



# STATE BOARD GENERAL SESSION

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## Approved Minutes

**Thursday, September 7, 2023**

11:15 a.m.- 12:24 p.m.

System Office

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Absent: Jay Cunningham, Randall Fox,

### **I. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Mr. Trey Sheppard, Chairman of the Technical College System of Georgia State Board called the September 7, 2023 State Board Meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia to order at 11:15 a.m. at the date and location stated above. He thanked Commissioner Dozier for reviewing the Technical College System of Georgia FY 2025 and AFY 2024 Budget submission to the Governor's Office. Commissioner Dozier also reviewed the TCSG Capital outlay projects.

Chairman Sheppard welcomed our newest TCSG State Board Members. This is the first meeting that Mr. Eddie Ausband, Mr. Lee Chapman, and Mr. Charlie Fiveash were able to attend. Commissioner Dozier swore in Mr. Lee Chapman as a new Board Member.

Chairman Sheppard congratulated them and thanked them for their service. He asked Mr. Eddie Ausband, Mr. Lee Chapman, and Mr. Charlie Fiveash to say a few words and introduce themselves.

### **II. CHAIR'S COMMENTS**

**Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Chairman Sheppard called for a motion to approve the Minutes from the August 3, 2023 Board Meeting.

#### **I. Approval of the Minutes**



**MOTION:** Mr. Carvel Lewis made the Motion to approve the August 3, 2023 minutes. Mr. Buzz Law seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously. The August 3, 2023 Minutes were approved.

### III. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

**Commissioner Gregory Dozier**

Commissioner Gregory Dozier thanked everyone for attending. He thanked the Presidents for all they do. All the TCSG Presidents this year submitted an enrollment growth plan. Commissioner Dozier reviewed the enrollment numbers for Fall 2023. There has been an increase in both credit hours and enrollment from last fall. There is also a very large increase in students in the high demand career initiatives fields. TCSG is building the workforce of the future.

TCSG is at the table for several Senate and House committees to help grow our workforce. We are very thankful to be involved.

That concluded the Commissioner's comments

### IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

- Academic Affairs

**Fran Miller**

#### I. **Academic Standards and Programs**

##### **Motion (Approval of Technical Certificates of Credit):**

**MOTION:** Mr. Fran Millar made the Motion that the college requests listed below to offer 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. Mr. Carvel Lewis seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

##### **DISCUSSION:**

**Chattahoochee Technical College** - TCC program in Aircraft Assembly Technician I (AA61), 11 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

The Aircraft Assembly Technician certificate program will provide technical training to existing industry and individuals interested in obtaining aircraft structural assembly skills. This program will provide a minimum of training for job market entry and/or upgrading for existing industry personnel and could lead to continued training for a diploma. This program results from industry requesting



new personnel with the skills addressed in the aircraft structural courses included in this program. Aircraft structural technicians can work either on the new manufacturing side of the trade or on the repair side. The manufacturing side involves working on aircraft in a team assembly cell type of environment. Work is based on customer orders and, this is an hourly type of position with growth to become a manager. The repair side involves working on all types of aircraft both old and new in a hanger type of environment. Workflow is dependent on customers needing repairs in an airport setting and is paid hourly but only on an as-needed basis. This certificate will be embedded within the Aircraft Structures Technology Diploma; existing faculty, equipment, and facilities will be used. This program will be located at the Aviation Training Academy Campus at Paulding.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 25 Year 2: 25 Year 3: 25

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

**Chattahoochee Technical College** - TCC program in Aircraft Assembly Technician II (AR71), 15 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

The Aircraft Assembly Technician II certificate program will provide additional technical training to existing industry and individuals interested in obtaining aircraft structural assembly skills. This program will provide a minimum of training for job market entry and/or upgrading for existing industry personnel and could lead to continued training for a diploma. This program results from industry requesting new personnel with the skills addressed in the aircraft structural courses included in this program. Aircraft structural technicians can work either on the new manufacturing side of the trade or on the repair side. The manufacturing side involves working on aircraft in a team assembly cell type of environment. Work is based on customer orders and, this is an hourly type of position with growth to become a manager. The repair side involves working on all types of aircraft both old and new in a hanger type of environment. Workflow is dependent on customers needing repairs in an airport setting and is paid hourly but only on an as needed basis. This certificate will be embedded within the Aircraft Structures Technology diploma program; existing faculty, equipment and facilities will be used. This program will be located at the Aviation Training Academy Campus at Paulding.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 25 Year 2: 25 Year 3: 25

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



**Chattahoochee Technical College** - TCC program in Aircraft Composites Technician, AT71, 15 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

The Aircraft Composites Technician certificate program will provide technical training to existing industry and individuals interested in obtaining aircraft structural assembly skills. This program will provide a minimum of training for job market entry and/or upgrading for existing industry personnel and could lead to continued training for a diploma. This program results from industry requesting new personnel with the skills addressed in the aircraft structural courses included in this program. Aircraft structural technicians can work either on the new manufacturing side of the trade or on the repair side. The manufacturing side involves working on aircraft in a team assembly cell type of environment. Work is based on customer orders and, this is an hourly type of position with growth to become a manager. The repair side involves working on all types of aircraft both old and new in a hanger type of environment. This program will be embedded within the Aircraft Structures Diploma program; existing faculty, equipment, and facilities will be used. This program will be housed at the Aviation Training Academy Campus at Paulding.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 25 Year 2: 25 Year 3: 25

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

**Chattahoochee Technical College** - TCC program in Esthetician (CE11), 33 Credit Hours, effective August 2024.

The Cosmetic Esthetician program is designed to offer esthetics training for entry-level students. Completion of the program prepares students to sit for the Esthetics licensure examination given by the Georgia State Board of Cosmetology and to work in a variety of professions that employ estheticians in beauty salons, spas, health clubs, and cosmetics stores as well as plastic surgeons' and dermatologists' offices. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, demand for esthetician/ skincare specialists is projected to grow 17% between 2021 and 2031, much faster growth than average, with a net gain of 13,400 jobs during that period. There are currently 80,500 jobs in this sector. In August of 2023, there were 63 esthetician/skin care specialist jobs posted on Indeed.com within 15 miles of the Mountain View Campus where this program will be housed. Estheticians can expect to make \$37,300 per year/ \$17.93 per hour - median pay per the BLS. A facility renovation will provide space for the program at our Mountain View Campus; additional costs for the program will include faculty salaries, equipment, and materials.



Enrollment Projections:

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

Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 20 Year 3: 20

**Chattahoochee Technical College** - TCC program in Paramedicine Accelerated (PAF1), 44 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

The paramedic profession is vital to the health of our communities, which are currently experiencing a shortage of emergency medical professionals, made worse by the recent pandemic. Paramedics can perform a variety of advanced life-saving procedures as first responders. Packaging our already-offered occupational courses as a certificate will allow our students to get into the workforce more quickly without sacrificing the required skill level. It also allows us to compete with private paramedic schools in the state regarding time commitment but at a lower cost. These students can move forward and earn a diploma or degree should they choose, but they will not have to do that to become essential members of the medical community. Anecdotally, faculty have noted trends in increasing salaries for their graduates yet to be reflected on BLS statistics due to statewide shortages. Our Paramedic program is ready to start offering this certificate option immediately.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 5 Year 2: 10 Year 3: 10

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

**Coastal Pines Technical College** - TCC program in Basic Avionics Technician (BAT1), 27 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

Coastal Pines Technical College plans to partner with South Georgia Technical College to provide avionics training that can lead to aviation training in Southeast Georgia. One of the larger employers on the Georgia Coast, Gulfstream, has an ongoing need for a skilled workforce in aviation/avionics. Gulfstream, Brunswick, currently has multiple positions open for Avionics Electrical Technicians. Savannah Technical College, in the adjacent service area, provides aviation training programs. This institutionally developed program meets the requirements for the award level of technical certificate of credit. The first-year costs, estimated at \$98,555, include salary, benefits, new equipment, travel expenses and supplies for the new program. These same expenses are estimated to be \$42,555 by the third year of operation. The College projects the first-year enrollment to begin with 6 students and grow to 18 students by the third year.

Enrollment Projections:



Day Students Year 1: 6 Year 2: 8 Year 3: 10  
Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 6 Year 3: 8

**Southern Regional Technical College** - TCC program in Graphic Design & Prepress Technician (GD21), 23 Credit Hours, effective August 2023.

Southern Regional Technical College is seeking approval for the Graphic Design and Prepress Technician Technical Certificate of Credit. The Graphic Design and Prepress Technician TCC is a state standard program and is 23 Program hours in length. The request for this program is to support our Dual Enrollment program and local high schools. The completion of the TCC will prepare students for positions in graphic design and design media applications. The employment of graphic designers is projected to grow 6% over the next 10 years, which is slightly faster than the average for all occupations. This program will be taught at the high school using the high school equipment and lab facilities. One part-time faculty member will be needed and will be funded through tuition and fees.

Enrollment Projections:

Day Students Year 1: 10 Year 2: 20 Year 3: 30  
Evening Students Year 1: 0 Year 2: 0 Year 3: 0

**Southern Regional Technical College** - TCC program in Submerged Arc Welder Operator (SAW1), 12 Credit Hours, effective January 2024.

Southern Regional Technical College (SRTC) is seeking approval for the Submerged Arc Welder Operator Technician Technical Certificate of Credit. The Submerged Arc Welder Operator Technician TCC is an institutionally developed program that is 12 hours in length and will be taught with existing faculty and equipment. The request for this program is to support the needs of our local industry partners and will help students prepare for the job opportunities these companies offer. Though Submerged Arc Welding is not as popular in some areas, our service area has many boilermakers and water systems companies that utilize this welding technique in their daily manufacturing process. The need for highly skilled welders is increasing in our area, and national averages, based on U.S. Bureau of Labor statistics, shows the American Welding Society (AWS) estimates a welder shortage of 372,000 in the U.S. by 2026. There are currently 200,000 welding job openings in the U.S. and that number is expected to increase 6% by 2026. Offering this TCC will help ensure that our students are trained and prepared for career opportunities in the high-demand field of Welding and Joining Technology, and more specifically, job opportunities with our local industry partners.

Enrollment Projections:



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

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 Steve Conway, Academic Affairs Director, Instructional Support Services, at 404-679-1669.

## II. Approval for Program Standards and Revisions September 2023

**MOTION:** Mr. Fran Millar made the Motion to approve the Program Standards and Revisions for September 2023. Dr. Artesius Millar seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

Major Code	Program Name	Program Development	Award Level	Credit Hours
BAT1	Basic Avionics Technician	Coastal Pines	TCC	27
BMA5	Basic Manufacturing Pumps and Piping	Columbus	TCC	5
CHD1	Computer Help Desk Career Launch	Columbus	TCC	6
CC15	Construction Career Launch Blueprint Reading	Columbus	TCC	3
CCL5	Construction Career Launch Safety	Columbus	TCC	4
EID5	ELearning Instructional Design	Columbus	TCC	4
WCL5	Welding Career Launch Blueprint Reading	Columbus	TCC	4
GB13	A. S. - General Business	Southern Regional	Degree	71
SAW1	Submerged Arc Welder Operator	Southern Regional	TCC	12

## III. Resolution honoring Emily Pinto, SkillsUSA National Officer





Mrs. Emily Pinto thanked the Board for their hard work and for helping to change the lives of people in Georgia and the United States of America.

**MOTION:** Mr. Fran Millar made the Motion to approve the resolution honoring Emily Pinto for her dedication and commitment to technical education and for being selected as a SkillsUSA National Officer. The resolution will be read and presented today, September 7, 2023 at the State Board Meeting General Session. Mr. Chunk Newman seconded the motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

[Attachment A]

That concluded the Committee report.

- **Adult Education**

**Shirley Smith**

Ms. Shirley Smith gave the Committee report. Dr. Cayanna Good shared that the portfolio of Adult Education and Family Literacy providers is now at twenty-eight with the recent closure of Literacy Action, a metro Atlanta community-based organization. Dr. Good also shared that our current enrollment stands at 15, 459 with 1,111 High School Equivalencies and diplomas issued as of September 5, 2023.

The Committee also received an update on exciting initiatives underway with the High school Equivalency program and HSE testing centers.

The TCSG Office of Workforce Development presented a motion to approve the FY24 HDCI awards. The Board received the annual report for the FY23 HDCI Registered Apprenticeship program at the last board meeting and this motion is for new awards to new employers utilizing this year's funding.

- I. **Approval of HDCI Program Selections for FY 2024**

**MOTION:** Ms. Shirley Smith made the Motion to approve the selected companies as listed in the Fiscal Year 2024 High Demand Career Initiative (HDCI) Program Selections (Round I) for participation in the HDCI Program and authorize TCSG to enter into associated contact agreements with employer sponsors, as required in OCGA 20-4-151. Mrs. Anne Kaiser seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**DISCUSSION:** The HDCI Program, authorized by Georgia Senate Bill 379, was signed into law by Governor Brian P. Kemp. This year marks the second year of the historic state-funded apprenticeship initiative.





The HDCI Program provides funding awards to Georgia employers to incentivize the creation and expansion of registered apprenticeship programs throughout the state. This program aimed to both upskill Georgians and increase skilled talent within Georgia's high-demand industries.

This round of HDCI funding will support 28 employers and create 103 apprentices in Georgia. The state's initial investment this year of \$1.275M for this program is projected to create \$5.49M in added wages into Georgia's economy year over year upon the completion of the apprenticeships supported with this year's funds. Since the program has been authorized, it is projected to create \$11.9M in added wages into Georgia's economy year over year.

Deputy Commissioner Karen Kirchler reviewed the outstanding work the TCSG Office of Workforce Development has been doing this year. [attachment B]

She started with an overview of the funding the TCSG Office of Workforce Development receives. They received \$49.3 million to LWDAs through formula funds, \$9.2 million in Quest Dislocated Workers Grant funds, and served 200—on track to serve 1,200 Georgians. They have sent around \$2 million to local areas for sector partnership grants in LWDAs. The TCSG Office of Workforce Development successfully resolved all findings with corrective action. In FY22, there were 36 findings; in FY 23 there were only 24 findings. This year they developed and delivered six training modules in WIOA Eligibility and Provision of services and delivered 10 virtual training averaging 117 attendees.

The Rapid Response team has responded to 91 events since January 2023. They have partnered with the National Alliance for Mental Illness and delivered 6 Youth roundtables in person around the state.

TCSG Office of Workforce Development saw a large growth in registered apprenticeships. Apprenticeship State expansion grant is now at 800 RAPs. The apprenticeships for Economic Recovery grant have \$4.2 million, projected 900+ RAPs this year. HDCI- 41 Businesses awarded; 120 RAPs created \$6.4 million in increased wages.

TCSG now has three out of the four workforce investment act titles: title I, II, IV. Converted 11,822,696 records/ 616,440,549 data elements. They developed a new policy and process for customer service and trained all JVSG/ES staff as well as some GDOL staff.



In August 2023, TCSG Office of Workforce Development developed and launched a new labor exchange system and has seen a huge increase in new users, website views, new job seeker accounts, and employer accounts.

That concluded Deputy Commissioner Kirchler' s presentation

**I. Resolution for National Workforce Development Month**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Shirley Smith made the Motion to approve the resolution recognizing the TCSG Office of Workforce Development during National Workforce Development Month. Mr. Carvel Lewis seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously. [attachment C]

Commissioner Dozier and Chairman Sheppard invited the TCSG Office of Workforce Development to come to the front to accept the resolution. Commissioner Dozier also read a Proclamation from Governor Kemp proclaiming September National Workforce Development month in Georgia.

**II. Resolution for Rachelle Taylor**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Shirley Smith made the Motion to approve the resolution honoring the life and dedication of Rachelle Taylor. Dr. Artesius Miller seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously. [attachment D]

Commissioner Dozier and Chairman Sheppard invited the TCSG Office of Adult Education and Mrs. Taylor's family to accept the resolution.

That concluded the Committee report

• **External Affairs and Economic Development**

**Chunk Newman**

Mr. Chunk Newman gave the Committee report. There were no motions presented by the Committee. During the first two months of FY24, Quick Start presented to 15 prospective companies with the potential to create over 6,300 new jobs in Georgia. There are currently 22 active projects receiving Quick Start training services in the three operating regions of the state. For the first two months of FY24, the team worked with over 6,600 trainees. The Department of Economic Development has announced 4 projects in FY24 that will utilize Quick Start training services.



The TCSG Communications team is working with the Secondary Initiatives department and Governor Kemp's Office to plan the upcoming Governor's Workforce Summit, which will be held October 5-6 in Atlanta.

The TCSG Foundation received a grant from the Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) for \$1.5 M for adult education. The Foundation has structured a sponsorship package for the three major annual events (Leadership Conference, EAGLE & GOAL)

Deputy Commissioner Matt Dollar gave an update on the Georgia Retraining Tax Credit through the end of last fiscal year.

That completed the Committee report.

- **Facilities and Real Estate**

**Ben Bryant**

- I. **Approval of Real Estate Transactions**

**MOTION:** Mr. Ben Bryant made the Motion 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. Mr. Chunk Newman seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

- A. Chattahoochee Tech - 0.086 AC Easement to Atlanta Gas Light Co

**DISCUSSION:** Chattahoochee Technical College requests approval on the granting of a revocable license and a non-exclusive easement to Atlanta Gas Light Company, over approximately 0.043 acres on the Paulding Aviation Academy Campus of Chattahoochee Technical College, for the installation and maintenance of gas distribution lines to serve TCSG-363 Paulding Aviation Academy.

- B. Southern Regional Tech - 0.6 AC Easement to Georgia Power Co

**DISCUSSION:** Southern Regional Technical College requests approval on the granting of a revocable license and a non-exclusive easement to Georgia Power Company, over approximately 0.30 acres on the Veterans Parkway Campus of Southern Regional Technical College, for the installation and maintenance of electrical distribution lines to serve TCSG-378 Technical and Industrial Education Building.



**C.** Athens Tech – 0.448 AC Easement to Athens-Clarke County

**DISCUSSION:** Athens Technical College requests approval on the granting of a non-exclusive easement to Athens-Clarke County, over approximately 0.448 acres on the Main Campus of Athens Technical College, for the installation and maintenance of water & sewer distribution lines to serve TCSG-365 Industrial System Technical Building.

**II. Approval of Construction Contracts**

**MOTION:** Mr. Ben Bryant made the Motion to authorize the Commissioner to execute the construction contracts listed below at a cost not to exceed the amount stated for each request. Mrs. Ann Kaiser seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**A.** Chattahoochee Tech - \$167,533.95 with Ward Humphrey, Inc.

**DISCUSSION:** Chattahoochee Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Digital Media Technology Classroom Renovation" on the Mountain View Campus of Chattahoochee Technical College, with Ward Humphrey, Inc., Marietta, GA in the amount of \$167,533.95, using local funds.

**B.** Lanier Tech - \$131,994.00 with F.H. Paschen, SN Nielsen & Assoc.

**DISCUSSION:** Lanier Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Mini Split Air Condition Unit Installations" on the Multiple Campuses of Lanier Technical College, with F.H. Paschen, SN Nielsen & Assoc., Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$131,994.00, using local funds.

**C.** South Georgia Tech - \$251,835.76 with JOC Construction

**DISCUSSION:** South Georgia Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Engine Test Cell Structure for Aviation" on the Main Campus of South Georgia Technical College, with JOC Construction, Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$251,835.76, using local funds.

**D.** Southern Regional Tech - \$148,954.00 with F.H. Paschen, SN Nielsen



**DISCUSSION:** Southern Regional Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Student Affairs Renovation" on the Southern Regional Technical College, with F.H. Paschen, SN Nielsen & Assoc., Atlanta, GA in the amount of \$148,954.00, using local funds.

- E. Southern Regional Tech - \$176,794.58 with CCH Construction Co Inc.

**DISCUSSION:** Southern Regional Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "Domestic Water Piping Replacement" on the Southern Regional Technical College, with CCH Construction Company, Inc., Thomasville, GA in the amount of \$176,794.58, using local funds.

- F. Wiregrass Georgia Tech - \$2,988,095.00 with Kellerman Construction

**DISCUSSION:** Wiregrass Georgia Technical College requests approval on the execution of a construction contract for "New Commercial Truck Driving & Diesel Technology Facility" on the Wiregrass Georgia Technical College, with Kellerman Construction, Inc., Valdosta, Ga in the amount of \$2,988,095.00, using local funds.

### III. Approval of Construction Contract Change Orders

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

- A. Central Georgia Tech - \$962,480.25 with International City Builders

**DISCUSSION:** Central Georgia Technical College requests approval of change order in the total amount of \$962,480.25 to the project "Trade and Industry Building Renovation", under a construction contract with International City Builders, Inc., Warner Robins, GA. The TCSG Board, at its meeting on March 2, 2023, approved a construction contract with City Builders, Inc. in the amount of \$4,300,000.00, using GO bond funds. 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 added scope of work to the project.

### IV. Approval of the FY2024 Capital Outlay Plan



**MOTION:** Mr. Ben Bryant made the Motion for the State Board to approve the TCSG Capital Outlay submissions as presented for Fiscal Year 2025 as recommended by the Commissioner. Mrs. Anne Kaiser seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**A. Capital Outlay Plan**

**DISCUSSION:** As set forth by the Commissioner in the report to the Facilities and Real Estate Committee, the recommended Capital Outlay submissions, including twenty-two (22) capital projects and other capital expenditures, respond to the instructions received from the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget (OPB).

That concluded the Committee report.

• **Governance, Compliance and Audit**

**Buzz Law**

**I. Local Board Approval**

**MOTION:** Mr. Buzz Law made the Motion to approve the appointments for local board members as listed in the Board materials for Oconee Fall Line Technical College. Mr. Carvel Lewis seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

That concluded the Committee report.

**Operations, Finance, and Planning**

**Carvel Lewis**

**Approval of AFY2024 and FY2025 Budget Submissions**

**MOTION:** Mr. Carvel Lewis made the Motion for the State Board to approve the TCSG budget submissions for Amended Fiscal Year 2024 and for Fiscal Year 2025 as recommended by the Commissioner. Mr. Calder Clay seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

**DISCUSSION:** As set forth by the Commissioner in the report to the Operations, Finance and Planning Committee, the recommended budget submissions for AFY2024 and for FY2025 respond to the instructions received from the Governor's Office of Planning & Budget (OPB).

**II. Expenditure Requests**



**MOTION:** Mr. Carvel Lewis made the Motion 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 amounts stated. Mrs. Shirley Smith seconded Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

1. **TCSG/IT/Econ Dev.** – Request to purchase Destiny One Implementation Services from Modern Campus for the economic development strategic initiatives; cost \$421,440.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** This request is to purchase Destiny One Implementation Services from Modern Campus (a highly specialized cloud-based software-as-a-service (SaaS) solution designed explicitly for continuing education, economic development, and workforce development programs). All 22 TCSG colleges and the system office will use the solution, which provides a customized approach that suits the specific needs of our colleges' economic development initiatives. The implementation service is for a period of 12 months and includes standard Destiny One configuration, including Okta SSO and payment processor integration, as well as Blackboard enhancements during development.

2. **TCSG/IT** – Amendment to the August request to pay Oracle for annual Oracle software maintenance fees; cost \$879,113.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** This is to amend the request for \$815,000.00 that was originally approved at the August 2023 meeting. An amendment is needed for \$879,113.00 as the final quote did not mirror our anticipated amount for FY24. This expenditure is to pay licensing, maintenance, and support fees to Oracle for the database software at each of the technical colleges and system office for FY2024. Oracle database software is required to support our student information system (Banner & DegreeWorks). The system office uses Oracle as the database software for the data warehouse and reporting systems (KMS, GALIS, TEAMS).

3. **TCSG/Quick Start** – Four Kawasaki Robotic Trainers and custom designed training carts from Advanced Control Solutions; cost \$207,346.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** This request is for 4 Kawasaki Robotic Trainers with custom designed training carts, fully commissioned and installed at the Quick Start training facility in Savannah. Trainers used by Quick Start instructors typically mirror similar equipment that our clients use in their manufacturing process. In





this case, clients use the Kawasaki robots on their factory floor. Using related equipment provides direct beneficial hands-on training where the candidates are more prepared in a factory setting. Using any other type of trainer that does not include the specified robot model is not effective.

4. **Atlanta Technical College** – 200 laptops and mobile hotspots from CDW-G for Integrity Transformations Community Development Grant (CMC) to support students and senior citizens literacy project; cost \$190,013.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** ATC will provide loaner laptops as defined in the CMC Grant and mobile hotspots to remove barriers for students pursuing a technical education on and off campus to complete their course of study. Also, ATC will provide laptops as defined in the CMC Grant and mobile hotspots for senior citizens for individual usage to overcome age-related barriers in vision, hearing, dexterity, and cognition with accessible Information and Communications Technologies (ICT).

#### **5-7. Central Georgia Technical College – total expenditures \$323,351.00.**

- 5) Contract renewal with Yellowstone Landscaping for lawn/grounds maintenance for FY2024 for 3 campus locations; cost \$140,100.00. **State funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** The college is seeking to renew their contract with Yellowstone Landscape for FY2024 to provide lawn care services for the Warner Robins, Milledgeville, and Putnam campus locations. The contract includes mowing, trimming, edging, leaf removal, weed control and mulch for the locations. These locations are a cumulative 158 acres and require regular upkeep. Landscaper will provide services to maintain cleanliness/aesthetics of campuses with appropriate trained employees/proper equipment. This is the first renewal of 4 optional one-year renewable contracts. First and second renewal costs remain the same at \$140,100.00.

- 6) Multiple Portable PLC and Pneumatic Troubleshooting Learning Systems with software from Technical Training Aids; cost \$183,251.00. **Bond funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** The Portable PLC and Pneumatic Troubleshooting Learning Systems provide comprehensive curriculum and a cutting-edge workstation to teach PLC (Programmable Logic Controller) and Pneumatic programming, operation, and applications used in industry. The manufacturer of the trainer is what IDSY needs to be able to train



the employers of our industry partners. This trainer is what manufacturers have in their plants. Furthermore, this is the trainer we need to train from so our students will be able to go out in the workforce with the current knowledge of the equipment they will be using.

- 7) Manikin simulation products/accessories from Laerdal Medical Corp for RN and LPN programs; cost \$290,672.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** CGTC has Laerdal products in use in both the RN and LPN programs and would like to expand the software and utilization of the Macon simulation lap. These manikins will help nursing students by providing real-world scenarios for them to navigate without having to be in a clinical setting. Other products on the market similar to Laerdal use Apple based software to run the manikins; CGTC uses a Window based system. This equipment will be more familiar to students and faculty. Laerdal was created specifically for CGTC to meet their identified simulation, installation, and training needs. Manikins include SimMan, SimMom, SimJunior, Nursing Anne, and Nursing Kelly.

**8-10. Chattahoochee Technical College – total expenditures \$631,086.00.**

- 8) Suite of ATI products (bundle) for Nursing Program; cost \$145,200.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** This is a renewal of product the college has been using for over a decade. The suite of ATI products assists the college's ASN students preparing for NCLEX licensure at the end of the program, but the products also assist with all courses/competencies throughout. They engage in electronic learning, making them accessible to students anywhere and everywhere with internet, 24/7/365. The high stakes preparation this suite of products provides is proven and tied to the existing curriculum.

- 9) Network hardware/software from Byteworks for new Aviation Academy; cost \$325,959.00.

- 10) 135 computers, stands, monitors, and docking stations from Dell Technologies for students, staff & faculty at Aviation Academy; cost \$159,927.00.

**DISCUSSION:** Information technology is needed to supply the most current technology and techniques available for the state-of-the-art Aviation Program. Construction of the Aviation Academy is currently in progress and all equipment purchased will be new to ensure the latest



technological opportunities available for programs of study held in the Aviation Academy. **MR&R bond funds are available for these expenditures.**

11. **Columbus Technical College** – Purchase/installation of modular building from B2B Management for CDL Program; cost \$150,740.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** GNTC is seeking to purchase a new modular building to provide classroom space for the Commercial Truck Driving Program being implemented at their Fort Benning Road instructional site in fall 2023. This site is also the future location of the planned VECTR Workforce Development Center for which building funds are still being raised, and this modular building will provide classroom space until the permanent building is in place. When complete, the VECTR Center building will include multiple labs/flexible classroom space for adult education programs as well as the CDL Program range. Will also provide accelerated training opportunities in high demand STEM career fields, including advanced manufacturing, welding, computer programming, cybersecurity, and healthcare. Programs will be aligned to the Army MOSs Assistance Program and My Career Advancement Account Scholarship. All programs will be tailored to the specific workforce needs in the Chattahoochee Valley and State of Georgia. The VECTR Center and CDL range will serve more than 500 students year one with an expected increase of 10% per year to 1,000 annually.

12. **Georgia Northwestern Technical College** – New Cascadia Sleeper cab truck from Peach State Truck Centers for CDL Program; cost \$148,034.00. **Federal grant funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** GNTC is seeking to purchase a new 2025 Freightliner truck for its Commercial Truck Driving Program. This purchase will support the critical need for workforce training opportunities for commercial truck drivers. This truck will provide equipment similar to what the students will see in real world applications and will serve the college for many years to come.

13. **Georgia Piedmont Technical College** – Digital marketing/advertising services in Atlanta Journal Constitution from Cox Next to promote college for FY2024; cost \$135,000.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** GPTC is increasing its advertising footprint for FY24 to encourage more students to apply/enroll. By including the AJC into the fold and adding the "Twitch" streaming service, the college will be reaching decision-makers



via AJC and more male students, the primary users of Twitch. Service dates July 15, 2023 – June 30, 2024.

- 14. Gwinnett Technical College** – Contract for leasing/maintenance costs with Canon USA for multifunction printers/copiers at two campus locations; cost \$194,719.00. **Local funds are available for this expenditure.**

**DISCUSSION:** This request is to cover the yearly leasing/maintenance costs for multifunction printers and copiers at two campus locations. It consists of 57 units throughout the Lawrenceville and Alpharetta campus locations. This is the initial term of 4 optional one-year renewable contracts.

That concluded the Committee report.

• **Executive Committee**

**Chairman Trey Sheppard**

Chairman Sheppard present the 2023 Nominating Committee to the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia. At the November meeting, the State Board will be voting on the new Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2024-2025 term. The Nominating Committee will be comprised of three State Board Members that will meet during the October State Board Meetings and then will bring their nominations to the November State Board Meeting.

The following Member have been nominated to serve on the 2023 Nominating Committee.

- Chairman Trey Sheppard
- Mr. Daren Wayne
- Mr. Calder Clay

That concluded the Committee report.

**V. Executive Session**

Not needed

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

**Chairman Trey Sheppard**

The next TCSG State Board meeting will be **October 3 & 4, 2023** at North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville Campus.

The 2023 schedule is below.

Tuesday, October 24\* [Nov. Mtg.]

Hyatt Regency | Savannah



to coincide with TCSG Leadership Conf.

Thursday, December 7

TCSG System Office

Please let the Commissioner or Collier know if you have any issues with the date above. The TCSG schedule is in the Board Book and on the TCSG Website.

Mr. Carvel Lewis closed the meeting with a word of prayer.

## **VIII ADJOURN**

**Chairman Trey Sheppard**

### **I. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Mr. Buzz Law made the Motion to adjourn the September 7, 2023 State Board Meeting of the Technical College System of Georgia at 12:24 pm. Mr. Chunk Newman seconded the Motion. The Motion passed State Board approval unanimously.

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

## Attachment A

**TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA*****A RESOLUTION***

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia  
wishes to recognize and commend

***Emily Pinto***

**WHEREAS,** the SkillsUSA National Officer teams have represented SkillsUSA students and instructors since the inception of SkillsUSA in 1965; and,

**WHEREAS,** the 2023-2024 SkillsUSA National Officer team is competitively selected to represent over 400,000 members as advocates for career and technical education nationwide; and,

**WHEREAS,** Emily Pinto is a duly elected 2023-2024 SkillsUSA National Officer; and,

**WHEREAS,** Ms. Pinto, by attending Augusta Technical College, is obtaining the necessary skills, resources, and confidence to become successful in Georgia's strategic workforce; and,

**WHEREAS,** Ms. Pinto, upon completion of the design and media production program, will pursue a rewarding career that allows her to utilize her life skills and the knowledge she has gained through technical education and SkillsUSA; and,

**WHEREAS,** in pursuing her education and leadership opportunities, Ms. Pinto has brought honor to herself, her family, her technical college, and the Technical College System of Georgia by being selected as a 2023-2024 SkillsUSA National Officer; and,

**WHEREAS,** as a SkillsUSA National Officer, Ms. Pinto is a spokesperson for technical education nationwide and will make public promotional appearances for said purpose;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia recognizes and commends

***Emily Pinto***

for her SkillsUSA achievements and strides in promoting technical education.

*Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.*



Trey Sheppard, Chair



Greg Dozier, Commissioner

**STATE BOARD OF THE TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA**

Attachment B

## OWD Overview

By: Karen Kirchner



## Compliance & Oversight

- All LWDA's successfully resolved all findings with corrective actions.
- Overall reduction in Findings:
 

FY2019	FY2020
10	5
- Developed and delivered six training modules – WDA Eligibility & Provision of services
- Delivered 10 Virtual Trainings averaging 117 attendees

## Title I (Workforce)



## Programmatic Resources & Training

- Delivered 8 Youth Round tables in person around the state
- Virtual Work Experience for Youth
- Partnership with National Alliance for Mental Illness
- Units Us implementation and rollout Business Retention
- Rapid Response team- responded to 91 events

## Funding to LWDA's

- \$49.3 million to LWDA's -Formula funds
- \$9.2 million - Guest DWG funds - served 200 on track to serve 1,200 Georgians
- \$2 million - Sector Partnership Grants to LWDA's
- Additional funds requests

## Registered Apprenticeship Growth

- Apprenticeship State Expansion Grant - 800 RAPs
- Apprenticeships for Economic Recovery – \$4.2 million, projected 600+ RAPs
- HDCI- 41 Businesses awarded; 120 RAPs created \$6.4 million in increased wages









## Attachment C

**TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA*****A RESOLUTION***

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia  
wishes to recognize the

***TCSG Office of Workforce Development***

*during National Workforce Development Month*

Whereas, Georgia continues to be the No. 1 state for business because of its business-friendly approach to training a globally competitive workforce. The State of Georgia is committed to ensuring that every Georgian has a pathway to success and prosperity through education, training, and hard work; and

Whereas, The Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) provides Georgians across the state access to affordable, quality education pathways through technical education, adult education, apprenticeships, and customized training; and

Whereas, TCSG and WorkSource Georgia – the state's federally funded employment & training system – work together to build a ready and skilled workforce for employers in Georgia through locally administered career and employment services by delivering innovative industry-recognized credentials and training opportunities for Georgians to begin or advance their career; and

Whereas, This month, WorkSource Georgia is launching the WorkSource Georgia Labor Exchange System to help prepare and connect Georgians to employment opportunities through job search assistance and reemployment services; and

Whereas, By skilling and educating Georgia's workforce, the state continues to be the best place in the nation to live, work, and raise a family;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia commends the TCSG Office of Workforce Development for the dedication to the betterment of the workforce of Georgia.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be presented to the Technical College System of Georgia Office of Workforce Development with sincere appreciation and recognition during National Workforce Development Month.

*Adopted this 7th day of September 2023*



Trey Sheppard  
Chair




Gregory Dazier  
Commissioner

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Attachment D

**TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA**



***A RESOLUTION***

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia  
wishes to honor the memory of

***Rachelle Taylor***

*Our beloved friend and coworker of the Technical College System of Georgia  
for her remarkable service, leadership, and love of technical education.*

Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor was an exemplary administrative support professional who selflessly dedicated her skills and expertise to elevate the Office of Adult Education within the Technical College System of Georgia for over 25 years serving four Assistant Commissioners; and

Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor's devotion to her role transcended her professional duties, as she immersed herself in enhancing the lives of those within her community and across the state of Georgia; and

Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor's profound impact extended to the Adult Education and Workforce Development Committee of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; and

Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor's legacy radiates beyond her professional accomplishments, resonating profoundly in her unwavering commitment to her cherished family and her devotion to her church, World Changers Church International; and


Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor's life was a living embodiment of humility and altruism, consistently placing others' needs ahead of her own, her authentic and warm-hearted demeanor making her a treasured and unwavering leader; and

Whereas, Ms. Rachelle Taylor's passion for education, particularly adult education, and her advocacy for the Technical College System of Georgia were unyielding, evident in her presence at countless EAGLE events and High School Equivalency graduations; and


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this resolution stands as a testament to the profound gratitude and admiration felt by all whose lives were touched by Ms. Rachelle Taylor's enduring contributions. Presented to her family, this document symbolizes the profound impact she has made, and her memory shall forever inspire and guide generations, upholding the principles of dedication, empathy, and unwavering commitment to education.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this Resolution be presented to the family of Ms. Rachelle Taylor's family. She will be greatly missed, but her passion and love for technical education will be remembered by all who knew her.

Adopted this 7th day of September 2023



**Trey Sheppard**  
Chair



**Gregory Dozier**  
Commissioner

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