



Date of Board Meeting: February 20, 2024

Subject: Establish a Per-Credit Hour Fee for In- and Out-of-District Dual Credit Students

Recommendation: Approve the establishment of a standard fee of \$55/SCH for in-district and \$63/SCH for out-of-district dual credit students

Background and Rationale:

In response to the Financial Aid for Swift Transfer (FAST) Initiative established as part of House Bill 8, WCJC considered several factors when determining the feasibility of participating in FAST. While it was determined that it was cost prohibitive to participate in the FAST program, an alternative proposal was developed in an effort to aid in the increased affordability and accessibility of offerings for all WCJC dual credit students. The new fee structure would establish a flat per-credit hour fee structure for dual credit with a rate of \$55/semester credit hour (SCH) for in-district students and \$63/SCH for out-of-district students.

The WCJC Dual Credit Coordinator met with all the area ISD superintendents to explain the proposed fee structure and the rationale for not participating in FAST. All district superintendents were very appreciative of the reduced fees, and each remarked on high quality of the courses their students take. The ISD leadership indicated that they value their working relationship with WCJC and look forward to continuing to offer dual credit courses from WCJC.

Cost and Budgetary Support: Tuition/fee revenue reduction of \$75,000 for FY 2025 (based on FY 2024 enrollment numbers)

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

Resource Person(s): Leigh Ann Collins and Natalie Stavinoha

Signatures:

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Originator

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Betty G. Malrak
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