

Western Piedmont Admitted To Membership In N.C. Association

Western Piedmont Community College was formally admitted to membership in the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities at the 49th Annual Meeting of the Association held recently in Raleigh. Membership in the Association is approved by vote of the delegates after the institution has attained certain standards of excellence as prescribed by the Association. These standards relate to educational purposes, educational programs, instructional effectiveness, materials and equipment, academic policies, enrollment, economic resources, operating budgets, qualifications of faculty and adequacy of library.

There are four classifications of institutional membership in the Association. These are: public senior colleges and universities, independent and church-related senior colleges and universities, public junior and community colleges, and independent and church-related junior colleges. There are presently seven public community colleges which have been ad-

mitted to membership. These are: Western Piedmont Community College, Davidson County Community College, Lenoir Community College, Surry Community College, College of the Albemarle, Gaston College, and Sandhills Community College.

Representing Western Piedmont Community College at the meeting in which the delegate assembly of the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities voted Western Piedmont Community College as a member were W. Stanley Moore, Board Chairman; Dr. Gordon C. Blank, President; H.D. Moretz, Assistant to the President, and Dr. E.R. Chapman, Director of Academic Programs.

The Association is a voluntary, professional organization whose purpose it is to further the cause of higher education in North Carolina. In addition to membership in the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities, Western Piedmont Community College is also fully accredited by the Southern Association of Col-

leges and Schools, and is a member of the Southern Association of Junior Colleges, the North Carolina Association of Junior Colleges, the American Association of Junior Colleges, and the League for Experimentation and Innovation.