

CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 16, 2003, 12:00 NOON
SPECIAL MEETING

PRESENT: Chairman Talmage S. Baggett, Jr.
Vice Chairman Jeannette Council
Commissioner Breeden Blackwell
Commissioner Kenneth S. Edge
Commissioner John Henley
Commissioner J. Lee Warren, Jr.
James Martin, County Manager
Amy Cannon, Asst. County Manager
Grainger Barrett, County Attorney
Marsha Fogle, Clerk to the Board
Members, FTCC Board of Trustees
Dr. Larry Norris, President, FTCC
Staff, FTCC

This special meeting was called in response to an invitation from the FTCC Board of Trustees to the Board of Commissioners for a luncheon on today's date. The purpose of the luncheon was for Dr. Norris to review FTCC's proposed budget for fiscal year 2004.

Dr. Norris noted that while the war is having an impact on our economy, growth at FTCC is about 9%, the same as last year. He said FTCC is asking the Board of Commissioners for a 5.4% increase over the FY01-02 budget, as follows:

Current Expense:	\$6,373,347 (increase of \$600,381)
Capital Outlay:	\$500,000

The current expense increase is for a cost of living (3%) for FTCC employees and an anticipated increase in the cost of utilities for FY2004.

Capital outlay monies would be used primarily to replace an antiquated phone system.

Dr. Norris noted that 2006 is the last year of the bond program and because there has to be a match it is unclear as to whether FTCC would be able to draw down the entire \$35 million.

Commissioner Edge inquired if state-wide school bond money is in jeopardy. Dr. Norris said it was not.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:00 PM.

Marsha Fogle, Clerk to the Board