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## **AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL**

The Honorable Beverly E. Perdue, Governor The General Assembly of North Carolina Board of Trustees, Wake Technical Community College

We have completed a financial statement audit of Wake Technical Community College for the year ended June 30, 2011, and our audit results are included in this report. You will note from the independent auditor's report that we determined that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

The results of our tests disclosed no deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses in relation to our audit scope or any instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

*North Carolina General Statutes* require the State Auditor to make audit reports available to the public. Copies of audit reports issued by the Office of the State Auditor may be obtained through one of the options listed in the back of this report.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Trustees Wake Technical Community College Raleigh, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying basic financial statements of Wake Technical Community College, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the College's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and the significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, based on our audit, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Wake Technical Community College as of June 30, 2011, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 3, 2012 on our consideration of the College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

The Management's Discussion and Analysis, as listed in the table of contents, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Beth A. Wood, CPA

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State Auditor

February 3, 2012

# WAKE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Introduction

The following information provides a general overview of the financial statements and activities of Wake Technical Community College for the year ended June 30, 2011. The Management's Discussion & Analysis is required supplementary information (RSI) comparing data for the current and previous year. Significant capital asset activity and conditions expected to influence financial position and results of operations are also discussed. Contact the Division of Finance for additional information at 919-866-5901.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

The College's financial report includes three financial statements:

- The Statement of Net Assets
- The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets
- The Statement of Cash Flows

The Notes to the Financial Statements provide additional information required for an understanding of the financial statements.

Important characteristics of the financial statements include the following:

- The Statement of Net Assets is separated by current and noncurrent assets. The designation is also used in reporting liabilities. The term current is used to cover a time period of one year or less while noncurrent is considered to be a period of greater than one year.
- Revenues and expenses are categorized as either operating or nonoperating.
- Purchases of capital assets are expensed over the asset's useful life by the recognition of depreciation expense on the capital assets.
- Scholarships and fellowships applied to student accounts are discounted from revenue to avoid overstatement of tuition and fees.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements.

#### **Statement of Net Assets**

The following condensed Statement of Net Assets compares current year information with the prior year and indicates the categorical as well as overall percentage of increase or decrease.

	2011	2010	% Change
Assets			
Current Assets	\$ 21,410,789.45	\$ 13,363,615.43	60.22%
Noncurrent Assets	1,805,668.04	2,751,223.13	-34.37%
Capital Assets, Net	175,042,930.13	147,291,643.96	18.84%
Total Assets	198,259,387.62	163,406,482.52	21.33%
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	10,477,636.69	6,219,454.97	68.47%
Noncurrent Liabilities	2,128,732.82	1,987,506.68	7.11%
Total Liabilities	12,606,369.51	8,206,961.65	53.61%
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets	175,042,930.13	147,291,643.96	18.84%
Restricted - Expendable	3,782,976.68	1,402,716.26	169.69%
Unrestricted	6,827,111.30	6,505,160.65	4.95%
Total Net Assets	\$ 185,653,018.11	\$ 155,199,520.87	19.62%

# **Analysis of Statement of Net Assets Comparison**

The Statement of Net Assets measures the value of all the College's assets after deducting liabilities and depreciation. Current assets consist of inventories, cash, prepaid items, and receivables expected to be collected within the next accounting cycle. Noncurrent assets consist of receivables estimated to be collected beyond the next fiscal year, receivables related to capital projects and also capital assets. Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, funds held for others, unearned revenue, and the current portion of accrued compensated absences comprise most of current liabilities. Noncurrent liabilities represent accrued compensated absences not expected to be used within the next twelve months and the noncurrent portion of obligations for pollution remediation. The amounts for compensated absences reflect a last-in, first-out Invested in capital assets consists primarily of buildings, infrastructure, and equipment with a unit purchase cost of \$5,000 or greater and an expected life exceeding one year. Other equipment is expensed in the year of purchase. Restricted net assets are separated from unrestricted because external sources exert control over their use. Current assets rose because funds set aside for operating the newest building addition at North Campus were not completely exhausted. Current assets also rose due to an increase in receivables for construction project reimbursements. The decrease in noncurrent assets was due to a decrease in the noncurrent receivables balance related to construction projects. The majority of the increase in capital assets was related to increased capital projects and completed buildings throughout FY 2011. Capital assets continue to grow in conjunction with the building program at the Northern Wake Campus and a new building and parking deck at the Health Science Campus. The increase in current liabilities is a result of an increase in accounts payable for construction projects. Noncurrent liabilities reflect an increase in compensated absences, which increased due to the additional employees hired in FY 2011.

# Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets

The following condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets compares current year information with the prior year and indicates the categorical as well as overall percentage of increase or decrease.

		2011		2010	% Change
Operating Revenues					
Student Tuition and Fees, Net	\$	19,705,542.28	\$	17,888,330.53	10.16%
Other Operating Revenues		1,687,255.91		1,378,133.50	22.43%
Total Operating Revenues		21,392,798.19		19,266,464.03	11.04%
Operating Expenses					
Salaries and Benefits		77,876,218.62		70,944,728.47	9.77%
Supplies and Materials		11,678,868.37		8,399,032.36	39.05%
Services		11,067,701.99		10, 249, 984.55	7.98%
Scholarships and Fellowships		19,855,838.76		14, 191, 438.02	39.91%
Other Operating Expenses	_	5,416,667.26		4,635,862.70	16.84%
Total Operating Expenses		125,895,295.00		108,421,046.10	16.12%
Operating Loss		(104,502,496.81)		(89, 154, 582.07)	17.21%
Nonoperating Revenues					
State Aid		49,714,404.14		48,978,080.50	1.50%
County Appropriations		16,011,475.00		16,573,924.41	-3.39%
Noncapital Grants-Federal Student Financial Aid		24,868,580.13		15,899,248.89	56.41%
Other Net Nonoperating Revenues		4,759,966.01		4,947,946.14	-3.80%
Net Nonoperating Revenues		95,354,425.28		86,399,199.94	10.36%
State Capital Aid		3,617,551.94		3,996,777.63	-9.49%
County Capital Aid		35,966,815.83		14, 102, 919.44	155.03%
Capital Grants		17,201.00		1,078.25	1495.27%
Increase in Net Assets		30,453,497.24		15,345,393.19	98.45%
Net Assets					
Net assets - July 1		155, 199,520.87	_	139,854,127.68	10.97%
Net assets - June 30	\$	185,653,018.11	\$	155, 199,520.87	19.62%

# Analysis of Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets Comparison

Transactions reflected in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets have a direct correlation to changes in total net assets recorded on the Statement of Net Assets. Operating revenues and expenses are segregated into individual sections of the statement. Student tuition and fees, adjusted for scholarship discounts, accounted for the largest portion of the increase in operating revenues and was directly related to enrollment growth. Salary and fringe benefits expenses are the predominant operating expense and grew as the result of positions added to accommodate student enrollment growth. Increases in supplies & materials were caused by the additional materials purchased for the Health Science Campus and Northern Wake Campus that did not qualify for capitalization. Service contracts and Pell grants form the major components of services and scholarships and fellowships. Pell

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

grant awards grew in relation to the previous year partially due to the state of the economy. The largest components of nonoperating revenues are State and County aid. State aid for current operations rose in concert with student enrollment. Grants from the Department of Education, mostly Pell grants, and the National Science Foundation (NSF) comprise additional Federal revenue classified as noncapital grants, both student financial aid and other. State capital aid remained low in proportion to County capital aid because the majority of construction on the Northern Wake Campus is now financed with County bond funds. The increase in capital grants was due to an increase of spending for smaller construction projects not related to capital construction.

# **Capital Assets**

The following schedule compares capital assets for the fiscal years 2011 and 2010, net of accumulated depreciation.

	 2011	2010	% Change
Land	\$ 17,826,680.21	\$ 17,826,680.21	0.00%
Construction in Progress	24,672,068.89	13,068,436.82	88.79%
Buildings	119,550,568.77	106,018,048.97	12.76%
General Infrastructure	6,702,763.79	4,906,362.77	36.61%
Machinery and Equipment	 6,290,848.47	 5,472,115.19	14.96%
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$ 175,042,930.13	\$ 147,291,643.96	18.84%

# **Analysis of Capital Assets Comparison**

Construction in progress consists primarily of Building E at Northern Wake Campus and a new building and parking deck at the Health Sciences Campus. Buildings increased due to the completion of the renovation project at the Public Safety Education Campus and the addition to the Physical Education Building on Main Campus. General infrastructure increased as a result of parking lot improvements on Main Campus and North Campus. The increase in equipment is related to purchases for renovations and additional instructional and computer equipment.

## **Economic Outlook and Effects on Financial Position**

The FTE's that generate the College's State budget showed unprecedented growth over the previous year and mirrored NCCC System-wide growth fueled by the economic downturn.

Instruction Area	2011 FTE'S	2010 FTE'S	% Change
Curriculum	13,197	11,522	14.54%
Occupational	1,757	1,545	13.72%
Basic Skills	1,475	1,299	13.55%
Total FTE'S	16,429	14,366	14.36%
(Full-Time Equivalents)			

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONCLUDED)

The effects of the recession continued during fiscal year 2010-11. The recovery has been slow and the US and NC unemployment rates have remained above 9% through most of 2011. Wake Tech experienced 14% FTE enrollment growth during fiscal year 2010-11 which resulted in an increase in funding for fiscal year 2011-12. However, NC Community College budgets were reduced by Management Flexibility Reductions and the Colleges are required to hold 2% of their budgets in reserve for possible reversion later in the fiscal year. Wake Tech continues to monitor budget and expenditures carefully to ensure that the funds are spent prudently and the College operates effectively and efficiently.

# Wake Technical Community College Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2011

Exhibit A-1

ASSETS Current Assets:     Cash and Cash Equivalents     Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents     Receivables, Net (Note 3)     Inventories     Prepaid Items	\$ 12,199,740.35 1,487,148.70 7,632,210.20 90,032.20 1,658.00
Total Current Assets	21,410,789.45
Noncurrent Assets: Receivables (Note 3) Restricted Due from Primary Government Capital Assets - Nondepreciable (Note 4) Capital Assets - Depreciable, Net (Note 4)	1,685,942.71 119,725.33 42,498,749.10 132,544,181.03
Total Noncurrent Assets	176,848,598.17
Total Assets	198,259,387.62
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities:    Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (Note 5)    Unearned Revenue    Funds Held for Others    Long-Term Liabilities - Current Portion (Note 6)	8,838,351.58 1,123,532.51 205,729.83 310,022.77
Total Current Liabilities	10,477,636.69
Noncurrent Liabilities: Long-Term Liabilities (Note 6)  Total Liabilities	2,128,732.82 12,606,369.51
NET ASSETS Invested in Capital Assets Restricted for: Expendable: Scholarships and Fellowships Loans Capital Projects Restricted for Specific Programs	175,042,930.13 13,415.07 57,166.18 1,561,845.30 1,352,419.09
Other	798,131.04
Unrestricted	6,827,111.30
Total Net Assets	\$ 185,653,018.11

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

# Wake Technical Community College Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

Exhibit A-2

REVENUES Operating Revenues: Student Tuition and Fees, Net (Note 8) State and Local Grants and Contracts Sales and Services (Note 8) Other Operating Revenues	\$ 19,705,542.28 481,518.01 1,171,237.90 34,500.00
Total Operating Revenues	21,392,798.19
EXPENSES Operating Expenses: Salaries and Benefits Supplies and Materials Services Scholarships and Fellowships	77,876,218.62 11,678,868.37 11,067,701.99 19,855,838.76
Utilities	2,097,126.01
Depreciation	3,319,541.25
Total Operating Expenses	125,895,295.00
Operating Loss	(104,502,496.81)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) State Aid County Appropriations Noncapital Grants - Federal Student Financial Aid Noncapital Grants Noncapital Gifts Investment Income Other Nonoperating Expenses	49,714,404.14 16,011,475.00 24,868,580.13 4,641,199.87 142,990.16 14,654.05 (38,878.07)
Net Nonoperating Revenues	95,354,425.28
Loss Before Other Revenues	(9,148,071.53)
State Capital Aid County Capital Aid Capital Grants	3,617,551.94 35,966,815.83 17,201.00
Increase in Net Assets	30,453,497.24
NET ASSETS Net Assets, July 1, 2010	155,199,520.87
Net Assets, June 30, 2011	\$ 185,653,018.11

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Wake Technical Community College	
Statement of Cash Flows	
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 201	11

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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Received from Customers Payments to Employees and Fringe Benefits Payments to Vendors and Suppliers Payments for Scholarships and Fellowships Other Receipts	\$ 21,230,258.23 (77,811,261.60) (24,006,249.65) (19,855,838.76) 220,403.86
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(100,222,687.92)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES  State Aid Received County Appropriations Noncapital Grants - Student Financial Aid Noncapital Grants Received Noncapital Gifts and Endowments Received William D. Ford Direct Lending Receipts William D. Ford Direct Lending Disbursements	49,714,404.14 16,011,475.00 24,837,635.61 4,595,451.30 142,990.16 21,930,321.00 (22,134,542.98)
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	95,097,734.23
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED  FINANCING ACTIVITIES  State Capital Aid Received County Capital Aid Capital Grants Received Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	3,665,144.91 33,183,667.05 17,201.00 (27,475,784.92)
Net Cash Provided by Capital and Related Financing Activities	9,390,228.04
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Investment Income	14,654.05
Cash Provided by Investing Activities	14,654.05
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1, 2010	4,279,928.40 9,406,960.65
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30, 2011	\$ 13,686,889.05

# Wake Technical Community College Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2011

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TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Operating Loss \$ (104,502,496.81)  Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:  Depreciation Expense 3,319,541.25  Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income 47,190.33  Changes in Assets and Liabilities:  Receivables, Net 4,784.92  Inventories (15,884.55)  Prepaid Items 1,658.00  Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities 791,347.26  Unearned Revenue (56,132.20)  Funds Held for Others 62,020.85
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:  Depreciation Expense 3,319,541.25 Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income 47,190.33 Changes in Assets and Liabilities: Receivables, Net 4,784.92 Inventories (15,884.55) Prepaid Items 1,658.00 Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities 791,347.26 Unearned Revenue (56,132.20)
Depreciation Expense       3,319,541.25         Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income       47,190.33         Changes in Assets and Liabilities:       4,784.92         Inventories       (15,884.55)         Prepaid Items       1,658.00         Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities       791,347.26         Unearned Revenue       (56,132.20)
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:  Receivables, Net Inventories Prepaid Items Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities Unearned Revenue  4,784.92 (15,884.55) (15,884.55) 791,347.26 (56,132.20)
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Pollution Remediation Payable 7,013.69
Compensated Absences 118,269.34
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities \$\(\(\frac{100,222,687.92}{2}\)
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Current Assets:
Cash and Cash Equivalents \$ 12,199,740.35
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents 1,487,148.70
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Total Cash and Cash Equivalents - June 30, 2011 \$\frac{13,686,889.05}{2011}\$
NONCASH INVESTING, CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES
Assets Acquired through Assumption of a Liability \$ 5,741,560.97
Increase in Receivables Related to Nonoperating Income 2,859,841.87
Capital Asset Write-Offs 86,068.40

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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# WAKE TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2011

# NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**A. Financial Reporting Entity** - The concept underlying the definition of the financial reporting entity is that elected officials are accountable to their constituents for their actions. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the financial reporting entity includes both the primary government and all of its component units. An organization other than a primary government serves as a nucleus for a reporting entity when it issues separate financial statements. Wake Technical Community College is a component unit of the State of North Carolina and an integral part of the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

The accompanying financial statements present all funds for which the College's Board of Trustees is financially accountable. Related foundations and similar nonprofit corporations for which the College is not financially accountable or for which the nature of their relationship is not considered significant to the College are not part of the accompanying financial statements.

**B.** Basis of Presentation - The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments, as amended by GASB Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for Public Colleges and Universities, the full scope of the College's activities is considered to be a single business-type activity and accordingly, is reported within a single column in the basic financial statements.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 20, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Proprietary Funds and Other Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting, the College does not apply Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements issued after November 30, 1989, unless the GASB amends its pronouncements to specifically adopt FASB pronouncements issued after that date.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**C. Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements of the College have been prepared using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred, regardless of the timing of the cash flows.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the College receives (or gives) value without directly giving (or receiving) equal value in exchange includes State appropriations, certain grants, and donations. Revenues are recognized, net of estimated uncollectible amounts, as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met, if probable of collection.

- **D.** Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification includes undeposited receipts, petty cash, cash on deposit with private bank accounts, and money market accounts.
- **E.** Receivables Receivables consist of tuition and fees charged to students and charges for auxiliary enterprises' sales and services. Receivables also include amounts due from the federal government, State and local governments, and private sources in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to contracts and grants. Receivables are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.
- **F. Inventories** Inventories, consisting of expendable supplies, are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method.
- **G.** Capital Assets Capital assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition or fair value at date of donation in the case of gifts. The value of assets constructed includes all material direct and indirect construction costs.

The College capitalizes assets that have a value or cost of \$5,000 or greater at the date of acquisition and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Library books are generally not considered to have a useful life of more than one year unless part of a collection and are expensed in the year of acquisition.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 50 years for general infrastructure, 50 years for buildings, and 5 to 25 years for equipment.

**H.** Restricted Assets - Certain resources are reported as restricted assets because restrictions on asset use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Resources that are not available for current operations and are reported as restricted include resources restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets and resources whose use is limited by external parties or statute.

- I. Noncurrent Long-Term Liabilities Noncurrent long-term liabilities include compensated absences and pollution remediation payable that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.
- J. Compensated Absences The College's policy is to record the cost of vacation leave when earned. The policy provides for a maximum accumulation of unused vacation leave of 30 days which can be carried forward each January 1 or for which an employee can be paid upon termination of employment. When classifying compensated absences into current and noncurrent, leave is considered taken using a last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. Also, any accumulated vacation leave in excess of 30 days at year-end is converted to sick leave. Under this policy, the accumulated vacation leave for each employee at June 30 equals the leave carried forward at the previous December 31 plus the leave earned, less the leave taken between January 1 and June 30.

In addition to the vacation leave described above, compensated absences include the accumulated unused portion of the special annual leave bonuses awarded by the North Carolina General Assembly. The bonus leave balance on December 31 is retained by employees and transferred into the next calendar year. It is not subject to the limitation on annual leave carried forward described above and is not subject to conversion to sick leave.

There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave because the College has no obligation to pay sick leave upon termination or retirement. However, additional service credit for retirement pension benefits is given for accumulated sick leave upon retirement.

**K. Net Assets** - The College's net assets are classified as follows:

**Invested in Capital Assets** - This represents the College's total investment in capital assets.

**Restricted Net Assets - Expendable -** Expendable restricted net assets include resources for which the College is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties.

**Unrestricted Net Assets** - Unrestricted net assets include resources derived from student tuition and fees, sales and services, unrestricted gifts, and interest income.

Restricted and unrestricted resources are tracked using a fund accounting system and are spent in accordance with established fund authorities. Fund authorities provide rules for the fund activity and are separately established for restricted and unrestricted activities. When both restricted

and unrestricted funds are available for expenditure, the decision for funding is transactional based within the departmental management system in place at the College.

- L. Scholarship Discounts Student tuition and fees revenues and certain other revenues from College charges are reported net of scholarship discounts in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. The scholarship discount is the difference between the actual charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount that is paid by students or by third parties on the students' behalf. Student financial assistance grants, such as Pell grants, and other federal, State, or nongovernmental programs, are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. To the extent that revenues from these programs are used to satisfy tuition, fees, and other charges, the College has recorded a scholarship discount.
- M. Revenue and Expense Recognition The College classifies its revenues and expenses as operating or nonoperating in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the College's principal ongoing operations. Operating revenues include activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, and (3) certain federal, State, and local grants and contracts. Operating expenses are all expense transactions incurred other than those related to capital and noncapital financing or investing activities as defined by GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.

Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions. Revenues from nonexchange transactions and State aid that represent subsidies or gifts to the College, as well as investment income, are considered nonoperating since these are either investing, capital, or noncapital financing activities. Capital contributions are presented separately after nonoperating revenues and expenses.

**N.** County Appropriations - County appropriations are provided to the College primarily to fund its plant operation and maintenance function and to fund construction projects, motor vehicle purchases, and maintenance of equipment. Unexpended county current appropriation and county capital appropriation do not revert and are available for future use by the College.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS

All funds of the College are deposited in board-designated official depositories and are required to be collateralized in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 115D-58.7. Official depositories may be established with any bank or savings and loan association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the College may establish time deposit accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. The amount shown on the Statement of Net Assets as cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand at June 30, 2011 totaling \$5,050.00. The carrying amount of the College's deposits not with the State Treasurer was \$13,681,839.05, and the bank balance was \$15,742,175.10.

The North Carolina Administrative Code (20 NCAC 7) requires all depositories to collateralize public deposits in excess of federal depository insurance coverage by using one of two methods, dedicated or pooled. Under the dedicated method, a separate escrow account is established by each depository in the name of each local governmental unit and the responsibility of monitoring collateralization rests with the local unit. Under the pooling method, each depository establishes an escrow account in the name of the State Treasurer to secure all of its public deposits. This method shifts the monitoring responsibility from the local unit to the State Treasurer.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the College's deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2011, the College's bank balance in excess of federal depository insurance coverage was covered under the pooling method.

#### NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2011 were as follows:

	Gross Receivables	Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	Net Receivables
Current Receivables: Students Intergovernmental	\$ 1,409,639.37 6,372,271.83	\$ 149,701.00	\$ 1,259,938.37 6,372,271.83
Total Current Receivables	\$ 7,781,911.20	\$ 149,701.00	\$ 7,632,210.20
Noncurrent Receivables: Intergovernmental	\$ 1,685,942.71	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,685,942.71

# NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in the capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2011 is presented as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2010	Increases	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2011
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable: Land Construction in Progress	\$ 17,826,680.21 13,068,436.82	\$ 0.00 29,134,416.77	\$ 0.00 17,530,784.70	\$ 17,826,680.21 24,672,068.89
Total Capital Assets, Nondepreciable	30,895,117.03	29,134,416.77	17,530,784.70	42,498,749.10
Capital Assets, Depreciable: Buildings Machinery and Equipment General Infrastructure	125,308,304.00 8,695,388.11 6,054,313.56	16,200,692.86 1,415,715.04 1,936,855.85	705,704.55	141,508,996.86 9,405,398.60 7,991,169.41
Total Capital Assets, Depreciable	140,058,005.67	19,553,263.75	705,704.55	158,905,564.87
Less Accumulated Depreciation for: Buildings Machinery and Equipment General Infrastructure	19,290,255.03 3,223,272.92 1,147,950.79	2,668,173.06 510,913.36 140,454.83	619,636.15	21,958,428.09 3,114,550.13 1,288,405.62
Total Accumulated Depreciation	23,661,478.74	3,319,541.25	619,636.15	26,361,383.84
Total Capital Assets, Depreciable, Net	116,396,526.93	16,233,722.50	86,068.40	132,544,181.03
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 147,291,643.96	\$ 45,368,139.27	\$ 17,616,853.10	\$ 175,042,930.13

# NOTE 5 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities at June 30, 2011 were as follows:

		Amount
Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll	\$	1,246,593.33 1,850,197.28
Accounts Payable - Capital Assets	Φ.	5,741,560.97
Total Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$	8,838,351.58

# NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

**A.** Changes in Long-Term Liabilities - A summary of changes in the long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2011 is presented as follows:

	_	Balance July 1, 2010	Additions R			Reductions	Balance June 30, 2011	Current Portion	
Compensated Absences Pollution Remediation Payable	\$	2,156,730.36 156,742.20	\$	2,320,040.86 75,580.78	\$	2,201,771.52 68,567.09	\$ 2,274,999.70 163,755.89	\$ 293,647.18 16,375.59	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$	2,313,472.56	\$	2,395,621.64	\$	2,270,338.61	\$ 2,438,755.59	\$ 310,022.77	

**B.** Pollution Remediation Payable - The College has recognized a pollution remediation liability for two Underground Storage Tanks. The tanks were removed in 1994 and the site was remediated as required at that time. During 2005, North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NCDENR) required the College to obtain a limited site assessment. Based on the results of this assessment, NCDENR required the College to obtain a comprehensive site assessment. The amount of the estimated liability is \$700,000.00. This estimate was calculated using information provided by the company that prepared the site assessment. The amount of the estimated recoveries for this estimated liability is \$490,000.00.

### NOTE 7 - OPERATING LEASE OBLIGATIONS

The College entered into operating leases for Western Wake Campus facilities and equipment. Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases consist of the following at June 30, 2011:

Fiscal Year	Amount
2012	\$ 890,084.24
2013	881,954.81
2014	776,309.64
2015	793,432.50
2016	809,301.12
2017-2021	4,295,868.48
2022-2026	451,190.40
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 8,898,141.19

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$1,255,303.75.

# NOTE 8 - REVENUES

A summary of eliminations and allowances by revenue classification is presented as follows:

	 Gross Revenues	_	Less Scholarship Discounts	-	Less Allowance for Incollectibles	Net Revenues
Operating Revenues:						
Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 27,155,739.74	\$	7,435,672.46	\$	14,525.00	\$ 19,705,542.28
Sales and Services: Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises:						
Bookstore Vending Other	\$ 958,076.78 189,538.76 23,622.36	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 958,076.78 189,538.76 23,622.36
Total Sales and Services	\$ 1,171,237.90	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$ 1,171,237.90

#### NOTE 9 - OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

The College's operating expenses by functional classification are presented as follows:

		Salaries and		Supplies and				Scholarships and						
	_	Benefits	_	Materials		Services		Fellowships		Utilities		Depreciation	_	Total
Instruction	\$	46,696,755.33	\$	7,219,820.46	\$	1,288,012.57	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	\$	55,204,588.36
Public Service		23,142.06				15,242.49								38,384.55
Academic Support		12,721,105.83		332,800.22		467,890.31								13,521,796.36
Student Services		7,684,142.07		180,135.18		698,075.70								8,562,352.95
Institutional Support		9,029,228.59		786,568.13		2,055,184.96								11,870,981.68
Operations and Maintenance of Plant		1,721,844.74		3,155,357.46		6,239,048.77				2,097,126.01				13,213,376.98
Student Financial Aid						105,528.19		19,855,838.76						19,961,366.95
Auxiliary Enterprises				4,186.92		198,719.00								202,905.92
Depreciation			_		_		_		_		_	3,319,541.25	_	3,319,541.25
Total Operating Expenses	\$	77,876,218.62	\$	11,678,868.37	\$	11,067,701.99	\$	19,855,838.76	\$	2,097,126.01	\$	3,319,541.25	\$	125,895,295.00

#### NOTE 10 - PENSION PLANS

A. Retirement Plans - Each permanent full-time employee, as a condition of employment, is a member of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan established by the State to provide pension benefits for employees of the State, its component units and local boards of education. The Plan is administered by the North Carolina State Treasurer.

Benefit and contribution provisions for the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are established by *North Carolina General Statutes* 135-5 and 135-8 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Employer and member contribution rates are set each year by the North Carolina General Assembly based on annual actuarial valuations. For the year ended June 30, 2011, these rates were set at 4.93% of covered payroll for employers and 6% of covered payroll for members.

For the current fiscal year, the College had a total payroll of \$62,208,930.57, of which \$50,559,581.00 was covered under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Total employer and employee contributions for pension benefits for the year were \$2,492,587.34 and \$3,033,574.86, respectively.

Required employer contribution rates for the years ended June 30, 2010, and 2009, were 3.57% and 3.36%, respectively, while employee contributions were 6% each year. The College made 100% of its annual

required contributions for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009, which were \$2,492,587.34, \$1,695,347.57, and \$1,543,001.06, respectively.

The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System's financial information is included in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page http://www.osc.nc.gov/ and clicking on "Reports," or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

Deferred Compensation and Supplemental Retirement Income Plans - IRC Section 457 Plan - The State of North Carolina offers its permanent employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 through the North Carolina Public Employee Deferred Compensation Plan (the Plan). The Plan permits each participating employee to defer a portion of his or her salary until future years. The deferred compensation is available to employees upon separation from service, death, disability, retirement, or financial hardships if approved by the Board of Trustees of the Plan. The Board, a part of the North Carolina Department of Administration, maintains a separate fund for the exclusive benefit of the participating employees and their beneficiaries, the North Carolina Public Employee Deferred Compensation Trust Fund. The Board also contracts with an external third party to perform certain administrative requirements and to manage the trust fund's assets. All costs of administering and funding the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$166,625.00 for the year ended June 30, 2011.

IRC Section 401(k) Plan - All members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are eligible to enroll in the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan, a defined contribution plan, created under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). All costs of administering the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$985,848.00 for the year ended June 30, 2011.

IRC Section 403(b) and 403(b)(7) Plans - Eligible College employees can participate in tax sheltered annuity plans created under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 403(b)(7). The employee's eligible contributions, made through salary reduction agreements, are exempt from federal and State income taxes until the annuity is received or the contributions are withdrawn. These plans are exclusively for employees of colleges and certain charitable and other nonprofit institutions. All

costs of administering and funding these plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$456,137.23 for the year ended June 30, 2011.

## NOTE 11 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Health Benefits - The College participates in the Comprehensive Major Medical Plan (the Plan), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit health care plan that provides postemployment health insurance to eligible former employees. Eligible former employees include long-term disability beneficiaries of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina and retirees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Coverage eligibility varies depending on years of contributory membership service in their retirement system prior to disability or retirement.

The Plan's benefit and contribution provisions are established by *North Carolina General Statute* 135-7 and Chapter 135, Article 3A, of the General Statutes and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases.

By General Statute, a Retiree Health Benefit Fund (the Fund) has been established as a fund in which accumulated contributions from employers and any earnings on those contributions shall be used to provide health benefits to retired and disabled employees and applicable beneficiaries. By statute, the Fund is administered by the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System and contributions to the Fund are irrevocable. Also by law, Fund assets are dedicated to providing benefits to retired and disabled employees and applicable beneficiaries and are not subject to the claims of creditors of the employers making contributions to the Fund. Contribution rates to the Fund, which are intended to finance benefits and administrative expenses on a pay-as-you-go basis, are determined by the General Assembly.

For the current fiscal year the College contributed 4.9% of the covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to the Fund. Required contribution rates for the years ended June 30, 2010, and 2009, were 4.5% and 4.1%, respectively. The College made 100% of its annual required contributions to the Plan for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009, which were \$2,477,419.47, \$2,136,992.74, and \$1,882,828.68, respectively. The College assumes no liability for retiree health care benefits provided by the programs other than its required contribution.

Additional detailed information about these programs can be located in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page <a href="http://www.osc.nc.gov/">http://www.osc.nc.gov/</a> and clicking on "Reports," or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

**B. Disability Income** - The College participates in the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina (DIPNC), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan, to provide short-term and long-term disability benefits to eligible members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Benefit and contribution provisions are established by Chapter 135, Article 6, of the General Statutes, and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases.

Disability income benefits are funded by actuarially determined employer contributions that are established by the General Assembly. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011, the College made a statutory contribution of .52% of covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System to the DIPNC. Required contribution rates for the years ended June 30, 2010, and 2009, were .52% and .52%, respectively. The College made 100% of its annual required contributions to the DIPNC for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009, which were \$262,909.82, \$246,941.38, and \$238,797.78, respectively. The College assumes no liability for long-term disability benefits under the Plan other than its contribution.

Additional detailed information about the DIPNC is disclosed in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

#### NOTE 12 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are handled via a combination of methods, including participation in State-administered insurance programs, purchase of commercial insurance, and self-retention of certain risks. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

Tort claims of up to \$1,000,000 are retained under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. In addition, the State provides excess public officers' and employees' liability insurance up to \$10,000,000 via contract with a private

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insurance company. The North Carolina Community College System Office pays the premium, based on a composite rate, directly to the private insurer.

Fire and other property losses are covered by contracts with private insurance companies. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

State-owned vehicles are covered by liability insurance through a private insurance company and handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance. The liability limits for losses are \$1,000,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 per occurrence. The College pays premiums to the North Carolina Department of Insurance for the coverage. Liability insurance for other College-owned vehicles is covered by contracts with private insurance companies.

The College is protected for losses from employee dishonesty and computer fraud for employees paid in whole or in part from State funds. This coverage is with a private insurance company and is handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance. North Carolina Community College System Office is charged a premium by the private insurance company. Coverage limit is \$5,000,000 per occurrence. The private insurance company pays 90% of each loss less a \$75,000 deductible. The honesty bond for other employees is covered by contracts with private insurance companies.

The College purchased public officers' and employees' liability coverage of \$11,000,000 from a private insurance company through the North Carolina Department of Insurance.

College employees and retirees are provided comprehensive major medical care benefits. Coverage is funded by contributions to the State Health Plan (Plan), a discretely presented component unit of the State of North Carolina. The Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions. The Plan has contracted with third parties to process claims.

The State Board of Community Colleges makes the necessary arrangements to carry out the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act which are applicable to employees whose wages are paid in whole or in part from State funds. The College purchases workers' compensation insurance for employees whose salaries or wages are paid by the Board entirely from county or institutional funds.

Term life insurance (death benefits) of \$25,000 to \$50,000 is provided to eligible workers. This Death Benefit Plan is administered by the State Treasurer and funded via employer contributions. The employer contribution rate was .16% for the current fiscal year.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

Additional details on the State-administered risk management programs are disclosed in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, issued by the Office of the State Controller.

## NOTE 13 - COMMITMENTS

The College has established an encumbrance system to track its outstanding commitments on construction projects and other purchases. Outstanding commitments on construction contracts were \$24,746,321.78 and on other purchases were \$1,105,117.07 at June 30, 2011.

#### NOTE 14 - RELATED PARTIES

- A. Foundation The Wake Technical Community College Foundation is a separately incorporated nonprofit foundation associated with the College. This organization serves as the primary fundraising arm of the College through which individuals, corporations, and other organizations support College programs by providing scholarships, fellowships, faculty salary supplements, and unrestricted funds to specific departments and the College's overall academic environment. The College's financial statements do not include the assets, liabilities, net assets, or operational transactions of the Foundation, except for support from the Foundation. This support approximated \$142,980 for the year ended June 30, 2011.
- **B.** Contracted Services The College has contracted with Waste Industries for trash removal since 1986. Mr. Jim Perry, CEO of Waste Industries, was appointed to the Wake Technical Community College Board of Trustees by the Wake County Board of Education in November 2002. Payments to Waste Industries for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011 amounted to \$96,247.77.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Trustees Wake Technical Community College Raleigh, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of Wake Technical Community College, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated February 3, 2012.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the College's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the College's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

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# **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the College's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management of the College, the Board of Trustees, others within the entity, the State Board of Community Colleges, the Governor, the General Assembly, and the State Controller, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Beth A. Wood, CPA

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State Auditor

February 3, 2012

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