

POLICY

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SBTCE:

FDTC: Area Commission Handbook, Conflict of Interest Statement

Other: SBTCE 8-0-105 Ethics Requirements for Employees and Public Officials

Policy Description

The Florence-Darlington Technical College (FDTC) Area Commission is committed to upholding the highest standards of integrity, transparency, and ethical governance. Maintaining public trust is essential, and the Commission recognizes its shared responsibility to act impartially and in alignment with the College's mission. Each Commissioner is therefore accountable for avoiding actual or perceived conflicts of interest that could compromise the integrity of the Commission or its decision-making processes.

In accordance with Policy #30-23, Conflict of Interest, as outlined in the Commission Handbook, and the South Carolina State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education (SBTCE) Policy 8-0-105, Ethics Requirements for Employees and Public Officials, the Area Commission is committed to operating free from favoritism, undue influence, and all forms of impropriety.

To reinforce this commitment, the Commission annually reviews the Conflict of Interest policy and requires all members to complete and sign a conflict of interest disclosure form during the Area Commission Retreat.

The Commission acknowledges that conflicts of interest may arise and affirms that transparency in addressing them is essential to maintaining public trust. Commissioners must disclose any known conflicts of interest at each public area

commission meeting. All such disclosures shall be recorded in the official minutes. Failure to disclose a known conflict constitutes a violation of this policy.

Authenticated by President Date