# SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS SCP-2825

**SUBJECT:** Salary Administration

**REFERENCE:** West Virginia Code §18B-8-3, §18B-8-3(a), §18B-9A-2(c), and §18B-9-4(b); Title 133, Joint

Procedural Rule, West Virginia Council for Community and Technical College Education, and West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission, Series 8, *Personnel Administration* 

**ORIGINATION:** December 2004

**EFFECTIVE:** May 19, 2016

**REVIEWED:** January 6, 2016

### **SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for salary administration which enables the College to maintain a fair and equitable compensation program and to attract, retain, and reward highly qualified employees.

#### SECTION 2. SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

2.1 This issuance applies to non-classified employees, (with the exception of the President), full-time faculty, and classified staff.

#### **SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS**

- 3.1 Non-classified Employee An employee so designated by the President who is responsible for policy formation at the department or institutional level or reports directly to the President of the institution or is in a position considered critical to the institution by the President.
- 3.2 Full-time Faculty An individual employed on a full-time year to year basis designated as faculty who holds rank and is assigned a full-time workload per institutional guidelines.
- 3.3 Classified Employee An employee in a position covered under the classification program set out by Title 133, Procedural Rule, Series 8, *Personnel Administration*.
- 3.4 Critical to the Institution Critical positions that are essential for the College, department, division, or work unit to achieve the necessary work results and vital to fulfilling the mission of the College. Key position characteristics may require specialized knowledge and skills, leadership competencies, deep historical perspective of the College, and broad decision making authority, which could have significant impact on the College.

# **SECTION 4. POLICY**

4.1 The President shall prepare an annual budget presentation for approval by the Board of Governors (BOG). As part of this presentation, the President shall include any plans for awarding of salary increases for all employees other than the President. The President's recommendation for salary increases to the Board of

Governors will incorporate compensation methods deemed appropriate to accomplish the salary goals of the College and may address issues such as market/peer competitiveness, performance, and equity adjustments, or other common compensation practices necessary to maintain a fair and equitable compensation program.

- 4.2 The salary and other compensation for the President shall be developed and approved by the Board of Governors in compliance with guidelines of the West Virginia Community and Technical College Council.
- 4.3 Plans for salary increases for all employees of the College effective on or after the date of the adoption of this policy shall contain a merit factor. All salary increases shall be contingent upon the availability of funding and are not considered to be automatic based upon any salary schedule adopted or in effect.

#### SECTION 5. BACKGROUND OR EXCLUSIONS

In so much as they shall apply, entry level salaries and any salary increases awarded shall be in compliance with West Virginia Code and supportive of the goals and strategies of the institutional compact.

### **SECTION 6. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

As funding is provided for salary adjustments, those funds will be allocated equitably consistent with the purpose for which the funds are being provided. Salary increases may be provided only when funding is available. Salary increases shall be provided using one or more of the following criteria. The criteria are not to be considered as sequential and may be applied concurrently for any employee category.

### 6.2 Non-Classified Employee

- 6.2.1 Salary increases may be provided as proposed by the President and determined by the Board of Governors.
- 6.2.2 Merit-based salary increases may be provided based on results derived from the approved performance appraisal system which provides a fair and equitable basis for measuring performance levels based upon reasonable performance standards.

### 6.3 Full-time Faculty

- 6.3.1 Promotion-in-Rank a 10% salary increase on the existing base salary, not to include any stipend or supplemental contract pay, shall be awarded to a faculty member who is promoted-in-rank based upon meeting the criteria for such promotion as outlined in SCP-2686, *Promotion-in-Rank and Tenure Policy*.
- 6.3.2 Salaries are largely governed by a Faculty Compensation Program and a salary schedule approved by the Board of Governors. The first priority for funding salaries for faculty employees shall be to ensure salary levels are at the entry level step in rank on the salary schedule. Salary monies will be applied to funding the salary schedule proportionately for all faculty employees based upon the individual employee's step placement and rank.
- 6.3.3 Other salary increases may be provided as proposed by the President and determined by the Board of Governors.
- 6.3.4 Merit-based salary increases may be provided based on results derived from the approved faculty evaluation process which provides a fair and equitable basis for measuring performance levels based upon reasonable performance standards. Any faculty evaluation process adopted shall be developed

in collaboration with the faculty and approved by the President.

## 6.4 Classified Employee

- 6.4.1 Salaries are largely governed by a classification system and a legislatively approved salary schedule. The first priority for funding salaries for classified employees shall be to ensure salary levels are at the zero step on the salary schedule. Salary monies will be applied to funding the salary schedule proportionately for all classified employees based upon the individual employee's pay grade and years of service.
- 6.4.2 Other salary increases may be provided as proposed by the President and determined by the Board of Governors.
- 6.4.3 Merit-based salary increases may be provided based on results derived from the approved performance appraisal system which provides a fair and equitable basis for measuring performance levels based upon reasonable performance standards. Any performance appraisal system adopted shall be developed in collaboration with the classified staff and approved by the President.

#### **SECTION 7. RESPONSIBILITIES**

7.1 The authority for developing a performance appraisal system to be applied in awarding merit-based salary increases is delegated to the President by the Board of Governors.

#### SECTION 8. CANCELLATION

8.1 This policy supersedes any prior policy or reference to salary issues of Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.

#### **SECTION 9. REVIEW STATEMENT**

9.1 This policy shall be reviewed on a regular basis with a time frame for review to be determined by the President or the President's designee. Upon such review, the President or President's designee may recommend to the Board that the policy be amended or repealed.

#### **SECTION 10. SIGNATURES**

		Board of Governors Chair  President	Date Date
Attachments:	None		
Distribution:	Board of Governors (12 members)		

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### **Revision Notes:**

October 2007 – Revisions incorporate the Board of Governors approved Faculty Compensation Program and Salary Schedule as a means to provide salary increases for the faculty.

March 2015 – Policy was reformatted into the new policy format. Revisions are technical in nature.

January 2016 – Policy revised to include definition of positions that are critical to the institution pursuant to WV Code 18B-9A-2(c).