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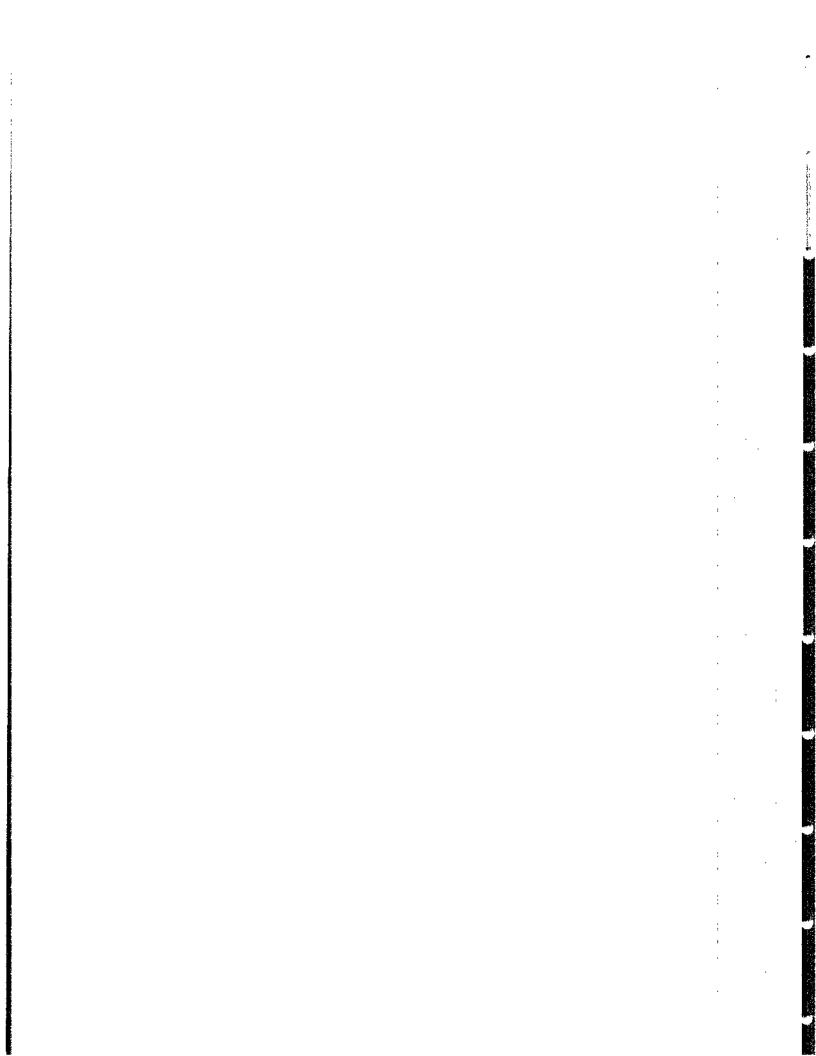
Collective Agreement

by and between the

Support Staff Association and The Board of Trustees

Salem Community College

July 1, 1994 through June 30, 1996



ARTICLE I

RECOGNITION

A. Unit

The Board hereby recognizes the Salem Community College Support Staff Association as the sole and exclusive representative for collective negotiations concerning grievances and terms and conditions of employment for all secretaries, clerk typists, maintenance, custodian, general services aides and technical assistant. All positions are included in the unit regardless of funding.

ARTICLE II

NEGOTIATION OF SUCCESSOR AGREEMENT

- A. No later than November 30, 1995 the Board agrees to initiate negotiations with the Association over a successor agreement in accordance with the procedure set forth herein in a goodfaith effort on both sides to reach continuing agreement on salaries and other conditions of employment. By the same date, the Association agrees to present to the Board its proposals for the successor agreement. Any agreement negotiated shall apply to all members of the negotiating unit and shall be reduced to writing and signed by all parties.
- B. Negotiations shall commence with a meeting at a mutually satisfactory place within 30 days after receipt of a proposal, unless the Board and the Association mutually agree to an extension of time. During negotiations, the Board and the Association shall present relevant data, exchange points of view, and make proposals and counter proposals. Each party shall promptly make available to the other, upon request, information within its possession which is not privileged under law and which is relevant to the subject under discussion. Either party, may if it so desires, utilize the services of outside consultants and may call upon professional and lay representatives to assist in the negotiations.
- C. Whenever members of the bargaining unit are mutually scheduled by the parties hereto to participate during working hours in conferences, meetings, or in negotiations respecting the collective bargaining agreement, they will suffer no loss in pay.

D. Modification

This agreement shall not be modified in whole or in part by the parties except by an instrument in writing duly executed by both parties.

ARTICLE III

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A. Definitions

1. <u>Grievance</u>

A "Grievance" is a claim by an employee or the Association based upon the interpretation, application, or violation of this agreement, policies or administrative decisions affecting an employee or a group of employees.

2. Aggrieved Person

An "aggrieved person" is the person or persons or the Association making the claim.

3. Party in Interest

A "party in interest" is the person or persons making the claim and any person including the Association or the Board, who might be required to take action or against whom action might be taken in order to resolve the claim.

8. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to secure, at the lowest possible level, equitable solutions to the problems which may from time to time arise affecting employees. Both parties agree that these proceedings will be kept as informal and confidential as may be appropriate at any level of the procedure. If a grievance cannot be resolved informally, the grievant shall follow the procedure stated in Section C of this Article.

C. Procedure

1. Time Limits

The number of days indicated at each level should be considered as a maximum and every effort should be made to expedite the process. The time limits specified may, however, be extended by mutual agreement. If the employee fails to file a written grievance within ten(10) business days of the date the alleged violation becomes known to the employee, such shall be considered as a waiver of the right to pursue said grievance.

2. Level One - Appropriate Dean

If an aggrieved person is unable to resolve the grievance informally, then the aggrieved person shall file his/her grievance in writing with the appropriate Dean. Such grievance shall be filed within ten (10) business days of its occurrence. The appropriate Dean shall respond to said grievance, in writing, within five (5) business days of its receipt by the Dean.

3. Level Two - President

If the aggrieved person is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance at level one, or if no decision has been rendered within five (5) business days after the grievance was delivered to the appropriate Dean, then the grievant may submit the grievance to the President of the College. Such submission must be in writing and must be delivered to the President of the

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College within five (5) business days of the date the decision was received from the appropriate Dean or within (5) business days of the expiration of the time for response by the appropriate Dean, whichever is appropriate. The President of the College shall respond to the grievance within ten (10) business days after receipt of said grievance. If the grievant is dissatisfied with the decision of the President the Association may submit the matter to arbitration.

4. <u>Level Three</u> - Arbitration

- (a) Within twenty (20) school days after such written notice of submission to arbitration, the President and the Association shall attempt to agree upon a mutually acceptable arbitrator and shall obtain a commitment from said arbitrator to serve. If the parties are unable to agree upon an arbitrator to obtain such a commitment within the specified period, a request for a list of arbitrators may be made to the American Arbitration Association by either party. The parties shall then be bound by the rules and procedures of the American Arbitration Association in the selection of an arbitrator.
- (b) The arbitrator so selected shall confer with the Representatives of the Board and the Association and hold a hearing promptly and shall issue his/her decision not later than thirty (30) days from the date of the close of the hearings or, if oral hearings have been waived, then from the date the final statements and proofs on the issues are submitted to him/her. The arbitrator's decision shall be in writing and shall set forth his/her findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions on the issues submitted. The arbitrator shall be without power or authority to make any decision which requires the commission of an act prohibited by law or which is violative of the terms of this agreement. The decision of the arbitrator shall be submitted to the Board and the Association and shall be final and binding on the parties.
- (c) In the event that the parties disagree as to whether or not a grievance is arbitrable, then the matter shall be submitted to the Public Employment Relations Commission for determination.
- (d) The cost of the services of the arbitrator, including per diem expenses, if any, and actual and necessary travel, subsistence expense and the cost of the hearing room shall be borne equally by the Board and the Association. Any other expenses incurred shall be paid by the party incurring same.

D. <u>Rights of Employee to Representation</u>

1. Employee and Association

Any aggrieved person may be represented at all stages of the grievance procedure by himself/herself, or at his option, by a representative(s) selected or approved by the Association. When an employee is not represented by the Association, the Association shall have the right to be present and to state its views at all stages of the grievance procedure.

2. Reprisals

No reprisals of any kind shall be taken by the Board or by any member of the administration against any party in interest, any representative, any member of the association, or any other participant in the grievance procedure by reason of such participation.

E. Miscellaneous

1. Group Grievance

If, in the judgment of the Association, a grievance affects a group or class of employees, the Association may submit such grievance in writing to the appropriate administrator directly and processing such grievance shall be commenced at level two. The Association may process such a grievance through all levels of the grievance procedure even though the aggrieved person does not wish to do so.

2. Written Decisions

Decisions rendered at all levels of the grievance procedure established in Section C of this Article shall be in writing and shall set forth the decision and the reasons therefore. Such writing shall be transmitted to all parties in interest including the Association. Decisions rendered at level three shall be in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section C, Paragraph 4 (b) of this article.

3. Separate Grievance File

All documents, communication and records dealing with the processing of a grievance shall be filed in a separate grievance file and shall not be kept in the personnel file of any of the participants.

4. Meetings and Hearings

All meetings and hearings under this procedure shall not be conducted in public and shall include only such parties in interest and their designated or selected representatives, heretofore referred to in this article.

ARTICLE IV

EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

A. Pursuant to Chapter 123, Public Laws 1975, the Board hereby agrees that every employee of the Board shall have the right freely to organize, join, and support the Association and its affiliates for the purpose of engaging in collective negotiations. As a duly selected body exercising governmental power under the law of the State of New Jersey, the Board undertakes and agrees that it shall not directly or indirectly discourage or deprive or coerce any employee in the enjoyment of any rights conferred by Chapter 123, Public Laws of 1975 or other laws of New Jersey or the Constitution of New Jersey and the United States; that it shall not discriminate against any employee with respect to hours, wages, or any terms or conditions of employment by reason of his/her membership in the Association and its affiliates, his/her participation in any activities of the Association and its affiliates, collective negotiations with

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the Board or his/her institution of any grievance, complaint or proceeding under this agreement or otherwise with respect to any terms or conditions of employment.

- B. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to deny or restrict to any employee such rights as he/she may have under New Jersey School Laws or other applicable laws and regulations.
- C. No employee shall be disciplined, reprimanded, reduced in rank or compensations without just cause. Any such action asserted by the Board, or any agent or representative thereof, shall not be made public and shall be subject to the grievance procedure herein set forth.
- D. Whenever any employee is required to appear before any administrator or supervisor, Board, or any committee or member thereof concerning any matter which could adversely affect the continuation of that employee in his/her position, employment, or the salary or any increments pertaining thereto, then he/she shall be given prior written notice of the reasons for such meeting or interview and shall be entitled to have a representative(s) of the Association present to advise him/her and represent him/her during such meeting or interview. Any suspension of any employee pending charges shall be with pay.
- E. No employee shall be prevented from wearing pins or other identification of membership in the Association or its affiliates.

F. Grant Funding

Not withstanding anything to the contrary in this document, positions established on the basis of external funding will be contracted solely on the guaranteed receipt of said funds.

Members of the unit shall be considered for grant funded positions and afforded the opportunity to return to their prior positions once the grant is completed. Seniority will continue to accrue during this change in position title.

ARTICLE V

ASSOCIATION RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

- A. The Board agrees to furnish to the Association in response to reasonable requests from time to time available information concerning the financial resources of the College, including, but not limited to: annual financial reports and audits and a directory of all personnel in the unit.
- B. Whenever any representative of the Association or any employee is mutually scheduled by the parties to participate during working hours in negotiations, grievance proceedings, conferences, or meetings he/she shall suffer no loss in pay.

- C. Designated representatives of the Association shall be permitted to transact official Association business on school property at all reasonable times, provided that this shall not interfere with or interrupt normal college operation.
- D. The Association and its representatives shall have the right to use school rooms when such rooms are not otherwise in use and when custodial personnel are already on duty. A request for use of a room shall be made in writing at least 48 hours in advance of the date requested. Such request shall be granted when the conditions stated in this paragraph have been met.
- E. The Association shall have the right to school facilities and equipment, including typewriters, mimeographing machines, other duplicating equipment, calculating machines, and all types of audio-visual equipment at reasonable times, when such equipment is not otherwise in use. The Association shall pay for the reasonable cost of all materials and supplies incident to such use. If equipment or school facilities were to be damaged due to negligence of association personnel, while the Association is using such for Association business, the Association will make restitution.
- F. The Association shall have the right to use the inter-school mail facilities and school mail boxes.
- G. All job postings and advertisements for Support Staff Association positions will include the following statement: "This is a Support Staff Association position."

ARTICLE VI

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

- A. The first ninety (90) days of initial employment shall be a period of probation. Performance evaluation of the employee by the supervisor will be done on a monthly basis. During this period the employee may be terminated at any time and shall have no recourse to the grievance procedure contained in this agreement. During this time no vacation benefits will be granted to the employee. However, sick and personal benefits will be granted to the employee. Upon successful completion of the probationary period, the employee may then use vacation benefits earned during the 90 day probationary period.
- B. If an individual is called in by his supervisor to perform work beyond the regularly scheduled workday for that employee as established by the employee's supervisor and the employee is called from home to return to work, the employee shall be guaranteed 2 hours work at time and one-half.

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C. Office Personnel

All full-time office personnel shall work a thirty-five (35) hour work week.

Shift differential of \$.50 per hour will be paid to any employee working a shift which commences 1 p.m. or later.

D. Maintenance Personnel

Day Shift - (7 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

Hours may be changed by administration if the need arises.

All maintenance personnel covered under this agreement shall have a normal day shift work schedule of 40 hours per week. Unless mutually agreed upon by supervisor and employee, the employee's work day will consist of 9 consecutive hours inclusive of a 1-hour meal break. If the employee's work schedule includes evening hours, he/she will not report to work sooner than 14 hours on the following day unless mutually agreed upon. With mutual agreement, the one-hour meal break can be shortened or waived.

Second Shift (3 p.m. to 11 p.m.)

Hours may be changed by administration if the need arises.

On second shift, all maintenance personnel covered under this agreement shall work a normal schedule of 35 hours per week, exclusive of any break time for meal(s). No salary differential shall be paid.

All shifts will provide for a 1-hour scheduled meal break. However, with mutual agreement, this period can be shortened or waived.

E. General Services Aide

All general services aides covered under this agreement shall have a work day consisting of 7-hours per day with the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., unless mutually agreed upon by supervisor and employee. The normal work week for general services aides shall be 35-hours per week.

F. Custodian

Evening Custodian

The work week for the evening custodian will be a 35 hour week. The scheduled hours to work are Monday - Thursday, 3:00 to 11:00 p.m. and alternate Friday and Saturday as required by the activities scheduled. Friday and Saturday hours shall be 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All shifts will provide a 1-hour scheduled meal break. However, with mutual agreement, this period can be shortened or waived.

Hours may be changed by administration if the need arises.

Night Custodian

The work week for the night custodian will be 40 hours. Hours will normally be scheduled from 10:30 p.m. to 7:30 a.m., Monday evening through Saturday morning. Hours may be changed by the administration if the need arises. The lunch break for the night custodian shall be one hour. However, with mutual agreement, this period can be shortened or waived. The night custodian will be paid a shift differential of 50 cents per hour.

Hours may be changed by administration if the need arises.

G. <u>Technical Assistant to the Director of Cultural Affairs</u>.

The technical assistant position shall be a 12-month position. The regular work schedule for the technical assistant shall be 35 hours per week. The technical assistant shall work such schedule, including evenings, weekends and split shifts, as shall be necessary to fulfill his/her job requirements. The exact schedule of the technical assistant shall be determined by the supervisor of the technical assistant. Such schedule shall be provided to the technical assistant not less than two weeks in advance, except that this time limitation may be waived by the technical assistant in the event of an emergency. In the event that the technical assistant is required to work more than 35 hours in a particular week, the technical assistant shall be granted overtime compensation in accordance with Article VI H of the collective agreement.

H. Compensation for Overtime

1. Paid Overtime Compensation

Employees covered under this agreement shall be paid at the rate of 1 1/2 times the hourly rate of pay for all time in excess of the normal hours of a day under the following circumstances.

- The supervisor requests that the employee work overtime.
- b. Supervisor and employee mutually agree beforehand that the overtime will be compensated with overtime pay.
- Supervisor and employee submit the proper completed form to the Business Office. (see appendix a)
- d. For the purpose of determining overtime compensations, the following shall count as scheduled work days toward the normal total hours of the week.
 - 1. Paid holidays
 - 2. Paid sick days
 - 3. Paid personal days
 - 4. Paid vacation days

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e. Overtime compensation will be calculated on salary only. No shift differential will be paid for such time as an employee receives overtime compensation.

2. Compensatory Overtime

Overtime. Employees covered under this agreement shall work such overtime as the administration of the College deems appropriate. Overtime shall be assigned equitably, giving consideration to the task to be performed and the abilities of the employee. The employee will receive either compensation time or payment at the rate of one and one-half times the overtime hours worked. It shall be the right of the employee to determine whether or not the employee receives compensation time or payment for the overtime hours worked. Every effort will be made by the employee to meet the needs of the College in determining the choice of either compensatory time or payment for overtime hours worked.

Adjusted Schedules

At the request of the employee with agreement by the supervisor, employees covered under this agreement may adjust schedules by transferring time from normally scheduled hour(s) to another time period. The proper form must be completed. (See appendix a)

J. <u>Vacation Schedule</u>

While on the 90 day probationary period, new hires will accrue vacation benefits. However, they cannot use vacation time until the probationary period is completed.

- 1. 0-1 yr of employment = .4166 days per month
- 2. 1 yr to 5 yrs = 1 day per month.
- 3. Beginning 5 years but less than 10 years = 1.25 days per month.
- 4. Beginning 10 years and over = 1.666 days per month.

Vacation times shall be scheduled to coordinate with work schedules and shall be subject to the approval of the immediate supervisor. Such approval shall not be arbitrarily withheld.

K. Accumulated Vacation

Employees under this agreement shall be able to carry the following days into each new college fiscal year beginning July 1:

- 1. Less than ten years of service -- 20 days
- 2. Ten years and over -- 25 days

Unused vacation shall be paid at per diem upon termination of employment.

L. Snow Closings

Snow and other emergency closings. If an employee covered by this agreement is not required to report to work as a result of snow or other emergency, the regular salary of the employee will be paid by the College. The employee, under such circumstances, however, shall not be entitled to payment of a shift differential.

The College reserves the right to require certain employees to report to duty during snow and other emergencies. Employees who are called in to work when the College is closed under such circumstances will receive double-time and one-half pay. Employees unable to report to work as a result of the snow or other emergency shall not suffer any loss in pay if the College is officially closed. Every effort will be made to distribute emergency call-in shifts on an equitable basis. Employees who work on a day when a subsequent shift is cancelled shall not be entitled to additional compensation.

In the event that employees are called upon during a snow or other emergency, there will be no staggered shifts, and individuals will be compensated at the rate set forth herein. No additional shift differential will be paid.

M. <u>Resignation Notification</u>

Two weeks notice to be given by employee in writing.

N. Organizational Chart

College agrees to post an organizational chart for maintenance and custodial employees in appropriate office.

0. Commencement of Employment.

New staff employees hired on or before the 15th of a month will receive credit for that month and the remaining months of the contract year for vacation, sick and personal days. Employees hired after the 15th of the month will receive one-half credit for that month and full credit for the remaining months of the contract year for vacation, sick and personal days.

ARTICLE VII

SALARIES

A. Salary Schedule

All employees covered under the Collective Agreement will receive an salary increases as follows:

1994-95 - 2 percent of the 1993-94 base salary, effective retroactively to July 1, 1994, and an additional 2 percent of the December 1994 base salary, effective January 1, 1995. The salary increases for the 1995-1996 fiscal year shall be negotiated by the parties. Said negotiations shall commence not later than February 1, 1995.

Salary Ranges

PBX Operator/Communication Cl	erk \$12,500 -	\$21,000
Secretaries	\$13,500 -	
Maintenance	\$16,000 -	
Custodian	\$13,000 -	\$20,000
General Services Aides	\$13,500 -	\$23,000
Technical Assistant	\$13,500 -	\$25,000

2. Longevity Bonus (one time):

Longevity bonus to be paid on June 30 of the year in which the bonus accrues (or at severance if this occurs prior to June 30)

Five years of service = \$250.00
Ten years of service = \$300.00
Fifteen of service = \$350.00
Twenty years of service = \$400.00
Twenty five years of service = \$450.00

- 3. New employees salaries will only be based on his/her professional experience and areas of expertise.
- 4. New employees with given experience and expertise shall not be hired at a salary which equals or exceeds current staff member's salaries who have similar professional backgrounds.

B. Method of Payment

Twelve (12) Months

Each employee employed on a 12-month basis shall be paid in 24 semimonthly installments.

2. Exceptions

When payday falls on or during a school holiday, weekend, or New Jersey state banking holiday, employees shall receive their paychecks on the last previous working day.

ARTICLE VIII

SICK LEAVE

A. Accumulative

All employees covered under this agreement shall be entitled to 12 paid sick days (one per month accumulative) each year. Unused sick leave days shall be accumulated from year to year with no maximum limit.

B. The aforementioned sick leave credit shall be given to any presently employed employee under the provisions described above.

C. Notification of Accumulation

Employees shall be given a written accounting of accumulated sick leave days no later than July 15 of each school year.

- D. After 6 consecutive sick days, a doctor's certification must be presented to the employee's immediate supervisor attesting to the employee's readiness to return to work.
- E. Employees shall receive payment for accumulated, sick leave days in accordance with the following guidelines:
 - 1. The employee must be eligible for retirement or disability retirement.
 - The employee must have fifteen (15) years employment at SCC.
 - 3. The payment shall be \$20.00 per eligible day.
 - Credit for sick leave payment shall be at the rate of 25% for days accumulated prior to 7/1/88 and at 100% for days accumulated thereafter.
 - Payment of this benefit shall be made within 60 days of the date of retirement.
 - The maximum benefit payable to any employee under this provision shall be \$1,000.00.

ARTICLE IX

TEMPORARY LEAVES OF ABSENCE

All employees shall be entitled to the following temporary nonaccumulative leaves of absence with full pay each fiscal year.

A. <u>Personal</u>

Three days leave of absence for legal, business, or family matters which require absence during work hours shall be granted for the fiscal year. Applications to the employee's immediate supervisor for personal leave shall be made at least two days before taking such leave (except in cases of emergencies)

and the applicant for such leave shall not be required to state the reason for taking such leave other than that he/she is taking it under this section. Personal days may be taken in 1/4 day allotments.

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B. Bereavement

Each employee shall be entitled to three (3) consecutive calendar days of bereavement leave for each death in the immediate family. One (1) bereavement day may be used to attend the funeral of a member of the family who is not defined as "immediate family." "Immediate family" shall be defined as: father, mother, siblings, wife, husband, children, stepchildren, grandchildren, grandparents or members of the family living with the employee. In the event that the employee desires bereavement leave, he/she shall notify his/her immediate supervisor as soon as practical.

C. <u>Jury Duty</u>

Employees who are summoned and report for jury duty or are subpoenaed and report as witness in any judicial hearing with appropriate justification shall receive a leave of absence unless excused by the court. They shall be paid the difference in pay between their jury duty allowance and their normal pay for the period involved.

D. <u>Maternity Leave</u>

Employees requesting leave for reasons of pregnancy and childbirth should first request absence with available sick, personal and vacation days.

Supervisors shall approve unpaid maternity leave to a normal maximum of ten weeks when a written request is accompanied by appropriate medical certification. Seniority will continue to accumulate during the entire period of such leave, and applicable benefits will also continue.

E. NJEA Convention

Employees desiring to attend the NJEA Convention shall submit a request for leave two weeks in advance; upon returning they must submit proof of attendance.

ARTICLE X

EXTENDED LEAVES OF ABSENCE

A. <u>Illness In Family</u>

A leave of absence without pay of up to one year may be granted for the purpose of caring for a sick member of the employee's immediate family. Additional leave may be granted at the discretion of the board.

B. Good Cause

Other leaves of absence without pay may be granted by the Board for good reason.

C. Family Leave Act.

All leaves of absence referred to in this article shall be granted in a manner consistent with the Family Leave Act.

ARTICLE XI

INSURANCE PROTECTION

A. <u>Health Care Coverage</u>

Health care insurance shall be provided by the Board. The Board shall pay the full premium for employees and family coverage.

The Board agrees to pay full family drug and prescription plan.

B. Payment In Lieu of Health Care Insurance

The employee may elect to take \$300, if single, or \$500, if married, prorated over a twelve-month period annually in place of the health care insurance provided by the Board. Re-entry into the college's health care insurance program will be dictated by dates as designated by the current carrier of such insurance. A payment in lieu of health care insurance will be available only when permitted by the insurance carrier of the college.

C. Disability Plan

Effective July 1, 1990 the College will provide and cover the costs for the same disability plan presently in effect for the faculty and administration.

ARTICLE XII

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

A. Nondiscrimination

The Board and the Association agree that there shall be no discrimination, and that all practices, procedures, and policies of the school system shall clearly exemplify that there is no discrimination in hiring, training, assignment, promotion, transfer, or discipline of employees or in the application or administration of this agreement on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sex, domicile, or marital status.

B. <u>Separability</u>

If any provision of this agreement or any application of this agreement to any employee or group of employees is held to be contrary to law, then such provision or application shall not be deemed valid and subsisting, except to the extent permitted by law, but all other provisions or applications shall continue in full force and effect.

C. Printing Agreement

Copies of this Agreement shall be prepared and reproduced within 30 days after the Agreement has been signed by both parties. The Association shall be solely responsible for typing the agreement, but Association personnel shall do so at times other than the employee's regular workday. The Board shall be solely responsible for reproducing a sufficient number of copies for both parties.

D. <u>Educational Advancement for Employees, Spouses and Dependent Children</u>

- 1. All employees covered under this agreement shall be eligible to take up to 18 credits per fiscal year at SCC. In addition, an employee's spouse and children may enroll at SCC for a maximum of 45 credits each over the four instructional sessions of any academic year. In the event of an enrollment pursuant to this subparagraph, the College shall not charge tuition or fees to the employee's spouse or children.
- 2. No employee shall register for courses scheduled during normal working hours except with specific supervisory approval.

E. Continuing Education

- I. Each employee covered by this agreement shall have the opportunity to attend a workshop, seminar or other continuing-education course at the expense of the College under the following conditions:
 - Each employee shall attend no more than one continuingeducation session per year.
 - b. The continuing-education session must be related to the employee's area of employment.
 - c. The absence of the employee must be approved, in advance, by the appropriate Dean.
 - d. The continuing-education session must be approved, in advance, by the appropriate Dean.
 - e. The cost of this benefit to the College shall not exceed \$100.00 per employee per year.

F. <u>Mileage</u>

 In the event that an employee is required to use his or her personal vehicle for College business, the employee will be reimbursed at the rate of 20 cents per mile. Any use of a personal vehicle for College business must be approved, in advance, by the employee's supervisor.

ARTICLE XIII

REPRESENTATION FEE & DUES DEDUCTION

A. Deduction of Dues From Payroll

The College agrees to deduct Association dues from the pay of members provided that each member voluntarily authorizes the College to deduct and remit such monies in accordance with the contractual Agreement.

- B. Upon receipt of a properly executed authorization card, the sole responsibility of the College shall be to make monthly deductions and remissions to the local treasurer or her/his designee. The Association agrees to hold the College harmless and indemnify the College, if necessary, against any legal liability resulting from such deductions and remissions. That is to say, the sole obligation of the College is to deduct and remit funds in accordance with this contractual agreement.
- 1. <u>Representation Fee in Lieu of Dues</u> If an employee does not become a member of the Association, said employee will be required to pay a representation fee to the employee's per capita cost of services rendered by the Association as majority representative.

2. Amount of Fee

- a. <u>Notification</u> Prior to the beginning of each academic year, the Association will notify the College, in writing, of the amount of the regular membership dues, charged by the association to its own members. The representation fee to be paid by non-members will be determined by the Association in accordance to the law.
- b. <u>Legal Maximum</u> In order to adequately offset the per capita cost of services rendered by the Association as majority representative, the representative fee should be equal in amount to the regular membership dues, charged by the Association to its own members, and the representation fee may be set up to 85% of that amount as the maximum presently allowed by law. The College in compliance with state law and this agreement will deduct from non-association employees in this bargaining unit a representation fee equal to 85% of the regular membership dues. If the law is changed in this regard, the amount of the representation fee automatically will be increased to the maximum allowed. Said increase to become effective as of the beginning of the academic year, immediately following the effective date of the change.

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3. Deduction and Transmission of Fee

- a. <u>Notification</u> Once during each academic year covered in whole or in part by this Agreement, the Association wIll submit to the College a list of those employees who have not become members of the Association for the then academic year. The College will deduct from the salaries of such employees, in accordance with Paragraph b. below, the full amount of the representation fee and promptly will transmit the amount so deducted to the Association.
- b. <u>Payroll Deduction Schedule</u> The College will deduct the representation fee in equal installments, as nearly as possible, from the paychecks paid to each employee in the aforesaid list during the remainder of the academic year in question. The deductions will begin with the first paycheck paid.
 - Ten (10) days after receipt of the afore said

list by the College, or

- 2. Thirty (30) days after the employees begins his or her employment in a bargaining unit position, unless the employee previously served in a bargaining unit position and continued in the employ of the College in a non-bargaining unit position or was on layoff, in which event, the deductions will begin with the first paycheck paid ten (10) days after the resumption of the employee's employment in a bargaining unit position, whichever is later.
- c. <u>Mechanics</u> Except as otherwise provided in this Article, the mechanics for the deduction of representation fees and the transmission of such fees to the Association will, as nearly as possible, be the same as those used for the deduction and transmission of regular membership dues to the Association.
- d. <u>Changes</u> The Association will notify the College, in writing of any changes in the list provided for in Paragraph a. above and/or amount of the representation fee, and such changes will be reflected in any deductions, made more than ten (10) days after the Board received said notice.
- e. <u>New Employees</u> On or about the last day of each month, beginning with the month this Agreement becomes effective, the College will submit to the Association, a list of all employees who began their employment in a bargaining unit position during the preceding 30-day period. The list will include names, job titles and dates of employment for all such employees.
- f. <u>Terminated Employees</u> Upon the termination of employment of any employee, the College will not collect any monies for unpaid dues or representation fees for months subsequent to the employee's termination date.

4. Indemnification and Save Harmless Provision

a. <u>Liability</u> - The Association agrees to idemnify and hold the College harmless against any liability which may arise by reason of any action taken by the College in complying with the provisions of this Article, provided that:

- 1. The College gives the Association timely notice, in writing, of any claim demand, suit or other form of liability in regard to which it will seek to implement this paragraph; and
- 2. The College will cooperate fully with the Association in gathering evidence, securing witnesses and in all other aspects of said defense.

ARTICLE XIV

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

A. Subject to the provisions of this agreement and except as expressly provided otherwise by this agreement, the Board and the President reserve and retain full rights, authority and discretion, in the proper discharge of their duties and responsibilities, to supervise and manage the college and its staff, to determine and administer college policy, to operate the college and to direct the Supportive Staff, and otherwise retain all rights, authority and discretion which are exclusively vested in the board or the President under governing laws and regulations as set forth in the laws of the State of New Jersey and the United States.

ARTICLE XV

CREDIT UNION

A. Employees covered under this agreement may individually elect to have monthly deductions from their salaries in elected denomination for payment to individual accounts in the Salem County School Employees Federal Credit Union.

ARTICLE XVI

WORKING CONDITIONS

A. Job Description

There shall be on file in the appropriate divisional office a job description for each of the employees covered by this Agreement. This job description shall be available to the Association for inspection at reasonable times.

In the event that a job description is amended or a new job description created by the Board of Trustees, a copy of the new or amended job description shall be provided to the Association, for its information. Each new employee shall be provided with a copy of his or her job description at the time of initial employment and when such job description is modified or amended.

B. Agreement

During the first week of employment the Support Staff Association shall present to each employee a copy of the current agreement between the college and the Support Staff Association. Failure to so receive a copy of the agreement shall not be used as a basis for a grievance against the college or for a claim of ignorance of working conditions.

C. <u>Assigned Duties</u>

At no time shall the college or any agent thereof assign or direct any employee covered by this agreement to any other duties outside of the duties appropriate to job classification and consistent with general job description for a period of longer than 15 working days unless mutually agreed to by the parties herein. This does not preclude reassignment of the employee to comparable job classifications within the college.

If an employee is assigned to another job classification for a period of longer than 15 days, the employee shall be compensated the difference between his/her current pay scale and that of the assigned job classification's pay scale.

D. <u>Protection of Employees</u>

Employees shall not be required to work under unsafe or hazardous conditions, or to perform tasks which unreasonably danger their health, safety or well-being, nor shall they be required to work in rooms with temperatures below 62 degrees, unless conditions beyond the control of the college require the maintenance of the heating system below 62 degrees.

Employees shall not be required to work in rooms with temperatures above 88 degrees, as measured in the center of the room and said condition has persisted for more than 1 hour. In such instances, the college may exercise its normal management authority and reassign affected employees to a different work area. These provisions concerning temperature in working areas shall not be operable if overriding considerations or mandates of energy conservation make adherence impracticable.

ARTICLE XVII

<u>HOLIDAYS</u>

A. A list of specific holidays is included in the appendix for all employees covered by this agreement. (See appendix c1 & c2)

ARTICLE XVIII

SENIORITY

A. <u>Definition</u>

Seniority shall be defined as an employee's total length of service with the college beginning with the full time date of hire. Service seniority shall accumulate from the full time date of hire until there is an interruption in service. All college employment exclusive of interruptions shall be totaled in determining seniority.

An interruption in continuous service occurs when an employee resigns, is discharged for cause, retires, or is laid off.

An employee, who is recalled after a one-year period of layoff, shall be considered to have retroactive and continuing seniority upon one year's completion of satisfactory full-time employment.

B. Reduction in Force

Reduction in force shall be made in inverse order of their seniority (least senior member first) within each job description provided that employees with greater seniority are capable of performing the available work as scheduled.

ARTICLE XIX

OPTIONAL SUMMER SCHEDULE

- A. 1. During the months of June and July and the first two weeks of August, the College shall have the right to implement a four-day work week. If the College exercises this right, the work day for personnel employed under this agreement shall be:
 - a. Office Personnel 9 1/4 hours with 1/2 hour for lunch.
 - b. Maintenance 10 1/2 hours with 1/2 hour for lunch.
 - c. Custodial 9 1/4 hours with 1/2 hour for lunch.
 - d. General Services Aide 9 1/4 hours with 1/2 hour for lunch.

If the College establishes a four-day work week pursuant to this article, notice of such four-day work week shall be provided to all affected employees at least two weeks prior to the commencement of the four-day work week schedule. During the time that the four-day work week is implemented, the provisions of Article VI, Paragraphs C, D, E and F;

which are inconsistent with the terms of this paragraph, shall be suspended and an employee shall not be entitled to overtime compensation, either paid or compensatory, until he shall have worked more than the hours prescribed in this paragraph. Further, if an employee utilizes personal leave, vacation leave or sick leave while the four-day work week is in effect, each day that the employee is on leave shall be considered as 1.25 days of leave.

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ARTICLE XX

DURATION OF AGREEMENT

A. Duration Period

This agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 1994 and shall continue in effect until June 30, 1996, subject to the Association's right to negotiate over a successor agreement as provided in ARTICLE II. This agreement shall not be extended orally, and it is expressly understood that it shall expire on the date indicated, unless it is extended in writing.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this agreement to be signed by their respective presidents, attested by their respective secretaries, and their corporate seals to be placed hereon, all on the day and year first above written.

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APPENDIX a Salem Community College Schedule Adjusted Requisitions For Support Staff Association

I. Overtime With Salary Compensation

Employee	Supervisor		
Date of OvertimeHo	urs Worked-from	to	
Reason:	<u> </u>		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Signatures:	(Supervisor)		Date
	(Employee)		Date
	ith Compensatory Time		
Employee	Supervisor		
Date of OvertimeHo	urs Worked-from	to	
Reason:			
	Date(s)	Hours	
(Must be within 45 days)			
Signatures:			
			Date
	ut Additiona <u>l Compensat</u>	ion	
Employee	Supervisor		
Normal schedule not followed: Date	Hours Worked-from	to_	
Reason:			
	Date(s)	Hours	
Schedule of Compensatory Time:			
Signatures:	(Supervisor)		Date
	(Employee)		Date

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APPENDIX b

EMPLOYEE WAIVER FORM*

Category of Requisition (check <u>one</u>)	Date	?:
Employee:		
Family: (Specify Relat	ionship:	
Financial Aid Application: Filed	_ Not File	ed
Student Name:		Major:
Address:		
Phone No: ()	Semester:_	
Code(s) Course(s)	Credits(s)	Schedule
Total Credits		
Signature of Student:		Date
Division Head Signature:		Date
Approver's Title:		
Financial Aid Officer's Signature:		Date
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APPENDIX cl

COLLEGE HOLIDAYS

1994-1995

Independence Day	July 4, 1994
Labor Day	September 5, 1994
Thanksgiving	November 24, 25, 1994
Christmas Eve	December 23, 1994
Christmas Day	December 26, 1994
New Year's Eve	December 30, 1994
New Years Day	January 1, 1995
Martin Luther King Day	January 16, 1995
President's Day	February 20, 1995
Good Friday	April 14, 1995
Easter Monday	April 17, 1995
Memorial Day	May 29, 1995

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APPENDIX d

SALEM COMMUNITY COLLEGE



ABSENCE REPORTING AND REQUEST FORM

DIVISION

NAME:	DIVISION
Type of Absence	Date(s)
Employee's Signature	Date
Approvals:	
Department Head/Supervisor	Date
Dean	Date

INSTRUCTIONS:

This form is to be submitted to the immediate supervisor by all personnel.

When absence is anticipated, this form should be completed and submitted one week in advance of absence.

When unanticipated absence occurs, form should be completed and submitted immediately upon return. All accrued absence documents must be cleared on or before the next ensuing payday.

Immediate supervisor will approve and forward to the appropriate Dean for review and approval.

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APPENDIX e

<u>Technical Assistant</u> (Reference--Memorandum of Agreement ratified by Trustees October 27, 1994)

The parties acknowledge that the College recently changed the title of an existing position to "technical assistant." The College and the Association disagree as to whether or not this position is recognized as part of the bargaining unit pursuant to Article I A of the Collective agreement. In the event that a Clarification of Unit Petition is filed in connection with the new "technical assistant" position, the parties agree that the execution of this Memorandum of Agreement and a new collective agreement between the parties will not prejudice either the College or the Association in such litigation.

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