## Hopkins Joins STC Board of Directors

October 22, 2019 — The Southeastern Technical College (STC) Board of Directors welcomed new board member Chris Hopkins at its October meeting. Toombs County Associate Probate Court Judge Tina Lindsey swore in Hopkins, who will represent Toombs County.

"I am excited to be joining the board at STC. It's an honor to be able to serve our community in a role that fosters further education. As an employer in the agricultural field, I see firsthand the need for skilled labor. What better place to invest in fostering that talent than partnering with STC. The ability to attract, and most especially retain, skilled employees in our community is of utmost importance to the continued success of our industry," said Hopkins.

Hopkins graduated from the University of Georgia with a master's degree in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. He is the store manager for Lasseter Implement Co in Lyons and owner and operator of Hopkins Farms.

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Associate Probate Court Judge Tina Lindsey, STC Board Member Chris Hopkins, STC President Larry Calhoun

(L-R): Associate Probate Court Judge Tina Lindsey, STC Board Member Chris Hopkins, STC President Larry Calhoun

## Holton Installed as 2019-2020 GALA Chair

August 19, 2019 — Dr. Samuel Holton of Southeastern Technical College (STC) has been installed as Georgia Association of Literacy Advocates (GALA) 2019-2020 Chair.

GALA was formerly known as the Georgia Reading Association, (GRA) and is an affiliate of the International Association of Literacy (ILA).

Dr. Holton, Learning Support and Speech Instructor at STC, says, "I am honored to have the opportunity to serve GALA. I look forward to the opportunities to assist GALA as the organization continues in advancing literacy learning and teaching for all of Georgia."

## GALA aspires to:

Empower members of the Georgia Association of Literacy Advocates and local councils to become effective leaders in the field of literacy.

Provide quality literacy education services to all Georgia educators.

Recognize exemplary individuals and local and state literacy efforts.

Promote goals and objectives of the International Literacy Association.

Assist in implementing the Georgia Standards of Excellence.

Support literacy and other educational goals set for Georgia by the Georgia Department of Education.

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Holton Awarded GALA ChairHolton's GALA Award

Dr. Sammy Holton — GALA Award