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MONTHLY NEWS FROM THE MOORE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR SELECTED FOR 2016



*Chairman Nick Picerno*



*Vice Chairman Randy Saunders*

The Board of Commissioners has selected Nick Picerno to serve as Chairman again for 2016 and Randy Saunders to serve as Vice Chairman.

This is Commissioner Picerno's fifth time leading the Board, and Commissioner Saunders' second time as Vice Chairman.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

- *January 5, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. (Regular Meeting)*
- *January 7, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. (Winter Summit)*
- *January 19, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. (Regular Meeting)*
- *February 2, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. (Regular Meeting)*



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### BUDGET TASK FORCE UPDATE

The Budget Task Force (Commissioners Picerno and Saunders) joined County staff for a fiscal year 2017 budget kick-off meeting on December 2nd. An abundance of information was shared in preparation for the budget season ahead.



### WINTER SUMMIT

Thursday, January 7, 2016

8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Rick Rhyne Public Safety Center

[Click here for AGENDA](#)

## TAX DATA PRESENTED BY CHAIRMAN

Chairman Picerno was prompted to do some research after public comment at the Board’s November 17th meeting regarding the best way to fund capital needs for Moore County Schools.

Commenters at that meeting suggested a 10 cent property tax rate increase would be the least impactful to Moore County citizens (as compared to a proposed quarter cent sales tax increase), and would not be unreasonable because surrounding counties have higher property tax rates than Moore County.

At the December 8th meeting, the

Chairman presented his fellow commissioners with the chart below which indicates that, despite higher property tax rates, surrounding counties (with the exception of Chatham) actually collect less revenue per capita and spend less on education per capita than Moore County.

Chairman Picerno discussed the negative impacts of a property tax rate increase and said, “...the sales tax is by far the best way to go to have the least impact on the citizens, all citizens, of Moore County.”

[Click here for more information on the proposed 1/4 cent sales tax](#)



### Information Shared by Chairman Picerno:

County Comparisons

County	Prop Tax Rev	Prop Tax Per Capita	Education Spd	Education Per Capita	Sales Tax Rev	Sales Tax Per Capita
Moore	57,393,966	625	37,761,987	411	14,320,071	156
Lee	37,706,501	636	19,340,979	326	10,914,491	184
Randolph	65,509,173	460	27,810,435	196	17,487,819	123
Richmond	25,909,709	563	10,153,830	221	5,348,011	117
Hoke	22,642,218	447	6,267,574	126	5,126,703	102
Harnett	52,129,522	423	24,264,314	197	13,806,802	112
Chatham	58,991,990	873	29,310,870	434	9,193,703	136
Avg w/o Moore	43,814,852	567	19,524,667	250	10,312,888	129
Moore Comparison	13,579,114	58	18,237,320	161	4,007,183	27

# NURSING/ADULT CARE CAC APPRECIATION LUNCHEON



Members of the Moore County Nursing and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee were honored with a luncheon at Pinewild Country Club on December 7th in appreciation of their dedicated service to Moore County citizens.



*Moore County Nursing and Adult Care Home Community Advisory Committee*

# QUARTERLY SERVICE AWARD LUNCHEON



Employees receiving awards for length of service to the County were honored by the Board of Commissioners and County Manager at the Board of Elections on December 16th.

The employees honored this

quarter represented 245 years of service to Moore County government.

Also recognized was Public Works Administrative Services Division Manager Megan Garner (who formerly served

as Clerk to the Board) who has been appointed as the Anson County Manager beginning January 4th.

Congratulations to all!

AND THE TACKIEST SWEATER IN THE TAX DEPARTMENT IS...



*Gary Briggs (Tax Administrator), Kim Hardy (Tax Collections Section Leader), Brees Lilly (Tax Assistant III), Sheri Westbrook (Senior Internal Tax Auditor)*

Moore County Tax Department employees were invited to participate in the Tackiest Christmas Sweater contest on December 15th. The competition was stiff, but judges Mary Phillips (County Manager's office) and Laura Williams (Clerk) agreed that Kim Hardy's true-to-life reindeer ran away with it.

Tax Administrator Gary Briggs provided employees of his department with some fashionable hats for the season on December 16th.

They are surely all on the nice list!





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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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The Moore County Board of Health currently has a vacancy for an at-large member position.

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[Click here for the 2016 advisory board/committee meeting schedule!](#)



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CHRISTMAS

and

Happy  
New  
Year

