



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 9.

DATE OF MEETING: July 8, 2013

REQUESTED BY: Glenda Pridgen, Administrative Assistant to the County Manager

SHORT TITLE: Resolution Authorizing Approval of the Payment of Membership Dues: Southeastern Economic Development: \$5,222; School of Government: \$5,932; NCACC: \$5,989; and Cape Fear Council of Governments (COG): \$21,203.

BACKGROUND: The County is a member of various organizations for various reasons. These items were included in the budget; this action simply authorizes the County Manager to prepare purchase orders and disburse these funds.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: To consider a resolution authorizing the payment of membership fees and dues for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

CBW
Initial

RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that

the Board hereby authorizes the payment of dues as follows: Economic Development: \$5,222; School of Government: \$5,932; NCACC: \$5,989; and Cape Fear Council of Governments (COG): \$21,203. The Chairman/County Manager is authorized to execute any/all documents necessary to implement this resolution.

Account # 410-405300 Dues & Subscriptions

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Brown ___ Tate ___ Rivenbark ___ Ward ___ Williams ___

George R. Brown, Chairman 7/8/13
Date

ATTEST 7/8/13
Date



Southeastern Economic Development Commission
P. O. Box 921
707 West Broad Street
Elizabethtown, NC 28337

Invoice

Date	Invoice #
7/1/2013	120

Bill To
Mr. Mickey Duvall, Manager County of Pender PO Box 5 Burgaw, NC 28425

Description	Amount
County Membership Assessment FY 2013-2014	5,222.00
Total \$5,222.00	

Serving southeastern North Carolina since 1968!
Pamela Bostic, Executive Director

Phone #	Fax #	E-mail	Web Site
910-862-6985	910-862-1482	pboctic@sedcnc.org	www.sedcnc.org

FY 13/14 BUDGET FUNDING REQUEST
SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT FOUNDATION, INC.

February 15, 2013

Michael N. Duvall
Manager
Pender County
PO Box 5
Burgaw, NC 28425-0005

Dear Dr. Duvall:

At the School of Government, we are working harder and more efficiently to meet your needs and to be as responsive as possible. We work to make our courses and publications affordable and convenient. For example, we offer a growing number of webinars each year so that you can choose to have multiple members of your team attend training for a single registration fee. Last year we reached nearly 7,000 public officials across the state through webinars alone. In addition, we are continually expanding our blogs, online modules, and resource websites at no cost to you.

We could not develop these new resources or act this quickly to assist you if not for your membership dues. I am pleased to report that 100 percent of the state's counties and more than 90 percent of the state's municipalities show their support for the School of Government by paying their membership dues each year. We do not take this level of support for granted. We work hard to earn your trust every day—with every phone call or e-mail, every course or conference, every book or blog post.

Your membership dues are more important than ever, as our state funding has been cut significantly over the past five years. We are able to maintain the level and quality of our services because of your support through annual membership dues.

For five years, the School has not increased the per capita rate for membership dues; however, this year the rate will be adjusted to \$0.111 per resident to reflect a one-year increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). Your jurisdiction's dues amount is based on this per capita rate and 2011 population estimates. A request for payment of your membership dues will be sent in July, as usual, and the amount is \$5,932.00.

If you have questions about your membership dues, do not hesitate to contact Brad Volk, the School's associate dean for administration, at 919.843.2553 or volk@sog.unc.edu. If I may be of assistance, please contact me at 919.966.4107 or msmith@sog.unc.edu.

Sincerely,

Michael Smith

Michael R. Smith
Dean, School of Government

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NORTH CAROLINA
ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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[Signature]

April 25, 2013

The Honorable George Brown, Jr.
Pender County Board Chair
361 Bridgeside Road
Rocky Point, NC 28457

Dear Chairman Brown:

At its April 17 meeting, the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners Board of Directors voted to reduce each county's membership dues for the upcoming 2013-14 fiscal year. This is the fifth consecutive year the Board has reduced membership dues, representing a cumulative savings of more than \$1.2 million for all counties.

Our normal policy is to adjust dues each year based on the trailing rate of inflation and population change. This year, while the Board did adjust for population changes, they approved a 2 percent reduction in the rates charged. As a result, Pender County's dues for 2013-14 are \$5,989. ✓ *[Signature]*

We are providing this information to you now as you plan your 2013-14 budget. Your finance officer will receive the formal invoice in early June.

Over the past few years, your staff has continued to meet the Association's mission of providing services and programs that benefit all counties. We continue to serve as your advocates at the N.C. General Assembly, pushing for legislative changes that have increased county flexibility and revenues. Our Risk Management Pools provide cost-effective and comprehensive workers' compensation and liability and property coverages for counties and county entities, and we offer many advanced training and education opportunities for county elected officials.

Our Board of Directors continues to acknowledge the difficult financial times that counties are facing. Sound management and a dedicated team of employees make it possible for the NCACC to help counties meet the challenges of the 21st century, but the active engagement of county commissioners across the state is a primary reason why the NCACC is considered one of the most influential and effective advocacy organizations in the state.

The Association truly appreciates the support and participation of Pender County, and I hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,



David F. Thompson
Executive Director

cc: Dr. Mickey Duvall, County Manager
Mr. Claiburn Watson, Finance Director

Cape Fear Council of Governments
 1480 Harbour Drive
 Wilmington, NC 28401

Statement 1314DS-037

STATEMENT

Name	Dr. Mickey Duvall	Date	06/24/13
	County Manager		
	Pender County		
Address	P O Box 5		
City	Burgaw	State	NC ZIP 28425-0005
	mduvall@pendercountync.gov		

Qty	Description	Unit Price	TOTAL
1	Membership Dues for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 NC State Demographer population estimate as of July 2011; 46,633 In consideration of the current economic situation membership dues remain the same as for the previous five years. Dues & Matching Funds leverage \$10 million for services to citizens of the Cape Fear Region. Thank you for your continued support.	\$ 21,203.00	\$ 21,203.00
		Subtotal	21,203.00
		TOTAL	\$ 21,203.00

If you wish to pay from this statement:

Payee: Cape Fear Council of Governments
 Account Receivable
 1480 Harbour Drive
 Wilmington, NC 28401
 Fed Id# 560949863

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