



March 1, 1997, marks the beginning of new employment for George Fouts, left, and Dr. Ralph Soney, whom Fouts welcomes as new Division Head. PHOTO: RIANNE DISCH

Fouts leaving WCC, returning to GTCC

By RIANNE DISCH

Who is George Fouts? A problem solver? An administrator? An instructor?

Fouts is the Vice President of Academic Affairs at WCC, but he is returning to his former position at Guilford Technical Community College (GTCC) in Greensboro just as more and more students are realizing who he is.

Fouts said he tries to interact with faculty and students daily.

"I'll miss the close contact with the faculty and students that is not likely at GTCC," a school with a student population of about 10,000 contrasted with WCC's 2,600.

Fouts, who arrived in the summer of 1994, has made several contributions to the school: "I have encouraged new ways of teaching through new programs, new technology, and an overall change of perspective."

Fouts feels that there is much to miss here.

He said WCC is much like the community college where he began his career and he enjoys the close contact with faculty and students.

He is moving to Guilford County as Executive Vice President at Guilford Technical Community College, the same position he held at the same school when he left to come to WCC.

Curtis Shivar will serve as interim Vice President of Academic Affairs and Student Services with the assistance of Miriam Wessell until the position is filled.

Dr. Wilson, WCC President, hopes to have the position filled by June 1, 1997

Fouts is responsible for ensuring the quality and development of new and joint programs with Lenoir and Johnston Community colleges.

Fouts stated that he arrived here to teach, not to be an administrator. He has taught ORI 100, Study Skills, and Technical Writing.

"Fouts's greatest influence has been administrative efficiency. He always got answers to concerns," said Dave Meador, forestry instructor.

"I'm sorry to see him leave. He's done a lot for WCC. We've gotten a lot of ideas. I think we'll miss him," said Peggy Womble, mathematics instructor.

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Dr. Barnes said, "These current trends paint a dismal picture for advancing and achieving the goal of a genuine human community for which Dr. King lived and died."

Following the speech, Annette Hawkins, chair of the Diversity Task Force, presented Dr. Barnes with an award of appreciation.

In closing remarks Dr. Edward H. Wilson, Jr., President of WCC, recognized members of the Board of Trustees and the Foundation of WCC Board.

He thanked all who made the celebration possible: student performers and leaders, the Community Relations Committee, the Diversity Task Force, and the Multi-Cultural Association for Enrichment (MCAE).

The final musical selection, "Reach Out and Touch," was performed by Octavia Armond, Veronica George, and Lita Thomas, WCC students.

The celebration concluded with a soul food reception in the Student Lounge.



Marian Westbrook, English instructor, inserts her suggestion for WCC's new slogan, a contest which Phyllis Patterson, instructor in the Math Department won with her entry, "Quality You Can See." PHOTO: JOHN LAPOINT

Marketing Committee sponsors slogan contest

By REGGIE SWINSON

This past December, the Marketing Committee sponsored a slogan contest to promote WCC in advertising efforts.

Over 100 submissions were entered in the contest, according to Faye Best, co-chair of the committee.

A \$100 prize provided by the WCC Foundation was awarded to Phyllis Paterson, instructor in the Math Department.

According to Diane Price, also co-chair, "The Marketing Committee is working on a marketing plan which would guide marketing efforts over the next several years."

Quality You Can See

--Submitted by Phyllis Patterson--