

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Wednesday, Aug 19, 2026

BHI Campus

CHLC Auditorium

12:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Crawford, Jason Dunn, Dr. Rodney Green, Mark Kimball, Sue Lane Hughes (Webex), Janie Jones, Amanda Ramshead, Matt Seale, Rueben Speight (Webex), Dr. Joi Williams (Webex)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joe Brownlee, Lisa Sumner, Rebecca Corbett, Ronnie Dean

SENIOR STAFF PRESENT: DeAnnia Clements, Thomas Wesley, Michael Williams, Shalonda Sanders, Misty Crofutt, Trevecca Doggett, Will Bostelman, Dr. Todd Jones, Aaron Mathews, Keren Wynn, Lidell Greenway, Casey Thompson, Tim Allmond, Molly Braddy

SENIOR STAFF NOT PRESENT:

The Meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM by Dr. Rodney Green

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a blessing for the meal was given by Amanda Ramshead

Motion to approve Jun 17, 2026, minutes given at 12:20 PM by Dr. Rodney Green. First by Matt Seale, seconded by Janie Jones. Motion to approve carried unanimously.

Swearing In of New Board Members- Chief Tim Allmond

Chief Allmond officially swore in two new board members at our board meeting today; Jason Dunn and Mark Kimball. Documents were signed and photos were taken.

Academic Affairs Updates- Thomas Wesley

Current/Future Classes

- Scoping Barbering and Heavy Equipment Operator- BHI Campus
- Started a weekend CLD Program (designed for working individuals that cannot attend during the weekdays)

Apprenticeships

- Currently have 125 apprenticeships; On August 25th will be hosting a lunch and learn at Coffee Campus
- Will be reaching out to partners in our services areas to grow awareness and share more information about Apprenticeship programs

Articulation Agreements

- Three Agreements recently signed ABAC and Thomas University and South State Georgia College

HS Services

- New Dual Enrollment Programs being offered Fall Semester at various locations
 - Programs include-Welding, Phlebotomy, Barbering, Construction, Hospitality, EMT, Phlebotomy-WIN Academy, Culinary, ALHS 1101, History

Professional Services

- Coordinated culinary for catering for our Business After Hours Event which featured the WIN Academy- and showcased Hospitality, EMT and Phlebotomy programs

Important Dates

- Probe Fair- BHI Sept 12 1-2 PM
- Advisory Committee- Sept 22 VLD
- Advisory Committee- Sept 24 BHI
- Get Wired- CFE Oct 29
- Get Wired T&I VLD- Nov 12

Other Updates

- Janie Jones posed the possibility for us to visit Delta to show them the work they are doing in Brooks County and to see how we can continue to support this service area.
- Matt Seale mentioned the work the group is doing to scope a Gas Program in the Northern region (Gas Distribution Technician Program- Diploma and two TCC's); Thomas has shared a draft with the committee and will continue to work on the ability to move forward with this program

Administrative Services Updates- Keren Wynn

- Report is through June 30th
- Had about 2M more YOY in revenue; these funds have been added to our reserves
- Spending plans are being finalized for FY 27; Just contributed some funds to the BHI Backing Pad Project
- Just updated our financial system (GA@Work) so board reports may look different in future meetings; We will work with the group on aligning with what information the Board would like reviewed during meetings

Adult Ed Updates- Trevecca Doggett

- Report date August 11, 2026
- Current enrollment 222 as of report date
- We did exceed the State Goal for HSE and Post Secondary graduates and were the only college to exceed these goals Statewide
- IET Programs are looking promising; Currently have 7 classes approved and we anticipate continuing that momentum

Economic Development Update- Michael Williams

- Had a great year overall- we had the most contract training hours we have ever had (100.55%); Also, the most profitable year we have ever had
- Normalizing our goal to serve 100 companies each year
- Training hours- beat last year and hit 122.76% compared to last year's numbers
- Students Trained came in at 93.35% compared to last year's numbers

Enrollment Management Update- Dr. Todd Jones

- Today is the last day to drop/add so we are still in the process of finalizing enrollment numbers; we will also have to include no show counts and fee payment deadlines
- List started at 1,100 of no secured funding but has dropped to around 700; still working on driving as much enrollment/financial aid as possible
- Unduplicated graduates by academic year have exceeded our expectations for FY 26. We hit 2,410 in total. Traditional Enrollment numbers are also looking to meet and exceed goals YOY.
- Recruitment activity's goal is 80 for the year; We have already attended 18 and will also attend an event Rainwater will hold tomorrow

Other

- Follow up question- on reporting labeled "other counties". These numbers include online students and/or some students we see trickle in from the nearby Florida regions

Foundation Updates- Will Bostelman

- Will Bostelman gave a brief introduction to the group as to what the Foundation does to help support the college and how they help support our overall goals
- Total giving FY 25-26 was 519K
- YTD giving FY 26-27 is at 27K
- We have two outstanding asks underway, and we anticipate big announcements once confirmed. Healthcare and HVAP programs
- We have two big projects we are working on- CFE Welding Expansion and Dedicating a wing at the VLD Campus to former President James Bridges

President's Comments- DeAnnia Clements

- President Clements kicked off her comments by sharing her thank you to all our current and brand-new board members for their time and dedication to Wiregrass. She reiterated her appreciation for all they do.
- WIN Academy (VLD Campus) started on August 10th
- Kelly Peacock was the winner of the 2026 Lewis I Brinson Award
- Amber Elliot was the winner of the 2026 James A Bridges Award
- Enrollment projections have been shared; we anticipate 3%-4% growth going into FY 2027. 15 consecutive semesters in enrollment growth

- President Clements attended a IET Graduation recently and she shared how uplifting it is to attend. It helps remind us of why we do the work we do, and we are making a difference in the life of our students
- Currently working on a 3M Grant for the WIN Academy; It would help add more programs
- Received two USDA Grants totaling 200K and will be used for:
 - CDL Truck- CDL Program
 - Robotic Arm- Automation Technology Program

Facilities Updates

- George Griffin has been hired in our facilities department, and we are excited to have him with us.
- We have received bids back from the BHI Backing Pad Project. The cost was higher than the grant funds would cover so we will use some of our reserved funds to help fund this project (Asphalt prices have gone up)
- 9/3 Groundbreaking Event VLD Campus
- 3.4 M Roofing and HVAP projects are underway (currently in design process)

Upcoming Meetings/Dates

- President Clements will be meeting with various superintendents to discuss next year goals and visions
- Employee Update Meeting- Aug 24
- Moody AFB Education Meeting (VLD Campus)- Aug 25
- TCSG State Board Events will occur over 2 days
 - 9/2- Wild Adventures Dinner Event
 - 9/3 Groundbreaking Event (VLD Campus)
- Sept 7 closed for Labor Day
- Sept 10- Internal Planning Meeting
- Sept 15-16 Ad Astra Training on VLD Campus
- Sept 17 TCSG GALA
- Sept 18 Moody Heritage Ball
- Sept 20-23 President's Council
- Sept 24-25 Governor's Workforce Summit

Old Business

- None

New Business

Motion- Vote on new Chair and Vice Chair

At 1:12 PM a motion was made by Matt Seale to have Dr. Green remain as Chair. First by Matt Seale, second by Janie Jones. Motion to approve carried unanimously

A second motion was made by Dr. Green to have Matt Seale remain as Vice Chair. First by Amanda Ramshead, second by Mary Crawford. Motion to approve carried unanimously

Chairman's Comments/Adjournment

- Next Meeting: Sep 16, 2026, VLD Campus 12:00 PM

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Rodney Green. First by Matt Seale, seconded by Amanda Ramshead

Meeting adjourned 1:13 PM

Respectfully submitted by: Misty Crofutt

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