

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**August 16, 2018**

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**ITEM 1**

**RESOLUTION 2018.43 - Approving Monthly Sponsor Services for Suffolk County Community College**

**WHEREAS**, the State University of New York Regulation No. 602.7 requires the Suffolk County Community College Board of Trustees to review and approve all Sponsor provided services and their estimated value in advance of the service being rendered, and

**WHEREAS**, the regulation also requires the approval of the payment of each Sponsor Service satisfactorily performed, and

**WHEREAS**, health insurance is considered a Sponsor Service, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the health insurance payments to the County of Suffolk in the amount of \$2,870,245.67 for the month of July 2018, and \$2,866,158.71 for the month of August 2018 (*Attachment I*) is hereby approved by the Board of Trustees.

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COUNTY OF SUFFOLK



STEVEN BELLONE  
 SUFFOLK COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE/HUMAN RESOURCES  
 DIVISION OF EMPLOYEE SERVICES

ALAN SCHNEIDER  
 PERSONNEL DIRECTOR

TO: Deborah Lesser  
 SCCC - Business & Financial Affairs  
 NFL Rm. 232, College Road Seiden

FROM: Brooke Deere  
 Suffolk County Department of Civil Services  
 Employees Services Unit

DATE: July 3, 2018

SUBJ: SCCC Premium Due for Employee Medical Health Plan of Suffolk County  
 Fund 818

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July 2018

262 287 549  
 749 479 1228  
  
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 1012 768 1780

| Coverage                      | Premium  | # Employees | Total          |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|
| 71 EMHP Indiv.                | 829.58   | 549 ✓       | 455,439.42     |
| 72 EMHP Family                | 1,954.49 | 1,228 ✓     | 2,400,113.72   |
| <b>HMO's</b>                  |          |             |                |
| 31 HIP Indiv.                 | 1065.64  | 2 ✓         | 2,131.28       |
| 32 HIP Family                 | 2,610.82 | 1 ✓         | 2,610.82       |
| Blue Choice Indiv.            | 1,617.98 |             | 0.00           |
| Blue Choice Family            | 4,206.76 |             | 0.00           |
| <b>JOB SHARE (PLAN RATES)</b> |          |             |                |
| Individual                    | 843.79   |             | 0.00           |
| Family                        | 1,987.97 |             | 0.00           |
| <b>Total Premium 7/18</b>     |          | 1780        | \$2,860,295.24 |

A= Active  
 R= Retired  
 T= Total

Attachment: Enrollee List

Plus: 1 Indiv 829.58  
 5 Family 9,772.45  
 1786  
 less: Medicare  
 surcharge: <651.60>  
 2,870,245.87

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254 290 544

750 477 1227

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1005 769 1774

| Coverage                      | Premium  | # Employees   | Total                 |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 71 EMHP Indiv.                | 829.58   | 544 ✓         | 451,291.52            |
| 72 EMHP Family                | 1,954.49 | 1227 ✓        | 2,398,159.23          |
| <b>HMO's</b>                  |          |               |                       |
| 31 HIP Indiv.                 | 1065.64  | 2 ✓           | 2,131.28              |
| 32 HIP Family                 | 2,610.82 | 1 ✓           | 2,610.82              |
| Blue Choice Indiv.            | 1,617.98 |               | 0.00                  |
| Blue Choice Family            | 4,206.76 |               | 0.00                  |
| <b>JOB SHARE (PLAN RATES)</b> |          |               |                       |
| Individual                    | 843.79   |               | 0.00                  |
| Family                        | 1,987.97 |               | 0.00                  |
| <b>Total Premium 8/18</b>     |          | <b>1774 ✓</b> | <b>\$2,854,192.85</b> |

A= Active  
 R= Retired  
 T= Total

Attachment: Enrollee List

Plus:  
 5 Indiv  
 4 Family  
1783

4,147.90  
 7,817.96  
2,866,158.71

**ITEM 2**

**RESOLUTION 2018.44 - Approving Budget Transfers**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees has established a policy on the authorization of budget transfers, and

**WHEREAS**, according to said policy, budget transfers must be authorized by a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vice President for Business and Financial Affairs recommends the budget transfers on *Attachment II* as necessary for the operation of the College, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the budget transfers shown on *Attachment II* are hereby authorized and approved.

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**Suffolk County Community College  
Budget Transfer List  
As of August 3, 2018**

| <u>DOCUMENT #</u> | <u>FUND</u> | <u>ORG</u> | <u>ACCOUNT</u> | <u>DESCRIPTION</u> | <u>TRANSFER</u> |           | <u>REASON</u>                                    |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|--|
|                   |             |            |                |                    | <u>FROM</u>     | <u>TO</u> |  |
| J0032100          | 181800      | C86801     | 713250         | Building Materials | 24,145          |           | Ross Road Booth Surveillance Project: Network    |
|                   | 181800      | C86801     | 713650         | Repairs-Building   |                 | 24,145    | backbone, Network equipment and various hardware |

**ITEM 3**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.45 - Amending the Exempt Salary and Benefit Plan**

**WITHDRAWN**

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**ITEM 4**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.46 - Fixing Time of 2019 Meetings of the Board of Trustees**

**RESOLVED**, that during the year 2019, meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held on the following dates:

| <u>Date</u>        | <u>Location</u>   | <u>Time</u> |
|--------------------|---|-------------|
| January 17, 2019   | Alumni Room, Brookhaven Gymnasium<br>Ammerman Campus, Selden, New York                        | 9:00 am     |
| February 21, 2019  | Board of Trustees Meeting Room, Learning Resource Center<br>Grant Campus, Brentwood, New York | 4:00 pm     |
| March 21, 2019     | Lecture Hall, Montaukett Learning Resource Center<br>Eastern Campus, Riverhead, New York      | 4:00 pm     |
| April 18, 2019     | Mildred Green Room, Babylon Student Center<br>Ammerman Campus, Selden, New York               | 9:00 am     |
| May 16, 2019       | Board of Trustees Meeting Room, Learning Resource Center<br>Grant Campus, Brentwood, New York | 4:00 pm     |
| June 20, 2019      | Media Room, Culinary Arts Center<br>Riverhead, New York                                       | 10:00 am    |
| August 15, 2019*   | Alumni Room, Brookhaven Gymnasium<br>Ammerman Campus, Selden, New York                        | 9:00 am     |
| September 19, 2019 | Board of Trustees Meeting Room, Learning Resource Center<br>Grant Campus, Brentwood, New York | 9:00 am     |
| October 17, 2019   | Lecture Hall, Montaukett Learning Resource Center<br>Eastern Campus, Riverhead, New York      | 4:00 pm     |
| December 5, 2019   | Board of Trustees Meeting Room, Learning Resource Center<br>Grant Campus, Brentwood, New York | 4:00 pm     |

1. There is no July or November meeting scheduled.
2. A Board retreat may be held in July and/or November. Location and time to be determined.

\* Subject to change on County Legislative action on the College Budget.

Dated: 8/16/18

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**ITEM 5**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.47 – Accepting a National Science Foundation Subaward from Long Island University for a Project Entitled “Long Island Mathematics and Teacher Education Scholarship Program”**

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County Community College has received a subaward in the amount of \$184,000 from Long Island University, the pass-through entity of a grant award funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) for a project entitled “Long Island Mathematics and Teacher Education Scholarship Program,” for the period May 15, 2018 through April 30, 2022,” and

**WHEREAS**, to help achieve a larger goal of improving retention, graduation, GPA, and transfer rates of Suffolk STEM students, the funding will allow faculty from each Suffolk campus to develop and present a summer math enrichment session for STEM students that focus on ensuring success in Calculus I/Calculus II using the math tutoring center on the Ammerman Campus, and

**WHEREAS**, matching funds are not required, and

**RESOLVED**, that the College President or his designee is hereby authorized and empowered to execute any necessary documentation, including a contract, in such form as shall be approved by the College General Counsel, in the amount of \$184,000 from Long Island University, the pass-through entity of a grant award funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), for a project entitled “Long Island Mathematics and Teacher Education Scholarship Program,” for the period May 15, 2018 through April 30, 2022.

Project Director: John Jerome

Note: No full-time personnel

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**ITEM 6**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.48 - Amending the College Operating Budget for an Educational Opportunity Program Grant**

**WHEREAS**, the 2017-2018 College operating budget provides \$238,915 from the State University of New York for an Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) grant to provide counseling and tutoring services on all three of its campus locations, and

**WHEREAS**, the grant award has been increased by an additional \$40,283 for the 2017-2018 academic year, bringing the total amount of the grant award to \$279,198, and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend the 2017-2018 College operating budget in the amount of \$40,283 to provide for the total increase in the grant award, and

**WHEREAS**, matching funds are not required, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the 2017-2018 College operating budget be amended to reflect the award increase in the amount of \$40,283 from the State University of New York for an Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) grant, and the College President or his designee is hereby authorized to execute any required documentation with the administering agency.

Project Director: David Johnson

Note: Institutional Support required

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ITEM 7

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.49 - Authorizing the Acceptance of a Gift from the Suffolk Community College Foundation**

**WHEREAS**, the Suffolk Community College Foundation, Inc. is the recipient of four (4) motor vehicles donated by Nissan North America, Inc., as follows:

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Model</u> | <u>Value</u>     |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| 2017        | Sentra       | \$ 17,517        |
| 2017        | Titan        | \$ 45,512        |
| 2015        | Sentra       | \$ 13,619        |
| 2014        | Rogue        | <u>\$ 14,889</u> |

**TOTAL VALUE: \$ 91,537**

**WHEREAS**, the Foundation wishes to further donate these motor vehicles to Suffolk County Community College for use in its Automotive Technology Program, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the College's acceptance of four (4) Nissan motor vehicles, valued at \$91,537, from the Suffolk Community College Foundation, Inc., with gratitude to Nissan North America, Inc. for its generous contribution.

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**ITEM 8**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.50 - Authorizing an Amendment to the Agreement with the Sayville Union Free School District to Lease the Sayville Downtown Center**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a lease agreement dated October 5, 2015, the College leases the Sayville Downtown Center from the Sayville Union Free School District, and

**WHEREAS**, said lease agreement will expire in 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, the College wishes to revise and supplement certain provisions of the lease, and to extend the term thereof to 2025, to permit the continued use of the Sayville Downtown Center for the benefit of its students, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the College President, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the lease agreement between the College and the Sayville Union Free School District for the Sayville Downtown Center, upon such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the College General Counsel/Executive Vice President.

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**ITEM 9**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.51 – Authorizing the Acceptance of a Gift from the Suffolk Community College Foundation**

**WHEREAS**, by an equipment lease agreement dated April 10, 2003, the College leased a 19,000 sq. ft. modular classroom building known as the Sally Ann Slacke Center, located on the Michael J. Grant Campus, from The Downing Corporation, and

**WHEREAS**, after the expiration of the equipment lease on June 30, 2018, The Downing Corporation offered to donate the Sally Ann Slacke Center to the Suffolk Community College Foundation, Inc. (“Foundation”), and

**WHEREAS**, the Downing Corporation and the Foundation executed a Donation Agreement dated July 12, 2018, whereby the ownership interest in the Sally Ann Slacke Center was transferred from The Downing Corporation to the Foundation, and

**WHEREAS**, the value of the Sally Ann Slack Center is estimated to be \$ TBD and

**WHEREAS**, the Foundation wishes to further donate the Sally Ann Slacke Center to Suffolk County Community College for its continued use for the benefit of its students, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the College’s acceptance of the Sally Ann Slacke Center from the Suffolk Community College Foundation, Inc., with gratitude to The Dowling Corporation for its generous contribution.

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**ITEM 10**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.52 - Authorizing an Amendment to Resolution 2018.26 which Approved the Budget for Suffolk County Community College for Fiscal Year 2018-2019**

**WHEREAS**, by College Resolution No. 2018.26, adopted on April 19, 2018, the Board of Trustees approved an Operating Budget for Suffolk County Community College for fiscal year 2018-2019 in the amount of \$222,910,774 for operations and \$3,474,502 for grants, which included an increase in County support of 4 percent or \$1,696,592 to the College and a transfer from the Community College Fund Balance Reserve in the amount of \$2,600,935, and

**WHEREAS**, by a resolution adopted on June 19, 2018, the Suffolk County Legislature authorized an increase in County support of 2.5 percent or \$1,060,370 for fiscal year 2018-2019, and

**WHEREAS**, in order to present a balanced budget, the Trustees have directed that the amount for operations be reduced to \$222,592,663, and

**WHEREAS**, the Trustees have further directed that the transfer from the College Fund Balance Reserve Fund be increased to \$2,866,020, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the 2018-2019 College operating budget total of \$226,067,165 be adopted to include a County Contribution of \$43,475,175 and a transfer from the Community College Fund Balance Reserve in the amount of \$2,866,020.

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Total Appropriations:     | \$ 226,067,165 |
| Operation Appropriations: | \$ 222,592,663 |
| Grant Appropriations:     | \$ 3,474,502   |

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**Item 11**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.53 - Adopting an Employee Social Media Policy**

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County Community College encourages the appropriate use of social media as a method for communicating ideas and information, promoting programs and events, and as part of its educational mission, and

**WHEREAS**, a social media policy is necessary in order to inform and guide employees as to the proper use of social media for work purposes, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governance Committee has recommended that the Board consider for adoption the attached Social Media Policy and

**WHEREAS**, Social Media content guidelines and procedures will be developed by the Director of Communications and the Office of Institutional Advancement in order to insure compliance with this policy, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the College hereby adopts the *Employee Social Media Policy*, effective August 16, 2018 (see, *Attachment III*).

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## *Employee Social Media Policy*

### **A. Introduction**

Suffolk County Community College (College) encourages the appropriate use of social media as a method for communicating ideas and information, promoting programs and events, and as part of its educational mission. This policy governs College employees in their use of social media technologies for work purposes.

### **B. Social Media Defined**

Social media is defined as Internet or mobile digital tools and systems used to share and/or receive information or conversation. Blogs, social networks, and websites such as Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, Tumblr, Instagram, Snapchat and YouTube are examples of social media which provide channels to share knowledge and connect with others.

### **C. College Social Media Sites**

The College Director of Communications is authorized to utilize various social media platforms to present information and content to the public relating to the College and to receive feedback from the public and the College community. Content and information released by the Director of Communications on social media is equivalent to content and information released to the press and the public in any other format, such as news releases, letters to the media, and open letters to the public. Such content and information must be accurate and comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, and College policy.

### **D. Department/Office Social Media Sites**

1. Permission must be granted by the College Director of Communications for a College department or office to create and manage a social media site. To request such permission, employees, upon prior consent of the appropriate Vice President, must submit a *Social Media Request Form*.

2. Upon receipt of permission from the College Director of Communications, Content Managers from the departments/offices will administer their own social media sites, and generate and post content. Content managers shall be approved by the appropriate Vice President. The College Director of Communications will retain administrative access at all times to the created sites. Content and information posted on departmental social media sites must be accurate and comply with all applicable laws, rules, regulations, and College policies.

3. The College Director of Communications will utilize site metrics to assess effectiveness of the content and, within his/her discretion, may make recommendations for modifications to the site and/or the site's content management to departmental Content Managers, in order to increase social media engagement.

#### **E. Rules of Use/Social Media Content Guidelines and Procedures**

1. All social media accounts must be accessible to users with disabilities, in compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, as well as College policy and standards.

2. The College reserves the right to remove posts or comments that are obscene, defamatory, or objectively offensive, contain threats of violence, constitute spam or advertising, or are unrelated to the content or information. The College also reserves the right to remove posts or comments that violate applicable laws, rules, and regulations including, but not limited to, copyright and trademark, College policy, or those that violate the use policies promulgated by the applicable social media provider. The College shall be authorized to revoke approval of individual Content Managers or employee social media sites upon evidence of noncompliance with this Policy.

3. The Director of Communications and the Office of Institutional Advancement shall be authorized to develop *Social Media Content Guidelines and Procedures*, which will include the College's Graphics Standards Guide, to ensure compliance with this policy. Such guidelines and procedures shall be reviewed and approved annually by the President's Cabinet.

**F. Employee Personal Use of Social Media Sites**

1. College email accounts shall not be used to create personal social media channels or to post comments to any social media or online platform.
2. College social media accounts may not be utilized to post information which is unrelated to the College.
3. No College employee, individually, may create a social media site which purports to be a College-authorized site.
4. No College employees may represent themselves as spokespersons for or authorized representatives of the College.

**Item 12**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2018.54 - Adopting a Whistleblower Policy**

**WHEREAS**, Suffolk County Community College ("College") is committed to the highest standard of honest behavior and ethical conduct, and to the exercise of fiduciary responsibility with respect to College funds, resources and property, and

**WHEREAS**, the College encourages any College employee, student, Trustee, or other individual who is aware of or suspects acts of fraud, waste, abuse or other irregular activities committed by a College employee or Trustee to report such acts, and

**WHEREAS**, the College recommends revising and updating its whistleblower protections in order to provide an effective means of reporting acts of fraud, waste, abuse or irregular activities without fear of retaliation, be it therefore

**RESOLVED**, that the College hereby adopts the *Whistleblower Policy*, effective August 16, 2018 (see, *Attachment IV*), and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the College hereby revokes the Whistleblower Policy adopted by the Board of Trustees on August 26, 2004.

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## *WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY*

### **A. INTRODUCTION**

Suffolk County Community College (College) is committed to the highest standard of honest behavior and ethical conduct, and to the exercise of fiduciary responsibility with respect to College funds, resources and property. The College expects its employees and Trustees to conduct themselves in an honest and ethical manner, and to abide by all College policies and procedures, as well as by all applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

The College encourages any College employee, student, Trustee, or other individual who is aware of or suspects acts of fraud, waste, abuse or other irregular activities committed by a College employee or Trustee to report such acts. These prohibited activities include, but are not limited to, actions with College property, resources, or assets, such as thefts, losses, misuse or inappropriate action involving funds, equipment, employee time and attendance, facilities, vehicles, supplies or other assets or materials. This policy is intended to provide a confidential method for the reporting of such acts and to further provide protection to a reporting individual against any acts of retaliation for the reporting under the protection of this policy.

### **B. DEFINITIONS**

1. **Fraud.** Obtaining financial or some other benefit for oneself or another person/entity by deliberate deception or misrepresentation. Fraud may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Theft, misappropriation or unauthorized use of funds, supplies, property or other resources;
- Forgery, falsification, alteration, deletion, destroying, or removal of documents or records (whether financial, operational or academic);
- Unauthorized access to or alteration, deletion, removal, or manipulation of computer files;
- Falsification of College reports;
- Authorization or receipt of compensation for hours not worked.

2. **Waste.** The intentional, reckless, or negligent expenditure, consumption, mismanagement, use, or squandering of College resources. Waste also includes incurring unnecessary costs as a result of inefficient or ineffective practices, systems or controls.

3. **Abuse.** Employing one's position or any College resource in a manner contrary to applicable laws policies or generally accepted practices. This includes intentional destruction, diversion, manipulation, misapplication or misuse of assets, information, systems, relationships or other resources. It also includes misuse of authority or College position for personal gain or other non-College purpose.

4. **Other Irregular Activities.** Other irregular activities include but are not limited to activities that:

- Are in violation of or non-compliant with any applicable state and federal law or regulation;
- Are in violation of or non-compliant with any applicable College or SUNY policy, procedure, or regulation;

- Compromise the integrity of the College's degree-granting authority or accreditation;
- Involve the unauthorized disclosure of or access to confidential information, student educational records, personal information, or medical information;
- Involve the use of College staff or time to perform personal errands, services, or tasks;
- Constitute bribery, bid-rigging, or kickbacks.

**C. REPORTING RESPONSIBILITY / HOW TO FILE A REPORT**

1. All College employees, Trustees, students and other interested individuals who have a reasonable basis for believing fraud, waste, abuse or other irregular activities have occurred are responsible for reporting such incidents to the Office of the Assistant Vice President of Employee Resources through the online form below:

**REPORT SUSPECTED FRAUD, WASTE, ABUSE OR OTHER IRREGULARITIES**

In the event the report is against the Assistant Vice President for Employee Resources, individuals should make their report to the College General Counsel.

2. The Office of the Assistant Vice President of Employee Resources shall be authorized to develop procedures to ensure compliance with this policy. Such procedures shall be reviewed and approved annually by the President's Cabinet.

**D. CONFIDENTIALITY**

The identity of complainants will be kept confidential to the fullest extent possible, consistent with the need to conduct a comprehensive and careful investigation.

## **E. HANDLING OF REPORTS**

Upon receipt of a report and accordance with approved administrative procedures, the Office of the Assistant Vice President of Employee Resources will take appropriate steps to determine the type of allegation and gather additional information needed to evaluate the complaint. All reports will be promptly investigated and appropriate corrective action will be taken if warranted by the investigation. Activities described above that may constitute fraud, waste, abuse, or other irregular activities may also be covered by existing College policies and procedures on special topics. Such activities may still be reported under this policy but will be referred for handling to the extent such other procedures exist.

## **F. NO RETALIATION**

No individual who, reasonably and in good faith, reports a violation of this Policy shall be subject to retaliation, in any form, including, but not limited to, harassment or any adverse employment consequence. An employee who retaliates against someone who has reported a violation in good faith is subject to discipline up to and including termination of employment. Additionally, intentional use of this process to make false allegations may subject the complainant to disciplinary action. Any individual who believes he/she has been subjected to retaliation in violation of this provision should report the suspected retaliation to the Assistant Vice President for Employee Resources as soon as possible. If the report is against the Assistant Vice President for Employee Resources, suspected retaliation should be reported to the College General Counsel.

## **G. RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

Policies and procedures related to this Policy include, but are not limited to:

- Employee Code of Professional Ethics
- Board of Trustees Code of Professional Ethics
- Silent Witness Program
- Procurement Policy
- College Records Management Program
- Employee Email and Cell Phone Policy
- Policy for Credit Card Usage
- Research Conflict of Interest Policy
- Use of College Vehicles