

COLUMBUS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JOINT MEETING with
SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD of TRUSTEES
Tuesday, February 12, 2019
6:30 P.M.

The Honorable Columbus County Commissioners met on the above stated date and at the above stated time at Southeastern Community College, 4564 Chadbourn Highway, Whiteville, North Carolina 28472, to conduct a joint meeting with the Southeastern Community College Board of Trustees, in the T-Building, Room 120.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Trent Burroughs, **Chairman**
P. Edwin Russ, **Vice Chairman**
Jerome McMillian
James E. Prevatte
Giles E. Byrd
Ricky Bullard
Charles T. McDowell

APPOINTEES PRESENT:

Mike Stephens, **County Manager**
Amanda B. Prince, **County Attorney**
June B. Hall, **Clerk to Board**
Bobbie Faircloth, **Finance Officer**

SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD of TRUSTEES:

Henry Edmund, Chairman
Theresa Blanks, Secretary
Spruell R. Britt
Pickett Council
Robert L. Ezzell
Jack Hooks
Joe Hooks

STAFF MEMBERS:

Dr. Tony Clarke, President SCC
Beverlee Nance, Vice President/Workforce and Community Development
Dan Figler, Vice President of Administrative Services
Sylvia Cox, Vice President over Student Services
Dr. Michael Ayers, Vice President/Academic Affairs
Tanner Bullard, SGA President
Kathy Britt, Assistant to President

NEWS REPORTER REPRESENTATIVE**Agenda Items #1 and #2: MEETING CALLED TO ORDER and INVOCATION:**

At 6:30 P.M., Chairman Trent Burroughs called the February 12, 2019 Columbus County Board of Commissioners Joint Meeting with the Southeastern Community College Board of Trustees to order. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Ricky Bullard.

Agenda Item #3: INTRODUCTION of ATTENDEES:

The Southeastern Community College Board of Trustees members and the staff members introduced themselves individually. The Columbus County Board of Commissioners and the staff members introduced themselves individually.

Agenda Item #4: PURPOSE of JOINT MEETING:

Chairman Burroughs stated the purpose of the joint meeting was for discussion of the needs for the upcoming budget year.

MEETING RECESSED for EVENING MEAL:

After the invocation, Chairman Burroughs stated the meeting would be recessed for the evening meal, and then resumed.

MEETING RESUMED:

At 7:02 P.M., the meeting resumed.

Agenda Item #5: RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE:

Chairman Burroughs stated each individual member in attendance may speak and voice their opinion which will be taken into consideration.

Agenda Item #6: DISCUSSION:

Chairman Burroughs opened the floor for input and discussion. The following spoke.

Dr. Tony Clarke: stated the following:

1. This is the Budget presentation to Columbus County Commissioners;
2. **County Budget Request:**
 - North Carolina general Statue 115D-32 Local Financial Support of Institutions.
 - Tax levying authority of each institution shall be responsible for providing, in accordance with the provisions of G.S. 115D-33 or 115D-34, as appropriate, adequate funds to meet the financial needs of the institutions for the following budget items:
 - Plant fund
 - Alterations and additions to buildings
 - Purchase of automobiles and other motor vehicles
 - Purchase of rental of equipment necessary for the maintenance of buildings and grounds
 - Current expense
 - Plant operation and maintenance
 - Support services
 - What does this mean?
 - Aside from a state bond that was provided in 2000 and 2016, the county is the college’s only source of funding to maintain the campus.
 - The college does not receive lottery money or any other funding for facilities.
 - We are not asking the county to borrow money to support the college.
 - We are not asking for any new construction to be funded by the county.
 - What do we need?
 - We need sufficient operational and capital funding to support economic development and **JOBS** in Columbus County.
 - We are using our Connect NC Bond funds to address our prioritized list from 2017.
 - T Building Expansion - Mechatronics, Electrical, Machining programs leading to **JOBS**
 - B Building Infrastructure - Electrical, Computer Aided Design programs leading to **JOBS**
 - M Building Infrastructure - HVAC, Welding programs leading to **JOBS**
3. **Vision:** To be recognized as the PREMIER rural community college in North Carolina.
4. **Mission:** To continuously promote educational attainment, economic development, and cultural enrichment in Columbus County and surrounding areas.
5. **County Capital Budget Request:** We are presenting a reasonable request for reasonably modern facilities to deliver exceptional results.
6. **Impact on Columbus County:**
 - Southeastern Community College continues to have a positive impact on the citizens of Columbus County.

PROGRAM	SUMMER 2018	FALL 2018	SPRING 2019 (Est.)	TOTAL (Est.)
Curriculum (Degree, Diploma and Certificate programs	467	1,420	1,458-est	2,005-est

*Workforce Continuing Education (Industry training, Fire/EMS/Law Enforcement, Healthcare, Community classes, High School Equivalency)	2,157	2,1541	2,150-est	6,448-est
TOTAL:				8,453-EST

Unduplicated headcount by semester

*Does not include prison instruction

-Southeastern Community College continues to partner with Columbus County Schools and Whiteville City Schools to offer FREE college classes to high school students.

-The program is called Career and College Promise (CCP).

-This benefits both SCC and the local schools.

-Both receive funding for the student. The local schools count the student towards Average Daily Membership and SCC counts the students toward Full Time Equivalent enrollment.

-SCC provides course for both high school and college credit.

SCHOOL	Fall 2018	Spring 2019
East Columbus High School	52	62
South Columbus High School	63	100
West Columbus High School	55	53
Whiteville High School	126	139
TOTAL:	296	354

-Southeastern Community College continues to partner with Columbus County Schools in providing college instruction for Columbus Career and College Academy.

-CCCA is an early college high school that enables students to earn a high school diploma and associate's degree in the years.

-This benefits both SCC and the local schools.

-Both receive funding for the student. The local schools count the student towards Average Daily Membership and SCC counts the students towards Full Time Equivalent enrollment.

-SCC provides course for both high school and college credit.

PROGRAM	FALL 2018	SPRING 2019
Career and College Promise (East, South and West Columbus High Schools and Whiteville High School)	296	354
Columbus Career and College Academy (Columbus County Schools)	215	222
TOTAL:	511	576

-Internship Program

-Eight interns this semester working at:

-Council Tool (Lake Waccamaw)

-Gore Trailer (Whiteville)

-National Spinning (Whiteville)

-PlyGem (Fair Bluff)

-Pridgen Brothers (Whiteville)

-Top Tobacco (Lake Waccamaw)

-West Fraser (Riegelwood)

-National Spinning (Whiteville) hired two December graduates from our Electrical Engineering Technology program to full-time positions.

-Filtec Precise hired two welding students to full-time positions.

-Lowe's Home Improvement hired a graduate from our Manufacturing Skills pathway program.

- Nursing/Health Technologies graduates hired by:
 - Columbus Regional Healthcare System (Whiteville)
 - Doctor’s offices (county-wide)
 - Donayre Cancer Center (Whiteville)
 - Interim Healthcare (Whiteville)
 - Liberty Commons Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Columbus (Whiteville)
 - Premier Living and Rehab Center (Lake Waccamaw)
 - Shoreland Health Care and Retirement Center, Inc. (Whiteville)
 - North Whiteville Urgent Care (Whiteville)

- Nurse Aide graduates hired by:
 - Columbus Regional Healthcare System (Whiteville)
 - Liberty Commons Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Columbus (Whiteville)
 - Premier Living and Rehab Center (Lake Waccamaw)
 - Shoreland Health Care and Retirement Center, Inc. (Whiteville)
- Pharmacy Technician graduates hired by:
 - Columbus Regional Healthcare System (Whiteville)
 - CVS Pharmacy (Whiteville)
 - Baldwin Woods Pharmacy (Whiteville)
 - Koonce Medicine Mart (Chadbourn)
 - Liberty Medical (Whiteville)
 - Tabor City Medicine Mart (Tabor City)
 - Tabor city Long Term Care (Tabor City)
- Customized training - \$109,080 over three years
 - Council Tool (Lake Waccamaw) - \$25,210
 - Filtec Precise (Tabor City) -\$38,572
 - West Frasier (Riegelwood) - \$45,298
- Pre-employment training
 - BB&T (Whiteville)
 - National Spinning (Whiteville)
 - West Fraser (Riegelwood)
- NC Works Career Center (since July 2018)
 - 32 employers served
 - 366 employer services provided
- Student Trustee Student Government President - Tanner Bullard

7. 2019-20 County Operational Budget Request:

PROGRAM	FY2018-19 Budget Request	FY2018-19 Actual Budget	FY2019-20 Requested Budget	Percent Change from Actual Budget
General Administration	\$103,700	\$204,800	\$206,540	0.8
Plant Operation	\$753,940	\$715,490	\$758,192	6.0
Plant Maintenance	\$459,189	\$465,010	\$475,0907	2.2
TOTAL:	\$1,406,829	\$1,385,300	\$1,439,829	\$54,529

- General Administration - slight increase in liability insurance
- Plant Operation - increases in janitorial services agreement which will be bid out. US Cellular cell phone service and cost of electricity
- Plant Maintenance - increases in administrative services, support staff, security services, and lawn and ground services

8. Facility Priorities (March 2017)

SUBJECT	COST
T-Bldg Expansion - Mechatronics, Electrical, Machining programs leading to JOBS	\$2,541,701
M-Bldg Infrastructure - HVAC, Welding programs leading to JOBS	\$2,140,145

B-Bldg Infrastructure - Electrical, Computer Aided Design programs leading to JOBS	\$1,663,161
Improve our campus infrastructure to the safety, security and well-being of our students	\$500,000
Renovate the welding and HVAC training areas to support JOBS	\$1,506,750
Create new instructional space for nursing, health technologies and STEM JOBS	\$942,000
Renovate our Student Services area to offer premier customer service to all our 9,000 students	\$2,365,460
Improve our science labs and instructional space for college transfer	\$1,906,917
Improve the Basic Skills area for students pursuing their high school equivalency diploma	\$513,088
TOTAL:	\$14,080,022
CONNECT NC BONDS:	\$6,861,620
COUNTY CAPITAL OUTLAY:	\$7,218,402

9. **County Capital Outlay Budget Request:**

-Prioritized Capital Outlay Request (March 2017)

- \$14,080,022 (Total)

- \$6,861,620 (Connect NC Bond)

- \$7,218,402 (County Capital Outlay)

-County Capital for 2018-2019 - \$353,870

-Based upon the first of ten years completed in 2018-2019 (\$6,724,532 remains to be funded)

-It would take 19 years if funded at \$353,920 per year.

-It would take 9 years if funded at \$747,170 per year.

-Assumes no additional capital expenses and no increase in cost estimates.

10. **A Bridge for Economic Development in Columbus County:**

-Potential employees want to work, but lack the skills needed to get a job.

-Employers need employees with the right work ethic and skills.

-SCC is the organization that can bridge this gap in Columbus

11. **We are presenting a reasonable request for reasonably modern facilities to deliver exceptional results.**

ADJOURNMENT:

At 8:51 P.M., Chairman Burroughs stated the meeting is adjourned.

APPROVED:

JUNE B. HALL, Clerk to Board

TRENT BURROUGHS, Chairman