

BOCC Meeting Highlights for Monday, September 13

The Durham Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) met on Monday, September 13, 2010, at 7 p.m. and considered an agenda that included the following highlights:

Board Chairman Michael D. Page proclaimed Monday, September 27, as “Family Day-A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children” in Durham County. The proclamation supports the national observance and supports research that demonstrates the correlation between frequent family dinners and reduced risk for teen substance abuse.

County Commissioners approved a proclamation recognizing October 4 -8, as “Minority Enterprise Development Week.” Pamela Gales, CLGPO, CCA Assistant Purchasing Manager received the proclamation.

County Commissioner Brenda Howerton was recognized for obtaining “Practitioner” status from UNC School of Government’s Local Elected Leaders Academy. She is one of four county commissioners in the state to earn this recognition.

The Board recognized The Durham Center and the Criminal Justice Resource Center for receiving a 2010 Employee Productivity Award from the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners (NCACC) for their implementation of the Durham Center Access Assessment Team. The Employee Productivity program recognizes innovative county employees who develop successful productivity improvements in county government. The Local Government Federal Credit Union sponsors the program by providing \$1,000 for each winning county.

County Commissioners held a public hearing to consider allocating economic development investment funds to Cree, a leading developer and manufacturer of LED lighting, and semiconductor solutions for wireless and power applications. After hearing from speakers, the Board approved \$2 million dollars for the proposed \$392 million dollar project. \$825,000 of the two million will be dedicated for training new employees hired who are Durham residents.

The Board of Commissioners approved a listing of legislative items to go to the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners as part of its 2011 Legislative Goals Process. This is the first step in a process that will culminate when members debate and adopt the Association's 2011-12 legislative goals package in January 2011.

To view the agenda and recording of the September 13 BOCC Regular Session Meeting, visit the [BOCC's Web site](#). For more information about BOCC meetings, contact the Clerk to the Board's Office at 919-560-0025 or email clerk@durhamcountync.gov.