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Bobby Poss named third head BC football coach since December

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Brevard College recently announced that Bobby Poss will be the third coach in four weeks to head the school's new football program next fall, less than seven months before the Tornados are set to take the field for their season opener.

Poss, the former coach of two-time 4-A state champion A.C. Reynolds High School, comes to Brevard following the withdrawals of NCAA Division II assistant coaches Ralph Isernia and Tommy Laurendine, who quit shortly after accepting the position.

"Unfortunately, I believe some young assistant coaches are so enamored with the oppor-

tunity to be a head coach that they don't fully consider the amount of effort that goes into starting a program from scratch," Athletic Director Tom Collins said.

Laurendine, an assistant at Southern Arkansas, was the first to change his mind on the position. "[Laurendine's] exact words to me were that his wife had decided she didn't want to move," Collins told the *Asheville Citizen-Times*. "I understand Tommy's decision. I just wish he had not taken the job."

Two weeks later, Isernia, offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at the University of Charleston (W. Va.), quit just one day after being hired.

Since these discouraging



Head Football Coach Bobby Poss

experiences, Collins is feeling more optimistic that Poss, who retired from A.C. Reynolds in 2003, will stick with the school's effort to rebuild the program after 56 years.

"I am extremely pleased that Bobby Poss has agreed to be the head football coach at Brevard

College and have all confidence that he will build a competitive Division II program here," Collins said. "His record of building winning teams, with five state championships at three different 4-A high schools in North Carolina, is unmatched as far as I know."

After being away from coaching for three years, Poss says that he will begin analyzing videotapes of possible recruits and conducting interviews with candidates for assistant coaching positions in time for the Aug. 26 home opener against University of Virginia-Wise.

"A lot of work will be required to get our program ready for the 2006 football season," Poss said. "I am thrilled about the opportunity to lead the

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Two new BC trustee members named

by Zack Harding
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The Brevard College Board of Trustees recently named two new members to the Board of Trustees, alumna Kathi Levine ('81) of Charlotte and Edwin Jones ('64) of Brevard.

Both were selected to serve a three year term on the Board, which currently holds 48 members. "Both Kathi and Edwin are committed to quality education, and to helping Brevard College be one of the best higher education institutions in the region," said Board Chairman Joseph McGuire. "They have demonstrated commitment to Brevard College over the years and we are honored to have them become members of the Board."

Levine is the owner and founder of two businesses which have been in operation since 1993, located in Charlotte. KLL



Kathi Levin ('81)

enterprises, Inc, is an import and distribution company of willow products and plastic packaging for the food industry; and Great American Gift Baskets, is a retail company selling to the general public.

Kathi served as a Director for the Board of Executive As-



Edwin Jones ('64)

sociation of Charlotte in 2002 and 2003, and has been a member of the Board since 2000.

Levine was editor of the Clarion for Brevard College and graduated in 1981. She has

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