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### Preamble

This agreement is entered into this first day of July 2006, by and between the Atlantic Cape Community College Board of Trustees, called the Board, and the Atlantic Cape Community College Organization of Supervisory and/or Administrative Personnel, called ACCCOSAP.

#### Article I Recognition

#### A. Unit

The Board recognizes ACCCOSAP as the exclusive representative for collective negotiations, as defined in New Jersey Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 123.

#### B. Definition of an ACCCOSAP Member

The term ACCCOSAP shall refer to all full-time professional, supervisory and/or administrative personnel.

Exceptions to the inclusion definition are the following titles:

Administrative Personnel/President's Staff

Associate Deans

**Assistant Deans** 

Deans

Executive Director of Administration and Business Services

**Executive Director of Finance** 

Executive Director of Communications and College Relations

Facilities Management Supervisory Staff

Human Resources Supervisory Staff

Security and Public Safety Supervisor

Supervisory/Administrative Personnel/ACA

The College will notify ACCCOSAP of newly hired employees and provide a rationale for classifications excluded from ACCCOSAP. The parties will confer on a case-by-case basis as to inclusion in ACCCOSAP.

New ACCCOSAP members are subject to a 180-day probationary employment period. ACCCOSAP members on probation shall be evaluated by management at the 90-day interval of the probationary period. Management may choose to end the probationary period at 90 days and retain the newly hired ACCCOSAP member as a regular employee. This option is at the sole discretion of management.

Management reserves the right to terminate a newly hired probationary employment ACCCOSAP member at any time during the probationary employment period. Discharge of a newly hired ACCCOSAP member during his/her probationary employment period shall not be subject to grievance.

Current ACCCOSAP members promoted or transferred shall be subject to a 90-day probationary period.

## Article II Rights

#### A. Right to Organize

According to Public Laws of 1975, Chapter 123 of the State of New Jersey, all supervisory and/or administrative employees have the right to freely organize, join and support ACCCOSAP. ACCCOSAP's purpose is to engage in collective negotiations over grievances, terms and conditions of employment and activities for mutual aid and protection.

#### B. <u>Additional Rights</u>

- 1. The Board extends to all ACCCOSAP members rights and privileges in academic freedom, personnel files, position vacancies, and notice and issue date of employment contracts.
- 2. Nothing shall deny or restrict ACCCOSAP members' rights under New Jersey School Laws or other applicable laws, including those of the State Commission on Higher Education. Rights granted ACCCOSAP members shall be in addition to those provided by the law.
- 3. ACCCOSAP members shall be entitled to full rights of citizenship and no religious or political activities of any ACCCOSAP member, or the lack thereof, shall be grounds for discipline or discrimination with respect to the employment of an ACCCOSAP member. The personal life of an ACCCOSAP member is not ordinarily within the concern of the Board.

#### C. Use of College Facilities

ACCCOSAP has the right to use College facilities only when the use does not interfere with normal College operation.

#### D. Use of College Property

Authorized ACCCOSAP representatives are permitted to conduct official business on College property, if the activity does not interfere with the normal College operation or the performance of their regular duties.

#### E. <u>Use of College Equipment</u>

ACCCOSAP will pay for any expendable supplies used for ACCCOSAP purposes. ACCCOSAP is liable for damages to equipment used for ACCCOSAP purposes.

#### F. Notices and Mail

ACCCOSAP has the right to post notices concerning ACCCOSAP matters on College bulletin boards. ACCCOSAP may use the College mail service and faculty mail boxes for communication.

#### G. Non-Discrimination

The provisions of this agreement and the wages, hours, terms and conditions of employment shall be applied in a manner which is not arbitrary, capricious, or discriminatory and is without regard to race, creed, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, marital status or disability.

#### H. Grant Funding

ACCCOSAP positions that are in whole or in part funded by external sources or grants will not have seniority in the event of termination or limitations of grant funds. Grant-funded positions may be terminated immediately without regard to provisions of Article VIII of this Agreement. Placement within salary ranges and salary increases shall be determined on the basis of available grant funding and consistent regulations imposed by funding sources. Salary increases in excess of the allowable grant should be solely at the discretion of the College.

#### I. Personnel Files

There is one designated personnel file for each ACCCOSAP member. The file will contain pertinent material including evaluations and documents. No written material pertaining to the ACCCOSAP member will be used in a hearing except that contained in the personnel file. ACCCOSAP members have the right to review their personnel files and to have ACCCOSAP representation during the review. The review will be conducted in the presence of the Director of Human Resources. Pre-employment information including reference inquiries and search committee material will be removed before the review.

#### J. Vacancies and New Positions

- 1. The ACCCOSAP President shall receive notice concerning any professional vacancy or newly created ACCCOSAP position. The notice shall include duties and required qualifications.
- 2. The College will make every effort to notify ACCCOSAP members who apply for a professional position of the result of their application before the name of the successful applicant is published.

## Article III Negotiation of Successor Agreement

#### A. <u>Deadline Date</u>

The parties agree to enter into collective negotiations over a successor agreement in accordance with Chapter 123, Public Laws 1975, in a good faith effort to reach agreement on all terms and conditions of employment. Negotiations shall begin at least 120 days prior to the budget submission date. The negotiated agreement shall be in writing and apply to all ACCCOSAP members. It shall be ratified and signed by the Board and ACCCOSAP, and be adopted by the Board.

## Article IV Conditions of Employment

#### A. <u>ACCCOSAP Members</u> (12 month)

#### 1. Office Hours

- a. Office hours shall normally be considered 40 hours a week, Monday through Friday.
- b. Acknowledging the demands of properly operating an administrative office, it is the discretion of the ACCCOSAP member, with the approval of the immediate supervisor, which shall dictate the appropriateness of compensatory time for time spent outside the College office.

#### B. <u>Committee Membership</u>

ACCCOSAP members shall volunteer to serve on at least one major standing or ad hoc committee per year. This shall include staff/faculty search committees. No member shall be required to advise, counsel, or coach any major College or student activity.

#### C. <u>Academic Calendar</u>

ACCCOSAP shall have the privilege of inquiring into and recommending the establishment of, or changes in, the academic calendar.

#### D. Travel

#### **Authorization**

Travel is authorized, in advance, by the appropriate Senior Staff member and the coordination of its operation and function shall be accomplished by the traveler and his/her immediate supervisor. Specific provisions are stated in the current handbook governing travel established and published by the Board.

#### Per-Mile Rate

Management shall establish a per-mile rate consistent with the State of New Jersey per-mile rate to be paid to Association members for excess travel to their work assignments. Travel reimbursements shall be paid on a quarterly basis on dates to be established and published by management.

#### Mileage Not Paid

Mileage shall not be paid to Association members traveling to their primary work locations. A primary location shall be defined as the location where the Association member spends at least 60 percent of his/her time per quarter (per semester for faculty). Mileage shall not be paid if the Association member's travel does not exceed his/her normal commute from home to primary assignment.

#### Mileage Verification

Business Services shall verify the actual mileage from the Association member's home to his/her primary location and from the Association member's home to his/her non-primary location.

#### Travel Formula

"HN" is the distance between the Association member's home and his/her non-primary location.

"HP" is the distance between the Association member's home and his/her primary location.

"PN" is the distance between the primary location and the non-primary location.

When an Association member's travel is only between the non-primary location and home, reimbursable excess mileage will be calculated as: Excess = 2(HN - HP).

When the Association member's travel includes his/her primary location and a non-primary location, the excess mileage will be calculated as follows: Excess = HN + PN - (HP).

#### Discrepancies

If there is a discrepancy between actual mileage and formula mileage, the appropriate Senior Staff member shall make the adjustment.

#### Article V Leave of Absence

#### A. Advanced Study

An unpaid leave of absence of up to one year may be granted by the Board to an ACCCOSAP member upon application for advanced study and/or research if the Board feels the study shall benefit the College and the ACCCOSAP member. The Board may extend the leave beyond one year. Upon return, the ACCCOSAP member shall be placed in the same or comparable position and salary level as if employed at the College during the leave.

#### B. <u>Service in Professional Organizations</u>

An unpaid leave of absence of up to one year may be granted by the Board to an ACCCOSAP member to serve in a professional capacity or as an officer of a professional association if the Board feels the service would benefit the College and the ACCCOSAP member. The Board may extend the leave beyond one year. Upon return, the ACCCOSAP member shall be placed in the same or comparable position and salary level as if employed at the College during the leave.

#### C. Sabbatical

#### 1. Six-Year Residency

ACCCOSAP members who have completed six years of service at the College are eligible to apply for sabbatical leave.

#### 2. Appropriate Activities

The following activities are appropriate for the granting of sabbatical:

- a. Full-time attendance at graduate school.
- b. Full-time research or writing.
- c. Travel that is beneficial to the College and/or to the professional development of the ACCCOSAP member.
- d. Other appropriate activities, at the discretion of the Sabbatical Leave Committee.

#### 3. Salary

An ACCCOSAP member on sabbatical leave shall, at his/her option, receive full salary for one-half year or one-half salary for a full academic year.

#### 4. Return for One Year

An ACCCOSAP member receiving sabbatical leave must return to the College for one year after that leave.

#### 5. Position on Return

Upon return, the ACCCOSAP member shall be placed at the same position and salary level as if employed at the College during the leave.

#### 6. Application Procedure

Application for sabbatical leave shall be filed with the Sabbatical Leave Committee no later than Nov. 1 of the preceding academic year. ACCCOSAP members applying for a sabbatical leave will present the committee with a plan of professional development, recognizing factors such as:

- a. Improvement of service as a professional employee.
- b. Contribution to the development of the total College program.
- c. The leave applicant shall file an interim and final report of accomplishments obtained pursuant to the objectives (i.e. Appropriate Activities) outlined to the Sabbatical Leave Committee. The interim and final reports must be consistent with the guidelines and deadlines established by the SLC. The guidelines and deadlines shall be published and available to any Association member seeking sabbatical leave.

#### 7. Five percent of ACCCOSAP Members Annually

Every effort shall be made for budgetary provision to permit at least 5 percent of ACCCOSAP members to be on sabbatical annually.

#### 8. Sabbatical Leave Committee

The Sabbatical Leave Committee is composed of the Chief Academic Officer, acting as chairperson; a departmental chairperson selected by the College President; an educator at large selected by the College President; two Association members selected by the Education Association President; two ACCCOSAP members selected by the ACCCOSAP President; one ACAFA member selected by the ACAFA President; and a SSAACCC member, selected by the SSAACCC President, who has earned at least a bachelor's degree.

#### D. <u>Maternity</u>

An ACCCOSAP member requesting unpaid maternity leave shall:

- 1. Apply in writing to her supervisor within eight weeks of confirmation of the pregnancy by her physician.
- 2. Notify the Administration in writing 60 days before the date the leave begins.
- 3. Supply the Administration with certification from the ACCCOSAP member's physician of her ability to satisfactorily perform her duties.
- 4. Supply the Administration with a physician's certificate attesting to her ability to satisfactorily return and perform her duties.
- 5. Reappointment will not be denied on the basis of pregnancy alone. If the ACCCOSAP member is granted reappointment, the maternity leave shall continue to its termination.
- 6. Upon return, the ACCCOSAP member shall be placed in the same or comparable position and salary level as if employed at the College during the leave.

#### E. <u>Adoption/Custody</u>

An ACCCOSAP member adopting or assuming legal custody of an infant or pre-school child shall receive similar leave, which shall begin upon receiving actual custody of the child or earlier if necessary to fulfill the requirements for the adoption or custody period. The ACCCOSAP member shall keep the College informed if adoption or custody leave is being contemplated.

#### F. Child Rearing

The Board may grant child-rearing leaves of absence or extensions without pay.

#### G. <u>Vacation</u>

- 1. ACCCOSAP members (12-month employees) shall earn 16 paid vacation hours (two days) per month of service. Unused vacation hours may accumulate to a total of 272 hours (34 days) retroactive to date of initial employment. At the termination of employment ACCCOSAP members shall be paid on a per-diem basis for unused vacation hours not to exceed 25 days/200 hours. Eight hours equals one day.
- 2. ACCCOSAP members may participate in "Planned Summer Vacation." Members participating in "Planned Summer Vacation" must submit approved leave forms to the Human Resources Office by June 10. The form will indicate leave time above the carry-over limit that will be used through Labor Day. The time requested for July and August will be charged against the June 30 deadline. ACCCOSAP members requesting vacation for July and August may not alter that plan at a later date. The time submitted is charged to the June 30 cut-off and will appear on the final June pay stub.
- 3. If a participating ACCCOSAP member leaves the College before using planned vacation, that time would not be compensable. This plan is to allow ACCCOSAP members the flexibility to use vacation time during the summer. It does not permit vacation time carry-over beyond June 30.
- 4. ACCCOSAP members utilizing the sick leave pool shall not accumulate paid vacation leave for the duration of their sick leave pool use.

#### H. Sick

ACCCOSAP members shall accumulate eight sick leave hours (one day) per month.

#### I. Sick Pool

- 1. The Board will establish a salary continuation pool each July 1 at the rate of 16 hours (two days) for each 12-month ACCCOSAP member. The pool shall be charged for any day's absence due to accident or catastrophic illness of an ACCCOSAP member whose employ provides credit to the pool and who has depleted all personally accumulated sick leave, personal and vacation hours. Catastrophic illness shall be expressly defined, in writing, by the member's physician and presented to the college's Health Office. The accident shall have caused serious bodily injury as defined by the member's physician.
- 2. If an unused balance remains in the pool, no ACCCOSAP member shall suffer loss of pay due to absence for illness or accident. ACCCOSAP members may not exceed 480 personally charged hours (60 days) against the pool, within a given year.
- 3. The Board will maintain the hours accumulated and used by ACCCOSAP members, listing all credits and charges, so that an ACCCOSAP member can claim credit for unused hours in the event:
  - a. A statute is enacted to allow an ACCCOSAP member to use accumulated sick leave for compensation upon retirement.
  - b. The person is no longer recognized as an ACCCOSAP member but is still employed by the Board.
  - c. This program is not sustained by future agreements.
- 4. No claim for pool credits shall be made by an ACCCOSAP member absent due to a worker's compensation injury or illness as prescribed by law or by an ACCCOSAP member eligible for long-term disability compensation as provided by their retirement program.
- 5. ACCCOSAP members using the sick leave pool shall not accrue paid vacation leave for the duration of their pool use.

#### J. <u>Sick Leave Payment</u>

A sick leave payment shall be based on accumulated sick leave hours and the following provisions:

- a. The reimbursable rate shall be the ACCCOSAP member's base salary at retirement.
- b. ACCCOSAP members will make a reasonable effort to notify the College, in writing, six months before plans to retire so that payment of this benefit meets budgetary considerations.
- c. ACCCOSAP members must be at least 50 years of age and have 10 consecutive years of full-time service.
- d. The pay out shall not exceed 100 percent of the accrued leave nor shall the total payment exceed \$11,000.

The pay out shall not exceed 100 percent of the accrued leave nor shall the total payment exceed \$10,000, effective June 30, 2007.

The pay out shall not exceed 100 percent of the accrued leave nor shall the total payment exceed \$9,000, effective June 30, 2008.

The pay out shall not exceed 100 percent of the accrued leave nor shall the total payment exceed \$8,500, effective June 30, 2009.

#### K. Bereavement

Up to four days of non-accumulative leave of absence with pay shall be granted at any one time upon the death of an ACCCOSAP member's spouse, child, parent or sibling. Up to three days of non-accumulative leave of absence with pay shall be granted at any one time upon the death of an ACCCOSAP member's step-child or ward, step-parent, foster parent, or grandparent, grandchild, or parent, grandparent or sibling of spouse, or any other family member living in the same household, no matter what degree the relationship, including a domestic partner. Management shall determine and require appropriate proof of co-habitation prior to approving such leave for a domestic partner claim. Denial of bereavement leave for a domestic partner claim shall not be subject to grievance.

An ACCCOSAP member planning to take bereavement leave should provide as much notice as possible to the appropriate Senior Staff member.

#### L. Holidays

ACCCOSAP members shall be entitled to the following paid holidays. If the College is open on any of these holidays, compensatory days shall be scheduled. Should a holiday fall on Saturday or Sunday, a compensatory day(s) shall be scheduled.

New Year's Day January 1

Martin Luther King Day 3rd Monday in January

President's Day 3rd Monday in February

Good Friday Friday before Easter

Memorial Day Last Monday in May

Independence Day July 4

Labor Day 1st Monday in September

Columbus Day 2nd Monday in October

General Election Day 1st Tuesday in November

Veteran's Day 2nd Monday in November

Thanksgiving Day 4th Thursday in November

Day After Thanksgiving 4th Friday in November

Christmas Day December 25

#### M. Unpaid Personal

Members may request unpaid leave of absence for personal reasons. Denial of this request shall not be subject to grievance.

#### N. Paid Personal

Members may receive 16 hours (two days) of paid personal leave per year. Whenever possible, a 48-hour written notice to the appropriate supervisor shall be given by an ACCCOSAP member requesting use of personal leave. Unused paid personal leave time may be transferred to the ACCCOSAP member's sick leave accrual, effective each June 30.

Effective July 1, 2007, members shall earn 24 hours (three days) of paid personal leave per year.

Effective July 1, 2008, members shall earn 32 hours (four days) of paid personal leave per year.

#### O. Emergency

Up to 24 hours (three days) leave of absence with pay may be granted to an ACCCOSAP member if the member's spouse, parent or child is hospitalized for emergency treatment. Use of emergency leave shall be limited to once per fiscal year per ACCCOSAP member.

#### P. NJEA Convention

ACCCOSAP shall be entitled to 64 hours of cumulative leave for NJEA Convention attendance. ACCCOSAP shall provide the Dean of Labor Relations with a 30-day written notice containing the non-weekend dates of the NJEA Convention and the names of the ACCCOSAP members requesting to attend and the hours each of the members shall attend.

#### Q. Absence Reporting

ACCCOSAP members shall report their inability to attend work by calling the College's absence recording system (609-646-5040) at least one hour before their duty day begins.

#### Article VI Other ACCCOSAP Benefits

#### A. <u>Admission to Courses</u>

ACCCOSAP members, retired ACCCOSAP personnel and dependents (as determined by the IRS Code), including husband, wife and children of current ACCCOSAP members, will be granted tuition-free entrance for credit or audit to any ACCC courses where tuition charges are set by the Board, with the exception of non-credit courses. The intention is to waive tuition not to provide an outlay of cash.

#### B. <u>Non-Credit Courses</u>

Cost for non-credit courses will be paid by the College if the ACCCOSAP member's supervisor initiated the request for enrollment in the course.

#### C. Tuition Reimbursement

- 1. ACCCOSAP members taking undergraduate and/or graduate study may apply to the Sabbatical Leave Committee for tuition reimbursement with no individual maximum per trimester, subject to a budget maximum of \$20,000. Effective July 1, 2007, the budget maximum shall be \$22,000. A trimester is defined as three four-month periods. The first trimester will be from June 1 to Sept. 30. The second trimester will be from Oct. 1 to Jan. 31. The third trimester will be from Feb. 1 to May 31.
- 2. ACCCOSAP members shall be reimbursed up to \$500 per trimester for certificate and continuing education programs upon approval of the Sabbatical Leave Committee. When approved by the SLC, reimbursement shall be made from existing ACCCOSAP tuition reimbursement funds.

#### D. Medical Retirement Benefit

A medical retirement benefit shall be available to ACCCOSAP members if the same benefit is gained by other ACCC employee bargaining units.

#### E. Teaching Credit

An ACCCOSAP member hired into a full-time faculty position may be awarded up to one year of additional teaching service credit at the completion of his/her first year teaching evaluation. Denial of an additional year of teaching service credit shall not be subject to grievance.

#### Article VII Grievance Procedure

#### A. Definition of a Grievance

A grievance is a claim by one or more ACCCOSAP members or by ACCCOSAP, referred to as a "grievant," based upon an alleged violation, misrepresentation or misapplication of any agreement provision or any existing rule, order or regulation of the Board, the College President, or the Commission on Higher Education.

#### B. <u>Procedure</u>

If a grievant invokes this grievance procedure, the grievant shall:

- 1. Reduce the grievance to writing in letter form. The letter shall be mailed or delivered to the appropriate Senior Staff member, the College President and the Board Secretary. The letter shall state the nature of the grievance and the remedy requested and shall be dated and signed by the grievant.
- 2. Within seven working days from the receipt of the letter, the appropriate Senior Staff member shall meet with the grievant and discuss the facts and circumstances in an effort to resolve the grievance. The Senior Staff member shall provide a written disposition of the grievance, within seven working days of the last meeting with the grievant. A copy of this written disposition shall be mailed or delivered to the grievant, the College President, the Board Secretary and the ACCCOSAP President.
- 3. If the grievant is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance by the Senior Staff member, they may appeal, in writing, to the Dean of Labor Relations within seven working days from the receipt of the written disposition by the Senior Staff member. The grievant shall forward copies of the written appeal to the Senior Staff member, the Board Secretary and the ACCCOSAP President.
- 4. Within seven working days from the receipt of the letter, the Dean of Labor Relations shall meet with the grievant and discuss the facts and circumstances in an effort to resolve the grievance. The Dean of Labor Relations shall provide a written disposition of the grievance, within seven working days of the last meeting with the grievant. A copy of this written disposition shall be mailed or delivered to the grievant, the College President, the Board Secretary and the ACCCOSAP President.

- 5. If the grievant is not satisfied with the disposition of the grievance by the Dean of Labor Relations, he/she may appeal, in writing, to the President within seven working days from the receipt of the written disposition by the Dean of Labor Relations. The grievant shall forward copies of the written appeal to the Senior Staff member, the Board Secretary and the ACCCOSAP President.
- 6. The College President shall, within seven working days from the receipt of the written appeal, meet with the grievant and discuss the facts and circumstances of the grievance in an effort to resolve the matter. The President shall provide a written disposition of the grievance, within seven working days of the last meeting with the grievant. A copy of this written disposition shall be mailed or delivered to those persons to whom the written grievance was mailed or delivered. The President may designate a representative to process and determine the grievance. The disposition of the grievance by the President shall be final.
- 7. If the grievant is not satisfied with the disposition of the President, the grievance may be submitted by the grievant to arbitration before an impartial arbitrator within 30 days. If the parties cannot agree on an arbitrator, one shall be selected according to the rules and procedures of the Public Employment Relations Commission whose rules shall govern the proceeding. The arbitrator shall have no power to alter, add to or subtract from the terms of this agreement. The arbitration shall be binding for grievances based upon the terms of this agreement and shall be advisory for all other grievances.
- 8. The fees and expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally by the College and ACCCOSAP.
- 9. The number of days indicated at each level should be considered a maximum and every effort should be made to speed the process. Time limits can be extended by mutual consent.
- 10. All documents, communications and records dealing with a grievance shall not become part of the permanent personnel files of the participants.
- 11. The grievant and ACCCOSAP shall be furnished with relevant information in the possession of the Board for the processing of any grievance.

- 12. A grievance must be filed within 30 days from the date on which the subject matter of the grievance occurred or 30 days from the date on which the grievant should reasonably have known of its occurrence.
- 13. Nothing shall be construed to limit, deny or restrict, the rights, or remedies, administrative or judicial, to which any grievant may be entitled under law.
- 14. The College President may intervene at any time and discuss and determine the grievance without the necessity of the appeals.
- 15. A failure on the part of the Senior Staff member, Dean of Labor Relations or the College President to make a written determination of the grievance within the time allowed shall establish a denial of the grievance.
- 16. No reprisals shall be taken by any of the participants in the grievance procedure by reason of participation.
- 17. All meetings and hearings shall be conducted in private and shall include parties of interest and/or their designated or selected representatives.

#### C. Rights of Representation

If an ACCCOSAP member is the subject of a grievance by another ACCCOSAP member or a member of the Faculty Association, the ACCCOSAP member shall have the right to be represented by a three-member committee appointed by the ACCCOSAP President.

## Article VIII Terms of Employment

#### A. Contracts

ACCCOSAP members shall receive contracts of employment renewable each year.
 The conferring of the initial annual contract carries an expectation of renewal if the ACCCOSAP member's performance and behavior meets predetermined standards.
 The Board shall adhere to Just Cause for the non-renewal of an ACCCOSAP member's employment contract. The College President shall provide specific reasons for non-renewal recommendations.

Annual contracts or letters of intent shall be issued by March 15.

When the Board does not intend to reappoint an ACCCOSAP member, notice of non-appointment shall be given in writing no later than:

- o March 1 of the first year of employment
- o Feb. 1 of the second year of employment
- o No later than Jan. 15 for the third and fourth years of employment
- o A full year's notice will be given to ACCCOSAP members who have completed five years of employment

Years of employment shall be calculated based on the employee's years as an ACCCOSAP member only.

If notification is not possible by all dates shown, and the ACCCOSAP member is forced to leave, the College shall compensate the ACCCOSAP member at the perdiem rate (i.e. base pay) until the date is achieved (e.g. Feb. 1 notification date obligates the College to five calendar months of notice or 100 working days).

The ACCCOSAP President shall be notified of the non-renewal.

Grant-funded positions are excluded from this section.

2. If an ACCCOSAP member resigns, he/she shall provide the College with a written 30-calendar day notice period. Failure to provide a written 30-day notice shall result in deduction of accrued vacation time in amount that will satisfy the 30-day notice period.

ACCCOSAP members who have issued a notice of voluntary termination (resignation or retirement) of employment shall be ineligible for paid sick leave for the final 30 days of their employment with the College. If the member maintains a balance of leave time, vacation or personal leave may be utilized for this purpose.

- 3. Contracts may be terminated by mutual agreement between the ACCCOSAP member and the Board.
- 4. There shall be no major changes in the ACCCOSAP member's responsibilities or duties without consultation with the ACCCOSAP member.
- 5. The College shall consult with ACCCOSAP before assigning an ACCCOSAP member additional duties on a temporary or acting basis. After six months of additional or acting duties, the ACCCOSAP member shall be provided with a written evaluation of his/her performance during the temporary status. The ACCCOSAP member may request that any stipend or flat fee compensation be placed into his/her base salary for the duration of the additional or acting duties.
- 6. Newly hired ACCCOSAP members shall be subject to a 180-day trial employment (probationary) period.

#### B. <u>Reclassification</u>

Should an ACCCOSAP member's job description be changed or expanded he/she may apply for reclassification or upgrading of position. The job description shall be available to the ACCCOSAP member and to the ACCCOSAP President within 30 days of the reclassification. Every effort shall be made to respond to applications for reclassification within 60 days.

#### C. Longevity

A longevity increase of \$500 in base salary shall be paid on the anniversary date of each ACCCOSAP member's completion of 10, 15 and 20 years of service.

#### D. Retraining

Retraining will be made available to an ACCCOSAP member with six or more years of service if his/her individual contract is not renewed by the Board of Trustees for reasons other than discipline or performance. Such retraining shall consist solely of a complete tuition, fee, and textbook waiver for any four Atlantic Cape Community College credit or non-credit courses for the affected ACCCOSAP member. If the affected ACCCOSAP member chooses to enroll in the Academy of Culinary Arts, this section shall refer to four blocks of instruction.

The affected ACCCOSAP member must enroll for the course work within 18 months of notice of termination.

If the affected ACCCOSAP member enrolls in credit courses at a higher education institution other than Atlantic Cape Community College, the Board shall reimburse the affected member up to a total of \$2,500. To qualify for reimbursement, the affected member must abide by current Sabbatical Leave Committee guidelines for tuition reimbursement and must enroll for course work within 18 months of notification of nonrenewal.

Completion of available training shall not be construed as an assurance of continued employment with Atlantic Cape Community College.

#### E. Recall

ACCCOSAP members who have not had their contracts renewed for reasons other than discipline or performance, shall be placed on a recall list for up to one year from the notice of the termination. ACCCOSAP members on the recall list shall receive preference for subsequent ACCCOSAP or exempt management position vacancies if they have the experience, skill and ability to perform the duties of the vacancy.

ACCCOSAP members who have consistently participated in technology training and/or other professional development and continuing education programs shall receive priority consideration for recall before an external candidate is hired for the vacancy. It shall be the responsibility of ACCCOSAP to notify members of the recall list of position vacancies.

Denial of recall request shall not be subject to grievance.

#### F. Reorganization

The Board shall make every effort to communicate with ACCCOSAP and include ACCCOSAP in any departmental reorganization plans that will impact ACCCOSAP members. The Board shall make every effort to inform ACCCOSAP in advance of pending departmental reorganization plans including the changes being recommended, the rationale supporting such changes, new or revised ACCCOSAP job descriptions resulting from the reorganization and the date or dates of planned implementation of the changes.

In all cases, the Board reserves sole jurisdiction and right, in compliance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, the rulings of the State Commission on Higher Education, and the provisions of this Agreement, to hire, reassign, promote, transfer, direct or discharge ACCCOSAP members.

## Article IX Due Process

- Due process refers to the standards and procedures that should be followed in dealing with any adverse action brought against an ACCCOSAP member by the College. The ACCCOSAP President will be notified within five working days when written disciplinary action is taken. These procedures are meant to insure that the Board has applied the tenets of Just Cause in the treatment of ACCCOSAP members.
- 2. The ACCCOSAP member shall be given appropriate reasons and notice of adverse action within 10 days of the alleged violation.
- 3. The ACCCOSAP member shall be provided an opportunity to have a conference with the supervisor within one day of the issuance of an adverse action.
- 4. Except for serious breaches of discipline, the following discipline procedures shall be sequentially followed for each offense, unless of the same nature:
  - a. Oral warning
  - b. Formal written warning about the violation and required corrective action with a copy to the ACCCOSAP member's personnel file
  - c. Suspension
  - d. Discharge
- 5. It will be the burden of the College to prove its charges and justify its actions through the presentation of proper, relevant and sufficient evidence.
- 6. The ACCCOSAP member and/or ACCCOSAP representatives have the right to present evidence to refute the charges.

## Article X Health Benefits

#### A. Medical Insurance

The College participates in and abides by the rules and regulations of the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program. Participating in the New Jersey Health Benefits Program is non-contributory to the Association member for all premium increases as certified by the Division of Pensions with coverage of dependents, including children up to December 31 of the year the child reaches age 23. This coverage becomes effective for new employees in accordance with the provisions of the State Health Benefits Program. For present employees, the annual enrollment period shall be in accordance with the provisions of the State Health Benefits Program.

#### B. <u>Prescription Plan</u>

The State Health Benefits Plan is based on a co-pay established by the carrier which includes contraceptives. The Board will provide the premium for Association members and eligible dependents. New Association members are eligible for coverage in accordance with provisions of the prescription program.

#### C. Dental Coverage

The Board provides a full family co-insurance dental program with 100 percent coverage for preventive and diagnostic care; 80 percent coverage for basic services including oral surgery, endodontic, periodontic and basic restorative benefits (amalgam, synthetic, porcelain and plastic restorations for treatment of carious lesions); and 50 percent coverage for major restorative (crowns, inlays and gold restorations) and prosthodontics (bridges, partial and complete dentures) benefits with a \$1,200 maximum per family member per year. A deductible amount of \$75 per employee and up to \$225 per family shall be applied, per calendar year, for dental care other than preventive and diagnostic services.

Effective January 1, 2008, the maximum coverage amount per family member per year shall be \$1,300.

The selection of the insurance carrier is at the sole discretion of the Board. Coverage for new ACCCOSAP members is effective in accordance with guidelines established by the selected carrier.

#### D. Vision Care

A vision care program is available once every two years for ACCCOSAP members and eligible dependents. The following fee reimbursement is in effect with amounts up to:

Exam	\$50
Frames	\$50
Per lens	\$25
Per lens, bifocals	\$30
Per lens, trifocals	\$40
Per lens, lenticular	\$40
Per lens, cataract contacts	\$150
Per lens, contacts	\$50

Prescription/tinted sunglasses are eligible for reimbursement. Plain sunglasses are not covered.

#### E. <u>Disability Insurance</u>

The Board will provide \$50 per ACCCOSAP member per annum to fund a disability insurance program. A committee of the Dean of Labor Relations, an ACCCOSAP member and a member from each of the bargaining units will agree on the plan(s) selected.

#### Article XI Miscellaneous

#### A. Copies of Agreement

Copies of this agreement shall be reproduced by the Board and sent to the ACCCOSAP membership.

#### B. <u>Provisions Contrary to Law</u>

If any provision or application of this agreement is found contrary to law, the provision or application shall not be deemed valid and subsisting except to the extent permitted by law. All other provisions or applications shall continue in full force and effect.

#### C. Ratification

This agreement is subject to ratification by ACCCOSAP members and the Board.

#### D. Savings Clause

All terms and conditions applicable to ACCCOSAP members as established by the rules, regulations and/or policies of the Board shall be applicable during the term of this agreement. Nothing shall be interpreted and/or applied to eliminate, reduce or detract from any ACCCOSAP benefit existing prior to its effective date. This agreement supersedes all previous Board or College policies on those matters.

#### E. <u>Teaching Compensation</u>

An ACCCOSAP member who teaches during non-work hours on an overload basis shall be compensated at the Instructor rate per credit hour.

Effective July 1, 2003, an ACCCOSAP member who teaches during non-work hours on an overload basis shall be compensated at the Instructor level if the member possesses a bachelor's degree; at the Assistant Professor level if the member possesses a master's degree; or at the Associate Professor level if the member possesses a doctorate.

The College reserves the right to reassign faculty and cancel or establish classes as necessary following the initial printing. Members should contact the appropriate Department Chair to verify the availability of sections.

#### F. Representation Fee

- 1. Under the authority of N.J.S.A.34:13A-5.4, each ACCCOSAP member shall be required, as a condition of employment, to become an ACCCOSAP member or begin and maintain representation payments equal to 85 percent of the total of regular ACCCOSAP membership dues, initiation fees and assessments. This provision shall apply beginning on the first day of the month following three months of employment.
- 2. Deductions shall be made only in accordance with the provisions of a Payroll Deduction Authorization form, with the provisions of this agreement. The Payroll Deduction Authorization form is in Appendix D of this agreement.
- 3. A properly executed copy of payroll deduction authorization for each ACCCOSAP member for whom dues or representation fee are to be deducted shall be delivered to the payroll officer before payroll deductions are made. Deductions shall only be made under properly executed Payroll Deduction Authorization forms. If an ACCCOSAP member refuses to authorize the deduction for representation fee, ACCCOSAP shall notify the College in writing.

- 4. Deductions under all properly executed Payroll Deduction Authorization forms are effective when the application is given to the payroll office. Deductions begin from the first pay period after that date and each pay period thereafter if the ACCCOSAP member has sufficient net earnings to cover the payment.
- 5. If an ACCCOSAP member who is required to pay a representation fee terminates employment with the Board before ACCCOSAP has received the full amount of the representation fee to which it is entitled under this Article, the Board will deduct the unpaid fee from the last paycheck of the ACCCOSAP member during the membership year in question.
- 6. ACCCOSAP agrees to indemnify and save Atlantic Cape Community College harmless against all claims, suits or other forms of liability arising from the deduction of money for dues or the representation fee or from compliance with any request for termination under this section.
- 7. The College will advise new ACCCOSAP members in writing of their obligation under this section.

#### G. Contract Closure

Association members not employed as membership-eligible ACCC employees before July 1, 2006, shall not be eligible for salary increases and one-time bonuses achieved in the first year of this agreement. ACCCOSAP members hired after February 15 of any year of the Agreement shall receive a pro-rated amount of the upcoming July 1 across-the-board increase.

#### H. Degree Incentive

ACCCOSAP members who have earned a doctoral degree from an accredited institution of higher education shall receive a one-time \$500 base salary increase. Members who have attained the degree prior to Board ratification of this Agreement shall receive the base salary increase at the time of Board ratification. The base salary increase shall not be retroactive to the date the member earned the degree. Newly hired ACCCOSAP members shall receive this base salary increase, if applicable, after six months of full-time service. An

ACCCOSAP member must submit copies of his/her diploma and transcripts before receiving this degree incentive.

#### I. Distance Education

ACCCOSAP members engaged in distance education shall be subject to the terms and conditions found in the Education Association Article XVI (Copyright and Intellectual Property).

#### J. Professional License

ACCCOSAP members shall receive reimbursement for professional license renewal not to exceed \$150 per year, effective July 1, 2007. The license shall have a relevance to the member's full-time ACCC employment responsibilities. Such request shall require approval of the appropriate senior staff member.

## Article XII Management Rights

- 1. The Board has the responsibility and authority to manage and direct all College operations and activities to the full extent authorized by law. The exercise of these powers, rights, duties, responsibilities and authority by the Board and the adoption of such rules, regulations and policies as it may deem necessary, shall only be limited to the specific and expressed terms of this agreement.
- 2. The Board reserves sole jurisdiction and right, in compliance with the laws of the State of New Jersey and the rulings of the State Commission on Higher Education, to hire, assign, promote, transfer and direct ACCCOSAP members. The Board also reserves the right to take disciplinary action against ACCCOSAP members, up to and including discharge, for just cause. The Board directs school operations, and takes actions necessary to accomplish the College mission except as specifically provided by this agreement.

#### Article XIII Reduction in Force

#### A. ACCCOSAP Notification

If a general reduction in force is being considered, the Board shall notify and consult with ACCCOSAP and the ACCCOSAP members involved as soon as practical. Except in extreme emergency, notification should occur not less than 90 days before the reduction in force is to take place. The Board shall discuss with ACCCOSAP the reasons for a reduction of staff.

## Article XIV Duration of Agreement

This agreement is in effect from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2010, unless ACCCOSAP and the Board of Trustees mutually agree in writing to an extension.

For the Board:	For ACCCOSAP:
Chairperson, Board of Trustees	President, Atlantic Cape Community College Organization of Supervisory and Administrative Personnel
President, Atlantic Cape Community College	Secretary, Atlantic Cape Community College Organization of Supervisory and Administrative Personnel

Date of Ratification: March 27, 2007

### Appendix A

## Salary Ranges July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007

Title	Pay Grade	Salary Range
Asst Director, Administrative Computing Asst Director, College Recruitment Asst Director, EOF Asst Director, WACC Administrative Services Asst Director, Student Development Assoc Director, Budgets and Systems Assoc Director, Cash Reconcilement Director, Academic Program Effectiveness and Dua Director, Adjunct Development and Faculty Admin Director, College Marketing Director, Community and Cultural Affairs Director, LAC and Tutoring Labs Director, Personal Computer Services Director, Institutional Planning and Assessment Supervisor, Purchasing and Storeroom Operations		\$51,665-74,914
Bursar Director, Admissions and College Recruitment Director, CMCC Academic and Student Affairs Director, Counseling and Support Services Director, Financial Aid and Veteran's Affairs Director, Instructional Technology Director, Student Development and Housing Director, WACC and CMCC Student Services Director, Testing Registrar	15	\$55,799-80,909
Director, Administrative Computing Director, Corporate Training and CCI Director, Extension Center Accounting Director, Telecommunications & Video Services	16	\$58,589-84,955
Controller Director, Major Gifts	17	\$61,519-89,203

Effective July 1, 2006, ACCCOSAP members shall receive a 4.0 percent base salary increase. There shall be no red lining (adherence to the range maximum of salaries) through June 30, 2007.

# Appendix B Salary Ranges July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

<u>Title</u>	Pay Grade	Salary Range
Asst Director, Administrative Computing Asst Director, College Recruitment Asst Director, EOF Asst Director, WACC Administrative Services Asst Director, Student Development Assoc Director, Budgets and Systems Assoc Director, Cash Reconcilement Director, Academic Program Effectiveness and Durector, Adjunct Development and Faculty Admin Director, College Marketing Director, Community and Cultural Affairs Director, LAC and Tutoring Labs Director, Personal Computer Services	14 al Enrollment	\$53,473-77,536
Director, Institutional Planning and Assessment Supervisor, Purchasing and Storeroom Operations		
Bursar Director, Admissions and College Recruitment Director, CMCC Academic and Student Affairs Director, Counseling and Support Services Director, Financial Aid and Veteran's Affairs Director, Instructional Technology Director, Student Development and Housing Director, WACC and CMCC Student Services Director, Testing Registrar	15	\$57,752-83,741
Director, Administrative Computing Director, Corporate Training and CCI Director, Extension Center Accounting Director, Telecommunications & Video Services	16	\$60,640-87,928
Controller Director, Major Gifts	17	\$63,673-92,325

Effective July 1, 2007, ACCCOSAP members shall receive a 4.0 percent base salary increase. There shall be no red lining (adherence to the range maximum of salaries) through June 30, 2008.

# Appendix C Salary Ranges July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009

Title	Pay Grade	Salary Range
Asst Director, Administrative Computing Asst Director, College Recruitment Asst Director, EOF Asst Director, WACC Administrative Services Asst Director, Student Development Assoc Director, Budgets and Systems Assoc Director, Cash Reconcilement Director, Academic Program Effectiveness and Dua Director, Adjunct Development and Faculty Admin Director, College Marketing Director, Community and Cultural Affairs Director, LAC and Tutoring Labs Director, Personal Computer Services Director, Institutional Planning and Assessment Supervisor, Purchasing and Storeroom Operations		\$55,345-80,250
Bursar Director, Admissions and College Recruitment Director, CMCC Academic and Student Affairs Director, Counseling and Support Services Director, Financial Aid and Veteran's Affairs Director, Instructional Technology Director, Student Development and Housing Director, WACC and CMCC Student Services Director, Testing Registrar	15	\$59,773-86,672
Director, Administrative Computing Director, Corporate Training and CCI Director, Extension Center Accounting Director, Telecommunications & Video Services	16	\$62,762-91,006
Controller Director, Major Gifts	17	\$65,901-95,556

Effective July 1, 2008, ACCCOSAP members shall receive a 4.0 percent base salary increase. There shall be no red lining (adherence to the range maximum of salaries) through June 30, 2009.

# Appendix D Salary Ranges July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

Title	Pay Grade	Salary Range
Asst Director, Administrative Computing Asst Director, College Recruitment Asst Director, EOF Asst Director, WACC Administrative Services Asst Director, Student Development Assoc Director, Budgets and Systems Assoc Director, Cash Reconcilement Director, Academic Program Effectiveness and Du Director, Adjunct Development and Faculty Admi Director, College Marketing Director, Community and Cultural Affairs Director, LAC and Tutoring Labs Director, Personal Computer Services Director, Institutional Planning and Assessment Supervisor, Purchasing and Storeroom Operations		\$57,282-83,059
Bursar Director, Admissions and College Recruitment Director, CMCC Academic and Student Affairs Director, Counseling and Support Services Director, Financial Aid and Veteran's Affairs Director, Instructional Technology Director, Student Development and Housing Director, WACC and CMCC Student Services Director, Testing Registrar	15	\$61,865-89,705
Director, Administrative Computing Director, Corporate Training and CCI Director, Extension Center Accounting Director, Telecommunications & Video Services	16	\$64,959-94,191
Controller Director, Major Gifts	17	\$68,208-98,900

Effective July 1, 2009, ACCCOSAP members shall receive a 4.0 percent base salary increase. There shall be no red lining (adherence to the range maximum of salaries) through June 30, 2010.

### Appendix E

### Atlantic Cape Community College Payroll Deduction Authorization

I,	, hereby authorize Atlantic Cape Community College
	n biweekly payroll period the amount indicated and to remit this
Purpose of Deduction: [	Dues Representation Fee
Organization:Education Asso	ociationACCCOSAPSSAACCCACAFA
Amount of Deduction: \$	(Under authority of NJSA 34:13A-5.4.)
<u> </u>	o 85 percent of regular membership dues. Deduction becomes is tendered to the Payroll Office with deductions effective the first
Dated	Employee's Signature

#### Sidebar

(This section is not part of the negotiated Agreement)

The Board recognizes and appreciates the professional nature of ACCCOSAP-level employment. In the absence of formal compensable or "comp" time, the Board recognizes that ACCCOSAP members enjoy a reasonable measure of flexibility in duty scheduling.

It is further recognized that ACCCOSAP members often devote many hours in dedication to their respective duties. The Board remains grateful for such dedication and is supportive of the occasional necessity for flexible work scheduling for ACCCOSAP members.