

**Minutes of the
Gaston College
Board of Trustees Meeting
Myers Center Board Room
August 28, 2017**

Members Present: Mr. Stephen Campbell, Secretary
Sheriff Alan Cloninger
Judge Craig Collins
Mr. John Dancoff
Ms. Jennifer Davis
Dr. Jim Ragan, Vice Chair
Ms. Suzanne Riley
Mr. James Smith
Ms. Natalie Tindol
Mr. Randy Vinson
Dr. Jim Watson, Chair
Ms. Rachel Bellflowers, SGA President

Dr. Patricia Skinner, President

Members Absent: Mr. Ron Hovis
Mr. Brad Overcash
Mr. Tracy Philbeck

Others Present: Ms. Julia Allen, Mr. Todd Baney, Ms. Sheri Chavis, Ms. Latoya Conners, Dr. Dewey Dellinger, Ms. Mary Ellen Dillon, Ms. Michelle Domenech, Ms. Lynda Ellington, Ms. Melody Gibson, Mr. Travis Hogue, Ms. Renita Johnson, Mr. Brett Keeter, Ms. Madeline Keeter, Dr. Joe Keith, Mr. Brett LeFemina, Dr. Dawn Martin, Ms. Cynthia McCrory, Dr. Dennis McElhoe, Mr. Keith McGuinnis, Dr. Silvia Patricia Rios Husain, Ms. Martha Thompson, Mr. Luke Upchurch, Ms. Cassey Wright, Ms. Jodi Zieverink; and Mr. Carl Stewart, College Attorney.

- **Chair Watson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and declared a quorum present.**
- **Invocation – Mr. Campbell**
- **Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Reminder**

Chair Watson reminded Trustees of the ethics requirements of public servants and also requested they identify any conflicts of interest or appearance of conflicts of interest present. None were identified.

A. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chair Watson asked if there were any changes, additions, or corrections to the agenda. None were identified. Sheriff Cloninger moved to approve the agenda; Mr. Campbell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 26, 2017, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING.

Chair Watson presented the Minutes of the June 26, 2017, Board of Trustees Meeting and asked if there were any additions or corrections. No changes were identified.

Mr. Vinson moved to approve the June 26, 2017, minutes; Mr. Dancoff seconded the motion. The motion carried.

C. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Welcome/Introduction of New Employee

Dr. Skinner welcomed Ms. Sherri Chavis, Staff Senate President; Ms. Michelle Domenech, Faculty Senate President; and Ms. Martha Thompson and Mr. Keith McGuinness representing Duke Energy to the meeting.

Dr. Dellinger Introduced:

Dr. Jason Doukas, Instructor-Veterinary Medical Technology (He was not in attendance.)

Ms. Melody Gibson, Instructor-Medical Assisting

Mr. Brett LaFemina, Instructor-Health & Fitness Science/Health & Physical Education

Dr. Dawn Marin, Instructor-Chemistry

Ms. Cassey Wright, Career and College Promise Success & Outreach Coordinator

Ms. Jodi Zieverink, Instructor-Biology/Anatomy and Physiology

Dr. McElhoe Introduced:

Ms. Latoya Conners, Coordinator-Continuing Education/Business and Industry Training

2. Welcome New Trustees

Chair Watson introduced and welcomed new trustees, Ms. Suzanne Riley and Ms. Natalie Tindol, to the Board. They had attended the College's Board of Trustees Orientation and attended the NCACCT in Wilmington to fulfill their New Trustee Orientation requirements. Chair Watson provided a brief introduction about each of them.

Ms. Riley is a resident of Gaston County and was appointed to the Board by the Gaston County Board of Education. She received her BA and Masters in Education from the University of North Carolina Greensboro and her Masters in Curriculum and Supervision from UNC Charlotte. Previously, she has taught AP Chemistry, Chemistry, and Physics at Cherryville High School. She has been actively involved with the Schiele Museum, the Community Foundation's "Run for the Money," the Boys and Girls Club, and several other community and civic organizations.

Ms. Natalie Tindol is a resident of Gaston County and was appointed to the Board by the Governor's Office. She received her BA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is very involved on a local level with many civic, business, and professional organizations. A few of those include CaroMont Health Institute, the Boys and Girls Scouts of America, the YMCA, Gastonia East Rotary, and the Community Foundation. As President and Owner of Earl Tindol Ford, Inc., Tindol Subaru, LLC, and Tindol Roush, she is active in Automobile Associations in the Greater Charlotte area, North Carolina, and nationwide.

3. Recognition of Service to the Board of Trustees, Mr. Brett Keeter

Mr. Keeter was appointed by the Governor's Office to serve on the Gaston College Board of Trustees from 2013 to 2017. He had served one, four-year term and participated one year as a member of the Board's Campus Affairs Committee, two years on the Finance Committee, and one year on the Facilities Committee.

On the Campus Affairs Committee, he helped guide the College through important policy decisions. During his years on the Finance Committee, he helped guide the Finance Committee through important financial decisions for the College related to its various budgets, Capital projects, land acquisitions, the Connect NC State Bond referendum, audits, reversions, fees, funding for salaries and advanced degrees, café operations, and legislative priorities resolutions. As a member of the Facilities Committee, a new Facilities Master Plan for the next five years was generated; several renovation projects took place; and the Center for Advanced Manufacturing was built.

Additionally, when the opportunity came, he agreed to Chair the Board's Ad Hoc Committee on Advocacy and worked to put a plan in place that will enhance the College's advocacy efforts long into the future.

Chair Watson thanked Mr. Keeter for his work as a Trustee and commended his commitment and dedication to the College's Mission and the Gaston College Board of Trustees. Mr. Keeter relayed what a pleasure it was to serve on the Board and how much he had learned regarding the many programs and initiatives available to students at the

College and the excellent quality of the faculty and staff. Chair Watson then presented Mr. Keeter with a clock engraved with his name and years of service.

4. Grants Update

Ms. Julia Allen, Chief Development Officer/Executive Director of the Gaston College Foundation and Mr. Luke Upchurch, Director-Grants and Special Projects provided a presentation titled, *Development Outcomes 2013-2017*, for the Board's information. Ms. Allen relayed that an important duty of her office is to act as a support person offering strategic guidance to the College's chief fundraiser, the President. She provided insight into the three positions that make up the Development Office, describing each position's role which contributes to their operation as a team. She provided data concerning the money raised from 2013-17 and the major sources from which those dollars come to the College.

Mr. Luke Upchurch then relayed data (which included monetary amounts, timeframes, application partnerships, and College leadership) concerning each of the grants or awards currently providing financial support for work within the divisions of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; Academic Affairs; Economic and Workforce Development; and Finance, Operations and Facilities. In closing, he revealed the grants and/or awards currently awaiting approval notification and those with pending applications.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation will be maintained with the minutes.

D. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Following is a summary of Dr. Skinner's activities and travel since the June 26, 2017, Board meeting. Additional details for each item can be found with the report in the Board packet distributed at the meeting.

- Owens Corning Tour of the Center for Advanced Manufacturing - Gaston College hosted executive staff from the Owens Corning Gastonia plant on June 29, 2017, for a tour of the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) and check presentation.
- Mr. Chris Peek, CEO CaroMont Health, Tour of Campus - On July 10, 2017, Mr. Chris Peek, newly appointed CEO of CaroMont Health and Gaston College alumnus, accepted the College's invitation to visit the Dallas Campus for a tour of the David Belk Cannon (DBC) Health Education Institute, followed by a tour of the entire Dallas Campus.
- Jobs for the Future Student Success Center Network (JFFSSCN) Meeting - As chair of the NC Student Success Center, Dr. Skinner was invited to attend the Jobs for the Future Student Success Center Network Meeting that took place on July 18, immediately preceding the 2017 State Policy Meeting.
- 2017 Summer State Policy Meeting - The 2017 Summer State Policy Meeting was held July 19-20, 2017, in Fort Lauderdale, FL. The opening keynote focused on sharing strategies for enhancing K-12 on-ramps to Guided Pathways and strengthening

connections to work, taking into consideration implications for equity and economic mobility.

- North Carolina Community College System Strategic Plan Meeting - The North Carolina Community College System is working to develop its strategic plan for 2018-22. As part of that effort, Drs. Skinner and McElhoe were asked to participate on the *Clear and Supported Pathways for Student Progression and Completion* strategic team.
- North Carolina Association of Community College Presidents (NCACCP) Quarterly Meeting - The NCACCP Quarterly meeting took place on July 26-28, 2017, at Surry Community College. The regular NCCCS updates were given concerning legislative issues, the budget, programs and student services, and technology. Other pertinent concerns brought forward were also discussed.
- North Carolina Institute of Medicine (NCIOM) - As a member of the NCIOM Board of Directors, Dr. Skinner received a copy of the *North Carolina Child Health Care Report Card*. This publication is an annual analysis of child health that tracks key indicators on access to care, healthy births, safe homes and neighborhoods, and health risk factors over time by race and ethnicity.
- Teaching and Learning Conference - Gaston College hosted the Gaston County Schools Teaching and Learning Conference on August 7-8, 2017; over 1800 educational professionals attended.
- Western North Carolina Apprenticeship Alliance Meeting - On August 10, 2017, Drs. McElhoe and Skinner met with the presidents of Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, Cleveland Community College, and Western Piedmont Community College to discuss the rationale for working together as members of the Western North Carolina Apprenticeship Alliance (WNCAA).
- Aptar Group, Inc. Check Presentation - Mr. Mark Bradley, Plant Manager of Aptar Group, Inc. and Ms. Karli Vinzant, Human Resource Administrator for Aptar, came to the Dallas Campus on August 15, 2017, to tour the Center for Advanced Manufacturing and present a check for \$10,000 to be used to equip of the CAM.
- Get Ready Gaston Forum - The Get Ready Gaston Forum, sponsored by the Montcross Area Chamber, was held on August 17, 2017, at Belmont Abbey College Campus.
- Industrial Manager's Association Lincoln County take Tour of the Pharr Trade and Industrial Building and the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM) - On Tuesday, August 22, 2017, trustee, Mr. John Dancoff, made arrangements for the Industrial Manager's Association (IMA) of Lincoln County to visit and tour the Pharr Trade and Industrial building and the CAM.
- Apprenticeship 321 Graduation Ceremony - The Apprenticeship 321 graduation ceremony took place on August 22, 2017, in the Myers Center Multipurpose Auditorium. There were three graduates who had completed all requirements to earn their nationally recognized

Journey Worker Certificate by the NC Department of Commerce and the US Department of Labor.

- North Carolina Association of Community College Trustees (NCACCT) Leadership Seminar - The NCACCT Leadership Seminar was held in Wilmington, on August 23-25, 2017. Dr. Watson, Dr. Ragan, Mr. Vinson, Mr. Dancoff, Mr. Philbeck, Mr. Hovis, Mr. Smith, Ms. Tindol, Ms. Riley, Dr. McElhoe and Dr. Skinner attended.
- Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET), Speed Measurement Instrumentation (SMI), and General Instructor Accreditation Approval - Gaston College was just notified that its Basic Law Enforcement Training, Speed Measurement Instrumentation (Radar), and General Instructor Training accreditation was approved and will be effective until August 24, 2022.

E. SGA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Bellflowers gave the following update on SGA activities since June 26, 2017. The report in its entirety is filed with the minutes.

Senate Meetings - SGA's first senate meeting for the 2017-2018 academic year will be held on September 1, 2017, in the Myers Center Conference Room 216.

Solar Eclipse Viewing Event - SGA's Solar Eclipse Viewing Event occurred on August 21, 2017, at the Dallas Campus. SGA provided students with solar eclipse eyeglasses, handouts about how to safely view the solar eclipse, and refreshments.

Greeter Day - SGA partnered with the Student Success Committee and participated in Greeter Day that was held on August 21 and 22, 2017, at the Dallas Campus.

Welcome Back - SGA Welcome Back occurred on August 23, 2017, at the Kimbrell Campus and August 24, 2017, at the Lincoln Campus. The Dallas Campus Welcome and Student Success Expo will be held on September 6, 2017.

F. FACILITIES

1. Duke Energy – Sewer Easement Request

Mr. Keith McGuinness, Real Estate Manager-Duke Energy, and Ms. Martha Thompson, District Manager-Duke Energy, attended the Facilities Committee meeting May 1, 2017, to discuss a request by Duke for a sewer easement on unused Gaston College property along the Gastonia Technology Parkway across the street from the Center for Advanced Manufacturing.

This right-of-way easement would permit Duke Energy to construct a new sewer line for the Duke Energy distribution operations center located at 120 Duke Power Drive, Dallas. Currently, the operations center is connected to a privately owned septic system. Age, capacity, and maintenance has driven Duke's request to connect to county sewer. A new

line will connect Duke Energy to a Gaston County public sewer line where it crosses Gastonia Technology Parkway.

Proposed construction is set for the third and fourth quarters of 2017. The completion date is proposed for the first quarter of 2018. An executive summary and map for the proposed sewer line (in green) and adjacent property owners were provided for information. This easement would not impact Gaston College's budget.

Upon a recommendation from the Facilities Committee, Mr. Dancoff moved that the Gaston College Board of Trustees approve the proposed right-of-way easement agreement with Duke Energy for easement across Gaston College property at the Duke Energy rear entrance for the purpose of connecting to Gaston County sewer. The motion carried.

2. Proposed Campus Connector from Life Skills to CAM

In the fall of 2014, the Facilities Committee considered options for a campus connector from Dallas Campus to the Center for Advanced Manufacturing (CAM), beneath the Duke Energy power lines, with options presented by Boomerang Architects. Due to the cost and lack of funds at that time, the idea was tabled.

With the additional state funding provided for completing and equipping CAM, there may be an opportunity to move forward with the CAM Connector concept utilizing Route B, which has been identified as the preferred and safer route, originating behind Life Skills and totaling 1340 feet. The original cost estimate for the CAM Connector was \$165-175k. Boomerang provided an update to the original cost estimate over the summer, and the updated cost estimate is \$198-\$210k.

College maintenance personnel have cleared the proposed path and have determined that a CAM Connector would work well in the space. The CAM Connector will provide an alternative to the existing roadway for walking, cart traffic, and bicycles. The next step will be to approach Duke Energy to gain approval to cross beneath their power lines in order to pave the CAM Connector.

At the present time, availability of state funding for this project is dependent upon the cost estimates for the CAM street sign. The preferred funding source would be the balance of the state funding earmarked for the CAM project. It is also permissible to allocate usage fees for sidewalks and roadways, as a secondary funding source.

Upon the recommendation of the Facilities Committee, Mr. Dancoff moved that the Gaston College Board of Trustees approve the CAM Connector concept to connect the main campus with CAM utilizing Route B as identified by Boomerang Architects, and authorizes College personnel to move forward to obtain the necessary easements from Duke Energy to cross beneath their power lines and to obtain cost estimates for CAM Connector completion. The motion carried.

3. Capital Reports

Capital reports on the Veterinary Technology Facility and the Dalpiaz Elevator were submitted for the Board's information and review. No action was required.

Veterinary Technology Facility

The Architect is in the design development stage and is developing rendering concepts for review with college personnel, which will be presented to the Facilities Committee and the Board of Trustees in September.

Dalpiaz Elevator

Pinnix Construction was the low bidder for the project, with the lowest base bid of \$397,900 and \$31,700 in alternates for a total of \$429,250. Relocation of existing fiber optics cable was completed the week of August 8. Project mobilization is underway.

G. FINANCE

1. FY 2017-2018 State Budget Update

Ms. Cynthia McCrory provided the Board with an update on the State budget. The Conference Committee budget was issued on June 22nd and vetoed by Governor Cooper on June 27th. The legislature then overrode the Governor's veto that same day.

New funding provisions that may benefit Gaston College include:

- Funding for a \$1,000 permanent increase for full-time employees
- Restoration of \$10 Million recurring funding for salaries and benefits that was removed from the budget erroneously last year (\$180,365 to Gaston College)
- Awarding three bonus leave days for positions that earn annual leave that may be carried forward year to year but have no cash value at retirement
- Additional recurring funding of \$1.1 Million for Career Coaches (this will ensure continuing funding for Gaston College's two Career Coaches)
- Short-Term Workforce Training program funding of \$2 Million nonrecurring system-wide to be awarded on a competitive basis
- Construction industry workforce training of \$200,000 nonrecurring system-wide to be awarded on a competitive basis

The total state budget for Gaston College is projected to be \$30,216,662 for 2017-18 on a status quo basis, after accounting for the reserve for a possible budget call-back, which is \$118,817 less than last fiscal year's total of \$30,335,479. FTE declined 1.1% for the same period.

The State Board of Community Colleges voted on accepting the budget at their August 18th meeting, and it will be presented to Gaston College Trustees at the September 18th meeting.

2. FY 2017-2018 Proposed County Capital Priorities

Ms. McCrory reviewed with the Board the proposed County Capital Priorities for FY 2017-2018.

2017-18	Priority	Budget Amount	Source
Dalpiaz Elevator Replacement (ADA)*		\$338,000	County Cap
Kimbrell Campus Classroom Compressor		\$27,950	County Cap
Myers Center Cooling Tower		\$200,000	County Cap
Vehicle Replacement		\$15,555	County Cap
Concrete Repairs		\$15,495	County Cap
OSHA/ADA		\$25,000	County Cap
Maintenance Reserve		\$75,000	County Cap
BUDGET YEAR TOTAL		<u>\$697,000</u>	County Cap
Pavement of gravel lot for David Belk Cannon		\$281,450	Usage Fee Funds

* Remaining \$142,000 in capital funding will be applied to Dalpiaz Elevator replacement from last year's budget Financial Reports.

3. Financial Reports

A summary of expenditures for FY 2016-2017 year-end for State, Gaston, and Lincoln operating budgets and proprietary accounts in comparison to the previous year was presented for the Board's review and information. No action was necessary.

H. REPORT FROM NCACCT

Mr. Vinson left the meeting early as he had another obligation; however, he did relay some updates about the recent NCACCT Leadership Seminar in Wilmington before he left. The Seminar was one of the most successful ever held with approximately 290 trustees from 57 of the 58 NC community colleges participating. Mitchell Community College did not participate as they had a kick-off dinner for a new building opening on their campus. The last day of the conference, where typically 25-30 trustees stay for the program, there were 100 participants, which was an excellent response.

I. NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

1. Appointment of 2017-18 Board Officers

Chair Watson asked Mr. Smith for his report as Chairman of the Nominating Committee for 2017-18 Board Officers. Other members of the Nominating Committee included Mr. Brad Overcash and Sheriff Alan Cloninger. Board Officers serve one year terms and may be reelected up to three years. The Committee placed the name of Dr. Jim Watson in

nomination for Board Chair, Dr. James Ragan for Vice Chair, and Mr. Campbell for Secretary. Chair Watson asked if there were any nominations from the floor; no additional nominations were made.

Chair Watson entertained a motion by Sheriff Cloninger to close the nominations; Mr. Dancoff seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chair Watson entertained a motion by Judge Collins that the Board accept the nominations and elect each officer by acclamation; Ms. Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mr. Smith congratulated the Board Officers for 2017-18, and the Board gave them a round of applause.

Chair Watson thanked the Board for their support and confidence in him and commended the trustees on their team work. He noted that much of the work of the Board is done at the Committee level which helps move topics along during Board meetings. All trustees are invited to each Committee meeting if they would like to attend. He further commented that the College had received several accolades this year while dealing with an enrollment drop, which occurs during good economic times. Dr. Watson praised the College for its work toward economic development and job training as it fulfills the College's mission to help our citizens recognize their dreams. He felt the way the College handles and deals with economic development will shape the community for years to come. He challenged the College to continue to be part of the economic solution for Gaston and Lincoln counties.

J. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

1. 2017-18 Board of Trustees Schedule of Meetings

A 2017-18 Board of Trustees Schedule of Meetings had been placed with each Board packet for each trustee. Dr. Watson brought the trustees attention to the date of the Board Retreat as the Retreat had been confirmed for February 9, 2018, at the Gaston Country Club. It will begin at 8 a.m. with a full breakfast, and he asked the trustees to be sure to hold the date on their calendars.

2. Survey of Board Committees

Chair Watson announced that the Survey of Board Committees will be sent out to trustees on Tuesday, August 29. Trustees will be asked to select their first, second, and third choice of Committee (Finance, Facilities, or Campus Affairs) on which to work. There will be a short turn-around on the survey response time as Committees must be in place for the September 11th Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting. Dr. Watson assured he would try to honor each trustees Committee preference.

3. Ad Hoc Committee on Advocacy

Chair Watson relayed to the Board that Mr. Brad Overcash will take over as Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on Advocacy. Advocacy of the College is vitally important as we work with the Commissioners, legislators, and stakeholders to continue to find ways to identify resources for the College.

4. Support of the Foundation

Trustees were encouraged by Dr. Watson to consider supporting the Foundation; he would like to see 100% participation by the trustees.

5. Congratulations to Dr. Skinner

Dr. Watson brought to the Board's attention the fact that August 25, 2017, was Dr. Skinner's 23rd year as President of Gaston College. The Board gave her a round of applause; and he thanked her for her service.

6. Other Discussion/Comments

Dr. Watson recognized Mr. Smith who related his thoughts about the NCACCT Leadership Seminar's theme of workforce development. Mr. Smith felt it was important that trustees act as advocates for the College educating the public regarding the College's role in workforce development and its many programs and opportunities to provide training for its citizens.

Dr. Watson recognized Dr. Ragan who inquired about the status of the RESTC fire building. The building was built in 1991, and a recent study completed in 2014 confirmed the viability of the building. Dr. Watson commented that further information/discussion will be covered in a Facilities Committee meeting.

K. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Watson invited the Board to review the list of upcoming meetings and events.

L. AJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Watson adjourned the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen D. Campbell, Secretary

Dr. Jim Watson, Chair

Mary Ellen Dillon, Recording Secretary

(College Seal)



Development Outcomes 2013-2017

August 28, 2017

The College's Chief Fundraiser

- As the face of the institution and main point of contact with the College's most important constituencies, the President serves as the institution's chief fundraiser
- The Development Officer offers strategic guidance and support to the President's efforts

Who's the support team?

- The Development Office consists of three staff – the Development Officer, Director of Grants & Special Projects and the Administrative Assistant
- The Development Officer is responsible for overall coordination of the College's fundraising efforts, major gift solicitation and government relations in addition to managing the Gaston College Foundation
- The role of the Director of Grants and Special Projects is to provide coordination, writing, and technical assistance for grant development and management throughout the College
- The Administrative Assistant coordinates the department's special events, is responsible for timely and accurate tracking and gift acknowledgment, and offers administrative support to the development officer and director of grants and special projects.
- In addition to the Development Office staff, WSGE has a membership coordinator who is responsible for growing individual and corporate support for the radio station.

Development Wins 2013-2017

- State of NC
 - \$3,400,000 for Appropriation for CAM & Pharr
 - \$5,900,000 NC Connect Bond for Capital Improvement
- Gaston County
 - \$500,000 Equipment Allocation for CAM
- Individual & Corporate Dollars Raised for Capital Improvement
 - \$488,000 for CAM & Pharr
- Additional Funds Raised
 - \$1,358,589 in Designated Funds (Including Scholarships & WSGE)
 - \$222,356 added to Endowed Funds
 - \$190,596 in Unrestricted Funds

Dollars Raised 2013-2017

- General development efforts: \$12,059,541
- Grant funds awarded: \$8,376,430

Totaling: **\$20,435,971**

Major Sources of Grant Funding

- Federal
 - U.S. Department of Education; Economic Development Administration; National Science Foundation; U.S. Department of Labor
- State
 - North Carolina Community College System; State Library of North Carolina; N.C. Department of Commerce; Golden LEAF Foundation
- County
 - Gaston County Workforce Development Board
- Private Foundations
 - Aptar; The Carrie E. and Lena V. Glenn Foundation; Charlotte Area Health Education Center; Community Foundation of Gaston County; Duke Energy Foundation; Foundation for the Carolinas; PSNC; Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation; Timken Foundation; Wells Fargo Foundation;

Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Awards

U.S. Department of Education

- **TRiO- Student Support Services: \$1,100,000 (\$220,000 per year)**
 - The five-year program is designed to help first-generation college students, students of low-income, or students with a documented disability that may experience challenges at Gaston College.
 - Award Timeframe: 2015-2020
 - Personnel: John Erickson; Lynn Dellinger
- **TRiO- Upward Bound: \$1,287,500 (\$257,500 per year)**
 - The five-year program is designed to help low-income and first-generation high school students prepare for successful entry into postsecondary education programs. Services are provided to Bessemer City and Hunter Huss High Schools in Gaston County.
 - Award Timeframe: 2017-2022
 - Personnel: Dr. Silvia Husain, John Erickson

Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Awards

Sisters of Mercy Foundation of North Carolina

- Step Up Program
 - 2015: \$60,000
 - 2016: \$60,000
 - 2017: \$40,000
 - The Sisters of Mercy Foundation of North Carolina has provided grant funding for the Gaston College Step Up Advisor. The Step Up Program provides proactive advising to 75 low-income/first-generation students. In addition to dedicated advising, the program provides students with priority registration, cultural and professional enrichment, and a \$250 scholarship (provided by the Gaston College Foundation)
 - Personnel: Dr. Silvia Husain, John Erickson

Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Awards

North Carolina Community College System

- Minority Male Mentoring Program
 - 2015: \$20,000
 - 2016-2018: \$17,000
 - Personnel: Dr. Silvia Husain, Renita Johnson
- NC Works Career Coaches
 - 2016: \$65,000
 - Pending notification for FY17-18 and FY18-19
 - Provides services to high schools in Gaston and Lincoln Counties to promote career awareness and postsecondary pathways to achieve career goals.
 - Personnel: Dr. Silvia Husain, Jennifer Nichols, Kimberly Wyont

Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Awards

Wells Fargo Foundation

- Veteran Student Services
 - 2016: \$12,500
 - 2017: \$12,500
 - Personnel: Dr. Silvia Husain, Everett Jeter

Academic Affairs Awards

National Science Foundation

- Scholarships in STEM (S-STEM): \$611,197
 - NSF awarded funds in 2014 for four years through the S-STEM program for scholarships and supplemental services through the SPARC³ program. In addition to the scholarship, SPARC³ students receive personalized support services for students such as advising, mentoring, tutoring, internships, and research experiences.
 - Award Time Frame: 2014-2018
 - Personnel: Dr. Heather Woodson, Ashley Hagler, Dr. Melissa Armstrong

Academic Affairs Awards

Golden LEAF Foundation

- Mid-Skills Workforce Training Initiative in Machining and Welding: \$500,000
 - Funds awarded to increase space available for and student enrollment in machining and welding. The expansion is a portion of the overall Center for Advanced Manufacturing Initiative that includes the renovation of the Pharr Trade and Industrial Building.
 - Award timeframe: 2012
 - Personnel: Dr. Virgil Cox
- Community Based Grantsmaking Initiative (CBGI): \$634,000
 - Collaborative Proposal with Gaston County Schools to establish an Advanced Manufacturing Career Academy. Funds will provide a career coach and promotion of CCP course enrollment.
 - Award timeframe: 2017
 - Personnel: Kimberly Wyont, Jennifer Nichols

Academic Affairs Awards

The Carrie E. and Lena V. Glenn Foundation

- 2016: \$5,000
 - Funds awarded for the April 2016 SciVisit program for Gaston County students
 - Personnel: Dr. Heather Woodson
- 2017: \$16,000
 - Funds awarded for student travel expenses for academic conferences and competitions related to the Sparc3 initiative.
 - Personnel: Dr. Heather Woodson

Academic Affairs Awards

Charlotte Area Health Education Center

- 2016: \$7,000
- 2017: \$5,000
- Funding awarded to develop clinical sites for the nursing program.
- Personnel: Dr. Allison Abernathy, Stacy Simpson

Foundation for the Carolinas

- 2016: \$22,000
- Awarded funds to equip labs with pediatric simulators and associated equipment to reproduce various high-fidelity clinical scenarios allowing nursing students to develop and practice their skills in an environment that does not endanger patients.
- Personnel: Dr. Allison Abernathy

Academic Affairs Awards

State Library of North Carolina

- Library Service and Technology Act Grant Program (LSTA)
 - 2015: \$17,445- 3-D Printer Lab in Library
 - 2017: \$29,484- Library Planning Grant
 - Personnel: Dr. Harry Cooke, Calvin Craig, Libby Stone

Economic and Workforce Development (EWD) Awards

National Science Foundation

- Advanced Technical Education (ATE): \$197,910
 - NSF awarded funds in May 2015 for two years through the Advanced Technological Education (ATE) program to develop the Apprenticeship 321 Program. Apprentices will receive job-specific training and tuition-free education while earning a salary employed by local companies.
 - Award Timeframe: 2015-2017
 - Personnel: Dr. George Hendricks, Dr. Dennis McElhoe

U.S. Department of Labor

- Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)- Senior Service of America: \$932,394 (\$155,399 per year)
 - This three year program provides training and temporary employment/on-the-job training for for older adults living in Gaston and Lincoln counties.
 - Award Timeframe: 2017-2019
 - Personnel: Rebecca McLain

EWD Awards

Community Foundation of Gaston County

- 2016: \$7,000
- Provided Matching funds to establish the Building Maintenance Certification Program
- Personnel: Dr. Dennis McElhoe, Jodi Huffman

EWD Awards

Gaston County Workforce Development Board

- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA):
\$435,000
 - Three year contract to delivery services through the YouthWorks/NexGen program. The program provides both academic and career related experiences designed to expose young people to the world of work and to help them acquire the necessary skills and knowledge to obtain a job and advance in employment. In addition to the job-training portion of the program, participants will have basic education and mediation while developing their employability skills with opportunities to develop citizenship and interpersonal skills.
 - Award Timeframe: 2015-2018
 - Personnel: Dr. Dennis McElhoe, Rebecca McLain

Finance, Operations, and Facilities Awards

N.C. Department of Commerce

- 2014 Underserved and Limited Resource Community Program (ULRC): \$25,000
- Grant application submitted in collaboration with the County of Gaston to provided funds for the 2015 Master Facilities Plan.
- Personnel: Cynthia McCrory

Economic Development Administration

- In July 2013, EDA awarded funds (\$1,500,000)
- Provided funds for the construction of the new Center for Advanced Manufacturing and to renovate the current Pharr Trade and Industrial building on the campus of Gaston College in Dallas, NC.
- Award Timeframe: 2013-2017
- Personnel: Cynthia McCrory

Finance, Operations, and Facilities Awards

Center for Advanced Manufacturing / Pharr Trade & Industrial -

Timken Foundation

- \$400,000: Industrial Systems Technology Lab

Duke Energy Foundation

- \$250,000: Welding Equipment, Pharr Trade & Industrial

PSNC Foundation

- \$50,000: Construction and Equipment

Glenn Foundation

- \$35,000: 3-D printers in the CADD lab.

Wells Fargo Foundation

- \$12,500: Equipment

AptarGroup Foundation

- \$10,000: Equipment

Pending Notifications and Applications - \$4,470,000

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 - National Science Foundation - S-STEM- \$750,000
 - Collaborative Proposal with UNCC and RCCC
 - U.S. Department of Education - Title III- \$2,000,000
 - U.S. Department of Education - GEAR UP- \$500,000
 - Collaborative Proposal with Appalachian State
 - Community Foundation of Gaston County - \$20,000
 - Duke Energy Foundation - \$200,000

- Pending Applications -
 - National Science Foundation -
 - ATE- Apprenticeship 321 Regional Partnership - \$400,000
 - ATE- Regional Pre-Apprenticeship Pathways - \$600,000
 - ATE proposals will be collaborations with the Western North Carolina Apprenticeship Alliance

Thank you for your advocacy efforts
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Questions?