

NORTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2012

Opening and Introductions: Chairman Jim Wade called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. He welcomed Gail Thaxton as President of NGTC to the first board meeting. James Faulk, Industrial Systems Technology Associate Degree program at Currahee Campus, was introduced as the NGTC Goal Nominee. The state winner will be announced April 26 at the banquet held in Atlanta. Mr. Faulk addressed the board and presented his GOAL speech. Chairman Wade, along with the other members, wished James much success.

Members Present: Jim Wade, Rebecca King, Martha Reabold, Al Huber, Jeff Gooch

Members Absent: Emily Dunn, Chan Caudell

Staff Present: Mark Ivester, Rex Bishop, Mike King, Gail Thaxton, Jeannie Barrett

Invocation: Mr. Jeff Gooch delivered the invocation.

Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Huber, seconded by Mr. Gooch, and approved by all.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2012, meeting was made by Ms. King, seconded by Ms. Reabold, and approved by all.

Chair's Report

- Chan Caudell's reappointment to the Local Board of Directors was approved by the State Board on April 5.
- The TCDA Fact Books and Board Directories were distributed to all members.
- The MAW Luncheon is April 19 in Atlanta.
- The TCSG GOAL Banquet is April 26 at the Renaissance Waverly in Atlanta.
- Friday, May 4, at 4 p.m. is Blairsville Commencement at the First Baptist Church in Blairsville; Saturday, May 5, at 11 a.m. is Clarkesville/Currahee Commencement at the Habersham Central Raiders' football field. If you are attending please arrive 30 minutes early in order to line up for the processional.
- Volunteers for a nominating committee were requested. Al Huber and Jeff Gooch volunteered. At the meeting in May, the committee will make a recommendation to be presented to the board for approval at the June meeting.
- At the next meeting on May 16, a tour of the IT Department will be at 2 p.m. prior to the meeting at 3 p.m.

New/Old Business

- *A motion to approve the Perkins Funding Application and Budget Proposal for FY2013 was made by Mr. Huber, seconded by Ms. Reabold, and approved by all.*

Financial Report

A motion to accept the financial report as presented was made by Mr. Huber, seconded by Ms. King, and approved by all. Discussion was as follows:

- We do not expect to use all of the carryover funds in FY2013.
- Enrollment of high school students was discussed. Letters to all high school counselors and CTAE directors in our service area discussing college credit and articulation agreements were sent via

email from the President. Hard copies were mailed to all superintendents. Visits have been to several high schools, and more meetings are being scheduled to encourage high school enrollment. The information is also being provided to parents.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mr. Gooch, seconded by Ms. Reabold, and approved by all. Discussion was as follows:

- Students had great success in competitions as reported in the Academic Affairs report.
- NGTC implemented Banner-Web Registration Spring term 2012. This new registration process seems to be working well for our students. Mr. Faulk commented that the Banner-Web registration works very smoothly and is user-friendly.
- The Parker Nellis renovation is scheduled to go out to bid on May 1.
- Hoyt Coe possibly finished by April 20. Scheduled to move furniture into the facility on May 8, and classes are to begin May 20.

President's Report

- President Thaxton expressed her gratitude for the board's support and encouragement. She is very excited about what she has seen at NGTC.
- Many contacts have been made the first 10 working days. It was an opportunity to talk about the college, present the goals as set by the new president, and learn the needs and concerns of our supporters. A handout listing meetings and activities that Dr. Thaxton attended was distributed. More visits are scheduled throughout next month.
- Dr. Thaxton's current focus will primarily be to learn what has been done at the college, understand the priorities, and find out what more can be done to promote student success.
- Her goals: 1) Enroll more students, 2) Keep those students in school progressing toward graduation, and 3) Graduate more students. NGTC resources should "Persuade students to come and persuade them to stay—graduate, and go to work."
- In order to meet these goals, focus will be given to these areas: Student Success and Access, Success of Faculty and Staff, and Clear Accountability for Performance. TCSG uses the Scorecard to track college performance, and you will be hearing more about this in upcoming meetings.
- The process to surplus the President's Home has begun. After arriving at NGTC as president, Dr. Thaxton heard concerns about the sale of the property and observed its proximity to campus. After much discussion with the Commissioner and his staff regarding these concerns, she was advised to let the property go before the SPC in June. The college then has three years to list the property to sale or do nothing at all...no harm no foul. This will allow NGTC to monitor the expense of the house and make a decision regarding the use of the property at a later date.

Chairman Wade requested a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn was made at 4:25 p.m. by Mr. Huber, seconded by Ms. Reabold, and approved by all. The next meeting is May 16.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

President
North Georgia Technical College

Chairman of the Board of Directors
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