

**Date of Board Meeting:** April 21, 2026

**Subject:** New 10.5-Month Faculty Position for Dental Hygiene

**Recommendation:** Approve new faculty position, effective fall 2026

**Background and Rationale:**

Division chair and program director assignments are made each year at the discretion of the Vice President of Instruction. In the three vocational divisions, when the program director assumed division chair duties, that person also retained duties as the program director. This arrangement has become less effective with the shift in division administrative duties and program curricular activities, which prompts separation of these duties between two employees.

As implemented recently in the Vocational Science Division, the Allied Health Division will separate division and program duties in preparation for anticipated retirements. The division chair will remain in that position and a new 10.5-month faculty position in Dental Hygiene is requested to replace the faculty position to be vacated by the division chair.

**Budgetary Implications:** \$63,637 - \$71,221 FY27 budget

**Strategic Priority Alignment:**  Student Success  Community Impact  
 Resource Optimization  Institutional Excellence

**Resource Personnel:** Carol Derkowski, Allied Health Division Chair and Dental Hygiene Program Director

**Approval:**

**Leigh Ann Collins** Digitally signed by Leigh Ann Collins  
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