

College Names City Native As President

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MORGANTON — H.D. Moretz has been confirmed as acting president of Western Piedmont Community College in Morganton by the State Board of Education.

His job will be effective upon the departure date of President Gordon C. Blank, who is leaving this summer.

Moretz received unanimous approval by the college trustees at their quarterly meeting on Feb. 22.

A native of Hickory, Moretz has been involved in education in Burke County since 1949. He was a teacher of mathematics and science at Valdese High School until he was appointed principal of Salem District School in 1952. He joined the administrative staff of the college in 1965, first as director of adult education and in 1971 was named dean of the college.

Moretz holds degrees from Lenoir-Rhyne College and Appalachian State University. He has done graduate study at ASU, Wake Forest University, George Washington University and the University of North



H. D. MORETZ
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Carolina at Chapel Hill.

He is married to the former Louise Bailey of Beaufort. They have two children, Sandra Garrison of Halifax and Stephen A. Moretz of Lakeside, Calif.

The family belongs to First Presbyterian Church in Morganton, where Moretz is a ruling elder and deacon.