

**Blue Ridge Community College**  
**Board of Trustees Report**  
**January 11, 2016**  
**New Employees**

**Scott D. Adams, Faculty Coordinator of Work-based Learning.** Scott comes to Blue Ridge from AB Technical Community College where he worked as Director of Craft Beverage Institute of the Southeast & Chair, Hospitality Management for seven years. Prior to AB Tech, Scott owned and operated Blackwater Grille & Highland Blends for five years. Scott also worked for Aramark Management Services Inc. as Director of Food Service at Montreat College for four years. He has a Bachelor's degree from Appalachian State University in Political Science, one year of Law School from Widener University School of Law, a Master's degree from Montreat College in Management & Leadership and an Associate Degree from Johnson & Whales University in Culinary Arts.

**Rachel Marsom-Richmond, English Instructor.** Rachel has been working for our College as an Adjunct Instructor in the Math and English program area for approximately three years. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Literature / Creative Writing from the University of North Carolina, Asheville. She received two Masters in English / Creative Writing from Northern Arizona University and from Georgia College & State University.

**Derrick Richmond, IT Specialist.** Derrick comes to Blue Ridge from BRINET, Inc. where he worked as a Technology Solutions Specialist for a little over three years. Derrick also worked in information technology positions for E.R. Enterprises/Copy Works of Brevard, Community Newspaper Holdings, and the Arizona Daily Sun. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Multimedia Arts and Sciences from the University of North Carolina, Asheville.

**Patrick Roeder, Simulation and Game Development Instructor.** Patrick has been working as an Adjunct Instructor for Western Piedmont Community College, as well as; Blue Ridge Community College for approximately two years. He received a Bachelor of Arts from Presbyterian College and a Masters in Fine Arts in Digital Production Arts from Clemson University.

**John Ruth, Custodian, Transylvania County Campus.** John comes to Blue Ridge after working for Henderson County Public Schools as a Custodian and Bus Driver; or a Custodian. Prior, John worked for Kimberly Clark for fifteen years. John graduated from West Henderson High School

**Kelly Tippett, Purchasing Technician.** Kelly comes to Blue Ridge after working for Henderson County Public Schools as a Data Manager/Bookkeeper for the past eight years. Kelly also worked in the banking industry for a number of years. She received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Western Carolina University.

**Shawn McCallister, Manufacturing Technician Instructor.** Shawn comes to Blue Ridge after working for Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. as a Field Specialist for three years. Shawn also worked as a Test Engineer for Leviton Manufacturing Company for twenty-seven years. He received an Associate's Degree from Western Piedmont Community College in Industrial Engineering Technology, a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering Technology and a Master's Degree in Technology from Western Carolina University.

**Internal Promotions:**

**Brett Bailey, Plant Operations Events Lead.** Brett is in his sixth year of employment with our College. He has been acting in this position since November and was fully promoted in December 2015.