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## 1. POLICY

- a) It is the policy of the Board of Selkirk College that the terms of employment, the compensation paid and the benefits available to administrative staff will be competitive with that of other community colleges; will bear a relationship to other internal groups within the College; and will be consistent with the funding available to the College and in alignment with our Compensation Philosophy (Appendix D).
- b) The President will meet with the administrative group at least once per year to discuss any changes that may become necessary from time to time.
- c) The Board will normally review this policy every three years, to ensure that the program remains competitive. Any amendments will normally occur only after due notice to, and consultation with, those affected.

## 2. WAGE AND SALARY PROGRAM

### 2.1 General Provisions

Wherever the word employee is used in this policy it shall be construed as meaning exempt employee unless otherwise specifically stated.

- a) Approved positions will be designated by title and by rank and will be assigned to a salary grid.
- b) Each salary grid will be determined based on studies made with other colleges and institutes, comparisons with jobs that are reasonably similar, guidelines prepared by the Public Sector Employers' Council (PSEC)/Post-Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA), and internal measurements of equity.
- c) Employees will not normally be paid at rates outside the grid except as follows: employees with less than full qualifications may be appointed at a lower level providing they can gain the necessary requirements to perform the duties fully.
- d) One year following the employee's start date, the employee shall be eligible for a performance based increment, provided:
  - the employee has been in the new position for at least a year has had an evaluations and assessment of objectives/goals set for the year on file,
  - has been deemed satisfactory on their evaluation by the designated supervisor,
  - has achieved their objectives/goals set for the fiscal year on file, and
  - the recommendation for a performance based increment is approved by the supervisor and the President.

### 2.2 Determination of Salary Scales

- a) As per Board policy, and as per new Government regulations, whereby the President's compensation package has to be approved by the Minister of Finance, the President's salary is negotiated separately and is not included in the general administrative staff salary grid that form part of this "Administrative Staff Terms of Employment and Benefit Program".
- b) The value of the top salary covered under this agreement, normally that of the Vice Presidents, is based on PSEC/PSEA guidelines, market pressures, comparisons with other BC post-secondary institutions and the College's ability to pay.
- c) All other administrative salary grids are established using a relationship between the Vice Presidents' salary and that of other positions. The ratio between the various positions takes into account benchmarked positions identified by PSEA, internal measurements of equity, including compensation available to unionized employees, comparisons with positions at other institutions of similar size and complexity and the College's ability to pay.
- d) The salaries in effect for 2019-2022 are as per Appendix A. Should new salary grids become available to Selkirk College exempt employees, the Executive Director of Human Resources will revise and attach a new salary grid that will reflect such increases, subject to PSEA approval.

### 2.3 Placement on Scale

- a) Approved positions are designated by title.
- b) All titles must be approved by Human Resources.

- c) All positions are placed within the appropriate grid in accordance with PSEA approved Benchmarks. Wages over the Control Point and up to the maximum must be approved by the President/delegate.
- d) New employees or employees new to a position normally start at the minimum of the grid.
- e) Exceptions may be made for employees who come into the position with previous experience in a similar position or one with similar complexity and level of responsibility. Such exceptions must be approved by the President/delegate.
- f) No employee can exceed the maximum of the associated grid for the job classification.

## **2.4 Movement on Scale**

- a) All employees shall be eligible for an performance based increment provided:
  - has had an evaluation and assessment of objectives/goals set for the year on file;
  - has been deemed satisfactory on their evaluation by the designated supervisor;
  - has achieved their objectives/goals set for the fiscal year on file; and
  - the recommendation for a performance based increment is approved by the supervisor and the President/delegate.
- b) New employees are eligible for their performance based increment at the end of their 12 month appointment based on the criteria above.

## **2.5 Temporary Additional Compensation**

- a) In some circumstances, additional compensation may be available to Exempt employees who take on acting positions or who are assigned temporary major workload additions.
- b) The terms and conditions under which additional compensation may be provided are detailed in Appendix B.

# **3. EMPLOYMENT, TERMINATIONS AND RESIGNATIONS**

## **3.1 Classification of Employees**

### **3.1.1 Probationary Employees**

- a) All new employees and employees new to their position will normally serve a one-year probationary period. On the initial appointment of a probationary employee, the employee will be given a copy of the Administrative Staff Compensation, Vacation and Benefits Program booklet, together with the letter of appointment. On successful completion of the probationary period, the administrative employee may be offered a regular appointment.

### **3.1.2 Regular Employees**

- a) Regular employees may be full-time or sessional.
- b) Full-time employees are employees who have successfully completed their probationary appointment and who are appointed to an on-going position.
- c) Sessional employees are employees who are appointed to a full-time or part-time position for a period of less than one year; for example, Continuing Education Coordinators who are employed full or part-time for eight or nine months per year.

### **3.1.3 Short-Term Employees**

- a) Short-term employees are employees who are appointed to a position for a specific period of time, such as replacement for an employee on sick leave or a leave of absence, or to a position which results from a specific project or special funding. In the event the position becomes regular, the time served shall receive consideration towards the probationary period.

## **3.2 Hours of Work**

- a) The hours of work for full-time exempt staff will be thirty-five hours per week.
- b) Although there is the requirement for exempt staff to maintain flexible hours to every extent possible, exempt employees, whose positions are classified at or below Pay Grid 9 on the salary grid, who are required to work

extraordinary overtime by their supervisor, shall bank their overtime hours and shall utilize such hours at a time mutually agreeable to the employee and the supervisor. Employees shall have any banked overtime hours signed off regularly by their supervisor and shall not accumulate any more than 35 hours, unless approved by the supervisor. Submissions for approval must be accompanied by a plan for use.

### **3.3 Employee Development and Performance Assessment**

- a) The College is committed to providing employees with regular performance feedback and development opportunities. The process assumes that employees have up-to-date job descriptions and that the duties, responsibilities and expectations of the position have been clearly explained.

#### **3.3.1 Probation Period**

- a) Employees will meet with their supervisors at least once half-way through their probationary period to review the duties, responsibilities and expectations for the position, and to discuss the employee's performance. A formal, written assessment will be provided at the end of the probationary period. If, at any time during the probationary period, the employee's performance is deemed to be unsatisfactory, the employee may be given notice of termination.

#### **3.3.2 Post-Probation Period**

- b) Employees will receive on-going feedback from their supervisors on an annual basis and will develop mutually agreeable short-term and long-term work priorities. This on-going process is intended to be formative in nature, with emphasis on employee development.
- c) In the event that an administrative employee's job performance is considered to be unsatisfactory, the employee will be informed in writing and the reasons for the unsatisfactory evaluation will then be explained. Generally, a period of three months will then be allowed for the employee to improve their performance. On completion of this three-month period, the employee will be informed in writing of their progress.
- d) If there has not been satisfactory improvement, the employee will be given notice of termination.

### **3.4 Termination and Severance**

- a) Notice of termination and severance entitlements due to a probationary, regular or short-term position becoming redundant are subject to the following:
- b) The reason for the position becoming redundant will be explained to the employee and every reasonable effort will be made to avoid the termination of the employee's services. If this cannot be done, then:
- c) A probationary or short-term employee will receive three months notice or two months severance in lieu of notice.
- d) A regular administrative employee will receive six months' notice, or three months' severance in lieu of notice, or the greater of one months' notice or severance for every year of employment at the College to a maximum of twelve months' notice or nine months' severance in lieu of notice.
- e) Notwithstanding 3.4c) and 3.4d), above, a regular administrative employee may receive additional notice or severance based on the following factors: length of service, age, health/fitness and market demand for the individual's expertise and experience and PSEA statutory maximums. Such additional notice or severance shall be determined by the President/or delegate, subject to appeal to the Board.
- f) Administrative employees who are provided with additional notice or severance – per paragraph 3.4e), above, have a responsibility to seek alternative employment following separation from the College. If the employee is successful in gaining employment, the College will be relieved of its notice/severance obligations by providing in a lump sum payment, fifty percent of the value of its remaining obligation beyond six months of notice or severance. In the event the employee does not make a reasonable effort to search for alternate employment, the College will be relieved of its remaining severance obligations beyond that provided in paragraphs 3.4c) and 3.4d), above.
- g) Notwithstanding the above, administrative employees who find further employment in the public sector will forego any ongoing continuance payments and will be required to reimburse the College any severance payments provided that are greater than would have been earned had the employee not been terminated.
- h) Any of the above provisions will be prorated if the administrative employee works less hours per week than the normal scheduled weekly hours for full-time employees.

### **3.5 Resignation**

- a) Exempt employees shall give the College a reasonable notice of their intent to resign. Such notice will normally be four weeks, or by mutual agreement between the parties, but in no case shall it be less than two weeks.
- b) Notwithstanding 3.5 a) exempt employees in positions that fall within salary Pay Grid 11 and above shall give the College a minimum of three months' notice of resignation, or by mutual agreement of the parties concerned, or as indicated in any contract of employment.

### **3.6 Termination for Cause**

- a) An administrative employee can be dismissed for just cause without notice or severance.

### **3.7 Notice of Transfer**

- a) Administrative employees shall be given three months' notice for the purpose of internal transfers or by mutual agreement of the parties concerned.

### **3.8 Post-Employment Restrictions for Senior Management**

- a) After your employment at Selkirk College ends, you must not disclose confidential information that you obtained through your employment.
- b) If you had a substantial involvement in dealings with an outside entity at any time during the year immediately preceding the end of your employment then, for a year after the end of your employment, you must not:
  - I. accept an offer of employment, an appointment to the board of directors or a contract to provide services to that outside entity;
  - II. lobby or otherwise make representations for that outside entity to Selkirk College; or
  - III. give counsel to that outside entity, for its commercial purposes, concerning the programs or policies of Selkirk College in which you were employed at any time during the year immediately preceding the termination of your employment; or
- c) Until one year after your employment ends, you:
  - I. must not lobby or otherwise make representations for any outside entity to Selkirk College; and
  - II. must not act for an outside entity in connection with any ongoing proceedings, transaction, negotiation or case in which the outside entity and Selkirk College are involved
    - 1. if you, during your former employment with Selkirk College, acted for or advised the Selkirk College concerning the proceedings, transaction, negotiation or case; and
    - 2. if by acting for the outside entity in that connection would result in the receipt by the outside entity of a private or commercial benefit or of any benefit not for general application.
- d) The Selkirk College Board Chair may reduce the one-year restriction, upon your application, after considering the following:
  - I. the circumstances under which your employment ended;
  - II. your general employment prospects;
  - III. the significance to Selkirk College of the information you possessed by virtue of your position with Selkirk College;
  - IV. the desirability of a rapid transfer of your skills to an employer other than Selkirk College;
  - V. the degree to which the new employer might gain unfair commercial advantage by hiring you;
  - VI. the authority and influence you possessed while employed by Selkirk College; and
  - VII. the disposition of other cases.

## **4. VACATION ENTITLEMENT**

- a) Employees whose position falls within salary Pay Grid 11 through 19 shall have entitlement to an annual vacation of six weeks.
- b) Employees whose position falls within salary Pay Grid 10 and below shall have an entitlement to an annual vacation of five weeks. After three years of service, these employees shall have an entitlement of six weeks' vacation.

- c) Vacation schedules are to be approved by the immediate supervisor and submitted to Human Resources Department.
- d) Vacation days must be earned before they can be taken. Employees whose position falls within Pay Grid 11 through 19 earn 17.5 hours vacation per month (30 days per year). Employees whose position falls within Pay Grid 10 and below earn 14.6 hours vacation per month for the first three years (25 days per year) and 17.5 hours per month thereafter (30 days per year). Normally, an employee must work for three months before beginning to use earned vacation.
- e) An administrative employee with less than a completed year of service will be granted vacation entitlement based upon a prorating of length of service.
- f) Employees are encouraged to take vacation in a minimum of one week blocks.
- g) The maximum vacation time carried forward to the next year is three weeks. Such carry-over, including a plan for the use of such carry-over, must be approved in writing by the supervisor or Vice President.
- h) Upon separation, accumulated vacation can be taken as vacation or paid out, as mutually determined by the employee and management.
- i) Employees who are normally scheduled to work from December 27 to December 31 of each year shall be granted these days off with pay if said days fall on normal working days. Employees who are required to work on said days will be granted time off in lieu of the days worked.

## 5. STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

- a) Statutory holidays are as follows:

New Year's Day	Remembrance Day	Canada Day
Good Friday	December 24	BC Day
Easter Monday	Christmas Day	Family Day
Victoria Day	Boxing Day	Labour Day
Thanksgiving Day		

- b) When a statutory holiday falls on a day not normally worked, the College will designate an alternate date for the statutory holiday. Only if a supervisor requires an employee to work on a statutory holiday will time off in lieu be provided at the rate of time and a half.

## 6. RELOCATION EXPENSES

- a) Relocation expenses are covered under College Policy 6120 "Employee Relocation".
- b) In addition, exceptional situations will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the President/ Delegate.
- c) Moving expenses must be repaid by employees in cases where they resign their positions within 3 years after starting with the College. Repayment will be on a prorated basis.

## 7. SICK LEAVE

### 7.1 Employee Illness

- a) An employee on a regular appointment will be maintained by the College on full pay for the first six months of illness subject to medical certification of disability after the first two weeks of illness. After six months, an employee will receive disability benefits, if eligible, in accordance with the provisions of the Long Term Disability insurance plan.
- b) An employee's sick leave credits will be reduced for each day of absence. An employee who has reduced their initial six months of sick leave credits as the result of an illness is entitled to accumulate further sick leave credits at the rate of one and one half days for every twenty days worked, to a maximum of six months of sick leave credits.
- c) An employee on a short-term or a probationary appointment shall receive twenty days of sick leave credits



and shall accumulate sick leave credits at the rate of one and one-half days for every twenty days worked, to a maximum of six months sick leave credit.

- d) An employee becoming disabled after receiving notice of non-renewal of appointment will continue on salary to the end of the existing appointment term or six months, whichever date occurs first. If the appointment expires within a six-month period, the College will maintain the employee on the staff roster without salary until the six month period has expired.
- e) Sick Leave pay during a leave of absence will reflect as actual pay for that assigned period.

## **7.2 Family Illness**

- a) Administrative employees are eligible for up to 10 days per year from their sick benefits to meet responsibilities related to:
  - the care or health of a child in the employee's care; or
  - the care or health of any other member of the employee's immediate family.
- b) The President, in consultation with the Executive Director of Human Resources, may approve additional days in exceptional circumstances.

## **8. BENEFITS**

### **8.1 Basic Benefits**

- a) The table below summarizes the benefits available to administrative employees.
- b) Administrative employees who are appointed to a part-time position may participate in the benefit plan, subject to limitations of the carrier. Where a full-time contribution is required, the employee shall make up the difference.
- c) Where an administrative position is reduced to a part-time position of 50% or greater, the College shall pay the full portion of the College premiums, subject to the limitations of the carrier, for a period of 6 months, after which the proportional payments will apply.

<b>Benefit</b>	<b>Effective date</b>	<b>Premium</b>	<b>Coverage</b>
Group Life Insurance	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Business travel	First day of work	100% employer-paid	See note (a) below
Accident insurance			
Extended health benefit	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet Also see note (b) below
Long Term Disability	First day of work	100% employee-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Dental	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Prescription Drugs	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Medical Travel Referral	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Emergency Travel Assistance	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As per attached Exempt Benefit Booklet
Supplemental Employment Benefits for Maternity and Parental Leave	First day of work	100% employer-paid	As described below

Notes:

- a) Business Travel accident benefit of \$100,000 is provided as a death benefit. This coverage is in addition to the regular group life insurance and is payable in the event of accidental death or dismemberment while travelling on College business other than regular daily travel to and from work.
- b) The Exempt group will follow the benefit plans in conjunction with changes to Faculty benefit plans.

## **8.2 Supplemental Employment Benefits (SEB) for Maternity and Parental Leave**

When on maternity or parental leave and in receipt of Employment Insurance, an employee will receive a supplemental payment added to Employment Insurance benefits as follows:

- a) For the first week of leave an employee shall receive one hundred percent (100%) of their salary calculated on their average base salary.
- b) For a maximum of fifteen (15) additional weeks the employee shall receive an amount equal to the difference between the Maternity Employment Insurance benefits and ninety-five percent (95%) of their salary calculated on their average base salary.
- c) For up to a maximum of thirty-five (35) weeks of parental leave, the parent shall receive an amount equal to the difference between the Standard Parental Employment Insurance benefits and eighty-five percent (85%) of the employee's salary calculated on their average base salary.
- d) If the biological, adoptive or legally recognized parent elects the Extended Parental EI Benefit, for a maximum of sixty-one (61) weeks the parent shall receive the same total SEB benefit amount received under (c) when the employee opts for the thirty-five (35) week EI benefit, spread out and paid over the sixty-one (61) week period. The Employer will make this calculation.

- e) Provided the employee received SEB as per (a), (b), (c), or (d), for the last week of the parental leave, where no EI benefit is paid, the employee shall receive one hundred percent (100%) of their salary calculated on their average base salary.
- f) An employee is not entitled to receive Supplemental Employment Benefits and disability benefits concurrently. To receive Supplemental Employment Benefits the employee shall provide the employer with proof of application for and receipt of Employment Insurance benefits.
- g) The employer will maintain coverage for medical, dental, extended health and group life benefits while the employee is on leave, on the same basis as if the employee were not on leave. Contributions for pensionable service will also continue on the same basis as if the employee were not on leave.
- h) The employee must return to work for a period of 26 weeks or equivalent to the leave taken, whichever is greater, or else repay the benefit back to the employer.

## **9. LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

- a) The President, in consultation with the supervisor, may approve leaves for exempt employees on a case by case basis.

### **9.1 Unassisted Leave**

- a) Exempt employees may be granted leave without assistance consistent with College Policy after three years of service.
- b) Leave may be for a period up to a maximum of twelve months.
- c) Financial maintenance of benefits, including the College contribution, shall be the responsibility of the exempt employee on an unassisted leave of absence.
- d) Upon returning from an unassisted leave, the exempt employee may return to their previous position and duties, or at least to an equivalent position, providing there are no extraordinary circumstances, as determined by the President.
- e) The exempt employees are expected to return to the College upon completion of their leave for a period at least equal to that for which the leave was granted.
- f) Applications for unassisted leave will be submitted to the President for approval.

### **9.2 Assisted Leave**

- a) An exempt employee becomes eligible to apply for short-term (up to 20 days) assisted leave after one year of service. After five years of service an employee becomes eligible to apply for long-term (21 days to one year) assisted leave. All leaves will be considered on a case by case basis.
- b) The College may assist exempt employees for an approved leave of absence for a period of up to one year.
- c) When assisted leave has been approved, the exempt employees will be granted up to one hundred percent of their annual College income. If the exempt employees, through other means, receive more than one hundred percent of their annual income while on leave, the College shall reduce its contributions proportionately.
- d) The exempt employee must return to the College upon completion of leave, for a period at least equal to that for which assistance was given, or reimburse the College for all monies granted during assisted leave.
- e) Benefit coverage in the areas of group life insurance, sick leave, disability income, group medical services and superannuation will be continued under the same sharing arrangements as obtained when they were on full-time status. For the purpose of salary increases, the exempt employee is regarded as a full-time member of the exempt staff.
- f) Upon receiving a one-year assisted leave, the exempt employee is not eligible for supported long-term leave for a five-year period after their return to the College, provided there are no extraordinary circumstances as determined by the President.
- g) Upon returning from assisted leave, the exempt employee may return to their previous position and duties, or at least to an equivalent position, provided there are not extraordinary circumstances as determined by the President.
- h) Applications for long-term assisted leave shall be submitted to the President for approval.

### **9.3 Maternity/Parental Leave**

- a) An employee will be granted Maternity/Parental Leave of Absence on application. The duration and terms of the leave will be determined on an individual basis with due consideration for the needs of the employee, but shall not be less than the durations and terms specified in the *Employment Standards Act*.

### **9.4 Bereavement Leave**

- a) An employee will be entitled to five (5) days leave with no loss of pay and benefits on the case of the death of a family member and upon notification to the employer. The employer may grant additional leave with pay.

### **9.5 Compassionate Leave**

- a) As per *Employment Standards Act*.

## **10. EXEMPT STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

### **10.1 Professional Development Support**

- a) The College will establish a Professional Development fund which will enable staff to engage in job relevant activities as determined by the employee's immediate supervisor and the Director of Human Resources. There will be a PD Committee established that will prioritize requests for funding.
- b) The College may provide financial assistance to administrative employees pursuing professional development activities. This assistance may be in the form of travel, accommodations, registration and tuition fees.
- c) The College also provides support to assist employees to acquire credentials that will maximize their performance in their existing position or prepare them for new opportunities within the College. The terms and conditions for this support is described in Appendix C.

### **10.2 Tuition Fee Remission**

- a) The College will provide a fifty percent tuition fee remission per year for each exempt staff and for the spouse and dependent children of an exempt employee whose position is classified at or below Pay Grid 10 on the Exempt Staff pay grid, provided the spouse and dependent children are not employed by the College.
- b) The fifty percent tuition fee remission will be limited to courses offered by Selkirk College only, excluding courses or programs which are brokered or in partnership with another institution or agency.

### **10.3 Support for the Completion of Advanced Credentials**

- a) The College also provides support to assist employees to acquire credentials that will maximize their performance in their existing position or prepare them for new opportunities within the College. The terms and conditions for this support are described in Appendix C.

## **11. EARLY RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM (ERI)**

### **11.1 Eligibility**

- a) Early retirement benefits available to other employee groups will also be made available to exempt employees. Each year, one ERI incentive will be available to employees whose position is classified at or above Pay Grid 11 on the salary grid and another one will be available to employees whose position is classified at or below Pay Grid 10 on the salary grid. To be eligible, employees must:
  - Be over age 55 and under age 64; and
  - Have a minimum of 10 years' employment with the College; and
  - Be a regular employee.

### **11.2 Application Procedures and Timelines**

- a) Employees must apply for the ERI before November 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to intended retirement by sending a written request for consideration to the Executive Director of Human Resources.

- b) The College will notify the successful employee by the following March 31<sup>st</sup>.
- c) The individual retirement date must be mutually agreeable between the College and the employee but no later than March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

**11.3 Selection Criteria**

- a) If more than one eligible employee applies, the selection will be based on age plus years of service. The “years of service” will be calculated as the total number of full-time equivalent months that an employee has worked at Selkirk College regardless of any break in service, as long as the employee held an on-going position. Credit will be given for any period of time during which the employee was on an approved paid or unpaid leave. All candidates with a minimum of 5 years in the exempt group will be given preference.
- b) However, in organizational restructuring situations, an employee with a lower total of age + years of service may be given the ERI if the employee’s position is affected by the restructuring, provided that he/she meets the eligibility criteria listed above.
- c) In situations where an eligible employee qualifies for a partial ERI, the next eligible person will be offered the remaining percentage.

**11.4 Incentive Payment**

- a) The ERI will be paid to the employee in 3 equal annual payments over a 36 months period. The total value of the ERI will be as follows:

Age at retirement	Total value of the ERI
55 – 59	100% of annual salary at time of retirement
60	80% of annual salary at time of retirement
61	60% of annual salary at time of retirement
62	40% of annual salary at time of retirement
63	20% of annual salary at time of retirement
64	0%

**12. USE OF PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES**

- a) Employees are responsible for the insurance of their personal vehicles. If personal vehicles are used on College business and the usage exceeds 6 days per calendar month, the employee must have the appropriate insurance classification. Claims for accidents without proper insurance classification will not be honoured by I.C.B.C. Contact your auto plan agent for further information.
- b) If a personal vehicle is used for College business to any extent, it would be advisable to carry a minimum of \$2,000,000 of liability insurance.
- c) CAR ALLOWANCE – (Policy 9400)  
The College recognizes that senior manager (Pay Grid 15 to 19) of the organization are expected to attend various meetings, campuses, and learning centres throughout the region and throughout the year and may provide them a month car allowance. See Travel Rates document for further information.
- d) Approval for car allowances must be granted by the Vice President College Services, CFO.

**13. PENSION BUYBACK**

- a) Pension buyback options available to other employee groups will be made available to exempt staff provided they meet the applicable criteria.

#### **14. POSITION EVALUATION AND CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURES**

- a) The College has a process for placing new positions into the existing salary grid and reviewed positions that have changed over time, all changes are subject to PSEA approval.

#### **15. EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS**

- a) Individual employment contracts may supersede sections of this document.

## APPENDIX A

### Salary Scale Employer Group 1

<b>GRID</b>	<b>MINIMUM</b>	<b>CONTROL/MARKET</b>	<b>MAX</b>
19	\$149,727	\$199,636	\$229,582
18	\$136,116	\$181,487	\$208,711
17	\$123,741	\$164,989	\$189,737
16	\$112,492	\$149,990	\$172,488
15	\$102,266	\$136,354	\$156,807
14	\$92,969	\$123,958	\$142,552
13	\$84,517	\$112,689	\$129,593
12	\$86,619	\$115,492	\$127,041
11	\$80,576	\$107,434	\$118,178
10	\$74,954	\$99,939	\$109,933
9	\$69,725	\$92,967	\$102,263
8	\$64,860	\$86,480	\$95,129
7	\$60,335	\$80,447	\$88,492
6	\$57,643	\$76,857	\$80,700
5	\$53,621	\$71,495	\$75,070
4	\$49,880	\$66,507	\$69,832
3	\$46,400	\$61,867	\$64,960
2	\$43,163	\$57,551	\$60,428
1	\$40,152	\$53,536	\$56,212

This grid will be updated periodically as required.

## APPENDIX B

### Additional Compensation for Substitution Assignment and/or Additional Duties

#### 1. APPLICATION

Temporary additional compensation may be available to Exempt employees under the following conditions.

##### a) Temporary acting positions

Temporary acting or substitution pay may be available where an exempt employee is assigned to perform the primary functions of a higher-rated vacant position for a period of three (3) weeks or more. These assignments will be compensated for the duration of the assignment when:

- i) An exempt employee is assigned the primary functions of a higher rated exempt position on a temporary basis and where the exempt employee temporarily relinquishes their former position; or
- ii) An exempt employee is assigned the primary functions of a higher rated exempt position on a temporary basis while continuing with their regular position.

##### b) Major temporary workload addition

Additional compensation may be available, in extraordinary circumstances, where an exempt employee is assigned additional **major responsibilities**, for a limited period of time greater than 3 weeks, in addition to their regular duties. This will normally occur when there is a vacant position and the position's portfolio is being handled by two or more Exempt employees until the vacancy is filled, or when a major project or initiative is undertaken by an Exempt employee over and above their regular duties. Such additional compensation will only be available where an exempt employee is specifically assigned duties which meet all of the following criteria:

- The work is pre-approved by the appropriate Vice President;
- The assignment is term specific;
- If the added duties relate to a specific major project, the project is one-time-only in nature;
- The work or project represents a significant proportion of additional responsibility in terms of additional time commitment;
- The work or project is assigned in addition to the exempt employee's regular duties and where the exempt employee's regular position is neither back-filled nor duties delegated.

#### 2. PROCEDURES

##### a) Temporary acting positions

Where an Administrator identifies a need to assign to an exempt employee the primary functions of a higher rated exempt position, the Administrator will forward a written request to the Executive Director of Human Resources. Such requests will be made in advance of the commencement of the substitution assignment and must be signed by the appropriate Vice President. Requests will include the following information:

- Name of the individual to be assigned the substitution duties;
- Title of the position from which the additional duties are being assigned (if applicable);
- The date the substitution will start and the anticipated duration of the substitution;
- Confirmation that the employee will/will not relinquish their regular position for the duration of the substitution assignment.

The Executive Director of Human Resources will review the request with the President and based on the outcome of the review, additional compensation will be provided as follows:

- i) Where the exempt employee is substituting in a higher paid position and where the exempt employee's regular position is being back-filled, additional compensation will be provided at the minimum rate of the pay grid for the higher paid position or up to the rate of 7% of the employee's current salary, whichever is greater.
- ii) Where the exempt employee is substituting in a higher paid position and where the exempt employee's regular position is **not** being back-filled, additional compensation will be provided at the minimum rate of the



pay grid for the higher paid position or at 10% of the employee's current salary, whichever is greater.

#### **b) Major temporary workload addition**

Where an Administrator identifies a need to assign, in addition to an Exempt employee's regular duties, additional major responsibilities the Administrator will make a written request to the Executive Director of Human Resources. Such request will be made in advance of the commencement of the special assignment and will include the following information:

- Name and title of the individual to be assigned the additional responsibilities;
- A list of the extra duties assigned and an estimate of the additional time commitment required to manage the additional workload and/or achieve the desired objectives;
- The beginning and projected end date for the assignment;
- Confirmation that the employee will not relinquish their regular position for the duration of the assignment, nor will the duties of the exempt employee's regular position be delegated to another exempt employee.

### **3. APPROVAL**

The President has sole and final authority to approve requests for additional compensation under this procedure, and where approved, the level of additional compensation to be provided.

## APPENDIX C

### Support for the Completion of Advanced Credentials

#### GENERAL GUIDELINES

To support employee development and succession planning, Selkirk College is committed to encourage and assist Exempt employees to acquire credentials that will maximize their performance in their existing positions or prepare them for new opportunities within the College. Financial support for Exempt Employees wishing to undertake an advanced credential or professional program will be granted at the sole discretion of the President, subject to budgetary constraints, and upon the recommendation of the Employee's supervisor.

#### SCOPE

These guidelines apply to formal university-level credential programs and are in addition to the provision for professional development support available through the Exempt Professional Development fund (see section 10.1 of the "Administrative Staff Employment and Benefit Program).

#### ELIGIBILITY

All continuing Exempt employees who have been at the College for at least one year are eligible to apply. Due to budgetary constraints, a maximum of 2 employees will be supported each year. If more than 2 employees apply, the Executive Director of Human Resources will review the applications with the appropriate supervisors and will make a determination as to which applicants will be supported that year, based on the College's succession and/or operational needs.

#### SUPPORT PROVIDED

The College will reimburse an Exempt employee 50% of the costs associated with an advanced credential, including tuition, books, travel and residence accommodation where required, to a maximum of \$10,000 over 2 years (pro-rated for employees whose appointment is less than 100% FTE). Employees are encouraged to access additional funds, if required, through the Exempt Professional Development fund (see section 10.1 of the "Administrative Staff Employment and Benefit Program) The College will also support the Employee for time away from work on a shared basis, whereby the Employee will utilize vacation time for 50% of the time needed away from work, and the College will provide an equivalent amount of paid time off. The Employee and their Supervisor are responsible for ensuring that the time off does not negatively impact the operations of the Department.

An Exempt Employee who is granted financial support for the completion of an advanced credential under this program must agree to remain in the employment of the College for a minimum of 2 years after completion of the program, or after the EE withdraws from the program, whichever is sooner. Should the Employee leave before the end of this two-year period, he/she must repay the College for monies received, in proportion to the amount of time left (for example, an Employee who leaves after one year will be liable for 50% of the monies received).

Support for the completion of an advanced credential will only be granted to an Employee once every five years.

The President under exceptional circumstances may approve unused funding to be carried forward into the following year.

#### PROCEDURES

Employees should apply in writing to the Executive Director of Human Resources prior to registering for the program. The request must include the following information:

1. Program description;
2. Anticipated start and end dates;
3. Estimated costs, broken down by: tuition, textbooks, travel, residential or other accommodation, if applicable, and other costs;
4. Rationale as to how this program will benefit the College;
5. Rationale as to how this credential fits in with the Employee's short- or long-term career goals; and
6. A letter of support from the Employee's immediate supervisor.

Deadline for applications is July 1.

## APPENDIX D

### Compensation Philosophy

#### A. PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

Selkirk College's total compensation programs are a tool to help attract and retain qualified staff and are designed in a fiscally responsible manner in support of our mission, vision, values, and culture with flexibility to respond to changing and unique circumstances.

#### B. SCOPE

This policy applies to all Selkirk College employees who are excluded from or not recognized by a union or association, excepting student employees, contractors, CE instructors, secondments from other institutions and the President of the College. For the purposes of this Policy, "total compensation" means salary, other forms of cash payments (including stipends and honoraria), vacation, pension, benefits, travel allowances, and perquisites with measurable value.

#### C. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The guiding principles of the total compensation program at Selkirk College are as follows:

- a) **Performance:** Selkirk College establishes compensation programs that support and promote a performance-based organizational structure.
- b) **Differentiation:** Selkirk College supports a differentiation of salary where there are differences in the scope of the position and/or where there are superior individual or team contributions.
- c) **Accountability:** Total compensation decisions are objective and based upon a clear and well documented business rationale that demonstrates the appropriate expenditure of public funds.
- d) **Transparent:** Total compensation programs are designed, managed, and communicated in a manner that ensures the program is clearly understood by employees and the public while protecting individual personal information.

#### D. ROLE OF TOTAL COMPENSATION ELEMENTS

The role of the total compensation program at Selkirk College includes four main elements:

- e) **Compensation:** Selkirk College provides fair compensation for the scope and breadth of job responsibilities and the education, competencies, and experience that employees bring to their roles.
- f) **Benefits:** Selkirk College provides security and protection to employees and their families.
- g) **Career Development:** Selkirk College provides support for skill development, professional development, and other career development opportunities.
- h) **Work/Life:** Selkirk College provides paid time off and other programs to help employees balance their work and personal demands.

#### E. COMPARATOR GROUPS

The comparator group for Selkirk College includes organizations where we can attract qualified employees from and are at risk of losing qualified employees to. Our core comparator group includes similar post-secondary and other public sector organizations in BC. For other jobs where talent may be needed from out-of-province and jobs that require skills from specific industries or from outside the public sector, a secondary

comparator group may be used.

#### **F. INTERNAL EQUITY**

Selkirk College considers the relative scope, responsibilities, and complexities of jobs to ensure that compensation levels are fair and equitable. Market competitiveness is balanced with internal equity to ensure that the relative internal value of work is fairly recognized.

#### **G. AFFORDABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY**

Selkirk College total compensation programs are designed and administered in a fiscally responsible manner that ensures that costs are affordable and sustainable over time.

#### **H. GOVERNANCE**

The Board of Governors is responsible for approving Selkirk College's overall compensation philosophy. The executive team is responsible for the day-to-day oversight and administration of the programs. Total compensation programs may be amended from time to time, as determined by the College, and as approved by the designated Minister.