology, MT13, 60 Credit Hours, effective August 2017

Georgia Northwestern Technical College (GNTC) offers the Machine Tool Technology diploma. We would like to add the Machine Tool Technology degree to enhance our graduates' ability to be competitive in the job market. Both national and state labor statistics predict that employment in the machine tool field will continue to grow at least through 2024. Many employers are looking for candidates with higher levels of education when filling open positions. By offering the degree, GNTC graduates will have this additional level of education. No other colleges in or adjacent to our service area offer this program. The program will follow the state standard. First year costs of the program will be minimal at \$1000 for additional supplies and library materials. Anticipated enrollment in the first year is expected to be 8 students increasing to 20 by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 4 Year 2: 8 Year 3: 10

Evening Students Year 1: 4 Year 2: 8 Year 3: 10

Backup material for these requests will be available when the committee meets at the Board meeting or may be requested prior to the meeting from Joe Dan Banker, Executive Director, Academic Affairs, at 404-679-1670.

II. Program Terminations

Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett that the college requests listed below to terminate programs be approved for the semester specified for each request. Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.

Discussion:

Georgia Northwestern Technical College

Degree Program in Neuromuscular Massage Therapist, NT13, effective May 2018.

Diploma Program in Neuromuscular Massage Therapist, NT12, effective May 2018.



III. Approval for Program Standards and Revisions

Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett to approve program standards and revisions for August 2017. Motion was seconded by Mr. Michael Sullivan and was unanimously approved by the State Board.

State Board Standards and Revisions Summary for August 2017

Major Code	Program Name	Program Development	Award Level	Credit Hours
AP61	Advanced Plumbing Technician	Standard	TCC	14
PT11	Plumbing Technician	Standard	TCC	34
PT32	Plumbing and Pipefitting Technology	Standard	Diploma	42
CL41	Chemical Laboratory Technician Assistant I	Georgia Northwestern	TCC	10
CR71	Chemical Process Control Technician Assistant I	Georgia Northwestern	TCC	10
IS22	Industrial Electrical and Maintenance Technician	Southeastern	Diploma	40
IK71	Industrial Maintenance Technician	Southeastern	TCC	25
NE13	Nuclear Engineering Technology	Augusta	Degree	64
NU13	Nursing	Gwinnett	Degree	72

IV. Ratification for Program Approvals

Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett to ratify the Program Approvals that the Commissioner approved in July 2017. Motion was seconded by Mr. Doug Carter and was unanimously approved by the State Board.

Georgia Piedmont Technical College

AAS in Interdisciplinary Studies, AF53, 62 credits, effective July 2017.

V. General Programs Standards Revision

Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett to approve the changes to the General Program Standards. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sylvia Russell and unanimously passed approval by the State Board.

ADMISSION Regular Admission Requirements

Standard Number: 02-01-03



Standard Statement

Admission requirements, as a minimum, are implemented for each degree, diploma, and technical certificate of credit program.

Explanatory Comment

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia's program-specific standards establish admission requirements.

Program admission requirements consider applicable regulatory and accreditation standards.

Evaluative Criteria

The college publishes and implements clearly stated admission policies and procedures.

All degree, diploma, and technical certificate of credit program students achieve regular admission status prior to graduation. Students admitted into an approved basic workforce certificate **or those participating in any dual enrollment program** will be able to complete without a high school diploma or a General Education Diploma.

VI. Career Academy Certifications

Discussion:

The Dr. Joe Harless Georgia College and Career Academies certification process partners the TCSG and the GaDOE Charter Division in a two-day accountability review of five standards:

- Governance and Leadership
- Strategic Planning and Sustainability
- Teaching and Assessing for Learning
- Economic and Workforce Development
- Performance Contract

The Certification teams visited all CCA's listed below and found that they meet the applicable standards to be certified as Georgia College and Career Academies.

Motion (Approval of Georgia CERTIFIED College and Career Academies):



Motion was made by Dr. Lynn Cornett that the college and career academies listed below be certified as Georgia College and Career Academies, in accordance with the *Dr. Joe Harless* Georgia College and Career Academies certification process. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Shirley Smith and unanimously passed approval by the State Board.

Discussion:

- Floyd County College and Career Academy, Rome, GA.
- Bartow County College and Career Academy, Cartersville, GA
- Cairo High School College and Career Academy, Cairo, GA
- Effingham College and Career Academy, Rincon, GA
- Golden Isles Career Academy, Brunswick, GA
- Academy for Advanced Studies (Henry Co), McDonough, GA

• **Adult Education**

Ben Copeland

Mr. Ben Copeland shared that his committee had a great meeting. He detailed that the Adult Education numbers are in line to meet the targets for FY17. He shared that the pass rate for GED students who take our adult education classes are at 80%. Lastly, he shared that the staff set a goal for 15,000 graduates for FY18.

That concluded the report.

• **External Affairs and Economic Development**

Doug Carter

Mr. Doug Carter shared that from his committee, Quick Start had 12 prospects for the months of June and July for a total of 4,320 potential new jobs and nine announcements for a total of 1,160 new jobs. The Quick Start Industry Advisory Committee met on June 7 and featured Mr. Jonathon Martin as the speaker at that event.

From the Communications Office, Mr. Carter shared that the Georgia Public Broadcasting contract had been renewed and that TCSG would be able to participate in educational interview segments. Also the Communications Office will participate in two events: the Georgia School Counselors Conference in November and the Georgia Economic Developers Association conference in September; both will be opportunities for TCSG to be showcased. There will be a social media campaign to promote the HOPE Career Grant August 7-September 6 and a Move on When Ready social media campaign that will run September 25-October 25.

From the External Affairs department, Mr. Carter shared that Assistant Commissioner Neil Bitting had been busy attending the House Higher Education Committee visits to both Wiregrass Georgia Technical College and Southern Regional Technical College, participating the House Rural



Development Council and the Georgia Northwestern Technical College groundbreaking of the Whitfield-Murray campus phase two.

That concluded the report.

- **Facilities and Real Estate**

Frank “Chunk” Newman

I. Actions for Ratifications

Motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to ratify the contracts and sublease agreements executed by the Commissioner between May 31, 2017 and August 3, 2017 for the Technical Colleges listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated.

- A.** DISCUSSION: The State Board granted the Commissioner the authority to make all decisions, purchases and enter into necessary contracts between the May 31, 2017 and August 3, 2017, State Board meetings. The following designated construction contracts were entered into by the Commissioner for the Techs listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated and are to be ratified at the August 3, 2017 State Board meeting.

<u>College</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Vendor City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Athens Tech	Grahl Construction	Athens	\$537,000.00
Chattahoochee Tech	Alliance Fire Protection	Loganville	\$142,000.00
Chattahoochee Tech	Dusty Greer Roofing	Monroe	\$239,800.00
Gwinnett Tech	Centennial Contractors Ent	Atlanta	\$340,706.87
Savannah Tech	Ellis Wood Contracting	Statesboro	\$1,283,955.00
Wiregrass Tech	Comfort Systems USA	Valdosta	\$190,910.00

II. Approval of Real Estate Transactions

Motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to authorize the staff to prepare appropriate requests to the State Properties Commission seeking its approval of, and assistance with the execution of the following real estate transactions. Motion was seconded by Judge Dick Porter and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.

- A. Quick Start** – Acquisition of 7.583 AC from Georgia Department of Economic Development

DISCUSSION: QuickStart requests approval on the acquisition of 7.583 acre of unimproved land located on Gabettville Road, West Point (Troup County), GA, from the Georgia Department of Economic Development, for the consideration of \$10, as the site of the Kia Georgia Training Center Expansion, subject to the approval of the State Properties Commission



- B. Athens Tech** – Acquisition of QCD from the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County

DISCUSSION: Athens Technical College requests approval on the acceptance of Quit Claim Deed for the 1965 Water Tank Easement less and except the 16" Water Line Easement and the 1980 Water Tank Drainage Line Easement from the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County.

- C. Georgia Northwestern Tech** – Floyd Utility Easement to Georgia Power Company

DISCUSSION: Georgia Northwestern Technical College requests approval on the granting of a revocable license and a non-exclusive easement to the Georgia Power Company, over approximately 0.14 acres on the Floyd County Campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College, for the installation and maintenance of underground power distribution lines to serve the Machine Tools Renovation project.

- D. Georgia Northwestern Tech** – Whitfield Encroachment Agreement with GPC

DISCUSSION: Georgia Northwestern Technical College requests approval on the execution of an encroachment agreement with the Georgia Power Company to grade and install storm water pipes around the future connecting road to US 76/ SR3 to serve the TCSG-318 Whitfield Murray Campus Phase I Building project over the existing transmission line right of way.

- E. West Georgia Tech** – Troup Encroachment Agreement with GPC

DISCUSSION: West Georgia Technical College requests approval on the execution of an encroachment agreement with the Georgia Power Company to grade and pave the access road over the existing transmission line right of way to access the new parking lot.

III. Approval of Construction Contracts

Motion was made by Mr. Chunk Newman to authorize the Commissioner to execute the construction contract listed below at cost not to exceed the amount stated for each request. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Shirley Smith and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.

- A. Augusta Tech** - \$126,340.91 with Centennial Contractors Enterprise, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Augusta Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Building 700 AHU" on the Augusta Campus of Augusta



Technical College, with Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc., Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$126,340.91, using local funds.

B. Augusta Tech - \$128,097.50 with Centennial Contractors Enterprise, Inc.

DISCUSSION: Augusta Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Replace Chilled Water Pumps" on the Augusta Campus of Augusta Technical College, with Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc., Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$128,097.50, using local funds.

• **Governance, Compliance and Audit**

Michael Sullivan

- I. **Motion was made by Mr. Michael Sullivan to approve recommended revision to Policy 5.1.7. Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.**

DISCUSSION: Changes made to reflect accompanying procedure as program guides are no longer used.

POLICY: 5.1.7. (IV.I)

Warranty of Degree, Diploma, and Technical Certificate of Credit Graduates

Revised: **Pending State Board Approval;** February 2, 2017; September 7, 2006; April 23, 2001; September 5, 1996; December, 1995

Last Reviewed: February 2, 2017

Adopted: October 5, 1989



POLICY:

As a demonstration of our confidence in the quality of our technical college programs, the Technical College System of Georgia [TCSG] warrants every graduate of our technical college programs offering a technical certificate of credit, diploma, or associate degree as follows:

The warranty guarantees that the graduate has demonstrated the knowledge and skills and can perform each competency as identified in the industry-validated Standards ~~or Program Guide~~.

Any program graduate who is determined to lack such competence shall be retrained at no cost to the employer or the graduate for tuition or instructional fees.



A Warranty claim may be filed by either an employer in conjunction with a graduate or a graduate if the individual is unable to perform one or more of the competencies contained in the industry-validated Standards or Program Guide, including failure to pass a State of Georgia required licensing examination or national licensing examination.

This warranty is applicable only to graduates of a technical certificate of credit, diploma, or degree program who entered the program subsequent to the mandated standards implementation date.

The warranty shall remain in effect for two years immediately following the date of graduation and shall be honored by any technical college that offers the program from which the individual graduated.

This warranty shall be issued in writing to each graduate exiting a program on or after the mandated standards implementation date for the applicable program standard.

The Commissioner shall develop procedures for implementing this policy such that the technical college conducting the retraining under the warranty may recover the institutional costs of retraining from the technical college that conducted the original program.

The Commissioner shall resolve any disputes pertaining to this warranty policy.

RELATED AUTHORITY:

O.C.G.A. § 20-4-11 – Powers of the Board

O.C.G.A. § 20-4-14 – TCSG Powers and Duties

~~TCSG Procedure 5.1.7p. Claim Report Procedures~~

- II. Motion was made by Mr. Michael Sullivan to adopt the Resolution contained in the State Board materials that pertains to the acquisition of technical programs, campus land, facilities and equipment of the Bainbridge Campus from Bainbridge State College and the University System of Georgia. Motion was seconded by Dr. Lynn Cornett and passed approval by the State Board unanimously. [Attachment A]**

DISCUSSION: Bainbridge State College is merging with Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Southern Regional Technical College was asked to assume responsibility for the technical programs being offered by BSC. During the discussions with USG to transfer the programs, it became apparent that it would be in the best interest of the students, USG, TCSG and the state of Georgia to not only transfer the programs, but to also transfer the ownership and operations of the Bainbridge campus. The greatest need for instructional space on the campus was for technical programs. The transfer is proposed for a July 2018 date and is contingent upon necessary approvals by SACSCOC and the retirement of BSC's public private venture (PPV) capital liabilities. This action necessitates resolutions of authorization to



proceed from this governing board as well as the Board of Regents (BOR) of the University System of Georgia (USG).

- III. **Motion was made by Mr. Michael Sullivan to move Taylor County from Southern Crescent Technical College's service delivery area to South Georgia Technical College's service delivery area upon the colleges' receipt of the necessary approvals from SACSCOC. Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law and passed unanimous approval by the State Board.**

DISCUSSION: Moving Taylor County to the college service delivery area of South Georgia Technical College from Southern Crescent will allow us to take advantage of community synergies that exist within the RESA and WIOA boards that host MOWR and Adult Education partners.

- IV. **Motion was made by Mr. Michael Sullivan to approve local board member appointments as listed in the Board materials. Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.**

• **Operations, Finance, and Planning**

Tim Williams

Chair Tim Williams began his report by sharing that the colleges would complete the Active Shooter and Multi-Discipline training by the end of 2017, ahead of the goal to complete by the end of 2018. He also shared that the System had purchased training equipment for active shooter training for the System Office and all Colleges. It was also reported that there are now doses of Naloxone on each college campus, to adhere with the Governor's signing of the Naloxone Bill [SB121], which is an emergency drug used to reverse opioid overdoses.

I. **New Expenditure Requests for August**

Motion: The motion was made by Mr. Tim Williams for the State Board to authorize the Commissioner to purchase the designated items or execute the requested contracts for the system office and technical colleges listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jay Cunningham and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.

1. **Gwinnett Technical College – Renewal of contract with Gwinnett County Public Library for operation of Gwinnett Technical College Library under an intergovernmental agreement to be terminated no later than November 30, 2017. Services are provided at both Lawrenceville & Alpharetta-North Fulton campus locations; cost \$208,230.00. *Local funds are available for this expenditure.***



Discussion: Gwinnett Tech has submitted notification to discontinue this contract, and this agreement covers the term for which the college will transition to move this department to be internally controlled. The agreement is set to terminate no later than November 30, 2017. The renewal of the agreement with Gwinnett County Public Library (GCPL) provides enhanced accessibility to information resources (print & electronic), facilities, and services in order to exceed the educational and training needs to all students, faculty, and staff. In addition to the 14,000 print and media items in the college's collection; this agreement gives students, faculty, and staff access to over 139,000 nonfiction books, CD books, DVDs and digital content (eAudio, ebooks, streaming video) in the GCPL collection, as well as online resources relevant to curriculum, the workplace and lifelong learning that would be prohibitively expensive for the college. Library staff excels in delivering quality service and receives specialized librarianship/ customer service training from GCPL. Also, GTC's recruitment and Adult Education marketing/promotional materials are displayed in the GCPL branches.

2. **West Georgia Technical College** – 37 Passenger Mass Transit Bus from International Bus Group for students and staff/faculty transportation to training and sports events; cost \$143,339.00. ***Local funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: The current buses are no longer dependable and have broken down on two occasions within the last year. Both trips were long distance and required temporary transportation to be arranged to return students to campus. Repairs within the last year have been approx. \$5500 to \$8000 for the two buses. With this purchase, one bus will no longer be needed and will be surplus.

3. **TCSG/IT** – Request to pay Banc of America/Cisco Capital for the annual Cisco Voiceover IP/Collaboration Enterprise Agreement for FY2018; cost \$228,461.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This expenditure is to pay Cisco for VoIP/Collaboration software, licensing and support at each of the technical colleges, TCSG system office and Georgia Quick Start. Cisco VoIP is the standard telephony and collaboration platform used by the system. The enterprise agreement gives us continual access to upgrades, expanded features, and 24/7 technical support.

4. **TCSG/Tech Ed** – Contract with GADOE and YouScience for the provision of aptitude testing of high school students and reporting the results to counselors, CTAE Directors, TCSG's Office of Secondary Initiatives in electronic form. The total cost for TCSG will be no more than \$395,000. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: TCSG is partnering with GADOE to obtain the results of aptitude testing of high school students. YouScience is responsible for the test and scoring. TCSG will receive



reports that map the students to technical college programs by aptitude and interest. We will utilize the results for recruiting purposes and developing MOWR programs.

II. Ratification Needed for Expenditures/Contract Requests (June/July)

Motion: The motion was made by Mr. Tim Williams for the State Board to ratify all decisions, purchases, and contracts made by the Commissioner for requests submitted by the system office and technical colleges between the June and August 2017 State Board meetings. Authority was granted to the Commissioner at the June meeting for approval of such requests at a cost not to exceed the amounts stated by each technical college/system office. Motion was seconded by Judge Dick Porter and passed approval by the State Board unanimously.

- 1. TCSG/Communications** – Request to renew TCSG agreement with Georgia Public Broadcasting for advertising during GPB’s 2017-2018 season of high school sports and primetime programming; cost \$160,660.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This will be the sixth consecutive year that TCSG will enter into an underwriting agreement with GPB; it is to be a sponsor of GPB’s 2017-18 season of high school sports programming. In addition, TCSG will be part of the sponsorship of GPB’s prime time television programming for a full year. The goal of the agreement is to utilize GPB’s broadcast reach to promote TCSG and its colleges. The scope of the underwriting package has proven to provide excellent exposure for TCSG, especially among high school students, parents, school administrators, and other individuals who influence decisions regarding a postsecondary education. Last year, Nielsen reported that the programming on GPB’s nine-station network reached 2.8 million Georgia households. This contract provides TCSG with an excellent return on its investment.

- 2. TCSG/Tech Ed** – Authorization to pay the yearly participation fee to USG for FY2018 Georgia Transfer Articulation Cooperative Services (GATRACS); cost \$135,242.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: Georgia Transfer Articulation Cooperative Services (GATRACS) is a partnership between the University System of Georgia, Technical College System of Georgia, Georgia Dept. of Education, and the Georgia Student Finance Commission. The objective of GATRACS is to improve information on articulation opportunities and course transferability in the State of Georgia. All participating agencies are charged a fee to participate in the service.

- 3. TCSG/IT** – Authorization to pay Ellucian for annual Banner, DegreeWorks, and Financial Aid software maintenance fees for FY2018; cost \$786,651.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***



Discussion: This expenditure is to pay maintenance fees to Ellucian for the Banner Student, Mobile, Intelligent Learning Platform (ILP), DegreeWorks, and Financial Aid software at each of the technical colleges and for development servers at the TCSG system office. Banner is the Student Information System used by the technical colleges; Mobile, ILP, DegreeWorks, and the Financial Aid module are integrated with Banner. Ellucian software maintenance is required for upgrades and technical support.

4. **TCSG/IT** – Authorization to pay CDW-G for Cisco Smartnet maintenance fees for FY2018; cost \$894,918.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This expenditure is to pay Smartnet maintenance fees to CDW-G for maintenance on all Cisco equipment used by each of the technical colleges and system office. This equipment is the backbone of all the agency's networks. By consolidating these expenses, we achieve better pricing and a higher level of support from Cisco.

5. **TCSG/IT** – Authorization to pay CDW-G for the renewal of NetApp Maintenance & Support for FY18 for all technical colleges/system office; cost \$186,432.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This expenditure is to renew NetApp Maintenance & Support for FY18. NetApp is utilized by the technical colleges/system office as a shared data storage solution for all critical data used by the system. NetApp is the leading provider of storage technology and has been in use by our system for over 4 years. We have consolidated the contract across the system to secure deeper discounts and a higher level of service as a large customer.

6. **TCSG/IT** – Authorization to pay SHI for the renewal of Proofpoint email archiving services for FY2018 for all technical colleges/system office; cost \$241,000.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This expenditure is to renew Proofpoint email archiving services for FY18. Proofpoint is utilized by the technical colleges/system office to archive all email traffic for 5 years as required by state law. Proofpoint is the leading provider of email archiving services and has been in use by our system for over 6 years.

7. **TCSG/IT** – Request to pay SHI for the annual Microsoft software licensing and maintenance fees for FY2018; cost \$900,000.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This expenditure is to pay yearly software licensing and maintenance fees for the Microsoft Enterprise Licensing Agreement (ELA). Microsoft software is used in all of the technical colleges by faculty, staff and students as well as by all TCSG and Quick Start system office staff. The ELA grants licensing and/or upgrades for all applicable Microsoft software and cloud services, such as Office 365, used throughout the system.



8. **TCSG/Tech Ed** – Agreement between Blackboard and TCSG for the purchase of multi-modal, virtual one-stop student support for Financial Aid, student accounts, and admissions/records/registration for all TCSG colleges; cost \$197,000.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: Blackboard leverages innovative technologies and services to enable institutional and student success. The products being purchased are designed for one-stop support and integrate multiple data sources into a single view for the student. Additionally, real-time advisors and student activity updates are provided to administrators to see call volumes, problem areas, and levels of student satisfaction. Blackboard will deliver financial aid/ financial literacy topics via mediums students expect and understand. The students will have 24/7 access to a library online video content to answer their questions.

9. **TCSG/Tech Ed** – Agreement between Blackboard and TCSG for the purchase of Blackboard’s Technology Bundle for the Financial Aid or Dedicated Standard Solution for two technical colleges; total cost \$136,260.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: This agreement will authorize the purchase of virtualized inbound operational support from Blackboard for two technical colleges (Georgia Piedmont & Savannah) for access to information regarding general and personalized financial aid inquiries. The services being purchased are designed for one-stop support and integrate multiple data sources into a single view for the student. Additionally, real-time advisors and student activity updates are provided to administrators to see call volumes, problem areas, and levels of student satisfaction. Students will have 24/7 access to a library of online video content to answer their questions. Cost per college is based on FTE’s and components of the technology package chosen by the college.

10. **TCSG/GVTC** – Agreement between Blackboard and TCSG for the license, hosting & support of the ALLY application in all TCSG colleges’ LMS environment; cost \$150,000.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: The Blackboard ALLY application is designed to bring accessibility into existing workflows. TCSG has utilized a Blackboard Learning Management System (LMS) since 2008, and the integration of the ALLY application into the LMS is crucial. The majority of faculty/staff have been trained on the LMS basic use and advanced functions; and college/system level administrators have built special functions, processes, and procedures around the current product. Due to the ALLY application fitting seamlessly into the existing design and development of course content, it will have very little disruption in the delivery of course content.

- 11-12. **Atlanta Technical College; total expenditures \$465,727.00 –**



- 11) Copper cabling from Strategic Products & Services for Phase 1 of network refresh; cost \$206,977.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

Discussion: The college is in dire need of a network refresh, and the infrastructure is at end-of-life and requires replacement. Copper cabling is needed for Phase 1 of the network refresh project. Copper cabling will increase LAN speed fostering increased performance, resulting in faster access to applications and increased work productivity. Copper for the network refresh will make the network more efficient, cost-effective and easier to manage, and will allow the network to support innovative services and new product features/functionality.

- 12) 250 computers, monitors, and stands from Dell Inc. for main campus; cost \$258,750.00. **Obsolete equipment bond funds are available for this expenditure.**

Discussion: Computer equipment is needed to replace obsolete equipment in classrooms and labs at the Atlanta Tech main campus and to address the academic needs of the student. Adequate computer hardware/software are essential to the delivery of information in today's colleges to the efficient management of those institutions. Further, rapid changes in technology require that a well-managed college have a systematic plan for upgrading/ replacing computers, peripherals, and other technologies to ensure that it offers access to the most basic services. Of over 1500 computers at ATC, about 50% are aged and over 5+ years old. It is recommended that we refresh computers every 4-5 years.

13. **Chattahoochee Technical College** – 400 desktop computers from Dell Inc. to replace outdated equipment; cost \$329,720.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

Discussion: Desktop computers are needed to replace out-of-warranty and end-of-life PC's in classrooms and offices at CTC, and to address the academic needs of the student. The PC's targeted for replacement are 8 years old and are obsolete and no longer under warranty. This equipment is also needed to be able to support software/applications needed to operate properly and securely.

14. **Gwinnett Technical College** – 40 Cisco network switches from CDW-G to replace outdated edge switching; cost \$199,960.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

Discussion: The purchase of Cisco switches for GTC will allow for replacement of outdated edge switching that has reached the end of supported service life. In addition to ensuring stability of the network infrastructure thru-out the campus, these switches will allow for increase bandwidth thru-out the network to support the requirements of new and cloud-hosted applications used by all academic programs.



15. **Oconee Fall Line Technical College** – Renewal of annual contract with Parker Fibernet for FY2018 for Ethernet services for Dublin and Sandersville campus locations; cost \$125,400.00. ***Local funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: The college is seeking to renew their annual contract with Parker Fibernet for FY2018 to provide connectivity between the Dublin and Sandersville campus locations by way of 56 Marietta (TCSG rack). This option was the most effective way to provide connectivity between campuses for the merged college. This is an annual contract that was bid in FY2015 and is being requested as the second year renewal option.

16. **Savannah Technical College** – Annual agency contract renewal with Windstream Corp. for FY2018 for WAN Ethernet services at four campus locations; cost \$141,588.00. ***Local funds are available for these expenditures.***

Discussion: STC is seeking the second renewal of their agency contract with Windstream Corp. that has four renewal options. The contract is for WAN Ethernet Services at 4 campus locations and will allow all computer hardware/software to run through the network between the four locations. Benefits for this service include the capability to add/increase bandwidth, the capability of a single Ethernet service interface to connect multiple enterprise locations for intranet VPNs, and the ability for high speed internet connection to an internet service provider. Additionally, additions/increases to bandwidth can be made by the college within a matter of minutes/hours rather than days/weeks and does not require the purchase of additional equipment or an outside service technician. This also includes a connection to TCSG at 56 Marietta St in Atlanta for disaster recovery.

17-18. West Georgia Technical College; total expenditures \$705,588.00 –

- 17) Renewal of janitorial contract services for FY2018 with Beck Building Services for 10 campus/site locations; cost \$454,956.00. ***Local funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: The college is renewing an existing contract with Beck Building Services to provide janitorial services for all campuses & site locations. This contract also includes day porters to assist with the cleanliness required by the college. Outsourcing janitorial services saves the college a considerable amount of money when compared to filling these positions with full-time benefited employees. This is the first renewal of four one-year renewable options on this contract.

- 18) Renewal of contract with Charter Communications for FY2018 for internet, voice PRI circuits, and cable TV monthly services for all campuses/learning center locations; cost \$250,632.00. ***Local funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: WGTC is seeking the second renewal of their agency contract with Charter Communications for FY2018 to provide a turnkey solution for Wide Area



Network (WAN) connectivity, Internet Service Provider (ISP), Telephony Primary Rate Interface (PRI) lines, and Cable TV service for all campuses and site locations. Contract obligation is for five years with one-year renewable options.

- 19. Wiregrass GA Technical College** – 15 sets of Tech-Mech Training Systems, Levels 1 & 2, from Southern Educational Consulting for new Mechatronics programs; cost \$246,120.00. ***State funds are available for this expenditure.***

Discussion: The Tech-Mech system is a multiple disciplinary training system for introducing the concepts associated with Manufacturing, Engineering, and Mechatronics. The system can be implemented at both secondary and postsecondary institutions, and the related curriculum and online content cover the requirements for most STEM programs. Wiregrass has received requests from 8 local high schools to offer this training, and these 15 units will allow the college to begin programs in 5 of the 8 (3 units needed at each site). Level 1 contains 3 stations (Introduction to Electricity, Programmable Controllers, and Pneumatics); Level 2 includes 1 station (Motor Controls).

• **Executive Committee**

Chairman Joe Yarbrough

Chairman Yarbrough shared that at each seat is the new Board Dashboard that highlights the growth, challenges, and successes of each division within the System. He explained that his dashboard came as a result of wanting a one-pager that gave all the metrics for the programs within the System. He thanked Assistant Commissioner Scott Rule and his team for putting this piece together.

He called on Mr. Tommy David to share a motion. Mr. Tommy David shared that he was bringing forth a motion for the renaming of the current Logistics and Public Safety Building at the Evans County Technical Complex of Ogeechee Technical College to be renamed the Jack and Muriel Strickland Building. The Strickland's were residents of Evans County and upon their deaths, left a sizeable estate with instructions that proceeds from the estate go to support education in Evans County. The Strickland Foundation has donated \$500,000 to the Ogeechee Technical College Foundation for use in Evans County. Ogeechee Technical College feels that honoring the Strickland family by naming the building on the College's facility in Evans County is appropriate to adequately recognize the forethoughts and generosity of the family.

Motion was made by Mr. David for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to approve Ogeechee Technical College's request to name the Logistics and Public Safety Building on the Evans County Education Complex the "Jack and Muriel Strickland Building" in honor of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack Strickland and in appreciation for their commitment to education in Evans County. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ben Copeland and passed State Board approval unanimously.



Lastly, Chairman Yarbrough reminded the State Board that beginning in September the State Board meetings would follow the new schedule.

7:30 – 8:25am <i>(Beginning 30 minutes earlier)</i>	Executive Committee
8:30 – 9:25am <i>(Beginning 30 minutes earlier)</i>	<u>Committee Meetings</u> Academic Affairs External Affairs and Economic Development Operations, Finance, and Planning
9:30 – 10:15am <i>(Beginning 30 minutes earlier & shortened to 45 minutes)</i>	<u>Committee Meetings</u> Adult Education Facilities and Real Estate Governance, Compliance and Audit
10:20 – 11:15am <i>(Shortened to 55 minutes)</i>	Committee of the Whole
11:15am – 12:15pm	General Session
12:15pm	Lunch (optional)

That concluded the Executive Committee report.

IV. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Gretchen Corbin

The Commissioner began her remarks by sharing that the past two months since the last meeting had been busy. She shared that the Presidents had just returned from Presidents' Council and that she had completed their AY17 evaluations. She thanked the presidents for their time and remarked that it's always a great time to meet, listen, and plan for the year ahead.

Next, she highlighted the annual SkillsUSA competition, the 53rd annual National Leadership and Skills Conference (NLSC) in Louisville, Kentucky was June 19-23, 2017 and there were 18 colleges that participated. The top 3 total medal recipient chapters were: Savannah Technical College (8), tied for 2nd place are Oconee Fall line Technical College (7) and Georgia Northwestern Technical College (7), and tied for 3rd place are Gwinnett Technical College (6) and Wiregrass Georgia Technical College (6).



She reviewed the past two months and shared that she participated in two groundbreakings, both in Augusta with the Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center and then the phase two of the Whitfield-Murray campus at Georgia Northwestern Technical College. There was also the ribbon cutting for the new Advanced Manufacturing Lab at Georgia Piedmont Technical College which received \$1 million of world class lab funding to bring state-of-the-art technology to Newton County to ensure that industries in that area receive the best facilities for training their workforce. The program is set to serve communities, businesses and manufacturers in Rockdale, Newton, Morgan and DeKalb counties.

She also gave a special shout-out to the Chattahoochee Technical College GOAL [Georgia Occupational Award of Leadership], Rick Perkins, and EAGLE [Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education] winners who were in the audience at the meeting.

Lastly, she shared that Albany Technical College would be at Kia Motors Manufacturing Georgia [KMMG] the next day receiving a car with the TCSG Foundation.

That concluded the Commissioner's report.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Yarbrough

Chairman Yarbrough reminded the State Board of the upcoming board meeting dates:

- September 7 at the System Office
- October 5 at the System Office

That concluded the Chairman's comments. Motion was made by Mr. Tommy David to adjourn the August State Board Meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia at 1:23 p.m. Motion was seconded by Mr. Trey Sheppard and passed State Board approval unanimously. Meeting stood adjourned.

VI. ADJOURN

Chairman Yarbrough

RESOLUTION OF THE STATE BOARD OF THE TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA
ACQUISITIONS OF PROGRAMS, LAND, FACILITIES, AND CAPITAL EQUIPMENT OF
BAINBRIDGE STATE COLLEGE BY THE TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA AND
SOUTHERN REGIONAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Unique circumstances have emerged in the ongoing planning processes for the consolidation of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC) and Bainbridge State College (BSC) in the University System of Georgia that give the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and Southern Regional Technical College (SRTC) the opportunity to acquire Bainbridge State College's (BSC) current technical education programs as well as the land, facilities, and capital equipment of the BSC campus in Bainbridge.

Pursuit of this opportunity is considered to be in the best interests of students, the State of Georgia and its citizens, particularly since the facility demands on the Bainbridge campus associated with the technical programs are significantly greater. As such, TCSG and SRTC have offered to acquire the land, facilities and equipment of the BSC campus, contingent on the retirement of BSC's public private venture (PPV) capital liabilities. This action necessitates resolutions of authorization to proceed from this governing board as well as the Board of Regents (BOR) of the University System of Georgia (USG).

After thorough consideration, the State Board hereby issues the following resolutions of authorization, all of which are contingent on ABAC and BSC receiving SACSCOC approval in December 2017 for their institutional consolidation and SRTC receiving SACSCOC approval for its technical program and instructional site acquisitions in June 2018:

- 1) The State Board authorizes the Commissioner, her staff, and the affected SRTC officials to work with their USG counterparts to provide appropriate support for the continued offering of transfer associate and other selected degree programs consistent with ABAC's educational mission at appropriate BSC instructional sites, post-consolidation.
- 2) The State Board authorizes the Commissioner, her staff, and the affected SRTC officials to work with their USG counterparts to take appropriate action to transfer the ownership and operation of various associate of applied science degree programs, technical diploma programs, and technical certificate programs currently offered by BSC to SRTC, effective July 1, 2018.
- 3) The State Board authorizes the Commissioner, her staff, and the affected SRTC officials to work with their USG counterparts to take appropriate action to transfer the ownership and operation of the land, facilities and equipment of the current BSC campus in Bainbridge to SRTC and TCSG, effective July 1, 2018, contingent on the retirement of current public private venture (PPV) capital liabilities at BSC.
- 4) The State Board authorizes the Commissioner, her staff, and the affected college officials to work with their USG counterparts to take appropriate action to establish an acceptable written agreement for ABAC's leasing of several SRTC facilities and equipment at the Bainbridge campus needed for its educational program operations there as well as the shared use of the SRTC campus and support services in Bainbridge by ABAC students, faculty and staff, effective July 1, 2018.
- 5) The State Board authorizes the Commissioner, her staff, and the affected SRTC officials to work with their USG counterparts to take appropriate action to ensure that fair and reasonable procedures are followed for facilitating the hiring of appropriate faculty and staff members from BSC/ABAC for SRTC employment, once program and campus operations are transferred to SRTC.

I certify the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia passed this resolution on the 3rd day of August, 2017.


Joe W. Yarbrough, Chairman