

**Faculty Senate Resolution of Tri-County Technical College to Maintain Full Funding for  
PASCAL**

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**Whereas**, PASCAL is a vital research tool for academic libraries across South Carolina and,

**Whereas**, Tri-County Technical College is a member of the academic consortium that provides PASCAL and,

**Whereas**, PASCAL is funded by the South Carolina General Assembly and supported by the member colleges of the consortium and,

**Whereas**, having a centralized service available to colleges and universities is much more efficient and cost effective for the state and each college and,

**Whereas**, students need access to the information provided by the many databases in the PASCAL system for the purpose of academic projects and papers and,

**Whereas**, use of the services of PASCAL encourages and even fosters a research and fact-checking mentality among students and,

**Whereas**, funding for PASCAL has been slashed by 90% for FY2008-2009, thereby increasing the costs for member colleges if they try to maintain most, or even some, of the services they currently receive and,

**Whereas**, current defunding may eventually lead to an eventual elimination of PASCAL if the budget cuts become permanent and,

**Whereas**, South Carolina has made large strides in improving secondary and college education, and the crippling of PASCAL would be detrimental to the aforementioned improvement

**Be it Resolved**, by the Faculty Senate of Tri-County Technical College:

**That**, the South Carolina General Assembly reinstate the full amount of funding for PASCAL services and delivery.