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FOCUS Broadband's 65th Annual Meeting of Members to be Held on Friday, October 7th

Don't Forget to Register Online or By Mail This Month!

FOCUS Broadband's 65th Annual Meeting of Members will be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, October 7th at Odell Williamson Auditorium on the campus of Brunswick Community College. A dinner will not be served at this year's meeting.

Registration will take place online and by mail prior to the meeting. Instructions will be sent out on September 15th via email for members who have opted to receive their FOCUS Broadband monthly billing statement electronically. Those who receive a paper copy of their monthly billing statement will receive registration information by mail. Registration will end on October 5th. The current slate of board members are running unopposed.

Members who register for the meeting will receive a \$20 bill credit on their November billing statement. A total of \$3,000 in cash prizes will also be awarded at the conclusion of the meeting. Members who register do not have to be present to win. For more information about the event, call 910-754-4311 or visit focusbroadband.com/annualmeeting.

FOCUS Broadband Awards \$40,000 In Education Grants to Local Schools

Twenty-three local educators representing seventeen schools in Brunswick and Columbus counties were recently awarded education grants from FOCUS Broadband. This year, \$40,000 in grant funds were awarded to programs that will expand educational opportunities for students in the area. FOCUS Broadband understands the value and impact that educators have in the community and is proud to help contribute to the future leaders of this area.





FOCUS Broadband will begin accepting applications for community and education grants in January. A total of \$80,000 in grant funds will be awarded to educators and nonprofits in Brunswick, Columbus, and Robeson counties. Grant funds must be used to benefit residents in our service area. For more information on FOCUS Broadband's involvement in the community, visit focusbroadband.com/giving-back.



Acme Delco Elementary • Bolivia Elementary • Brunswick Early College High School
Cedar Grove Middle School • Chadbourn Elementary • Nakina Middle School
North Brunswick High School • Shallotte Middle School • South Brunswick High School
Supply Elementary • Tabor City Middle School • The Center of Applied Sciences and
Technology (COAST) • Town Creek Elementary • Town Creek Middle School
Union Elementary • Waccamaw School • West Brunswick High School

Roger Cox Memorial Scholarship Announced

Brunswick Community College recently awarded the Roger A. Cox Memorial Scholarship to Addison Prevatte of Leland. Addison is enrolled at Brunswick Community College where she is working on her Associate's Degree in Science. Upon graduation, Addison plans to pursue nursing and then continue her education with the ultimate goal of becoming a nurse practitioner.

The Roger A. Cox Memorial Scholarship was created in 2016 to honor Roger Cox, former FOCUS Broadband General Manager, and his passion for serving the community. Roger taught at the college, served on the Foundation Board, and was always a supporter of the institution. Following his passing in 2016, the Brunswick County community, FOCUS Broadband employees, Board Members and sister cooperatives began raising funds for an endowment. Congratulations to Addison!



Addison Prevatte

Catch High School Football Action on Facebook and FOCUS Broadband-TV



Games will be aired on FOCUS Broadband Cable Channel 3 and HD Channel 910. Games will also be live-streamed on our Facebook page. Follow us on Facebook to watch highlights and live-streamed events.

FOCUS Broadband Grant Provides Updated Lighting for Brunswick Little Theatre

Brunswick Little Theatre was awarded a Community Connections grant from FOCUS Broadband allowing them to purchase new lighting equipment for their stage. The grant from FOCUS Broadband will be used to help better equip the theatre for upcoming performances.

"We are so grateful for this investment from FOCUS Broadband in our community theatre," said Frank Blackmon, Technical Director for Brunswick Little Theatre. "With these funds, we purchased brand new lighting for our stage, where in the past we've had to use secondhand equipment. Donations like this one from FOCUS Broadband help us to provide great performances for our community." Thirty-three years since their inception and hundreds of productions later, Brunswick Little Theatre is still entertaining, educating, and enriching the community by producing plays, musicals, revues and offering workshops involving community members of all ages.

FOCUS Broadband awards \$80,000 annually in community and education grants to various causes and organizations each year to make a positive difference in the community. To learn more about FOCUS Broadband's impact in the community, visit focusbroadband.com/community-grants.



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With amazing benefits, competitive pay, and much more, FOCUS Broadband is a great company to build a career with. We encourage in-house company advancement as well as employee growth and development through our tuition reimbursement program. For more information on FOCUS Broadband and to view our current openings, visit www.focusbroadband.com/careers.