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State Board of Community Colleges LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 15, 2018 – 3:00 p.m.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lisa Estep Bill McBrayer Burr Sullivan
Toni Formato Lynn Raye Jerry Vaughan *
William Holder Jim Rose Ann Whitford

Bobby Irwin Scott Shook Frank Johnson Bob Stephens

Members Absent: Breeden Blackwell, Todd Johnson and Clark Twiddy,

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Jennifer HaygoodJim ParkerLyn Austin (NCACCT)Lisa ChapmanMary ShupingAlex Granados (EdNC)Elizabeth GrovensteinAnne BaconDavid Shockley (NCACCP)Bryan JenkinsKatherine BaoLinda Suggs (Gates Fnd)Maureen LittleSondra JarvisJulie Woodson (NCACCT)

Brian Long J.W. Kelley Shanté Martin Bill Schneider

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Rose called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. at Wilson Community College, Frank L. Eagles Center, Room G-237, in Lexington, NC.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Jenkins took the roll of the Legislative Affairs Committee members.

ETHICS STATEMENT

Mr. Rose read the Ethics Awareness and Conflict of Interest Statement and asked if there were any known conflicts. None were noted.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Rose asked for a motion to approve the agenda for the meeting on November 15, 2018. Mr. McBrayer moved, seconded by Chairman Shook, and the Committee approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Dr. Blackwell asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting on October 18, 2018. Mr. McBrayer moved, seconded by Chairman Shook, and the Committee approved.

^{*} Attended via phone

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FOR INFORMATION

Residency 101

Ms. Shuping and Ms. Martin discussed the history of residency determination law in North Carolina that led to the current Residency Determination Service (RDS) System.

The conversation lead into the Non-Budget Legislative Agenda action item.

FOR ACTION

Non-Budget Legislative Agenda (Attachment LEG 01)

Ms. Shuping reviewed the Proposed Non-Budget 2019 Legislative Priorities. The proposal has been shared with the Presidents' Association and unanimously approved.

RDS Simplification: Repeal the part of the statute that presumes a student has the same domicile as the student's parents but allows the student to rebut that presumption. By repealing this part of the statute, the student's domicle will be the basis of residency determination for tuition purposes and not the domicile of the parents.

Prior to this recommendation the State Education Assistance Authority (SEAA) and Higher Education Collaborative Advisory Committee (HECAC) have worked to simplify the RDS System since it was implemented. Dr. Kelley shared changes that have been made to the process within the current law. A full exemption for the community colleges is not likely, but the Presidents' Association feels that the proposed change will make the process easier. President Shockley stated that if the community colleges were exempt from RDS, there would still need to be a process to verify a student's residency for tuition purposes. Mr. Sullivan commended the staff and presidents on the incremental approach to fixing the issue.

Mr. Raye made a motion to approve RDS Simplification legislative proposal, seconded by Mr. F. Johnson, and unanimously approved by the committee.

Based on the approval of RDS Simplification legislative proposal, an amendment to the Community College Residency Determination Funding Formula Legislative Report (Attachment FC 04) was recommended to support the request. Mr. McBrayer motioned to approve with a second by Mr. Sullivan, and the amendment was unanimously approved by the committee. The amendment stated:

The State Board of Community Colleges fully supports the NCACCP proposal to repeal G.S. 116-143.1(e) which would remove the presumption that a student's domicile is with his or her parents.

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Ms. Shuping reviewed the other legislative proposals:

- Exempt System Office IT Staff from Transfer to DIT.
- Allow Insurance in Lieu of Bond. The current law requires college employees who are authorized to draw or approve checks or other funds or authorized to handle property to be bonded. The proposed legislation would allow colleges to use either bonds or insurance for this purpose.
- Earning FTE in Jails & Changing Contact Hours to Membership Hours in Prisons. This
 proposal would allow colleges to earn budget FTE for instruction in local jails and would
 allow colleges to report FTE student hours in correctional institutions on the basis of
 membership hours rather than contact hours. When this was proposed last year, the
 General Assembly asked the State Board of Community Colleges to report on the
 projected costs of these changes. The report was considered by Finance Committee
 today for approval. The Legislative Affairs Committee was asked to approve the
 statutory changes as part of their legislative agenda.
- Reorganization of the Community College System Office. Each biennium, the State
 Board must request authority for the President to reorganize the System Office. This
 proposal recommends that the President's reorganization authority be put in the
 General Statutes. College Information System (CIS) Carryforward Authorization. This
 legislative proposal would give the Community College System the authority to
 carryforward up to \$1,250,000 in College Information System (CIS) funds to purchase
 periodic IT upgrades.

Pending items include the whether the Proprietary Schools Board will want to again seek legislation to become independent as well as Apprenticeship Council amendments.

Mr. F. Johnson made a motion to approve the Proposed Non-Budget 2019 Legislative Priorities, seconded by Mr. McBrayer and unanimously approved by the committee.

ADJOURN

There being no other business, Mr. Rose asked for a motion to adjourn, Mr. Raye made the motion, seconded by Mr. McBrayer, and the committee adjourned at 4:25 p.m. following a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted, Sondra Jarvis