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AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

concerning

Conversion of a Classified Computer Programmer I Position
To Administrator I/Jr. Analyst Programmer

at

Southern Connecticut State College

June 6, 1980

RESOLVED, That the position, Classified Computer Programmer I, be converted to an Administrator I/Jr. Analyst Programmer at Southern Connecticut State College, effective June 6, 1980, in accordance with all provisions and expectations as set forth in the proposal dated May 22, 1980, which is attached as an addendum to this Resolution.

A Certified True Copy:

James A. Frost

Executive Director

UNCLASSIFIED POSITION ALTERATION SUMMARY

Title: <u>Jr. Analyst Programmer/Adm. I</u>

Fund: General

Position Type: Permanent X Part-time

Effective Date: June 6, 1980

Cost: \$15,000 annual or increase of \$952

Campus: Southern CT State College

Proposal: To convert a classified Computer Programmer I position to

unclassified Jr. Analyst Programmer/Adm. I

Summary:

Currently two of three programmer positions are in the unclassified service. This alteration will place all programmers at Southern in equal rank.

The position is being altered from classified to unclassified state service because of a long history in this Computer Center, as well as other Computer Centers in the state, in which it is obvious that we cannot hold programmers once they have learned the trade well and acquired a few years of experience. In the last four years, SCSC has lost three programmers who were brought into service as trainees, worked for about two years and left for much higher paying jobs. If we are to be able to hold in service persons who are talented in this type of work, we must be able to offer them more incentive than they presently are offered by state classified service.

Date: May 22, 1980

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POSITION DESCRIPTION

Department: Computer Center Supervisor(s) Position/Title Analyst/Programmer	
Supervisor(s) Position/Title <u>Analyst/Programmer</u>	

This position is a computer programmer analyst position. Responsible for programming in the cobol and basic computer languages based on designs developed for online computer systems for various administrative areas.

POSITION RESPONSIBILITIES:

Develops online computer applications written in the BASIC programming language.

Develops and maintains several computer systems written in a variety of languages.

Documents programs and systems.

Maintains programs for all online systems currently in use.

Performs other duties and responsibilities related to those enumerated above which do not alter the basic level of responsibility of the position.

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATOR I -- PROGRAMMER/ANALYST POSITION AT SCSC J. Analyst/Programmer

Reference: Memo dated 8/30/79 from Ed Dombroskas to Dr. Clinton M. Ritchie entitled "Administrator I - Programmer/Analyst, SCSC"

The decision to make most of our data processing positions unclassified is one which we are in fact making — and for good reason. My ten years in charge of Data Processing at SCSC have proven that classified service has failed miserably to fill our needs in the area of programming. I have not once been able to fill a programmer opening by requesting a Certification List and hiring from it. In every instance I have exhausted the list without success and have had to go out and find my own programmer and get him or her certified. Programmer tenure is very short, because given some experience they can inevitably leave state classified service for much higher salaries elsewhere. Ron Oberg, liaison man for higher education with the State Data Processing Office, has firmly urged that we turn to unclassified service in an attempt to establish some stability with desired skill levels in our programming staffs.

This problem is not unique to SCSC. It is common to state Data Centers. In an attempt to keep present classified programmers, the state is now hiring Programmer I's in at Step 6 and Programmer II's in at Step 7. Even this is not satisfactory to those who wish to stay in state service. Evidence of this is the fact that the programmers have yet to agree to a contract. They are demanding, among other things, immediate reclassification.

At present, Computer Programmer I's are being hired at \$15,354 (Group 18, Step 6); Computer Programmer II's are being hired in at \$17,292 (Group 20, Step 7). These salaries do not include any adjustment for this fiscal year because they still have not agreed upon a new contract. Therefore, it is quite certain that these salaries will increase by at least 7%, and quite possibly more if they succeed in getting immediate reclassification written into their new contract.

The job description which I have submitted demands job skills and performance equal to or in excess of Computer Programmer II, since I am demanding that the incumbent will perform at least elementary systems design work on new systems. Whoever assumes these duties at SCSC will be required to function in a dual environment; i.e., the environment of our local machine as well as the IBM OS environment of UConn, which is by far more sophisticated than anything which exists at ECSC or WCSC.

I therefore submit that my suggested salary of approximately \$15,000 per year is, if anything, far too small. Anything less is, in my opinion, ridiculous and will do nothing toward our attempt to achieve some stability and reasonable performance level of our programming staff.

Donald W. Duman

Director of Data Processing

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