

## State Level News

State Board of Community Colleges met January 19<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Don Reichard, reporting on behalf of the N.C. Association of Community College Presidents, offered some observations on the future of **intercollegiate athletics** in the community college system; he compared nationwide and statewide statistics revealing participation in intercollegiate athletics.

Dr. Larry Keen conducted a presentation on the **Pipeline North Carolina** Feasibility Study. Pipeline is a web-based technology platform for bettering direct connections between students and businesses in the state. Keen not only demonstrated the need for such a product, but also provided a video tutorial on how Pipeline would function. Implementation of such a program is dependent on funding.

The Finance and Capital Needs Committee requested funding for the North Carolina **Education Insight Project for Teaching and Nursing**. The project is the first of its kind and aims to create an education database encompassing K-20 grades; it will standardize the type of information collected about students.

The death of **Dr. Dallas Herring** (1916-2007), the father of the North Carolina Community College system, was mentioned numerous times, and the process to create a statue to honor him continues.

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