

Central Carolina Technical College Area Commission Meeting Minutes

President's Conference Room Main Campus

5:30 p.m. March 20, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Paul Napper, Chairman
Christopher Lee, Vice Chairman
Bobby Anderson, Secretary
André McBride
Abram Ludd
Willie Mae Muldrow
Robbie Powers (virtual)
Matthew Prince
Ray Reich
David Sanders
Thoyd Warren

COLLEGE STAFF:

Kevin Pollock, President Cheryl Allen-Lint, Interim Vice President for Business Affairs Misty Hatfield, Vice President for Institutional Advancement Jason Tisdel, Vice President for Academic Affairs Diana Reardon, Administrative Assistant to the President

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Meagan Kuhlman

The meeting was held in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, Chapter 4, Title 30, Code of Laws of South Carolina.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME – Paul Napper

Upon the establishment of a quorum, Chairman Napper welcomed everyone and called the March 20, 2025, Central Carolina Technical College (CCTC) Area Commission meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Chairman Napper stepped away from the meeting due to a phone call and returned to the meeting after the approval of minutes.

2. INVOCATION

Ms. Muldrow delivered the invocation.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Paul Napper

Vice Chairman Lee entertained a motion to **approve** the minutes of the January 16, 2025, Area Commission meeting, as submitted. A **motion** was made by Mr. Reich and **seconded** by Mr. Warren. There was no further discussion. The minutes were **unanimously approved**.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Paul Napper

4. A. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Chairman Napper entertained a motion to approve, object, or remove for discussion, any of the following items in the Consent Agenda:

- 4. A. 1. Institutional Advancement Report
- 4. A. 2. Academic Affairs Report
- 4. A. 3. Student Affairs Report

Chairman Napper entertained a motion to **approve** the Consent Agenda as submitted. A **motion** was made by Mr. Prince and **seconded** by Mr. Lee. After brief discussion, the consent agenda was **unanimously approved**.

5. FINANCE UPDATE – Cheryl Allen-Lint

Dr. Pollock shared that Ms. Allen-Lint will provide information on the first draft of the FY26 college budget. The plan is to bring the FY26 budget to the May commission meeting for approval. Dr. Pollock shared that the college requested \$25M in capital funding for this upcoming year which includes \$10M for the Kershaw expansion and \$15M for a technical high school. Dr. Pollock mentioned the state budget has not passed yet, but still expects a positive outcome.

5. A. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF 2/28/2025

Ms. Allen-Lint referenced the Financial Statement as of 2/28/2025 that was provided in the materials booklet. Ms. Allen-Lint shared that our total revenue is currently at \$24.3M compared to last year's amount of \$24.6M. We have an overall decrease in tuition revenue by 5% due to enrollment. However, our revenue has increased in workforce and auxiliary services. The county revenue has decreased this year, but it seems to be a lag in receiving payments from the county. Our current expenditures are currently at 64% of our annual budget. Last year at this point in time we were at 66%. There was a decrease in our remission and exemptions that is partially due to dual enrolled students recently being covered with the SC Wins Scholarship/Titan Tech Scholarship. Our purchase for resale has also increased due to Slingshot.

5. B. CASH BALANCES AS OF 2/28/2025

Ms. Allen-Lint referenced the Cash Balances as of 2/28/2025 that was provided in the materials booklet. Ms. Allen-Lint shared that at the end of this February, we were at \$21.7M compared to last year's amount of \$20.3M, which is an increase of approximately 7%.

5. C. BUDGET FORECAST

Ms. Allen-Lint provided commission members with a handout regarding the FY24-FY27 financial forecast and FY26 budget recommendation. Currently, the state budget would include a raise for state employees and a potential increase in healthcare costs. Dr. Pollock shared that this year the state budget does not include tuition mitigation. The college has not increased tuition and fees since FY21. If the college increased tuition based on 2024 HEPI (Higher Education Price Index) of 3.4%, we would generate an additional \$529,151. Additionally, the college has not raised any fees within the past few years. Currently, the college doesn't have an activity fee which some other colleges have. If we added an activity fee, that could generate an additional \$245,000 annually. We could also look at adding lab

fees of \$25 to courses with consumable supplies. Dr. Pollock shared that these are all options and ideas of what we could do. Dr. Pollock shared that even though we have received capital funding over the past several years, we are still lacking in our operating budget due to enrollment decreases and inflation. Being able to raise tuition would help with this issue. Dr. Pollock shared that majority of the other technical colleges are looking at raising their tuition based on the HEPI of 3.4% as well.

6. COLLEGE REPORT – Kevin Pollock

Dr. Pollock shared that he will be providing a college update to all of the county councils. He is also requesting that the Scholars program be renewed for another 5 years.

Dr. Pollock provided an update on the Kershaw campus. Dr. Pollock has been in discussions with three businesses and industries that would like to discuss future partnerships, one of those being Toyota. Dr. Pollock and Mr. Tisdel will tour a training facility located at Forsyth Tech Community College in NC that has a similar partnership with Toyota. Also, Toyota is planning to rent space at our current Kershaw campus as we begin our partnership.

Dr. Pollock provided commission members with a list of upcoming college events. Dr. Pollock asked commission members to let Ms. Reardon know which events they plan to attend.

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – Paul Napper

Chairman Napper reiterated the recent work and meetings that have taken place in Kershaw County recently. Chairman Napper stated is he excited to see the interest that the businesses and industries have taken in the Kershaw expansion.

Chairman Napper and Mr. Sanders presented Mr. Anderson with an award from the South Carolina Association of Technical College Commissioners (SCATCC) for serving as a commissioner for 25 years. Mr. Anderson was not able to attend the event held in January.

Chairman Napper shared that the following commission member's terms expire in June 30th of this year: Mr. Anderson, Mr. Ludd, Mr. Warren, Mr. Prince and himself. Commission members were asked to notify Chairman Napper if they would like to continue to serve so an official reappointment request letter can be mailed in.

Chairman Napper shared with commission members a rendering of a dedication plaque that would be displayed in the new Academic and Student Services building thanking the legislatures for their work in securing the funding for the building. Chairman Napper asked commission members to review the rendering and let Dr. Pollock or Ms. Hatfield know of any changes that need to be made. All commission members agreed that a dedication plaque should be displayed.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no need for an executive session

9. OTHER MATTERS - Paul Napper

There were no other matters to discuss.

10. ADJOURNMENT - Paul Napper

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There being no further business, Chairman Napper entertained a motion, seconded by Mr. Prince to adjourn the Central Carolina Technical College Area Commission meeting at 6:24 p.m.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Bobby Anderson, Secretary	Diana Reardon, Recording Secretary