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Louisburg College Welcomes New Class of Trustees

LOUISBURG, NC – Louisburg College is pleased to announce three new appointments to the College's Board of Trustees. Dr. Bobbie Richardson, Ms. Lynda C. Lumpkin, and Mr. Brian Wilder began their service in June 2012 for a term of four years.

"We are excited about the gifts and talents these individuals bring to the Board," says Louisburg College President Dr. Mark LaBranche. "Their willingness to serve is a reflection of the strong forward momentum we are experiencing as an institution."



Louisburg resident **Dr. Bobbie Richardson** brings with her a wealth of experience as an educator and school administrator, from her early days teaching in the Durham Public School System to her previous tenure as the Director of Exceptional Children for Warren County Schools. Currently, Dr. Richardson is the School Administrator for Licensure, Personnel, & Curriculum for the North Carolina Department of Corrections. A graduate of North Carolina Central University, in 2008 she received her doctorate in Education Leadership from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

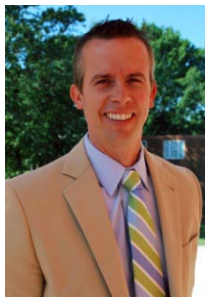
Dr. Richardson is a graduate of the Progress Energy Leadership Institute, and is a member of numerous civic and professional organizations. She also serves as the Social Action Commissioner for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., sits on the Franklin County School Board, and is a Sunday school teacher and trustee of Gillfield Missionary Baptist Church.



Also hailing from Louisburg, **Ms. Lynda C. Lumpkin** is a self-proclaimed "Louisburg College enthusiast," having served in the past as the College's Vice President of Institutional Advancement as well as spokesperson for the Learning Partners Program; she and her husband, Mr. James "Parker" Lumpkin, are longtime supporters of the College. The Community Gallery in

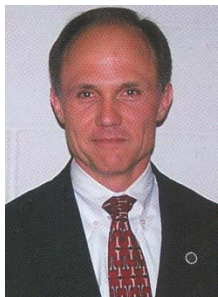
the Seby B. Jones Performing Arts Center is named in honor and memory of Edith Lumpkin, Mr. Lumpkin's mother and a former trustee of the College.

Originally from Maryland, Ms. Lumpkin is a graduate of Salem College in Winston-Salem, NC, and conducted graduate work in the fields of learning disabilities and statistics at Appalachian State University and North Carolina State University. Formerly a teacher in the Newton-Conover School System, she has been active in many creative and service-oriented capacities, including author, radio personality, PTA president, Sunday school teacher, cooking instructor, and Chair of Deacons at Louisburg Baptist Church.



Mr. Brian Wilder of Raleigh, NC, graduated from Louisburg College in 1994 prior to attending North Carolina State University. While at Louisburg, Mr. Wilder played basketball under Coach Enid Drake, and credits much of his success to the lessons he learned under Coach Drake's tutelage. Mr. Wilder recently made a major gift commitment to the Roger G. Taylor Athletic Center renovations in honor of Coach Drake.

As the Founder of Premiere Sports Travel, Mr. Wilder served as President of Premiere Sports Travel and Vice President of Gotickets.com LLC until he sold the two companies to a private equity firm in 2006. He remained on staff, and now serves as Executive Vice President of Premiere Global Sports Travel. Mr. Wilder also serves on the Board of Directors for the Jimmy V Celebrity Golf Classic.



The College is also pleased to name current trustee **Mr. Michael Boddie** as its new Chairman of the Board. Mr. Boddie of Rocky Mount, NC, is a 1977 graduate of Louisburg College and a 1979 graduate of East Carolina University with a B.S. degree in Business. Mr. Boddie is the President of Restaurant Operations at Boddie-Noell Enterprises, Inc. He is a member of and has served on the Executive Committee and Board of Deacons of First Baptist Church in Rocky Mount. He also serves on the Board of Directors of

Providence Bank.



Additionally, current trustee **Mr. Ely J. Perry, III** has stepped into the role of Vice Chairman. A native of Kinston, Mr. Perry is a 1984 graduate of Louisburg College and a 1986 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is president of Perry Management, Inc., a family-owned real estate development company in Kinston, is a member of the Disciples of Christ Christian Church, and is active in local civic and community organizations.



Current trustee and Louisburg native **Ms. Lucy T. Allen** will remain in her position as Secretary of the Board. Prior to her election to the North Carolina House of Representatives in 2002, she served as mayor of Louisburg from 1985 to 2001, and served on the Franklin County Board of Education from 1972 to 1980. In 2010, she resigned from the NC General Assembly after accepting an appointment to the North Carolina Utilities Commission by Governor Bev Perdue. Ms. Allen also serves as a member of the Z. Smith Reynolds Advisory Board, Person Place Preservation Society, and St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

About Louisburg College

Related by faith to The United Methodist Church, Louisburg College is the oldest two-year residential college in the nation, and the only one in North Carolina. With a student body of 700 students, over 90 percent of Louisburg graduates continue their education at four-year schools. Learn more at www.louisburg.edu.

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