## Consider Ratifying Acceptance of CenterPoint Energy Foundation Grant

The CenterPoint Energy Foundation has awarded Galveston College a \$25,000 grant to purchase equipment needed to support the dual credit LMRT credential program at Ball High School. The dual credit LMRT credential program (also called the Galveston College Bridge Program) provides dual-credit students at Dickinson High School, and Ball High School an opportunity to earn a Limited Medical Radiologic Technologist (LMRT) credential that transfers directly into the Associates of Applied Science Radiography program and positions students for full licensure as a Licensed Medical Radiographer. The program combines academic coursework with hands-on experience and prepares students for both state and national certification exams.

A distinctive feature of the program is the emphasis on practical skill development through simulation-based learning. Students gain early exposure to radiographic positioning techniques using positioning aids and whole-body phantoms, which are essential for building technical proficiency and clinical readiness in a low-risk, controlled environment. With the expansion of a new cohort at Ball High School, a significant strain was placed on the existing instructional equipment, particularly the positioning aids and whole-body phantoms that are now shared across multiple course sections. The \$25,000 grant award from CenterPoint Energy Foundation will be used to purchase positioning aids and whole-body phantoms for the program with Ball High School.

Staff recommends ratifying the acceptance of this grant award.