November 25, 1997

Dr. Stephen R. Portch, Chancellor
Board of Regents of the
University System of Georgia
270 Washington Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Chancellor Portch:

It is our understanding that Floyd College will make a proposal for a new center in Bartow County during the December meeting of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. The leadership of Bartow County strongly supports this proposal. Higher education becomes increasingly important to an area which is among the fastest growing areas in the state with a projected population base of in excess of one million by the year 2010. In addition, our strong and rapidly growing economic base places a priority on lifelong learning.

This correspondence is provided to demonstrate our intent to support Floyd College’s proposal by 1) purchasing 54 acres of land on Highway 411 closely adjacent to Interstate 75; 2) providing utilities to the building site through a coordination of state, city, and county resources; and 3) provide an endowment of $100,000 to provide scholarships to area citizens. We are in the process of putting these financing packages together and are available to meet with you or your staff to work out the details as may be required. In addition, the Bartow County Legislative delegation intends to actively support funding at the state level to bring the Center to completion.

We are excited about this opportunity. Please let us know how to proceed.

Sincerely,

Clarence Brown
Commissioner, Bartow County

Lynn Carte
Mayor, City of Cartersville

Senator Nathan Dean
Chairman, Bartow County Legislative Delegation
November 25, 1997

The Honorable Nathan Dean
Georgia State Senate
P.O. Box 606
Rockmart, GA 30153

Dear Senator Dean:

As you know, Floyd College has had a presence in Bartow County for some time. Because of our growth and the growth of Bartow County, we have a unique opportunity to increase higher education opportunities in this area.

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Due to the need for the Board of Regents to formally act on the proposal before any publicity is forthcoming, it is imperative to keep this close to the vest during the next several weeks. I appreciate your interest in Floyd College and your support of this project. If you have questions, please contact me personally.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

H. Lynn Cundiff
President
November 25, 1997

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City of Cartersville
P.O. Box 1390
Cartersville, GA 30120

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Bartow County
135 W. Cherokee Avenue
Cartersville, GA 30120

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Sincerely,

H. Lynn Cundiff
President
DATE: November 24, 1997

TO: Senator Nathan Dean

FROM: H. Lynn Cundiff
President

RE: Cartersville Facility Project

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Here are two letters in draft form. Please review and advise.

Questions:

1. I assume the Commissioner and Mayor should sign the letter to the Chancellor.

2. Do you want to sign as well? I would assume you would not want to be involved with the letter, but would play a major role at the State level.

3. What do we do about the other legislators in the area?

4. We need to keep this at a low level until approved.

I would appreciate any thoughts on this subject.

Thanks.