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The ACCFO Organization

ACCFO is a private, non-profit organization comprised of managers and supervisors involved with facility operations and maintenance. The purpose of the association is to provide an opportunity for community college facility personnel to review their abilities and interests, to refine their skills, and to participate in discussions on facility issues. It provides the participants the opportunity to share their successes, receive assistance from their counterparts in overcoming obstacles, and establish facility networks for future collaboration. We encourage all 58 community colleges to become involved by participating in ACCFO.

ACCFO Officers

President - Garion Bunn

Vice President - Danny Carpenter

Secretary - Marc Boberg

Treasurer - Patricia Clark

Vice Treasurer - Steven Garner

Past President - Terri L. Ashcraft

ACCFO District Presidents

District I President - Clarence Tate

District II President - Steven Garner

District III President - Tim Lassiter

Dist. I Exec. Rep. - Mark Fox

Dist. II Exec. Rep. - Zach Harris

Dist. III Exec. Rep. - Jeremy Webb

ACCFO Conference

2019 ACCFO Fall Conference

October 16, 17, 18, 2019

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On September 19-21 the 2018 ACCFO Fall Conference was held at Crowne Plaza Resort in Asheville. Due to Hurricane Florence, a number of coastal community colleges were unable to attend however they indicated they would be attending the 2019 ACCFO Fall Conference at Carolina Beach on October 16-18, 2019. Place this date in your calendars.

The conference started out remembering all the community colleges that were impacted by Hurricane Florence. Even under the difficult circumstances many community colleges throughout the state that had the effects of the hurricane were able to still attend. We had 32 community colleges in attendance along with 48 exhibitors. Vendors and members both expressed their support of the community colleges impacted.

The professional development sessions and the exhibitors were set up at the Exhibition Center just behind the hotel. The exhibitors were able to introduce themselves and give a brief description of their firm's goals. The first session was done by Smith Sinnett. This was a team building activity dealing with building a structure using straws, string, and tape referred to as the marshmallow challenge. You can see the marshmallow in the picture of the team building effort. This was followed by Jerry Picker demonstrating tips and tricks to make the most of your Excel spreadsheets. Most facility people utilize many different types of information in spreadsheets and Jerry was able to provide some short cuts in using Excel.



Wednesdays activities finished off with a very nice dinner at Crowne Plaza restaurant with members and vendors. Everyone had a chance introduce themselves and have a relaxing evening. Thursday morning started with breakfast and a chance to win door prizes supplied by our outstanding group of vendors.





Thursday started out with an adjustment to the schedule which most facility people are use to adapting to these situations. Russell Smyre gave a very positive and inspirational session to help motivate ourselves and people around us. Russell discussed why we tend to do things the way we think they should go based on behavior and beliefs. It was good that many of our vendors participated and they have decided to ask Russell to come and discuss his thoughts with their firm. He fielded a lot of questions after his presentation, one person referred to it as

“Rich Information”.

Thursday afternoon began with Zach Harris illustrating how to utilize a landscaping software program that he designs planting areas around his campus. He showed different areas where he created flower beds using various plants and scrubs. It made you feel like you needed to get back to your campus and start designing. A number of members and vendors thought that the price for the software was within their budget. If you would like more information, please contact me.



Reid Conway with the State Energy Office illustrated the progress that the community colleges has made in conserving energy since 2007. He compared the total square footage from 2007 to last years square footage. He showed the cost per square footage for that span of years. He indicated that the community colleges are saving their communities thousands of dollars per day. Reid discussed how new technologies are helping even the smaller facilities save

energy dollars. Blake Bostic explained what he is doing at Stanly Community College to handle their sustainability and energy measures and the impact it is having on their overall utility savings.



Friday, ACCFO President, Terri Ashcraft called the business meeting to order and proceeded to handle various ACCFO matters. New ACCFO officers were elected along with ACCFO District Presidents and Representatives.

The following people were elected to the Executive Officers Committee:

- ACCFO President - Garion Bunn, Wake Technical Community College
- ACCFO Vice President - Danny Carpenter, Rowan-Cabarrus Community College
- ACCFO Secretary - Marc Boberg, Southwestern Community College
- ACCFO Treasurer - Patricia Clark, Robeson Community College
- ACCFO Vice Treasurer - Steven Garner, Sandhills Community College
- ACCFO Past President - Terri Ashcraft, Central Piedmont Community College
- ACCFO District I President - Clarence Tate, Asheville-Buncombe Community College
- ACCFO District II President - Steven Garner, Sandhills Community College
- ACCFO District III President - Timothy Lassiter, Roanoke-Chowan Community College
- ACCFO District I Representative - Mark Fox, Cleveland Community College
- ACCFO District II Representative - Zach Harris, Central Piedmont Community College
- ACCFO District III Representative - Jeremy Webb, Halifax Community College

The business meeting was adjourned.

ACCFO President - Garion Bunn, Wake Technical Community College



I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their confidence and trust in me to lead them for the next two years. It humbles me to know that my peers selected me to give them guidance and direction in the coming months. I shall do my very best to meet these expectations and keep this great organization moving forward. I hope that we can continue to have the majority of the community colleges engaged in ACCFO and to remain active in all aspects of the organization. Participation is crucial along with providing our members with information to help them better serve their communities. We are here to share and provide guidance to one another in how to best run an effective and proficient facility environment.

Our responsibilities keep changing and that is why it is so important to stay connect to ACCFO. With new technologies and software programs; our duties change to meet these challenges and how to implement this technology to better serve our individual colleges. It is great to be able to pick up the telephone or email and correspond with another community college to see what they are doing in a specific situation or if they have implemented this program or procedure. Communication is critical and we need to keep these lines open and creating paths that will impact everyone.

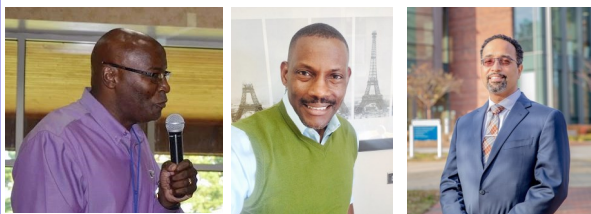
I would like reach out to the community colleges that were impacted by Hurricane Florence to see if there is anything ACCFO can do to help them get back to a normal operating facilities department. You can reach me at gbunn@waketech.edu or 919-866-5820. ACCFO wants to help its neighbors no matter the situation, please contact me with your thoughts and concerns. Our prayers and thoughts have been with all the community colleges impacted by the hurricane. Stay strong.

I would like to hear from all of our members as to how the organization can get all 58 community colleges involved no matter the type of participation. If you have recommendations on how we can organize our conferences and/or district meetings, please do not remain silent, speak out. Criticism is good, I am sure we all see it as we try to carry out our duties each and every day. How do we get YOU involved with ACCFO?

Thank you,

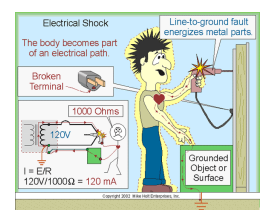
Garion Bunn

ACCFO Professional Development Committee



Jerry Guerrier—Wake Technical Community College, Lance Ollivierre - Central Piedmont Community College, and Russell Smyre - Gaston College, all volunteered to serve on the Professional Development Committee. Jerry, Lance, and Russell are already seeking your guidance into what type of educational programs you would like to be given at the 2019 ACCFO Fall Conference at Carolina Beach. If you have any

suggestions or if you would like to give a specific type of program, please contact them at [juguerrier@waketech.edu](mailto:jguerrier@waketech.edu) or by phone at 919-866-5528, Lance.Ollivierre@cpcc.edu or by phone at 704.330.6653, Smyre.russell@gaston.edu or by phone at 704-922-6462. We had many fantastic community college speakers in Asheville. We have vendors from the conference that have contacted Russell Smyre at Gaston College to consider doing a training session. That means we have a lot of ACCFO members that have the knowledge and experience to talk on a wide range of topics, so step out of your comfort zone and contact Jerry, Lance, or Russell.





ACCFO Committee's

ACCFO has volunteers that are willing to serve on the following committees. We appreciate their interest in providing leadership to these different committees. These committees are vital to the organization and the function they serve. Thank you for becoming involved in your organization.

- ❖ **Archive Committee** - The duties of this committee consist of working with all members to ensure the saving of various documents used throughout the existence of the association to reflect on the past history. The archive committee shall collect the minutes from the Secretary, financial statement from the Treasurer, the agenda from the professional committee, and other important documents. - **Arthur Foh**
- ❖ **Audit Committee** - This committee is responsible for auditing the books of the Association at the Spring meeting and at other times as the President may direct. Upon approval by present members, the books and funds of the organization will be turned over to the newly elected treasurer. - **David Valder - Blake Bostic - Jeff Knight**
- ❖ **Awards Committee** - The duties of this committee consist of working with the President in providing retiring members with an ACCFO plaque at one of the semi-annual meetings in accordance with Chapter III, Awards, Section B.
- **Doug Smith - Lance Ollivierre**
- ❖ **Constitutional Committee** - The chairman of this committee acts as parliamentarian of ACCFO. Recommendations for amendments in the constitution are presented to this committee for review prior to presentation to the Executive Committee. - **Russell Smyre - Tim Strickland**
- ❖ **Membership Committee** - This committee shall provide the leadership to ensure all members of the association participate in the activities whether it be district meetings, training sessions, and/or semi-annual meetings sponsored by the association.
- **Patricia Clark - Clarence Tate - Steven Garner - Timothy Lassiter - Vice Treasurer**
- ❖ **Nominating Committee** - The nominating committee shall present a slate of officers and Executive Committee members to the membership during the Spring semi-annual meeting. - **Lee Whittington - John Majernik - Timothy Lassiter**
- ❖ **Professional Development Committee** - The duties of this committee consist of working with the President in arranging workshops, seminars, and other desirable activities which contribute to the professional growth of the association and its members. - **Jerry Guerrier - Lance Ollivierre - Russell Smyre**
- ❖ **Site Committee** - This committee shall make their recommendation to the President, Executive Committee, and members at least one year in advance of the annual meeting. The committee shall provide the members with a date, time, location, and rates for accommodations for the following year annual meeting at the Fall Conference Meeting. - **Biff Hulsey - Danny Carpenter**
- ❖ **Vendor Committee** - The duties of this committee consist of working with the Professional Development Committee, site committee, and treasurer to formulate procedures and information to distribute to prospective vendors.
- **Keith Raker - Greg Long - Mike Raney**
- ❖ **Website Committee** - The website committee shall be responsible for content, layout, updating web pages, location of server, license fees, and providing all members access to any materials shown on the website (such as training materials, lists, forms, etc.). - **Ben Stewart - Terri Ashcraft**

New ACCFO Members

❖ Jeremy Webb - Halifax Community College - Jeremy was hired as Facilities Director - You can reach Jeremy at jwebb@halifaxcc.edu or 252.536.7250. Please take a few minutes to introduce yourself to Jeremy and welcome him to the ACCFO family.

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Vendor Wins Booth Space for 2019 ACCFO Conference

❖ Bo Hightower and Terri Ashcraft had a drawing at the Thursday's breakfast. It was a Vendor Drawing for a booth space at the 2019 ACCFO Fall Conference at Carolina Beach. Bo called out the ticket numbers, finally having a number of vendors standing with the same sequence of numbers before announcing Supreme Maintenance Organization as the grand prize winner. Diana Wilson came forth with the correct ticket number as indicated in the picture.

Congratulations...



Outstanding ACCFO Member



❖ Biff Hulsey, Alamance Community College was honored as the 2018 ACCFO Outstanding Member. Biff serves ACCFO as the Chairperson for the Site Committee and does an outstanding job.

ACCFO Scholarships

ACCFO District I Scholarship

Southwestern Community College

Marc Boberg

ACCFO District II Scholarship

Vance-Granville Community College

Ashley Roberson

ACCFO District III Scholarship

Bladen Community College

Junior Rideout

Brady Services Mike Bradley Scholarship

Central Carolina Community College



Presented by Ray Guffey

Mike Brady Fishing Rod was awarded by Ray Guffey to Jeremy Webb, Halifax Community College



New Community College President



RALEIGH – The State Board of Community Colleges today (Sept. 21) approved the selection of Dr. Darrin Hartness as president of Davidson County Community College.

A career educator and administrator, Hartness has spent the past seven years as superintendent of Davie County Schools. He earned his doctoral degree in educational leadership and master's degree in curriculum and instruction and instructional systems technology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He earned his bachelor's degree in industrial arts and secondary education from Appalachian State University.

Hartness will begin work at DCCC in January 2019, succeeding Dr. Mary Rittling, who is retiring in December after 15 years as president.

ACCFO Exhibitors



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