

**State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education**  
Horry-Georgetown Technical College  
Grand Strand Campus  
Horry Georgetown Technical College Business and Conference Center  
Building 600  
Conference Room 601  
950 Crabtree Lane  
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

**Meeting Minutes**

10:30 A.M.

July 27, 2021

**PRESENT:**

Gregory B. Askins, Chair  
Anthony Garvin Barker  
Gwendolyn A. Bright  
E. Grantland Burns  
Warren Darby, Jr.  
Philip G. Homan  
Ralph A. Odom, Jr.  
Roger P. Schrum  
Orville S. Smith, III  
Daniel Young

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Tim Hardee, System President  
Joren Bartlett, Vice President of Governmental Affairs  
Amy Firestone, Vice President of Apprenticeship Carolina  
Warren Ganjehsani, Chief Legal Counsel  
Randall Johnson, Vice President for Finance  
Brad Neese, Vice President of Economic Development  
Kandy Peacock, Vice President for Human Resources  
Rosline Sumpter, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
Khushru Tata, Vice President for Information Technology

**ABSENT:**

Robert E. Barnett  
Warren L. Helm  
Karen Woodward

**SYSTEM STAFF ABSENT:**

Kelly Steinhilper  
Karen Taylor

**GUESTS:**

Dr. Galen DeHay, President, Tri-County Technical College  
Dr. Keith Miller, President, Greenville Technical College  
Ashley Jaillette, Executive Director, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners  
Billy Routh, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners  
Keyatta Priester, Aiken Technical College Area Commissioner, SCATCC Vice-Chair  
Helen Rosemond-Saunders, Tri-County Technical College Area Commissioner, SCATCC Past Chair

**NOTIFICATION OF MEDIA**

The State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education complied with the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act in notifying the media and posting the agenda for the State Board meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER** – Gregory B. Askins, Chair

Chairman Askins called the meeting to order and welcomed guests: Dr. Galen DeHay, President, Tri-County Technical College; Dr. Keith Miller, President, Greenville Technical College; Ashley Jaillette, Executive Director, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners; Billy Routh, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners; Keyatta Priester, Aiken Technical College Area Commissioner, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners Vice-Chair; and Helen Rosemond-Saunders, Tri-County Technical College Area Commissioner, SC Association of Technical College Commissioners Past Chair.

Chairman Askins stated he would be adjusting the agenda a bit to comply with time constraints and availability of System Staff since Dr. Hardee along with a few other were still in the Presidents' Council meeting. The Board will come back to the Executive Committee once Dr. Hardee is available and will then request that he leave for them to discuss his agency head evaluation during Executive Session. His hope is to combine the Executive Session with that of the Economic Development and Training Committee to discuss the project budget for State Board approval over 200,000.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORTS:**

**A. Fiscal, Audit, and Personnel Committee – Roger P. Schrum, Chair**

Chairman Askins gave the floor to Mr. Schrum. He reported that the Committee has six items for review. Mr. Schrum stated that he would also like to change the order in which the items will be presented to discuss the less complicated matter first.

Policy Revision 4-2-101 for Approval- Mr. Schrum noted the revisions to the policy reflected in red that were included in the agenda package. He provided a summary of the changes to Policy 4-2-101 Permanent Improvements, the policy which governs the State Board's approval process for permanent improvement projects. He noted the following revisions:

- An increase in the level of approval authority of the Board to \$1M or more from the current \$500,000 governing work on existing facilities, architectural, capital, engineering, purchases of facilities, or construction.
- A change to the definition of permanent improvement project to reflect current language in SC Code § 2-47-50.
- The State Board approval date for the Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plan (CPIP) projects has been changed from March to July.

Mr. Schrum stated that if there were no questions, the Fiscal, Audit and Personnel Committee moves for approval of the updated version of Policy 4-2-101. Chairman Askins inquired the reason for increasing the level of approval authority from \$500,000 to \$1M. Mr. Schrum stated that it was his understanding that revision was mimicking

current language in SC Code Section 2-47-50 and Mr. Johnson confirmed that this was the case. Mr. Odom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously without further discussion.

Eligibility-Workforce Scholarships and Grants for Approval- Mr. Schrum stated that the Board needs to approve language changes regarding eligibility for Workforce Scholarships and Grants for fiscal year 2021-2022. The System received 16M in lottery proceeds and the Staff developed language to provide broad eligibility parameters to help provide college administration maximum flexibility. The same statement was approved last year and would allow the colleges to maintain the eligibility requirements currently used for student awards, which reads as follows:

“Workforce Scholarships and Grants awards shall be limited to South Carolina residents enrolled in career education programs that lead to one or more of the following:

- a college degree;
- a professional certificate; and/or
- an industry recognized credential (IRC)

Funds shall be used to provide grants for tuition, fees, transportation, and/or textbook expenses to students enrolled in eligible programs.”

Mr. Schrum stated that the Fiscal, Audit and Personnel Committee moves for approval of the language change to reflect the statement read on the record. Mr. Odom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Staff Approvals for June 2021- Information Item- Mr. Schrum noted the staff approval list included in the agenda package which contained four staff approvals. He stated that Mr. Johnson was available to answer any questions; there were none.

State Board Financial Summary – Month Ending June 30, 2021- Information Item- Mr. Schrum noted the summary that was included in the agenda package and stated that reflected activity through the end of the fiscal year. He noted that all spending remained low during the past fiscal year due to the impact of COVID. readySC™ training dollars were also significantly underspent, \$20M dollars underspent. There are two issues involved. readySC™ training was a bit slow to get started due to the COVID impact. The activity for the current fiscal year is already picking up. In addition, Mr. Schrum stated that Ms. Bartlett has done such an excellent job of working with the legislature that they provided an additional \$10M in readySC™ funding that was not requested in the System’s budget. He stated the System will find ways to put the money to good use and

will carry over additional funding to be used next year. All underspent areas within the budget will be carried over into next year's budget. Mr. Odom inquired about funding that goes straight to the colleges and is not distributed by the System Office. There were no other questions.

CPIP Summary of Year 1: 2021-2022 and Year 2: 2022-2023- Mr. Schrum noted it was the annual review of the Comprehensive Permanent Improvement Plan (CPIP) for Year 1: 2021-2022 and Year 2: 2022-2023. He noted that the items were included in the agenda package. Each of the sixteen technical colleges develop a five-year capital plan. The Board reviews projects for approval in Year 1 and Year 2 that are submitted to the Capital Budget Office. Year 2 projects include those for which planned state funding is \$223,273,177. That amount will be requested from the legislature as part of the 2023 budget request. Year 1 includes 21 projects which were previously approved and are listed in the package. Details are included for each of the projects. Mr. Schrum requested to discuss Greenville Technical College's capital project for the Barton Campus separately from the other projects. He stated that System Staff previously approved the projects and motioned for approval of the remaining 20 projects listed for Year 1.

Chairman Askins asked for clarification regarding Year 1 and Year 2 schedules. Randy Johnson explained that annually the colleges must submit their projects to the Capital Budget Office. He gave further details regarding the process. Mr. Schrum entertained a motion on behalf of the Fiscal, Audit, and Personnel Committee to approve the CPIP Year 1 submission, with the exception of the Greenville Project which would be discussed separately. Mr. Homan seconded, and the motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

Mr. Schrum reminded the group that the Greenville Technical College's (GTC) Arts and Health Sciences building project was brought for approval before the Board last year. Due to the size of the project and the pandemic going on, there were a lot of questions regarding the project, specifically funding. The Board approved funding of Phase I at \$1M to allow the college to start with the architectural and design assessment as well as explore funding options. GTC is now seeking Phase II approval to proceed with funding and construction. They have brought forward a funding proposal for approximately \$70M for the project. A new building will be constructed in place of the old one to provide for further expansion. Mr. Schrum explained that GTC is not going the traditional route to gain funding. Greenville County will not issue general obligation bonds; GTC will not be raising student tuition. The College plans to use a public not for profit facility corporation to lease the land on which the building will be constructed. The public facility corporation (which is supported by US Bank as a Trustee) would issue bonds for construction

estimated around \$60M. GTC Foundation has also agreed to raise \$5M to support the project and the remaining \$5M will come from the college itself.

Mr. Schrum gave the floor to Dr. Keith Miller, Greenville Technical College President. He stated that the project has been twelve years in the making and gave some history of the building located on the Barton Campus which was built in the 1970s. Greenville County has agreed to provide millage to the College. He explained further details of the payment structure and debt service. There was discussion regarding what the millage is currently being used for by GTC, risks involved with the project, how the bonds would be issued to the College, and why the option of general obligation bonds would not be used. Mr. Johnson explained further details of the bond.

Chairman Askins inquired about the System Staff's recommendation. Mr. Schrum stated that he has discussed it with Mr. Johnson and that the project has been vetted by a very credible law firm in detail. Mr. Johnson stated that the financing is unusual but that it is better than using state-issued bonds which would require the college to raise tuition and fees. Further discussion was made regarding insufficient capabilities to renovate the building, possible liability issues if the State Board were to approve, and enrollment trends at GTC.

Mr. Johnson requested that Warren Ganjehsani (who was not initially present at the State Board meeting) leave the Presidents' Council meeting he was attending to address concerns raised by Mr. Odom about the financing of the proposed project and any related liability. Mr. Ganjehsani arrived at the State Board meeting shortly thereafter. Mr. Ganjehsani noted the presence of persons in the room other than System Office staff and notified the State Board that the attorney-client privilege would be waived if he gave advice in the presence of third parties. Chairman Askins acknowledged this and waived the privilege as to discussion of the issue during the meeting. Mr. Johnson gave a short distillation of the issue at hand to Mr. Ganjehsani and inquired whether the State Board could be liable for the project if something were to go wrong later with the process GTC used to finance it (by establishing a nonprofit entity to issue bonds). Mr. Ganjehsani said that the State Board was only being asked to approve GTC's request for financing of the project in principle, which was not the same as exercising ongoing oversight of the nonprofit if something were to go awry with the project downfield. Chairman Askins further clarified that the State Board does not have or want governance of any nonprofit body and was not instructing GTC to move forward with the project, but that the State Board was only being asked to approve the choice already made by GTC and its area commission.

Mr. Schrum moved on behalf of the Committee to approve Phase II approval for GTC to move forward with construction of the Arts & Health Science building on the GTC Barton Campus. Mr. Burns seconded; Board members present voted in favor of the motion with exception of Chairman Askins, who opposed. Mr. Schrum moved on behalf of the Committee to allow GTC to lease land where the Arts and Health Science building will be constructed to the public facility's corporation; Board members present voted in favor with the exception of Chairman Askins, who opposed and Mr. Odom who abstained from voting; Mr. Schrum motioned, for the third time on behalf of the Committee, for the project to be added to Year 1 of the CPIP which will be submitted. Mr. Homan seconded; Board members present voted in favor with the exception of Chairman Askins, who opposed. All three motions passed.

Presidential Search Update- Mr. Schrum concluded his report by giving an update on the presidential searches. He stated that Kandy Peacock successfully navigated two presidential searches including York Technical College (YTC) and Florence-Darlington Technical College (FCTC). Mr. Schrum noted that Dr. Hardee would have more information to share in his report regarding the new YTC president. The YTC used an outside search firm to end up hiring an internal candidate who was the best fit for the job. He shared that the search committee for FDTC president has narrowed the applicant pool down to three finalists.

**B. Executive Committee – Gregory B. Askins, Chair**

FY 2020-2021 Agency Head Evaluation- Chairman Askins called for Ms. Peacock to distribute the agency head evaluation. He called for a motion to amend the agenda to go into Executive Session to cover both the agency head evaluation as well as the Project Budget for State Board approval over \$200,000. Mr. Young motioned and was seconded by Mr. Smith; the motion passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*S.C. Code of Laws Section 30-4-70(a)(1)(2)(5) – A public body may hold a meeting closed to the public for one or more of the following reasons:*

- (1) “Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body...”*
- (2) “Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice where the legal advice relates to a pending, threatened, or potential claim or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege, settlement of legal claims, or the position of the public*

*agency in other adversary situations involving the assertion against the agency of a claim....”*

- (5) *“Discussion of matters relating to the proposed location, expansion, or the provision of services encouraging location or expansion of industries or other businesses in the area served by the public body...”*

## RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Chairman Askins stated that the Board was out of Executive Session. He stated that Mr. Homan motioned and was seconded by Mr. Barker to Return to Open Session. Chairman Askins stated no action was taken during Executive Session and he gave the floor to Mr. Burns to give his report.

### C. Economic Development and Training Committee – E. Grantland Burns, Chair

Project Budgets for State Board Approval: Mr. Burns motioned to approve two capital projects over \$200,000 which were discussed in Executive Session. Mr. Homan motioned and was seconded by Mr. Odom. The motion passed unanimously, and the projects were approved.

Project Budgets for Ratification: Mr. Burns reviewed the five readySC™ project budgets for ratification under \$200,000 noting three are expansions, one is a new project, and one is an increase request. He reviewed the project budgets and entertained a motion to approve them. There was an inquiry whether one of the companies was having trouble hiring at \$13 an hour. Brad Neese stated that the company is pretty much fully staffed now but he was not sure whether the company will be able to keep the employees at that low rate. Mr. Neese confirmed that readySC™ does not train for attrition. Mr. Burns moved to approve the project budgets for ratification. Mr. Schrum seconded, and the motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

E-Zone Retraining Program for Ratification: Mr. Burns reviewed the E-Zone retraining program for approval in Aiken County. Mr. Neese stated that this is a renewal for the company. When the E-Zone programs are approved initially, they are on a 5-year approval cycle. He noted that it is just as hard to get a company to go through a renewal process as it is to bring a company on board to train. Mr. Burns moved for approval and was seconded by Mr. Barker. The motion passed unanimously and the E-Zone retraining program was approved.

Chairman Askins called for a motion to approve the Executive Committee agency head evaluation for Dr. Hardee. He also requested authorization for Ms. Peacock and himself

to complete it as well. Mr. Young moved and was seconded by Mr. Homan and the motion passed without further discussion.

### **ADJOURN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Chairman Askins adjourned the Committee of the Whole and called the State Board to order.

### **CALL TO ORDER- STATE BOARD MEETING**

Chairman Askins called the State Board Meeting to Order.

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – Joren Bartlett, Vice President of Governmental Relations**

Legislative Report- Ms. Bartlett reported that the current focus for the General Assembly is on redistricting and distribution of the \$2.8B in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds. The Senate has meetings on redistricting set up across the state at some of the technical colleges. The Judiciary Committee greatly appreciates the colleges letting them use the colleges for their hearings

The House and the Senate will both have subcommittees to review the American Rescue Act to determine what they believe the priorities for the funds should be. The House is currently working on a subcommittee but has not scheduled a meeting at this time. The Senate's subcommittee will have their first meeting August 3rd to start hearing from agencies on requests for funding. Also, the Governor has brought back together his Accelerate SC committee to meet and discuss what they believe the priorities should be. She stated that Dr. Hardee provided information on the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds the System has received to this committee and will give more information on that meeting during his report. She and Karen Taylor will distribute information on the meetings as it becomes available. The Legislature will be coming back in September to handle the distribution of the American Rescue Funds.

FY 2021-2022 Budget- Ms. Bartlett distributed the FY 2021-2022 Conference Committee Appropriation Bill spreadsheet which reflected the final budget for the SC Technical College System. She stated that the System fared very well with the amount of funding it was given. It received \$10M in recurring funds which is the largest amount in a single that the System has ever received. They also allotted the highest amount for maintenance, renovation, and repair that was in the House or Senate version of the budget. The System also received an additional amount out of the Capital Reserve Fund of \$10M which will be distributed to the colleges for maintenance, renovation, or repair. readySC™ received their \$2.5M request. Additionally, a 2.5% increase pay increase for employees was funded though provisos as well as the increase in health insurance premiums.

FY 2022-2023 Legislative Agenda- Ms. Bartlett distributed the FY 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities for the SC Technical College System. She noted that she wrote in the changes that were made during the Presidents' Council meeting earlier that morning, stating that they voted to change a couple item recommendations. System Staff recommended the recurring request for base funding be set at \$20M, but



the presidents changed their request to \$28M to reflect the amount requested in the previous year. System Staff recommended \$18M the non-recurring request for equipment for high-demand job skills training, but the presidents asked that the request be changed to \$30M. The request is set at \$80M for college maintenance, repair, and renovation projects. The readySC™ request will be finalized at a later date prior to submission to the Governor. The lottery funding requests remained the same as last year- \$51.1M for the Lottery Tuition Assistance Program (LTAP), \$16M to continue workforce grants for short-term, high-demand job skills training, and \$17M to continue SC WINS scholarship program funding. The presidents voted unanimously at their earlier meeting for those requests. She stated that a vote was also needed by the Board to approve the legislative priorities.

A question was raised as to the reasoning behind the presidents' decision to increase the non-recurring request. Dr. Hardee stated that there will be a significant amount of one-time money allotted to training so they wanted to take advantage of getting updated equipment to meet the workforce training demand. \$30M will not meet all the needs the colleges have for equipment, but they felt justified in their decision. The legislature has been receptive in the past to allocate funding for equipment. He also shared that the System Staff set the recurring request at \$20M since last year they asked for \$28M and were given \$10M. For the presidents, their highest need is always the recurring funding because that is how they operate their colleges. He stated that he is not opposed to them raising the request to \$28M. There was further discussion regarding the request increases. Chairman Askins entertained a motion. Mr. Odom moved and was seconded by Mr. Barker. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously to approve the FY 2022-2023 Legislative Priorities.

### **SC ASSOCIATION OF TECHNICAL COLLEGE COMMISSIONERS' REPORT – Ashley Jaillette, Executive Director**

Ms. Jaillette reported that the SCATCC's next board meeting is September 1<sup>st</sup> at the System Office. A virtual option will still be available. A SC Meet and Greet will take place on October 14<sup>th</sup> during the ACCT 2021 Leadership Congress which will be held in San Diego October 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>. She will distribute further details regarding the event closer to time.

The SCATCC is beginning the first steps in crafting a strategic plan for the upcoming fiscal year. They will be distributing questions to their Board as well as the Presidents' Council over the next couple of weeks. Responses will be gathered prior to their next meeting since it will be a topic of discussion on their agenda. Invoices for dues for FY 2021-2022 were distributed in mid-June to the colleges.

Ms. Jaillette gave the floor to Billy Routh to give his report. He introduced himself to the new Board members. He stated that he had a conversation yesterday with Gary Simrill, the House Higher Education Subcommittee Chair. Representative Simrill wanted Mr. Routh to thank the members of the technical college system for their hard work and dedication to creating jobs in SC. Mr. Routh gave further information regarding his conversation with Representative Simrill including details on ARPA funding, the budget, and the technical college system's ability to use their funds wisely.

Ms. Jaillette noted that she and Mr. Routh will be distributing information to the Commissioners thanking their local legislators. She thanked the Board for allowing the SCATCC's Executive Board to attend the Joint Board Summit. She stated that the members who attended enjoyed the event and thought it was very beneficial.

### **COUNCIL OF TECHNICAL COLLEGE PRESIDENTS' REPORT – Galen DeHay, Chair Presidents' Council**

Chairman Askins welcomed Dr. DeHay to his first meeting as the new Chair of the Presidents' Council. Dr. DeHay introduced himself to the State Board. He gave a recap of what took place at the Presidents' Council meeting earlier that morning. He reported that Dr. Rusty Monhollon, President of the Commission on Higher Education (CHE), mentioned during his session yesterday that CHE will be focused on closing achievement gaps to be able to increase post-secondary attainment in SC. The presidents just unanimously approved a diversity, equity, and inclusion proposal that focuses on student success, the technical college system recruiting more diverse populations, serving more lower income/socioeconomic status students particularly those from rural areas, and trying to close achievement gaps for the Hispanic and Black students in the community. All of these are workforce focused since the desire is for the most individuals graduating with high quality credentials from the two-year colleges as possible to meet current and emerging workforce needs. It will be a long-term planning strategy. Dr. DeHay complemented the System Staff, particularly Ms. Peacock and Dr. Rosline Sumpter who were instrumental in crafting the proposal. The presidents continue to work on ways to expand and adapt for the workforce needs. Their next meeting is August 12<sup>th</sup>, and they plan to discuss upcoming initiatives for the System Office.

### **MINUTES FOR APPROVAL**

Chairman Askins entertained a motion to approve the minutes from the State Board meeting on May 13, 2021. Mr. Askins stated that on page 36 under the Adjourn the Committee of the Whole section, the minutes needed to state, "Chairman Askins recessed the Committee of the Whole and called the State Board to Order." Mr. Odom motioned and was seconded by Ms. Bright. The minutes were approved as amended with no further discussion.

### **MINUTES FOR REVIEW**

Chairman Askins stated that minutes from the May 13, 2021, Presidents' Council meeting were included with the agenda materials distributed prior to the meeting for review. Mr. Askins encouraged the Board members to read them.

### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS-CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Askins entertained a motion for State Board approval of the Committee of the Whole recommendations. Mr. Schrum moved, followed by Mr. Homan, for adoption of all Committee of the

Whole Recommendations. The motion carried and the following recommendations were adopted unanimously without discussion:

- FY 2020-2021 Agency Head Evaluation
- Project Budget for State Board Approval
- Project Budgets for State Board Ratification
- Board Ratifications for E-Zone Retraining Program
- Enterprise Campus (Cherokee County) for Spartanburg Community College
- CPIP Summary of Year 1: 2021-2022
- CPIP Summary of Year 2: 20221-2023
- Policy Revision 4-2-101
- Eligibility – Workforce Scholarships and Grants
- FY 2022-2023 Legislative Agenda
- State Board Meeting Minutes, May 25, 2021, as amended

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Tim Hardee, System President**

Dr. Hardee began his report by commenting on something Dr. DeHay mentioned previously in his report. He noted that he had been president of Tri-County Technical College for two years. Dr. Hardee commented how many new presidents have been added to the System since that time- Dr. Pollock, Dr. Rivers, Dr. Moore, and noted that a president is about to be named at Florence-Darlington Technical College. He stated that change is always part of what the System does which requires it to be flexible and nimble. He thanked the State Board for prioritizing attending the Joint Board Summit. He stated that it is beneficial for the Board, Presidents' Council, and the Commissioners to all hear the same message. He thanked Mr. Darby and Mr. Smith for attending as new Board members and stated that he looks forward to working with them. He reiterated what Mr. Routh stated previously that the reputation the System has with the legislature it that it tries to speak with one unified voice.

**Overview of the System's Accomplishments-** Dr. Hardee distributed a document highlighting the System's accomplishments. He stated that Ms. Peacock is tasked with keeping track of affirmative action for the System. Of the 89 state agencies in SC, the technical college system was ranked number one in regard to percentage of goal attainment. He showed the plaque which the System received for the second year in a row. He thanked Ms. Peacock for all her hard work.

**Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Update-** Dr. Hardee stated there was conversation yesterday regarding the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds. Dr. Hardee recapped that he and Dr. DeHay were at Tri-County when the Governor came and announced that he was allocating money towards getting unemployed citizens back to work. \$8M in funding went to the System Office in January to provide training opportunities across the state. Dr. Hardee commended the presidents for immediately using the funds to commence classes and training programs. Currently there are over 2,000 people enrolled in training programs. The Governor's Office let Dr. Hardee know to reach

out if more funding was needed. The System requested additional funded when they had less than \$1M in funds left, to which the Governor stated he would award an additional \$4M in funds for this year.

Dr. Hardee stated that due to the presidents' successful use of the funding, he was invited to attend the accelerateSC meeting last week to present to the group as to how the System was using the GEER funds. He was asked to create a proposal using the requesting the System receive \$12M in American Rescue Act (ARA) funds, as it did this year, over the next three years, totaling \$36M for short-term training. He recognizes that the Governor's Office views the System as a good investment.

### **ADJOURN STATE BOARD**

With no other matters to discuss, Chairman Askins moved to adjourn the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education meeting and was seconded by Mr. Schrum.

### **CALL TO ORDER – FOUNDATION MEETING**

Chairman Askins asked Mr. Burns if it was necessary to have a Foundation Meeting to which he replied it was not necessary.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other matters to discuss, Chairman Askins adjourned the meeting.

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Date Approved by the State Board



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Gregory B. Askins, Chairman



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Tim Hardee, Executive Director