

DATE: January 31, 2013

SUBJECT: Presentation of the Dyersburg State Community College Campus Master Plan

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Approval

The 2013 Dyersburg State Community College Master Plan will be presented by Carl Manka, Senior Director, Facilities Development, Research and Planning at the Tennessee Board of Regents. The master plan provides an overview of the institution’s current campus footprint and outlines plans to meet enrollment growth in the future. All master plans incorporate the THEC space planning guidelines which identify the types of space (i.e. classrooms and open labs) in which the campus has either a surplus or deficit. These guidelines help the campus identify the types of projects to be included in the master plan.

THEC encourages institutions to produce a master plan approximately every five years that addresses near, mid, and long-term needs of the campus with respect to building and land use, open space, vehicular circulation and parking, and land acquisition opportunities. The timing and means to address these needs will be dependent on available funding and the evolving needs of the campus.

The DSCC Master Plan provides a blueprint to accommodate enrollment growth at the Dyersburg, Covington, and Trenton campuses. DSCC had an FTE of 2,334 across the three campuses in 2011 with an FTE of 1,316 at the main campus. The DSCC Master Plan is based on projected FTE of 3,626 with an FTE of 1,860 the main campus. Located in metropolitan Memphis, the Covington campus is expected to grow rapidly, exceeding the growth rate of the main campus.

Enrollment growth at the main campus would require a new academic building and expansion of the Student Center and the Campus Activities Center. The Student Center is not sufficiently supporting the needs of current enrollment levels. Increased enrollment will also require road expansion and additional parking to support a larger number of vehicles.

The Covington campus currently consists of two academic buildings with a project for a third building underway. This building is anticipated to be completed in the spring of 2014. Enrollment projections would require the construction of three additional academic buildings on land currently owned by the school. Expanded parking and road construction to connect the new buildings to the campus and the adjacent roadways would also be necessary.

The Dyersburg State Community College Campus Master Plan has been thoroughly reviewed and THEC staff recommend it for approval.