

Policies and Procedures

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1. Purpose

This policy addresses the appointment of retired full-time administrative and professional faculty of the college to Emeritus status and the rights and privileges accompanying such appointments. It complies with applicable policies of the Virginia Community College System as delineated in Section 3.1.2 of the VCCS Policy Manual.

2. Policy

Tidewater Community College recognizes that administrative and professional faculty perform exemplary service over the course of their careers. Such service is generally rewarded through promotions, multi-year appointments for professional faculty, and other awards and methods of recognition. In those cases where the individual's service and contributions to the college have been particularly meritorious and significant, upon retirement, an administrative or professional faculty member shall be eligible for appointment to Emeritus status.

The number of nominations to be recommended for Emeritus status in any given year shall not exceed two percent of the number of full-time administrative and professional faculty as of October 31st or one person per campus and District Administration, whichever is larger.

2.1. Eligibility

The following criteria must be met to be eligible for appointment to Emeritus status.

- 1. The individual must have retired from TCC service as a member of the administrative or professional faculty within the previous five (5) years or have formally stated the intent to retire in the fiscal year (i.e., by June 30) in which considered for selection.
- 2. The individual must be (or have been) a full-time administrative or professional faculty employee holding faculty rank.
- The individual must have a minimum of ten years of full-time service as a member of TCC's faculty and staff and fifteen years of full-time experience in higher education.
- 4. The individual must have made meritorious and significant contributions to Tidewater Community College.

2.2. Rights and Privileges of Emeritus Appointees

The following rights and privileges shall accompany appointment to Emeritus status.

- 1. Listing in the faculty and staff section of the *Tidewater Community College Catalog*, with identification as emeritus in the most recently held administrative or professional faculty status, e.g., Dean Emeritus, Librarian Emeritus, Counselor Emeritus, etc.
- 2. The option to participate in the academic procession at commencement exercises and other such official college events, marching ahead of the faculty.
- 3. Full use of the facilities of the college's learning resources centers.
- 4. Employee parking privileges.
- 5. College ID card.
- A standing invitation to attend special events, concerts, presentations, or lectures sponsored by the college, as well as to participate in college intramural and recreational programs.
- 7. The employee discount at the college bookstores.
- 8. A college e-mail account.

Emeritus appointees shall be officially so named at the college's recognition event for retirees in the year of their nomination's approval by the College President and the Tidewater Community College Board.

3. Responsibilities

The Associate Vice President for Human Resources shall develop and promulgate procedures to implement the policy delineated above.

4. Procedures

The following procedures apply for the nomination of full-time administrative and professional faculty who retire from Tidewater Community College for appointment to Emeritus status. Deadline dates specified in this procedure shall be incorporated into the college's working calendar.

- 1. By September 30th of each year, the Associate Vice President for Human Resources shall issue a call for nominations of administrative and professional faculty for Emeritus status with the deadline for such nominations being October 15th.
- 2. Any current or retired member of TCC's full-time administrative or professional faculty may nominate a colleague for Emeritus status using the attached nomination form which shall be submitted to the appropriate supervisor by October 15th. In addition to the nomination form, the nomination shall consist of at least three letters of support from current or retired TCC employees, one of whom may be the person originating the nomination. The letters of support should delineate, in detail, the nominee's particularly meritorious and significant service and contributions to the college. If available, a current résumé or curriculum vitae should accompany the nomination. Taken together, the letters and résumé should include the nominee's work history, community and TCC activities, and any other pertinent information to help the committee determine eligibility for Emeritus status.
- 3. In consultation with the Associate Vice President for Human Resources, the supervisor shall determine that the nominated faculty member meets the years of service and academic rank requirements for eligibility for Emeritus status. In the event that the nominated faculty member is not eligible for Emeritus status, the supervisor shall notify the person who submitted the nomination that it will not be considered due to ineligibility.
- 4. The supervisor shall inform the faculty member that she or he has been nominated for Emeritus status and ascertain that she or he acquiesces to the nomination. In the event that the nominated faculty member declines the nomination, the supervisor shall notify the person who submitted the nomination that it will not be considered in accordance with the nominee's desires.
- 5. The supervisor shall evaluate the nomination and make a recommendation to the supervising member of the President's Executive Staff by October 25th.
- 6. In the event that a nomination is evaluated unfavorably by the supervisor, the employee making the nomination shall be so advised and have the right to appeal the supervisor's recommendation directly to the respective member of the President's Executive Staff.

- 7. The supervising member of the President's Executive Staff shall evaluate the nomination and forward the nomination form and the supporting letters of recommendation with a recommendation to the Associate Vice President for Human Resources no later than November 1st.
- 8. In the event that a nomination is evaluated unfavorably by the supervising member of the President's Executive Staff, the TCC employee making the nomination shall be so advised and have the right to appeal the decision directly to the College President.
- 9. By January 16th, the College President shall appoint an ad hoc committee of five to seven full-time administrative and professional faculty to review nominations for appointment to Emeritus status. The Associate Vice President for Human Resources will meet with and issue the charge to the committee on the Presidents' behalf.
- 10. The ad hoc committee shall elect a chair from among its members.
- 11. The Associate Vice President for Human Resources will deliver the nominations to the chair of the ad hoc committee.
- 12. The ad hoc committee shall consider the nominations and, through the chair, submit its recommendation on nominations to the College President no later than February 15th.
- 13. The College President, after reviewing the ad hoc committee chair's report, shall recommend nominations for approval to the Tidewater Community College Board at its March meeting each year. In accordance with the college's policy, the number of nominations to be recommended during any given year shall not exceed two percent of the administrative and professional faculty as of October 31st or one person per campus and District Administration, whichever is greater.

5. Definitions

No definitions are associated with this policy.

6. References

VCCS Policy Manual

7. Review Periodicity and Responsibility

The Associate Vice President for Human Resources shall review this revised policy at each anniversary of its approval and, if necessary, recommend revisions.

8. Effective Date and Approval

This revision to the policy is effective upon its approval by the College President on September 15, 2016.

Policy Approved: Procedure Developed:

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9. Review and Revision History

The initial version of this policy was approved November 11, 2002.

Revision 1

Section 3. Responsibility for developing procedure from the College President to the Vice President for Administration.

Section 4. Procedures re-written based on experience and recommendations of ad hoc committee.

Approved September 30, 2004 by President Deborah M. DiCroce.

Revision 2

Section 1. Policy revised to apply to administrative and professional faculty only.

Section 2.2. Venue for officially naming administrative and professional faculty to Emeritus status changed to the college's annual recognition event for retirees.

Section 4.

- Dates modified to start the nomination process on September 15th, to separate it from the start of the academic year.
- Procedure revised to make the nomination process driven by full-time colleagues of the nominee.
- Procedure revised to direct appeals of the Executive Staff member's decision to the College President.

Appendix A. Nominating form revised to reflect changes in the procedure.

Approved September 9, 2010 by President Deborah M. DiCroce.

- Revision 3
- Section 2.1.3 Eligibility revised to require a minimum of ten years of full-time service as a member of TCC's faculty and staff rather than require a minimum of ten years of service as a member of TCC's full-time administrative and

professional faculty to account for employees who have served the college in more than one category of full-time employment.

Section 3. Responsibility for developing procedure from the Vice President for Administration to the Associate Vice President for Human Resources.

Section 4.:

- Procedure revised for the Associate Vice President for Human Resources to issue the call for nominations.
- Date modified to issue the call for nominations by September 30th.
- o Date modified to appoint the ad hoc committee by January 16th.
- Procedure revised to delegate the task of meeting with the committee for the purpose of issuing the charge from the President to the Associate Vice President for Human Resources.
- Date modified for the submission of the ad hoc committee recommendation to the President by February 15th.
- Date modified for the President to submit nominations to the Tidewater Community College Board at its March meeting.

Section 7. Responsibility for reviewing the policy from the Vice President for Administration to the Associate Vice President for Human Resources.

Appendix A. Nominating form revised to reflect change in title from Director of Human Resources to Associate Vice President for Human Resources.

Approved September 15, 2016 by President Edna V. Baehre-Kolovani, Ph.D.

APPENDIX A

TIDEWATER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Nomination of Administrative or Professional Faculty

FOR EMERITUS STATUS

making the nomination. Attach three letters of support ¹ from current or retired full-time TCC			
employees.) Nominee's Name:			
District/Campus:		Department:	
Title:			
Number of years of full-time TCC employment:			
Total number of years of full-time collegiate experience:			
Nominated by:			
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Administrative or Professional Faculty Member's Name		;	Signature & Date
Letters of	from: 2.		
support from:			
3.			
Part B: Eligibility Determination			
Supervisor: (In consultation with	☐ Eligible for emeritus status.		
the Associate Vice	Not eligible for emeritus status for the following reason:		
President for Human Resources)			Signature & Date
Part C: Determination of Acquiescence			
Supervisor:	☐ The nominee acquiesces to being nominated.		
	☐ The nominee declines the nomination.		Signature & Date
Part D: Review and Comment			
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Supervisor:	☐ Recommended		
	☐ Not recommended for the following reason(s):		Signature & Date
Executive Staff	☐ Recommended		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Member:	☐ Not recommended for the following reason(s):		
			Signature & Date
Ad Hoc Committee:	Recommended		
	☐ Not recommended for the following reason(s):		Obstate Cinnertons & Date
			Chair's Signature & Date
College	☐ Nomination approved		
President:	☐ Nomination not approved		
			Signature & Date
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Letters of support should delineate, in detail, the nominee's particularly meritorious and significant service and contributions to the college. If available, a current résumé or curriculum vitae should accompany the nomination. Taken together, the letters and résumé should include the nominee's work history, community and TCC activities, and any other pertinent information to help the committee determine eligibility for Emeritus status.