



President's Executive Cabinet
Meeting Minutes
July 1, 2026

Attendees: Dr. Joe Whitmore, Mr. David Thompson, Ms. Shelley Smith, Dr. Greg Randall, Mr. Jason Cannon

Absent:

Old Business

1. Bevill Renovation

- Last Friday was the first meeting with the architect.
- Dr. Whitmore reported on his meeting with Chancellor Jimmy Baker about the renovation.
- The College is waiting on a notice to proceed.

2. Enrollment Update

- Fall enrollment head count is at 2,045, and credit hours are 17,727. According to Mr. Cannon, enrollment is trending ahead.
- The current head count for summer is 5,200. Credit hours are 31,264. The Mini II term started today. Registration ends Thursday.
- Parson Days conclude on Tuesday. This year's orientation had 491 students, compared to 445 in 2025 and 416 in 2024.

3. Facilities Update

- Mr. Thompson reviewed future changes to the dorm to better accommodate students. The plans include changing the shared bathroom between two rooms to a private bathroom for each room.
- The new carpet for the Chapel is expected to be delivered the second week in July.
- The kitchen area in the cafeteria is receiving a deep clean.

- The roofing project for the Maze Music Building is expected to begin soon.

New Business

1. Personnel Changes

- Librarian John Miller retired. Mr. Scott shared plans for the library that shouldn't be an issue with SACSCOC. Mr. Scott said a new employee will be hired to bridge the gap with learning resources and connect those resources to faculty and students. The position may possibly be an interim position for the coming year.
- The College has hired two new math instructors, one to be full-time in the Math Department and one who will be an instructor and an advisor. Both will start in August.
- Director of Workforce Development Teresa Walker retired Aug. 1, and Workforce Development/Career Technical Specialist Cherri Barnard retired June 30. The Workforce Development/Career Technical Specialist job was posted. The College received 24 applicants and narrowed those down to three who will return for a second interview.
- Mr. Scott announced his plans to retire within the year. An internal fellow position will be posted to find those with an interest in the position. Those chosen will shadow Mr. Scott for the year to learn the job.
- A position was posted for an Associate Dean for Health Sciences, whose primary responsibility will be to identify areas of growth within allied health.
- Jacob Hyde was hired as the part-time new Women's Head Basketball Coach.

2. Convocation

- The schedule will remain the same as last year. On Monday, Aug. 10, employees will be recognized for their service. Retirees will also be honored. New employees will be recognized. Breakfast will be service after.
- The State of the College will be on Tuesday, Aug. 11. The new employee luncheon will also be held at noon on Tuesday. The Cabinet has been asked to attend.

- Wednesday and Thursday are reserved for faculty meetings. The Family Picnic will be held around the gazebo on Thursday, Aug. 13, beginning at 5 p.m.

3. Commencement

- Dr. Whitmore asked the Cabinet to begin considering changes to the Commencement ceremony. The gym can no longer accommodate the crowd attending one ceremony, so it's time to hold more than one.
- Options to consider are holding fall and spring ceremonies, hold two spring ceremonies in one day, or hold two spring ceremonies on two separate days.

4. Open Discussion

- Randy Maltbie is not the Regional Information Technology Officer. He is full-time with the System Office. Snead's IT team is getting some professional development to help with the transition.
- Frank McDaniel has resigned from the Snead State Foundation Board of Directors. Bob Weathers will move up as chairman, and Shane Wilks will move into the vice-chair role.
- On a motion from Mr. Scott and a second from Mr. Thompson, the Cabinet unanimously approved writing and submitted a grant for workforce development career services for students. Notification of grant awards will be made in October. The College applied for \$107,000, which would cover the salary for one year along with professional development for a coordinator position.
- Mr. Scott asked for approval for a grant submitted by Art Instructor Michael Merry to the Alabama Fine Arts Commission for \$7,500 for fine arts projects or equipment with a 50/50 match. Mr. Cannon made the motion to approve. Dr. Randall second. The Cabinet approved unanimously.
- Snead State will host a Marshall County ARC Day on Wednesday, July 8 with activities that include social skills development. Lunch will be provided. Ms. Taylor Hayes is coordinating the event.
- The SkillsForge Summer Academy had 20 students participating, thanks to a STEAM grant. The academy was held at WACI for a week with Alexis Parker coordinating it.

- The Summer Bridge Program is completed. Thirty students were enrolled, and 24 students completed the program. The College is submitting a presentation proposal for the ACCA conference on the Bridge Program. The Adult Bridge Program begins in July.