

**BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM**

**MEETING DATE: 2/19/13**

**Action Requested:**

At their February 7, 2013 meeting, the Buncombe County Schools Board of Education approved the use of \$5.5 million funding to renovate the former Career Education Center into a new innovative STEM High School. This is \$500,000 to come from available Article 39 sales tax and \$5,000,000 to come from available North Carolina Education Lottery funds. A STEM High School Planning Committee composed of school staff and community stakeholders representing college and universities, local government and business began meeting in October 2011 so that the renovation will be able to begin immediately and the new school is set to open for the 2014-15 school year.

**NCGS Requiring Service:**

**NCGS requires we provide:**

**Alternative Service Delivery Methods considered and evaluated:**

**Funds/Staff requested:**

Project will be funded by Article 39 sales tax and Lottery funds available in the School Capital Commission Fund. No county funding is requested.

**Request submitted by: Dr. Tony Baldwin/BCBOE**

**Date Submitted: 2/7/13**