Aiken Technical College
Procedure

Title: INVESTMENT OF FUNDS

Institutional Authority: Chief Business Officer

Associated SBTCE Policy/Procedure:

Governing ATC Policy: 6-6-104

Approved: [Signatures]

President
Chief Business Officer

Date
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A. General Guidelines

The need to exercise strong control over cash flow resulting in the highest yield possible continues for the present time and the foreseeable future in order to maximize investment income from interest bearing vehicles. Principal preservation is the primary objective, followed by a return on investment.

1. Investments are made in funds which are insured against default and are guaranteed by the FDIC or other Federal or State Regulatory Agencies.

2. Investments are made locally, when possible, by checking local interest rates before making outside of service area investment obligations.

3. To optimize investment interest to the College, and to avoid conflict of interest, investments are made with banks where interest rates provide the College with the best return on investment. When investment rates are the same, maximum effort will be made to invest equitably in all area banks so that College funds are invested in a large number of service area banks.

4. Investments will be made in accordance with State and Federal Guidelines.
B. Procedural Responsibilities of the Business Office

1. Reviews cash availability against current and projected obligations and determines net cash available for investment.
2. Maintains a close scrutiny on the cash flow to obtain the maximum interest available in the current investment market and surplus funds in the operating checking account.
3. Invests College funds promptly.
4. Ascertains that all funds placed in an investment environment meet criteria that prevent loss from default or loss of investments funds.
5. Reviews maturity dates of investment vehicles so that they may be renewed or reinvested in the market place to produce the maximum yield and avoid loss in the interest income.
6. Maintains all certificates of deposits, investment account records and other related documents in a secure location for safekeeping against any loss from fire, theft, or any other conditions that would be detrimental to the well-being of all investment.
7. Keeps the President and the Area Commission informed of interest earned on investments and reviews the performance of the College investment management program on at least an annual basis.