



**Minutes
Greenville Technical College Area Commission
Barton Campus
Administration Building 123
Executive Board Room**

January 23, 2019

Members Present

Coleman Shouse, Chair
Ray Lattimore, Vice Chair
Hunter Howard, Secretary
Kenneth Southerlin, Treasurer
Paul Batson
James Blakely
Jo Hackl (via phone)
Ray Martin
David Stafford
Dean Jones

Members Absent

Keith Smith
Dr. Burke Royster

Staff Present

Dr. Keith Miller, President
Jacqui DiMaggio
Julie Eddy
Dr. Matteel Jones
Susan Jones
Becky Mann
Lauren Simer
Wendy Walden
Dr. Jermaine Whirl
Ann Wright
Kelvin Byrd

Visitors

Ariel Gilreath, Greenville Journal

Call to Order and Welcome

Chair Shouse called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and welcomed members of the board, staff, and guests. Ms. Ariel Gilreath with the *Greenville Journal* was in attendance. Chair Shouse announced that in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the press had been notified of the meeting. Chair Shouse acknowledged that the agenda was posted on the GTC website. Chair Shouse also acknowledged that a quorum of board members was present.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Stafford made a motion to approve the December 12, 2018, minutes as amended and proposed by Ms. Hackl. Mr. Southerlin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Finance Report

Mr. Southerlin referred the board to the December financial reports in the board packet. Mrs. DiMaggio presented the finance report in the new format that reflects a ten-year comparison (see attached).

Agenda suggestions for the February retreat:

- Fixed costs breakdown, deeper understanding of the administrative and general costs, and anticipated tuition free initiatives with colleges.

Finance Committee

Police Officers Retirement System (PORS) – Mr. Southerlin presented a recommendation from the Finance Committee on behalf of campus security personnel to change their retirement option from the state retirement system to PORS (the retirement system for SC law enforcement). This change will enhance recruitment and retention of campus security personnel. The motion carried.

President's Report

In celebration of Black History Month and in partnership with Fluor, the college has secured Ambassador Andrew Young for Saturday, February 16, 2019, at Fluor. This event will be a conversation moderated by Ms. Walden and Dr. Alecia Watt. There will be a VIP reception beginning at 12:00 p.m. followed by a general program at 1:00 p.m.

At the request of Mr. Martin and the Marketing, Recruiting and Enrollment Committee, Dr. Miller provided an update on several items discussed at the committee meeting.

- The creation of the President's Commission on Retention and Persistence. The commission is comprised of frontline people who have direct impact on the student experience. The commission was tasked with taking a creative approach with an intensified focus on persistence and retention and report directly back to Dr. Miller.
- A thank you to Ms. Wright and the Foundation staff for designating a fund for small debt issues that prevent a student from registering for the semester. The Foundation has also created three \$3,000 retention scholarships, and there will be a drawing for those.
- Targeted communications have been implemented for students close to graduating.
- There is an increased focus on African American males. The Graham Foundation recently approved a \$170,000 grant to the college directed at African American male student retention.
- There is also an increased focus and need for students in addiction recovery. Two sites were identified in South Carolina, GTC and the College of Charleston, to receive a \$500,000 grant to establish services for students in addiction recovery that will assist them as they work to finish their college education. Significant credit for this effort goes to Mr. Bedingfield and Dr. Alecia Watt.
- The redesign of the TRC building is being thoroughly researched by Ms. Eddy and the necessary staff to incorporate the student experience. This is the driving force for the architectural design.

SCATCC and CHE Update

SCATCC Update – Mr. Batson provided the SCATCC update. The Commissioners Academy and Legislative Reception was held on January 16, 2019, in Columbia. There were 14 of the 16 technical colleges represented with 60 to 80 people in attendance. Mr. Batson stated that a number of comments and compliments were received about the presentation made by Dr. Jones and Mr. Shouse at the ACCT conference in New York.

CHE Update – Mr. Batson provided the CHE update.

- Former Senator Wes Hayes is the new CHE chair.
- CHE's current initiatives, as far as committees and programs going forward, are the tuition and expense increases in the university system in South Carolina and the increase in student loan debt in South Carolina. Recent data indicates that South Carolina has the third largest student loan debt in the nation with an average of \$26,000 per graduating student.
- The CAAL Committee will consider the college's applied baccalaureate in advanced manufacturing technology on January 30, 2019. If approved, the program will go before the full CHE board. Dr. Miller, Dr. Whirl, Mr. Bedingfield, and representatives from Michelin and Bosch Rexroth will be in attendance.
- Dr. Miller is presenting the degree program to the CHE interim executive director, Mr. Mike LeFever, on January 25, 2019. Mr. Batson was asked to invite Mr. LeFever to speak at a future board meeting.
- The governor has put out a budget proposal that would effectively freeze tuition.
- Senator Sheehen's bill made some other funding proposals for higher education that may benefit GTC.

Executive Session


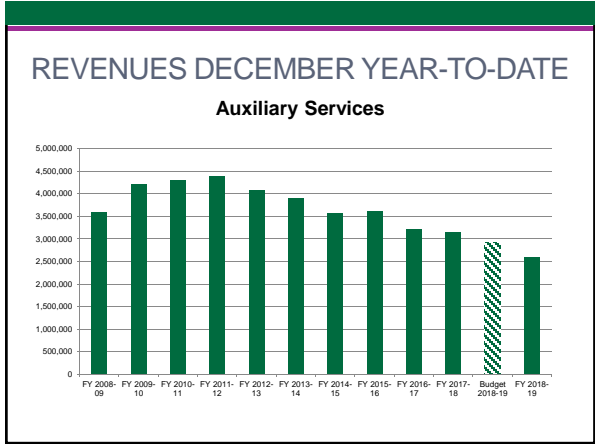
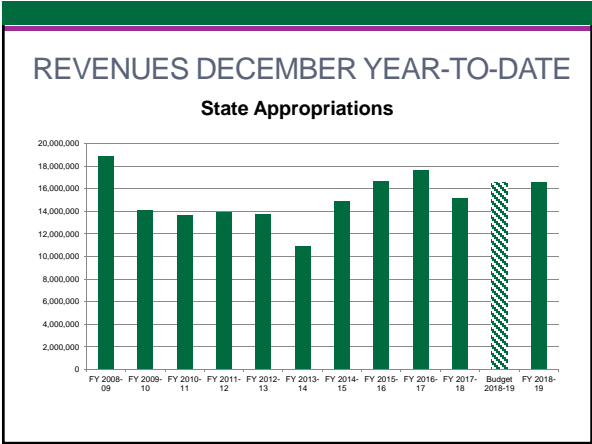
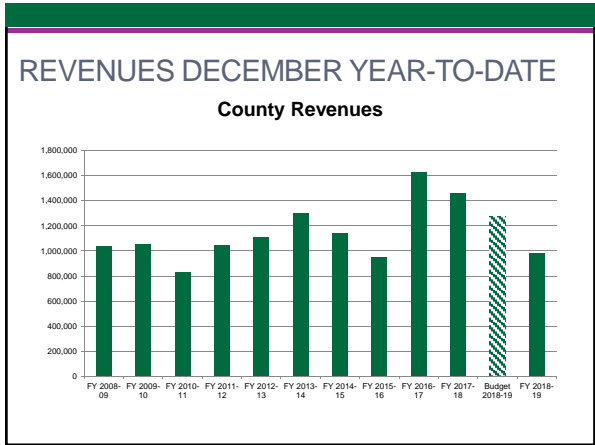
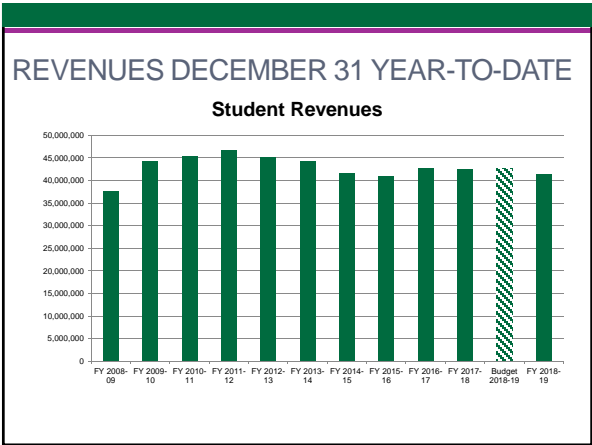
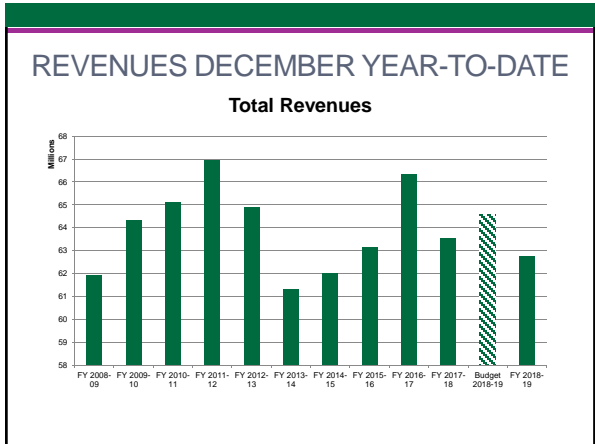
Mr. Batson made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss negotiations for the potential sale of college physical facility assets. Mr. Blakely seconded the motion. The board adjourned into executive session at 1:00 p.m.

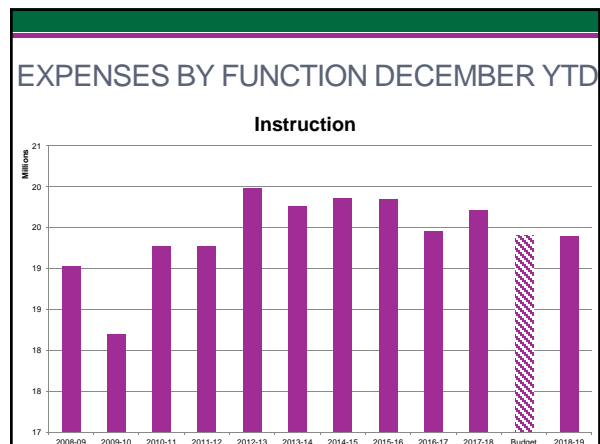
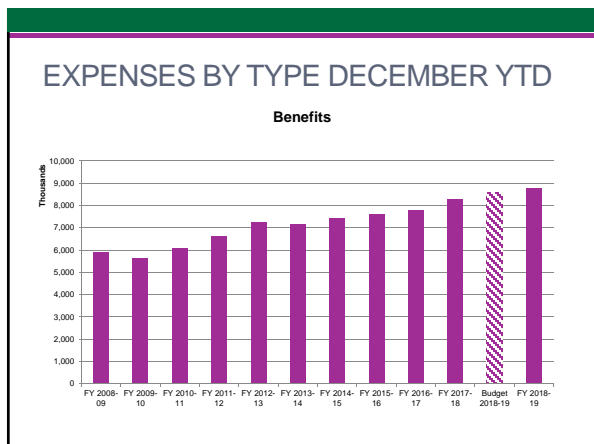
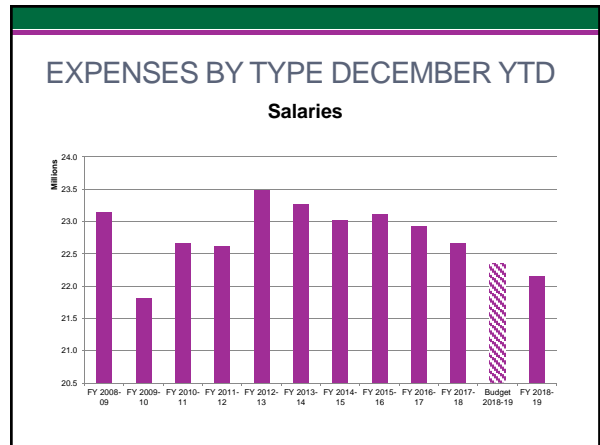
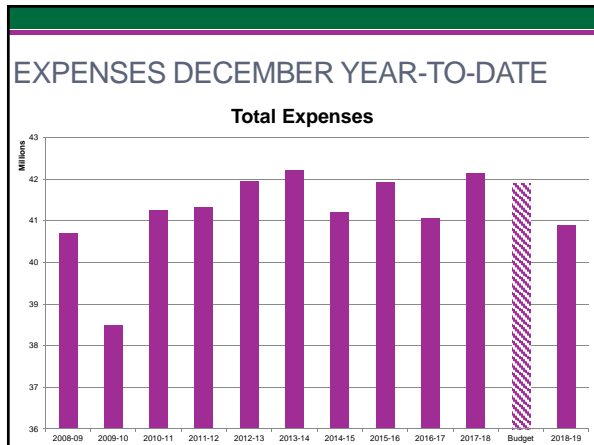
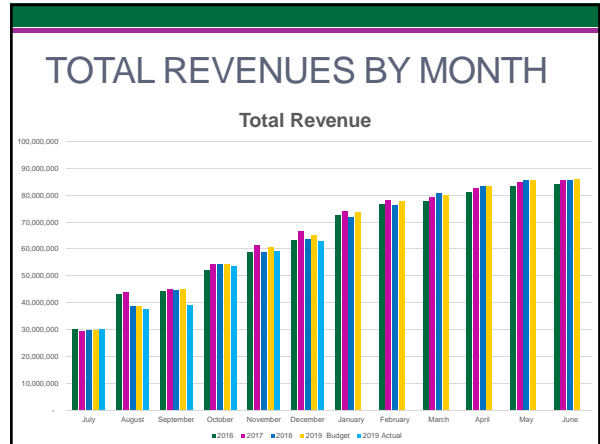
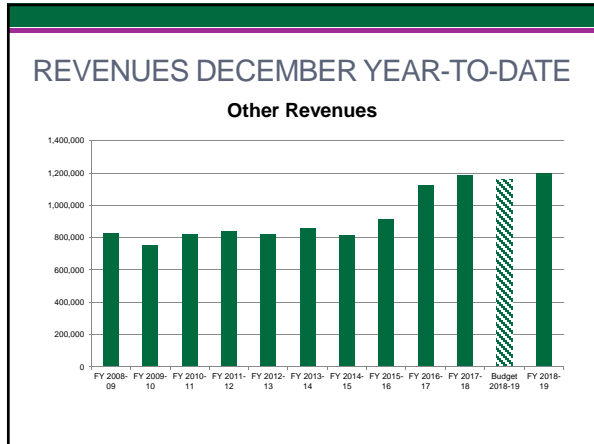
The meeting reconvened at 1:20 p.m. There was no action taken in the executive session.

There being no old or new business, the board moved into the Enterprise Campus Authority Board meeting at 1:25 p.m.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

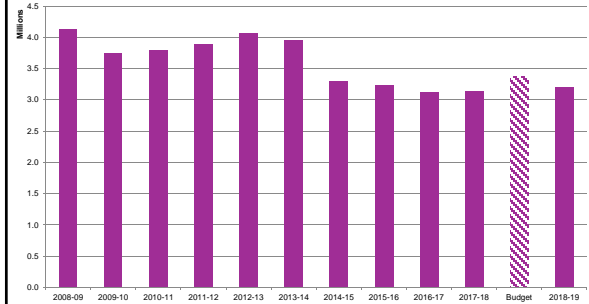
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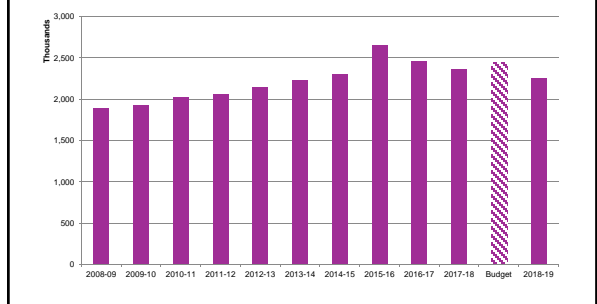
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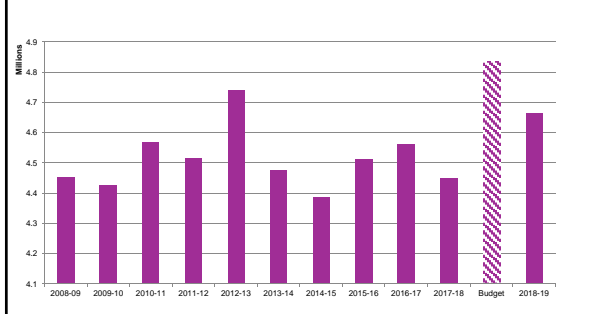
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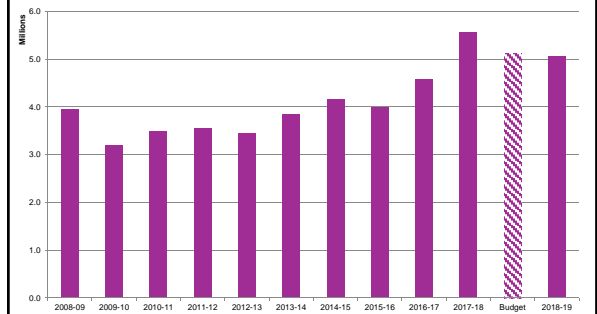
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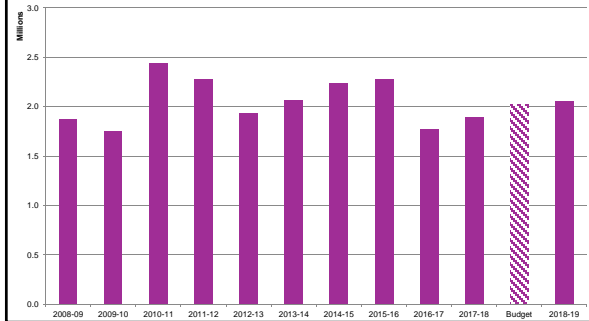
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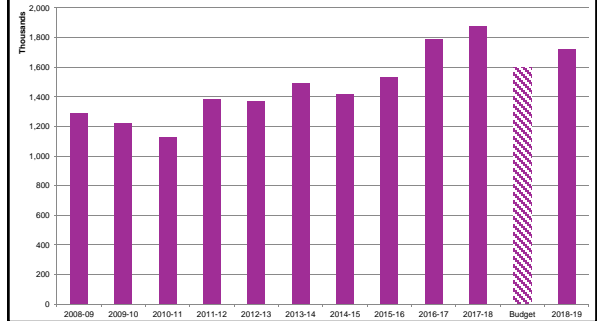
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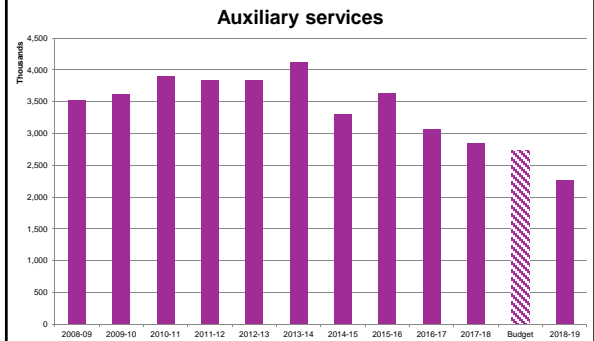


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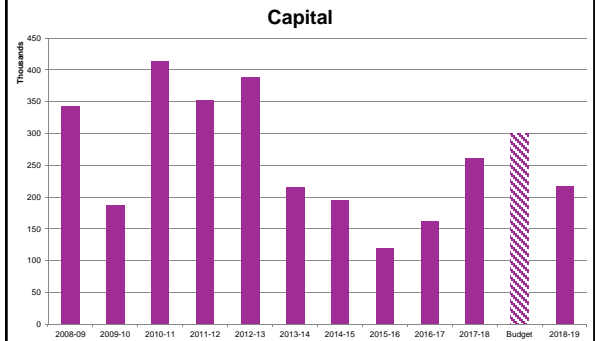
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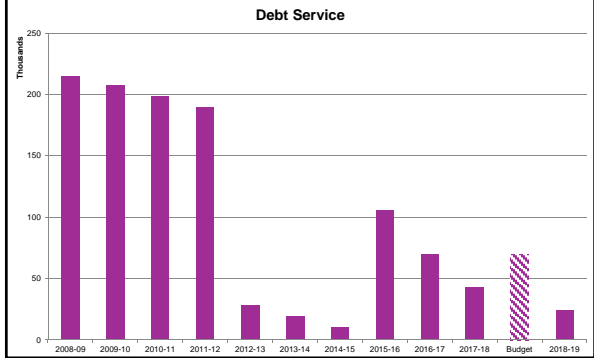
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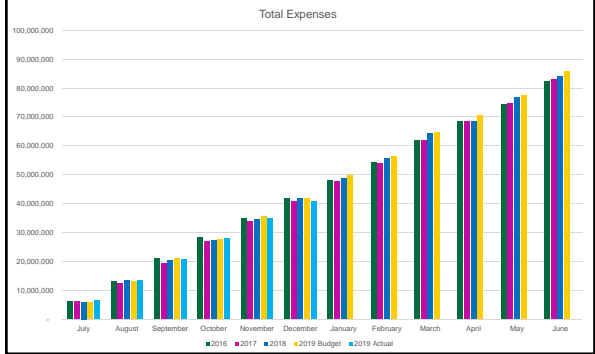
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Questions?



Student Headcount

