

Quality Management System

Bursary Sub Committee Charter

This Bursary Sub Committee Charter has been issued on the authority of the Principal of South West Gauteng TVET College

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1. Legislative framework and best practices

Key principles contained in the following legislation were applied to develop this Charter:

- a) The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa Act, 1996 (Act 108 of 1996);
- b) Continuing Education and Training Colleges Act, (Act 16 of 2006), as amended;
- c) Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999), as amended;
- d) National Treasury Regulations of March 2005;
- e) King IV Report on Corporate Governance for South Africa 2016;
- f) The Basic Conditions of Employment Act, 1997 (Act 75 of 1997);
- g) The Employment Equity Act, 1998 (Act 55 of 1998);
- h) The General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act 58 of 2001);
- i) The Labour Relations Act, 1995 (Act 66 of 1995);
- j) Employment of Educators Act, 1998 (Act 76 of 1998);
- k) The Skills Development Act, 1998 (Act 97 of 1998);
- I) Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993);
- m) Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act, 1993 (Act 130 of 1993);
- n) Unemployment Insurance Act, 2001 (Act 63 of 2001);
- o) Unemployment Insurance Contribution Act, 2002 (Act 4 of 2002);
- p) Employment Equity Act, 1998 (Act 55 of 1998);
- q) Skills Development Act, 1998 (Act 97 of 1998);
- r) Skills Development Levies Act, 1999 (Act 9 of 1999); and
- s) International Labour Organisation Conventions and Recommendations.

2. Purpose

- 2.1 The standard College statute requires Council to establish a bursary sub Committee of Council.
- 2.2 The purpose of this Charter is to:
 - a) establish the terms of reference of Bursary Sub-Committee
 - b) ensure the effective and efficient bursary management and performance in the college
 - c) ensure that all activities are within the delegations as approved by Council.
 - d) Oversee and report to Council on the functions of the Financial Aid Committee of the College.

3. Definitions, acronyms and abbreviations

For the purpose of this charter, unless the context indicates otherwise, the following definitions, acronyms and abbreviations are set out for the terms indicated:

- a. "Accounting Officer" is the College Principal.
- b. "Act" is the CET Colleges Act No. 16 of 2006, as amended.
- c. "College" is a Public TVET College (formerly known as an FET College).
- d. "Council"- is the Council of the College established in terms of the Act.
- e. "Department"; "DHET" is the Department of Higher Education and Training.
- f. "Management" are collectively the College Principal and all deputy Principals.
- g. **"Exco"** is the Executive Committee of the College.
- h. **"Bursary** a grant especially one that is awarded to someone to enable them to acquire skills and expertise from studying at the college or education institution
- i. "Bursary sub-committee" is the bursary sub Committee of the College.
- j. "TVET" is Technical, Vocational, Education and Training.
- k. "VCET" is Vocational and Continuing Education and Training.
- I. "SSSM" is Student Support Services Manager
- m. "SRC" is Student Representative Council

4. Reporting lines

- 4.1 Where the College has an Exco, the bursary sub-committee will report to Exco.
- 4.2 Where an Exco does not exist, the bursary sub-committee will report to College Council.

5. Composition

- 5.1 Committee members should be 50% plus members who are non-college employees.
- 5.2 Bursary Sub-Committee will consist of the Deputy Principal: Academic, the SSS Manager, the SRC President, the SRC College treasurer and a campus manager.
- 5.3 The chairperson of bursary sub-committee should be the external member of Council.
- 5.4 The term of office of Bursary Sub-Committee shall coincide with the Council term for external members elected by Council.
- 5.5 Members of Bursary Sub-Committee shall be notified in writing of their appointment by the Chairperson of the Bursary Sub-Committee, and their terms of reference shall be included in their letters of appointment.

6. Secretary of the bursary sub Committee

- 6.1 Bursary Sub-Committee shall appoint an internal member of staff to serve as the Secretary of the Committee.
- 6.2 The Secretary of Bursary Sub-Committee should be subjected to adequate secretarial training to enable him/her to discharge his/her duties effectively and efficiently

7. Meeting Procedures

- 7.1. There shall be at least four ordinary meetings per annum. They should be scheduled to precede scheduled ordinary meetings of Council by such a period that reports from the Bursary Sub-Committee meetings may be included in the information packs prepared for ordinary Council meetings.
- 7.2. Bursary Sub-Committee shall have one meeting per quarter approved by chairperson of the committee.
- 7.3. In the absence of the Chairperson of the Committee, the Committee may appoint any external member of the Council as Chairperson for the duration of the meeting.
- 7.4. A quorum of 50%+1 members is compulsory for Bursary Sub-Committee meeting to be constituted and proceed, provided that two external members of the College Council are present.
- 7.5. Any member who is absent from three (3) consecutive meetings without a written apology shall be deemed to have resigned from the committee.
- 7.6. Members shall be notified of the meeting date 15 calendar days prior to the meeting by the office of the secretary with consultation with the chairperson of the committee
- 7.7. Agenda for the meeting must be circulated to all members seven (7) working days before the meeting.
- 7.8. All recommendations made by the committee shall be presented to the Financial Aid Committee.

8. Functions

Bursary Sub-Committee is assigned the following functions:

- 8.1. To oversee the NSFAS allocation and allowances of the entire SWG College;
- 8.2. To provide advice and recommendations to the College Council on issues pertaining NSFAS, bursaries, scholarships and fellowships;
- 8.3. To facilitate attraction of additional bursaries and scholarships to the College; and
- 8.4. To oversee the work undertaken by the Student Affairs Office in relation to bursaries and financial support for students.

9. Resources

The College should make available resources, as necessary, for Bursary Sub-Committee to fulfill its mandate without prejudice and within the confines of the College statute.

10. Change of mandate

Bursary Sub-Committee may not change the terms of this Charter without the prior approval of the College Council.

11. Remuneration

Bursary Sub-Committee members not holding executive office in the College or not employed in the public service shall be remunerated for their services on the Bursary Sub-Committee, based on DHET guidelines.

12. Adoption of Charter

This Charter is effective from the date on which it is adopted by the College Council.

13. Availability of Charter

A copy of this Charter should be made available on the College website.

14. Annual review of Charter

This Charter will be subject to an annual review by College management to ensure its relevance.

Any recommended changes agreed by the VCET Branch of DHET to the Bursary Sub-Committee Charter should be presented to the College Council for approval.