

## STATE BOARD GENERAL SESSION

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## **Approved Minutes**

## Thursday, February 3, 2022

11:31 a.m.- 12:12 p.m. 1800 Century Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30345

MEETING NUMBER (ACCESS CODE): 2622.301.0458
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Absent: Randall Fox, Lynn Cornett, Phil Sutton, Baoky Vu, Lisa Winton

## I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

## **Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Trey Sheppard, Chairman of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia opened the Board meeting at 11:31 a.m. at the date and location stated above. He began by welcoming everyone to the meeting. During the Committee of the Whole, Mr. Michael Burnett, CEO of Piedmont Healthcare and Mrs. Tammy Bryant, ASN Program Director at Southern Regional Technical College and President of the Georgia Board of Nursing, presented to the Committee. The Chairman thanked Mr. Michael Burnett for their generous donation and support. He added how proud TCSG is to partner with Piedmont Healthcare and looks forward to serving Georgia's students with them for many years to come. Chairman Sheppard applauded Ms. Tammy Bryant for her service at Southern Regional Technical College and as a healthcare worker.

### II. CHAIR'S COMMENTS

## **Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Chairman Sheppard called for a motion to approve the minutes from the December Board Meeting.

## I. Approval of the Minutes

**MOTION**: The Motion was made by Mr. Jay Cunningham to approve the December 2, 2021 minutes. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tommy David. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously. The December 2, 2021 Minutes were approved.

### III. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

**Commissioner Gregory Dozier** 



Commissioner Dozier began by welcoming everyone to the Board Meeting. He thanked Ms. Tammy Bryant for all her hard work with the nursing program at Southern Regional Technical College and other TCSG Colleges.

Commissioner Dozier invited the Board Members to the TCSG Foundation Moonlight Through the Pines event being held on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Bobby Jones Golf Course. TCSG has provided State Board Members talking points in support of the HSE legislation and Dual Achievement program being considered this year. This year is the first time TCSG will be presenting the Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE Award at the EAGLE Institute in honor of late board member, Mrs. Dinah Culbreath Wayne. The Board Meeting will coincide with the EAGLE Award event and the Commissioner looks forward to celebrating this event and remembering Mrs. Wayne.

Commissioner Dozier introduced new TCSG hires since the last board meeting.

- Representative Matt Dollar Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development
- o Dr. Deona Carter- eCampus Director
- o Dr. Travin Hill- Accountability Specialist
- o Jeff Miller-Police Accreditation Manager
- o Ben McCumber- Executive Director for Secondary Initiatives
- o Scott McMurray- Assistant Commissioner/COO for Georgia Quick Start

The Commissioner thanked Mr. Robert Keown for his work with Veterans issues at our Colleges. The TCSG Presidents Council met at Gwinnett Technical College last month and thanked Dr. Glen Cannon for hosting the event.

Commissioner Dozier traveled to the KIA Georgia plant in LaGrange to celebrate the production of the new KIA Sportage with Governor Brian Kemp. TCSG is blessed to have such an incredible partner in KIA.

Governor Kemp released his budget, which has a strong focus on the workforce. TCSG's recommended budget is very positive. State funds in the Amended Fiscal Year 2022 budget increased \$40,084,953 and the Fiscal Year 2023 Budget has a recommended state fund increase of \$95,352,823.

Amended FY 2022 (\$40 Million):

- 1. \$19 M \$5,000 pay increase for all full-time, benefit eligible state employees. It is the first time in several years that there has been a COLA for State employees.
- 2. \$1.5 M Dual Achievement TCSG has launched a five High School Pilot Program. There is also an \$5.7 M in the big budget.



- 3. \$10 M Obsolete Equipment Replacement for our Colleges
- 4. \$9.4M Equipment for New Construction Projects
  - a. Chattahoochee Tech Aviation Academy \$5.8M
  - b. Athens Tech Industrial Systems \$2.44M
  - c. Atlanta Tech Transportation and Logistics \$520,000
  - d. Savannah Tech Culinary Institute \$720,000

## FY 2023 (\$95.3 Million)

- 1. \$27.1 M \$5,000 pay increase for all full-time, benefit eligible state employees
- 2. \$8 M Statewide Changes
  - a. Earned Annual Leave Payout up to 40 hours \$2.4M
  - ERS Rate Change (Includes COLA for State Retirees and Increase in 401K match) - \$5.7M
  - c. TRS Rate Change \$256,738
  - d. DOAS Premium Change of Insurance \$161,015
  - e. Adjustment for TeamWorks billings \$65,551
- 3. \$35M Restoration of TCSG's Austerity Reduction
- 4. (\$23.4M) Reduction related to Formula as it relates to a 10.1 percent decline in enrollment
- 5. \$1.27M Apprenticeship Program Enhancement
- 6. \$7.2M Transfer of Employment Services from DOL to Workforce (Total Funds \$60M)
- 7. \$6M Customized Training for Electric Vehicle Industry
- 8. \$6.2M Design a Quick Start Training Facility
- 9. \$5.1M Dual Achievement High School Pilot Program
- 10.\$22M Major Repairs and Maintenance Projects for our Colleges

In addition to the Annual Budget changes, the bond package included \$38,620,000 in construction projects.

- 1. Albany Tech Diesel Equipment and Collision Center \$8.54M
- 2. Southern Regional Tech Technical and Industrial Building \$28.5M
- 3. Central Georgia Tech Renovation of Building H Bibb Campus \$1.57M

Beyond TCSG's budget, the Georgia Student Finance Commission budget included some great news for our students and Colleges. The Governor's recommendation included the expansion of the Hope Career Grant to include Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement Academy programs. This is a welcome change and will be a difference maker for recruitment for our law enforcement partners and the safety of our state.



 Hope Career Grant Expansion – Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement -\$885,422

That concluded the Commissioners comments.

#### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS** 

Academic Affairs

Fran Millar

## I. Ratification of Program Approvals made by the Commissioner

**MOTION:** The Motion was made Mr. Fran Millar to ratify the program requests approved by the Commissioner since the last State Board meeting. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Carvel Lewis. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

## Approval of Degrees, Diplomas and TCCs

## **Columbus Technical College**

TCC program in Therapeutic Massage Therapy TM11, effective August 2022.

## Southern Regional Technical College

Degree program in Film Technology FT23, effective August 2022.

## II. <u>Academic Standards and Programs</u>

## Motion (Approval of Degrees, Diplomas, and TCC):

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Fran Millar that the college requests listed below to offer degrees, diplomas and TCC 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. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doug Carter. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**Augusta Technical College -** TCC program in Administrative Support Assistant, AS81, 20 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

Augusta Tech's current Administrative Support Assistant TCC AS21 will be replaced by this revised Administrative Support Assistant (AS81) that includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta



Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to maintain current program enrollment for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College -** Diploma program in Business Technology, BT12, 42 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

Augusta Tech's current Business Technology diploma program (BA12) will be replaced by this revised Business Technology diploma program (BT12) that includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. This program includes the opportunities to obtain specialized TCCs. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a diploma program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to maintain current program enrollment for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 40 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 15 Year 2: 20 Year 3: 25 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College -** Degree program in Business Technology, BT23, 60 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

Augusta Tech's current Business Technology degree program (BA13) will be replaced by this revised Business Technology degree program (BT23) that includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. This program includes the



opportunities to obtain specialized TCCs. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a degree program that includes this updated curriculum and these specialization areas. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to maintain current program enrollment for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 40 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 25 Year 2: 30 Year 3: 40 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College -** TCC program in Executive Administrative Assistant, EAA1, 21 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

This new EAA1 Executive Administrative Assistant TCC includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to have enrollment of ten for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College -** TCC program in Human Resources Administrative Assistant, HR11, 19 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

This new HR11 Human Resources Administrative Assistant TCC includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated



curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to have enrollment of ten for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College -** TCC program in Microsoft Office Applications Professional, MF81, 16 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

Augusta Tech's current Microsoft Office Applications Professional (MF41) will be replaced by this revised Microsoft Applications Professional (MF81) that includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to maintain current program enrollment for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College** - TCC program in Pharmacy Technology, PT51, 15 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

Employment trends and local survey results support the need for an entry-level Pharmacy Technology certificate program in the college's service area. According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, employment for pharmacy technicians is projected to grow four percent in the United States from 2019 to 2029. The projected employment growth in Georgia is 22% from 2018 to 2029. A 100% of the respondents to a needs assessment survey reported that this



certificate program would meet their current shortage of entry-level technicians in the college service area. The average earning for graduates in Georgia and within the Augusta-Richmond County service area is \$14.90 and \$15.72 per hour, respectively. A private institution within the college's service area has a Pharmacy Technician associate degree program. A public institution that borders the college service area offers a Pharmacy Technician certificate program. The program is an institutional developed certificate program, and it meets the general program standards for its award level. This certificate program will be offered concurrently with the diploma and degree level Pharmacy Technology programs that have been offered for over twenty years at the college. No additional cost will occur for the program's first three years because existing faculty, equipment, and other learning resources will be used for instructional purposes. The expected student enrollment per year is 10 for the first three years.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 10 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College** - TCC program in Project Management Assistant, PM71, 16 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

This new PM71 Project Management Assistant (PM71) TCC includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to have enrollment of ten for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Augusta Technical College** - TCC program in Social Media Specialist, SMS1, 18 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.



This new SMS1 Social Media Specialist TCC includes updated curriculum structure and course content to reflect current business and industry needs and up-to-date technologies. No other colleges in or adjacent to Augusta Tech's service area offer a certificate program that includes this updated curriculum. This program was institutionally developed by Chattahoochee Tech and includes all the updates recommended by IFCC faculty and college administrators and business and industry representatives. This program meets all State Board and general program standard requirements. No additional costs or expenditures are required to implement and offer this proposed program. The college expects to have enrollment of ten for the first year and expects enrollment to grow to at least 20 new students in the third year.

**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 15 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Ogeechee Technical College** - TCC program in GFA Digital Entertainment, Esports & Game Development, GDE1, 18 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

The Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDEcD) announced this year that the film industry recorded a blockbuster year in Georgia. During fiscal year 2021, the film and television industry set a new record with \$4 billion in direct spending on productions in the state. For more than a decade, Georgia's film industry has posted exponential growth to become an epicenter of film, with new record spending regularly set by productions. In addition to a wide range of natural and physical settings from the mountains to the coast that are ideal for production, Georgia also offers 2.1 million square feet in purpose-built stage space and 3.2 million in retrofitted stage and dedicated warehouse space. In fiscal year 2021, 366 productions were filmed in the state, represented by 21 feature films, 45 independent films, 222 television and episodic productions, 57 commercials, and 21 music videos. According to the Georgia Department of Labor, the Motion Picture and Sound Recording industries are part of the fastest-growing industries for Georgia and are projected to grow by 4.26% by 2028. There are about 60 employers in Ogeechee Technical College's local workforce development area and over 750 statewide. This economic trend will drive the need for entry-level workers for on-set productions at film locations all across the region and state in addition to post-production and digital entertainment workers.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 15 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0



**Ogeechee Technical College -** TCC program in GFA Film & Television Post-Production, GF31, 18 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

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**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Ogeechee Technical College** - TCC program in GFA Film & Television Production, GF21, 18 Credit Hours, effective August 2022.

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**Enrollment Projections:** 

Day Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 20 Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

## III. Program Terminations

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Fran Millar to approve the program termination requests for February 2022. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Joe Yarbrough. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

## Termination of Degrees, Diplomas, and TCCs

## **Albany Technical College**

- TCC program in Advertising Layout Specialist (AL61), effective February 2022.
- Degree program in Business Technology (BA23), effective May 2022.
- TCC program in Phlebotomy Technician (PT21), effective May 2022.
- Diploma program in Business Technology (BA22), effective May 2022.
- TCC program in Certified Customer Service Specialist (CC81), effective February 2022.
- TCC program in Culinary Nutrition Assistant (CNB1), effective February 2022.
- TCC program in Digital Illustration Specialist (DI21), effective February 2022.
- TCC program in Landscape Design Technician (LDT1), effective February 2022.

## Georgia Piedmont Technical College

- TCC program in Basic Law Enforcement (BL11), effective February 2022.
- Diploma program in Barberina (BA12), effective February 2022.
- TCC program in Barbering for Cosmetologists (BF21), effective February 2022.

### IV. Approval for Program Standards and Revisions

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Fran Millar to approve program standards and revisions for February 2022. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Carvel Lewis. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.



Major Code	Program Name	Program Development	Award Level	Credit Hours
BE81	Basic Electronic Technician	Central Georgia	TCC	17
CA91	Clinical Office Assistant	Georgia Northwestern	TCC	19
VPF1	Video Production Fundamentals	Chattahoochee	TCC	16

## V. <u>Program Special Approvals</u>

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Fran Millar to allow a change in the major code and award level of the following program to align with State Board Policy 5.1.6 for Structure of Associate Degree, Diploma, and Technical Certificate of Credit Programs for nonstandard program length. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Shirley Smith. The Motion passed State Board approval with a majority.

Major Code	Program Name	Program Development	Award Level	Credit Hours
PAF1	Paramedicine Accelerated	Standard	TCC	44

## VI. Ratification of Dual Achieve Report

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Fran Millar to ratify the Commissioner transmitting the 2021 pilot program report on the Dual Achieve Program to the General Assembly. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doug Carter. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

That completed the committee report.

## • Adult Education Shirley Smith

Mrs. Shirley Smith gave the Committee report. Dr. Cayanna Good, Assistant Commissioner for Adult Education reported that total enrollment statewide in Adult Education is 23,849. TCSG Adult Education NRS enrollment is 16,681. These are both 4% greater than last week. TCSG Adult Education is now at 60% of their NRS enrollment target statewide and significantly above where we were at this time last year. The HSE graduate numbers are currently at 3,329. The Adult Education team has a goal to be



the number one provider of adult education services that can help any adult build a bridge to a better future.

The Adult Education team is doing a statewide push to increase those numbers through marketing efforts, targeted professional development for adult education instructors to increase their knowledge on instructional strategies and best practices regarding the various HSE offering (GED, HiSET, Career Plus) and how best to advise students.

The Committee received an update on the development of the Blackboard high school courses for the Career Plus HSE and Dual Achieve pilots. The plan is to have all courses complete and ready to launch by August 2022. They also received a general update from Dr. Good regarding several initiatives underway with collaborative partnerships.

Ms. Smith reminded the Board that the Dinah Culbreath Wayne EAGLE ceremony will be held March 14-16, 2022 at the Grand Hyatt Buckhead. The next Board meeting will coincide with this event.

The Office of Workforce Development has had the opportunity to participate in a couple of stakeholder panels in January: Council for Quality Growth and the Georgia Municipal Association. The TCSG Workforce Development team recently submitted requests for grant modifications and extensions to USDOL for the National Emergency Grant-COVID Dislocated Worker grant, Apprenticeship State Expansion Grant. They are awaiting word from USDOL for The National Emergency Grant modification request that was first submitted in August 202. The team has submitted the Annual Report and the WIOA Two-Year Plan Modification is up for public review and comment. If any Board Member has any interest in reviewing the plan, please reach out to Karen Kirchler and she will direct you to the site.

Georgia's workforce stands currently with unemployment in November 2021 was at 2.8% below the national average of 4.2%. Labor Force Participation Rates are at a 40-year low with only 61.9% of working age adults participating. Georgia has an aging workforce with a 3.5% decrease to the prime working age population from 2010-2020 and another 3.8% a reduction projected from 2020-2030.

That completed the committee report.

### • External Affairs and Economic Development

### Anne Kaiser for Baoky Vu

Mrs. Anne Kaiser gave the Committee report. For December-January 2022 Quick Start had 10 prospect meetings for a total of 5,349 potential new jobs. There were 8 announcements for a total of 9,140 new jobs. Prospect activity has been increasing in the recent months due to significant activity in the EV sector as well as renewed activity



in traditional sectors as well as renewed activity in traditional sectors such as food processing, distribution and fulfillment operations.

The TCSG Marketing and communications team has been very busy the last few weeks. They produced a video promoting TCSG's automobile technology program by collaborating with the Georgia Automobile Dealers Association; the video featured students, faculty, and industry members from Augusta Technical College, Southern Crescent Technical College, and Coastal Pines Technical College.

The Marketing team has been collaborating with TCSG's Special Populations Division to produce a series of videos promoting its disability services and service available to single parent households. They are also putting together a biannual magazine touting success stories in education and workforce development, with a Spring publish date set for the first one.

Mr. Mark Peevy gave the Committee a legislative update. On the Economic Development side Mr. Steven Ferguson has been working hard to development relations with everyone from Home Depot to Google, eMobility companies and EDA Grants to name a few.

That completed the committee report.

### Facilities and Real Estate

Ben Bryant

## I. <u>Actions for Ratifications</u>

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Ben Bryant to ratify the contracts and sublease agreements executed by the Commissioner between December 2, 2021 and February 3, 2022 for the technical colleges listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Chunk Newman. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

#### A. Construction Contracts

**DISCUSSION**: The State Board granted the Commissioner the authority to make all decisions, purchases and enter into necessary contracts between the December 2, 2021 and February 3, 2022, State Board meetings. The following designated construction contracts were entered into by the Commissioner for the technical colleges listed below at a cost



not to exceed the amount stated and are to be ratified at the February 3, 2022 State Board meeting.

College	Vendor	Amount
Chattahoochee Tech	Prime Contractors	\$243,567.00
Gwinnett Tech	Johnson-Laux Construction	\$784,905.94
Ogeechee Tech	Hubbard & Hudson	\$292,000.00
	Construction	
Savannah Tech	Johnson-Laux Construction	\$607,091.96
Savannah Tech	Johnson-Laux Construction	\$1,372,435.78
Southeastern Tech	Augusta Chiller	\$175,900.00
Southern Crescent Tech	JOC Construction, LLC	\$947,000.00
Southern Regional Tech	Darsey Construction	\$280,662.40
Southern Regional Tech	Darsey Construction	\$152,108.91

## II. Approval of Design Professional Contracts

**MOTION**: The Motion was made by Mr. Ben Bryant to authorize the Commissioner to execute the design professional contracts listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated for each request. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

A. Wiregrass Georgia Tech - \$141,900.00 with IPG Architects

**DISCUSSION**: Wiregrass Georgia Technical College requests approval on the execution of a design professional contract for TCSG-379 "Design Professional Services for the new Commercial Truck Driving and Diesel Technology Facility" on the Coffee County Transportation & Logistics Center of Wiregrass Georgia Technical College, with IPG Architects, Valdosta, GA in the amount of \$141,900.00, using bond funds.

## III. Approval of Construction Contract Change Orders

**MOTION**: The Motion was made by Mr. Ben Bryant to approve the change orders listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated for each request. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Doug Carter. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

A. QuickStart - \$58,014.74 with Oconee Construction Services, LLC

**DISCUSSION**: QuickStart requests approval of change order in the total amount of \$58,014.74 to the project "Parking Addition", under a



construction contract with Oconee Construction Services, LLC, Eatonton, GA. The TCSG Board, at its meeting on August 5, 2021, approved a construction contract with Oconee Construction Services, LLC in the amount of \$232,978.00. The total accumulated change order amount will exceed 20% of the original contract and Board approval is required. The change order was necessary due to the unforeseen conditions and unsuitable soils.

That concluded the committee report.

## • Governance, Compliance and Audit

**Buzz Law** 

Mr. Buzz Law gave the report for the Governance, Compliance, and Audits Committee. He applauded Chief Jen Ziifle for being appointed to the POST Council Advisory Board. Mr. Law thanked Mrs. Penni Haberly and her team for their hard work. TCSG received the audit report back with no findings. Our System Office and Colleges are very lucky to have Mrs. Haberly and her expertise.

## I. Approval of Policy 7.1.1 TCSG Department of Public Safety

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Buzz Law to approve Policy 7.1.1 TCSG Department of Public Safety. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Carvel Lewis. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**DISCUSSION:** Policy 7.1.1 is being instituted as an over-arching policy to reflect the newly created TCSG Department of Public Safety and all it encompasses.

# POLICY: 7.1.1. Technical College System of Georgia Department of Public Safety (NEW)

Revised:

**Last Reviewed:** 

Adopted: Pending State Board Approval



#### POLICY:

TCSG Department of Public Safety provides guidance to the twenty-two (22) constituent institutions in the areas of campus safety/security, emergency management, Clery compliance, Behavioral Intervention Teams, mutual aid agreements, continuity planning, and law enforcement accreditation, in addition to the assessment of each. The office also serves as a



direct liaison between the institutions and local, state, federal, and private agency counterparts. This collaboration enhances strategic planning, both within the Technical College System and with external agencies. These efforts ensure that the Technical College System and its institutions are better prepared to respond when critical incidents occur. The Chief of Police/Director of TCSG DPS is the chief law enforcement officer for the Technical College System of Georgia maintaining the administration of all of the areas described herein.

## II. Table Policy 2.1.1 ((I.B; III.A; V.A) Statement of Equal Opportunity.

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Buzz Law to lay Policy 2.1.1. (I.B; III.A; V.A) Statement of Equal Opportunity on the table. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tommy David. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**DISCUSSION:** Changes are being made to align the language of the Statement of Equal Opportunity with the Usage for Statement of Equal Opportunity. "Spouse of military member" has also been added to reference the Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act (VEVRAA) as colleges do find themselves in federal contractor status from time to time.

POLICY: 2.1.1. (I.B; III.A; V.A)
Statement of Equal Opportunity

Revised: Pending State Board Approval; April 2, 2020; January 5, 2018; May 5,

2016; September 6, 2012, February 1, 2007, June 1, 2006, January 17,

2001, February 3, 1994

Last Reviewed: September 3, 2019

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## POLICY:

The Technical College System of Georgia and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, sex, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member, or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This nondiscrimination policy encompasses the operation of all technical college-administered programs, programs financed by the federal government including any Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I financed programs, educational programs and activities, including admissions, scholarships and loans, student life, and athletics. It also encompasses the recruitment and employment of personnel and contracting for goods and services. The Technical College System and Technical Colleges



shall promote the realization of equal opportunity through a positive continuing program of specific practices designed to ensure the full realization of equal opportunity.

The Commissioner shall develop procedures for implementing this policy and for addressing employee and student complaints of unlawful discrimination for all work units and colleges as mandated by federal compliance guidelines.

#### **RELATED AUTHORITY:**

O.C.G.A. § 20-4-11 – Powers of the Board
O.C.G.A. § 20-4-14 – TCSG Powers and Duties
Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972
Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended
Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended
Executive Order 11246, as amended
Vietnam Era Veteran's Readjustment Act of 1974, as amended
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended
Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended
Equal Pay Act
Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009
Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended
Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986
Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014

### III. Approval of West Georgia Technical College Mission Statement

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Buzz Law to approve the proposed revised mission statement for West Georgia Technical College. The Motion was seconded by Mrs. Anne Kaiser. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**DISCUSSION**: State Board approval of college mission statements is required pursuant to the Principles of Accreditation Standard 4.2 a.

#### **Current Mission Statement**

West Georgia Technical College, a unit of the Technical College System of Georgia, supports student success, economic development and the community by providing a skilled workforce through the delivery of relevant education and training opportunities.

#### **Revised Mission Statement**

West Georgia Technical College, a unit of the Technical College System of Georgia, serves the communities of Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, Haralson, Heard, Meriwether, and Troup counties, supporting student success, economic development and the community, by providing a skilled workforce, through the delivery of relevant education and training, via high school equivalency, college credit associate degrees, diplomas, and technical certificates of credit, as well as corporate and continuing education opportunities.



# IV. Approval of Mutual Aid Agreement with Chattahoochee Technical College and the Bartow Sheriff's Department

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Buzz Law to approve the proposed Mutual Aid Agreement:

Chattahoochee Technical College and Bartow Sheriff's Department

The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tim Williams. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

## V. Approval of Local Board Appointments

**MOTION**: The Motion was made by Mr. Buzz Law to approve the appointment for local board member as listed in the Board materials. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Tommy David. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

That concluded the committee report.

## Operations, Finance, and Planning

**Carvel Lewis** 

## I. New Expenditure Items for February

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Carvel Lewis for the State Board to authorize the Commissioner to purchase the designated items or execute the requested contracts for the technical college listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Jay Cunningham. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

1. West Georgia Technical College – Mobile Industrial training modular from Holston Gases; cost \$355,202.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION:** WGTC is requesting a new mobile Industrial training modular that will be used for industry training across the college's seven county service area. This unit will allow WGTC to take training onsite to industry and will also allow more control over COVID precautions/procedures. In industry situations, training may be customized to what the industry needs in these areas. The unit can be set up at specified industrial sites for training in PLCs, Industrial Mechanics, Industrial Motor Controls, Fluid Power, Electrical Systems (AC/DC), Shaft Alignment, Belt Drives, Electromechanical Processes, Gearing, Coupling, Electric Motor Controls, and Hydraulics & Pneumatics. The unit may also be used at middle/secondary schools for short term training and recruitment events.



## II. Expenditure Items for Ratification (December & January)

**MOTION:** The Motion was made by Mr. Carvel Lewis 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 December 2021 and February 2022 State Board meetings. Authority was granted to the Commissioner at the December meeting for approval of such requests at a cost not to exceed the amounts stated. The Motion was seconded by Ms. Shirley Smith. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

1. **TCSG/Economic Development** – Request to purchase Amatrol manufacturing training equipment and curriculum from Technical Training Aids thru FY2023; cost \$412,500.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: 20 TCSG colleges currently use Amatrol Hardware Learning Systems in various Industrial and Mechanical programs at the colleges. All Amatrol learning systems include student curriculum/instructors guides, which can be used in either a self-paced or lecture-lab environment. Over several years, the colleges have built their Industrial/Mechanical training labs with Amatrol. The e-learning is extensive online technical library curricula that works in conjunction with the Amatrol hardware learning systems. It is TCSG's goal to standardize the e-learning platform across the technical colleges so that each college will be utilizing a standardized approach to training.

2. Atlanta Technical College – Integrated Campus Security camera equipment refresh and monitoring services from A3 Communication; cost \$458,659.00. Federal CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: The college's current monitoring camera system/equipment is outdated and is lacking performance as it relates to visibility where there are some blind sections with the current system. The new system will allow the college to have 360 viewing control in high traffic areas to cover multiple locations with one unit and streamline/update cameras to have digital cameras that will allow zoom and remote rotation setting for better monitoring. With this system, the college will be able to connect to the City of Atlanta security system which will add a value for real-time crime fighting to include tag reader without an additional cost.

3-5. Chattahoochee Technical College; total expenditures \$1,608,885.00 –



3) College-wide wireless Network refresh from Byteworks for all campus locations; cost \$999,801.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: CTC is operating on an outdated wireless network and is lacking wireless connectivity thru-out each of its campus locations. Byteworks will install new cabling and new Meraki access points at each campus location that will provide more robust/secure wireless coverage. This project will provide improved levels of coverage for mobile devices, laptops, and other wireless systems that will benefit both students and faculty including extending coverage into parking lots to help students continue to learn in the case of unforeseen campus closures related to COVID-19 or other circumstances.

4) Robot Trainers and Gripper Kits from Advanced Control Solutions for new manufacturing labs; cost \$164,453.00. **Bond funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: The college needs additional robotic trainers and gripper kits to outfit their new manufacturing labs at the North Metro Campus. These additional trainers will provide opportunities for students to train with some of the most current technology available, making them more marketable in today's Industrial Maintenance & Electronic workforce. This purchase is compatible to existing trainers used on campus and will enhance the program for future students.

5) New training equipment from Technical Training Aids for Industrial Maintenance & Electronics programs in new manufacturing building at North Metro Campus; cost \$444,631.00. **Bond funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: The Industrial Maintenance & Electronics Program has older trainers on hand. With the addition of the new manufacturing building at the North Metro Campus, the college is looking to purchase new equipment to upgrade the training mechanisms in the new facility. These upgraded systems will provide students hand-on experience with supply chain automation, including equipment maintenance and equipment repair. The addition of this equipment will enhance the training opportunities for students and better prepare them for the Industrial Maintenance & Electronics workforce.

6. Coastal Pines Technical College – New computers and monitors from Dell Marketing for all college sites; cost \$153,393.00. Local funds are available for this expenditure.



**DISCUSSION**: 125 new Dell computers and 200 monitors are needed to replace obsolete equipment in classrooms and offices used by faculty/staff. The new computers will replace equipment that is 5-10 years old and is no longer able to keep up with current programs. New equipment will run modern operating systems and software faster and will increase the efficiency of students and staff.

7. Columbus Technical College – Integrated Security/Surveillance Cameras and storage hardware from Adapt To Solve, Inc.; cost \$395,353.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: New video security cameras and storage hardware are needed to replace obsolete cameras/equipment. This will enable the college to use contact tracing for COVID purposes and allow for remote monitoring of the campus. Additionally, these cameras provide the ability to identify high-traffic areas known as heat maps in order to provide additional cleaning/disinfecting to further limit the elevated risks associated with these locations.

8. Georgia Northwestern Technical College – Cisco Access Layer Switches from CDW-G for all campus locations; cost \$353,268.00. Federal HEERF funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: In an effort to keep the college network up-to-date and functioning properly, new Cisco Access Layer Switches are needed to replace aging switches in the network. Since COVID, it has been very important to keep the network up and running for distance education classes and remote learning.

## 9-10. Gwinnett Technical College; total expenditures \$1,920,496.00 -

9) Audio-Visual equipment from TSAV for new Building B and renovated 100 building; cost \$1,719,518.00. **Bond funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: Rooms in new Building B need to be outfitted with new AV systems for large scale in-person and remote instruction to maximize learning potentials. Spaces renovated in the existing 100 Building are end-of-life and in need of replacement following the renovation to meet the current and future learning demands of student/faculty. Equipment includes projectors, podiums, switchgear, and other AV needs to facilitate both face-to-face and remote instruction.

**10)** Furniture items from Group Lacasse for Building 100 renovation; cost \$200,978.00. **Bond funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: The college is undergoing major renovations to Building 100 in order to meet the current educational needs for GTC. Furniture is



needed in front lobby, advisor area, student center, student lounge, and adjacent office spaces. Furniture items include desks, tables, chairs, hutches, file cabinets, etc.

11. North Georgia Technical College – New classroom chairs from The HON Company Inc. for Clarkesville Campus; cost \$135,753.00. State funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: This request is for 653 sets of 2 each replacement stack chairs with mesh backs, upholstered seats, silver frames and casters. These chairs are needed to replace chairs that are over 10+ years and are broken, stained, and worn out from repeated use. Plastic chairs are currently being used in several classrooms to accommodate the seating necessary for class sizes.

12. Ogeechee Technical College – Lincoln Welding Equipment from Sidney Lee Welding Supply for welding classes; cost \$158,414.00. Obsolete equipment bond funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: New Lincoln Electric welders are needed for the 20 existing welding booths in the welding lab. New equipment is needed to upgrade the currently aging equipment and create uniformity in the machines used by students to understand the basics of welding from a beginner's viewpoint. This equipment meets current industry standards and allows instructors to assign students to a welding booth and monitor their progress. Classes using this equipment cover the main components to the three welding certificates offered in the Welding Program.

## 13-16. Savannah Technical College; total expenditures \$1,107,491.00 –

13-14) New Cisco Network switches (\$167,424) and Cisco UCS Blade Center (\$264,972) from CDW-G; total cost \$432,396.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: New Cisco equipment is needed to replace antiquated end-of-life network switches and UCS blade center. The new switches are faster and more robust, as well as the UCS Blade Center. This equipment will upgrade the CPU and memory in the Data Center and also add an element of redundancy by having a second UCS on hand.

15) Software licenses from SHI for Economic Development–Manufacturing Fundamentals TRANSFR VR; cost \$346,493.00. Federal grant and CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: Virtual reality (VR) is a three-dimensional, computergenerated representation of physical worlds. These worlds are immersive



and users can interact with them as if they are real. Using VR in training and education permits students to practice dealing with real-world scenarios safely/efficiently within a VR environment. Students learning difficult subjects can take risks they normally wouldn't pursue and sharpen their skills without worrying about real-world consequences. Because VR is so immersive/compelling, students absorb information faster and retain what they have learned longer. TRANSFR's Virtual Training aligns with industry standards and employer competencies.

16) Mobile Industrial Maintenance Trainers and software from Technical Training Aids for Crossroads Campus location; cost \$328,602.00. Federal CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: Amatrol equipment is needed to meet the Industry training needs of companies in the region. Currently, Economic Development is subject to use, when available, of the college's credit labs. This equipment will provide Economic Development with 100% mobile capabilities, allowing the division to meet business/industry needs thruout the region onsite or at any campus or partner locations. It will also give credit labs greater flexibility in scheduling classes without conflict with classes scheduled with Economic Development.

17. South Georgia Technical College – Software licenses from SHI for All Access TRANSFR-VR System; cost \$154,540.00. Federal CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: SGTC is requesting to purchase 10 software licenses of the All Access TRANSFR System. This system will provide virtual reality in a range of program areas that are currently being offered. The equipment/software replicate real-worldwide activities without the need for physical equipment or large lab spaces. The simulators provide feedback to the students/instructors on performance and skills gain. This system will be useful as both a training aid for programs and also a portable tool to demonstrate career skills necessary and a preview of the training provided by the college. Purchasing this system will enhance the virtual learning for students and a cost avoidance of purchasing physical equipment.

- 18-20. Southern Crescent Technical College; total expenditures \$2,538,975.00 Federal Cares funds are available for these expenditures.
  - **18)** Custom Mobile Welding Training Lab from Technical Training Aids; cost \$1,053,456.00.



**19)** Custom Industrial Maintenance Mobile Lab Training Center from Technical Training Aids; cost \$1,330,000.00.

**DISCUSSION:** Mobile training labs are needed to provide students in the Welding/Joining Technology programs and the Industrial Systems Technology, Mechatronics Technology, and Automated Manufacturing Technology programs access to new equipment used by industry partners in the college's service areas. The mobile labs will be equipped with Amatrol trainers that provide hands-on training skills. These trainers integrate with the online curriculum and virtual trainers for students to practice/learn from the mobile lab and their homes. This is especially needed during the COVID crisis. The mobile labs have integrated safety protocols/equipment to prevent student injuries. The major benefit of these labs is to provide more student access to state-of-the-art equipment that provides hand-on skills which integrates into an online format in the fields of Welding/Joining, Industrial Systems, Mechatronics, and Automated Manufacturing.

**20)** Definium HD X-Ray System from GE Precision Healthcare LLC for Radiography Program; cost \$155,519.00. **Equipment refresh bond funds are available for this expenditure.** 

**DISCUSSION**: The Definium X-Ray System will replace the current GE XR/A radiographic system that was purchased in 2004. Technology has advanced in medical imaging and the older equipment was considered end-of-life many years ago. Also, it is extremely expensive to repair due to the inability to find parts. The new equipment is seen in many of the clinical affiliates, and having this equipment will enable program faculty to prepare students in the Radiography Program to enter the clinical setting with working knowledge of current equipment/technology.

21. Southern Regional Technical College – Audio/visual equipment from Presidio Networked Solutions for Bainbridge Campus - Kirbo Center; cost \$592,464.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: A complete turnkey replacement of Audio/visual equipment is needed for the Kirbo Center at the Bainbridge Campus. Existing equipment was out of date when it was installed 10 years ago, and cables/audio connections have been damaged by constant use. The Kirbo Center is used almost constantly by various groups on campus as well as local K-12 school systems and the general public. This is all replacement equipment and has been designed to optimize the room layout. Equipment is expected to stay 100% functional for 8-10 years, and will be easier to repair/upgrade so a complete refresh will not be needed as often. Equipment includes sound



board, speakers, and microphones, as well as overflow cameras, projector, lighting, and interconnections/cables.

## 22-24. West Georgia Technical College; total expenditures \$3,077,707.00 -

**22)** Software licenses from SHI for All Access TRANSFR; cost \$772,700.00. Federal CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: WGTC would like to purchase 50 full catalog licenses with headsets for training/instruction. This would include a set of 5 for all campus and instructional site locations with the remaining headsets to be used for Economic Development training. Instructional content will include: Architectual & Construction, Manufacturing, Transportation, Distribution & Logistics, Public Safety, Corrections & Security, Hospitality & Tourism, and Healthcare. This technology will allow the college to work with industry/workforce development agencies to build training programs (credit/non-credit) that scale and quickly deliver an impact to the community. This will also offer students a way to explore career paths they might not otherwise have considered, giving them an on-the-job experience in a hands-on simulation.

23) Lab equipment from Technical Training Aids for Precision Manufacturing/Maintenance Program at the new Carroll Campus location; cost \$1,944,147.00. State and FFE bond funds are available for this expenditure.

Discussion: WGTC is in the process of building a new Carroll Campus and this request is for lab equipment to support the Precision Manufacturing and Maintenance Program. Equipment includes mechanical trainers, motor control trainers, hydraulic trainers, AC/DC equipment, industrial wiring trainers, logistics training systems, PLC control trainers, mechatronics equipment, and FANUC robotic equipment.

24) New 6-month janitorial services contract for last 6 months of FY2022 with American Facility Services Inc. for all 10 campus/site locations; cost \$360,860.00. Local funds are available for this expenditure.

Discussion: The college is seeking a new contract with American Facility Services Inc. for the last 6 months of FY2022 to provide janitorial services for all campus/site locations. The contract 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 initial 6-month agreement with four one-year renewable



options on this contract.

## 25-26. Wiregrass Georgia Technical College; total expenditures \$750,993.00 -

25) Security Control System from Transact Campus Inc. for Valdosta Campus location; cost \$547,476.00. Federal CARES funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: This request is to implement a security access control system on the Valdosta Campus to match that used on the Fitzgerald and Douglas campus locations, as well as the new Health Sciences Building in Valdosta. Implementation in buildings 100-500 and 700 in Valdosta will provide a uniform system for the college with the following benefits: 1) reduce the need for exterior door keys to be issued, maintained and returned; 2) remote locking/unlocking of exterior access doors during emergencies; 3) control access by room location; 4) better control over limited access areas; 5) connect camera system for monitoring access to certain areas; and 6) monitoring of all exterior doors 24x7.

**26)** Tools/equipment from SHI to expand the capacity to develop virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) training simulations for dual enrolled students; cost \$203,517.00. Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.

**DISCUSSION**: Wiregrass was awarded a federal grant thru the Education Stabilization Fund with the US Dept. of Education that will enable the college to collaborate with high schools in the region to expand the capacity to develop virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR) training simulations that dual enrolled students not wanting to attend face-to-face lab instruction can check out and use at home. Goals include: 1) increase the number of dual enrolled students; 2) develop digital capabilities to include a VR/AR applications library that can be used by any college in the nation; 3) support the teaching/learning of workplace competencies/skills for students; and 4) build program outreach including underrepresented populations – female and Hispanic students. This project will also provide students the ability to learn at their own pace, remediate when necessary, and advance when ready. Funds will be used to develop resilient instructional delivery models thru the creation of VR and AR instructional libraries.

That concluded the committee report.



## • Executive Committee

## **Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Mr. Trey Sheppard gave the update from the Executive Committee. There were no motions made. The Commissioner shared the same budget presentation that he gave during his remarks.

That concluded the committee report.

## V. <u>Executive Session</u>

Not needed at this meeting.

## VII. OTHER BUSINESS

**Chairman Trey Sheppard** 

The next TCSG State Board meeting will be **March 15**, **2022** at the Grand Hyatt Atlanta and will coincide with the TCSG EAGLE Program.

The dates for the 2022 Board meetings were presented.

Tuesday, March 15\* Grand Hyatt | Atlanta

to coincide with TCSG EAGLE Program

Thursday, April 7 TCSG System Office

Monday, April 25\* [May Mtg.] Grand Hyatt | Atlanta

to coincide with TCSG GOAL and RPA Conf.

Thursday, June 2 TCSG System Office

Thursday, August 4\* Potential College Visit TBD

Thursday, September 1 TCSG System Office

Thursday, October 6\* Potential College Visit TBD

Tuesday, October 25\* [Nov. Mtg.] Hyatt Regency | Savannah

to coincide with TCSG Leadership Conf.

Thursday, December 1 TCSG System Office

Chairman Sheppard reminded the Board member to please completed their Affidavit of Public Office.

Mr. Tommy David closed the meeting with a word of prayer.



## VIII ADJOURN

## **Chairman Trey Sheppard**

## I. Adjournment

**MOTION:** Motion was made by Dr. Artesius Miller to adjourn the February 3, 2022 State Board Meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia at 12:12 pm. The Motion was seconded by Mr. Buzz Law. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

The Technical College System of Georgia State Board Meeting stood adjourned.