

August 21, 2023

# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Jim Murdaugh, Ph.D.

President

**FROM:** Barbara Wills, Ph.D.

Vice President for Administrative Services and Chief Business Officer

**SUBJECT**: Tuition and Fee Waiver – Persons over 60 Years of Age

## **Item Description**

This item requests Board approval to create a waiver of tuition and fees for persons over the age of 60.

## **Overview and Background**

During their 2023 session, the Florida Legislature passed Senate Bill 7026 which included revisions to postsecondary tuition and fee waivers. One revision to F.S. 1009.26 was in paragraph (4), which added the authorization of the Board to waive any fees for persons over sixty (60) years of age. The waiver may only be used for Florida residents who attend classes for credit, although academic credit may not be awarded for their attendance in classes that have fees waived.

## **Funding/ Financial Implications**

The College estimates 15 - 20 individuals per semester will utilize the waiver for persons over the age of 60. The fees not collected from this waiver is projected to be \$15,000 annually.

## Past Actions by the Board

None taken on these items.

#### **Recommended Action**

Authorize the College to create and utilize a tuition and fee waiver for persons over 60 years of age.