Agreement between
University of Maine System
and
Teamsters Union Local No. 340 - Police Unit
1999-2001

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PROLOGUE

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into between the UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM, hereinafter referred to as the "University", and TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL NO. 340, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, hereinafter referred to as the "Union".

ARTICLE 1 - PREAMBLE

Pursuant to the provisions of the University of Maine Labor Relations Act, the parties hereto enter into this Agreement.

ARTICLE 2 - RECOGNITION

1. The University recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive bargaining agent for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and other working conditions for employees in the police bargaining unit who are employed by the University of Maine System and who are University employees in accordance with the University of Maine Labor Relations Act.

2. Employees who are assigned to duties outside the job description for their classification on a temporary basis following an absence involving Worker's Compensation for a period which is not expected to exceed six (6) months shall remain in the bargaining unit(s) to which their classification(s) were assigned immediately preceding the absence. In the event that such employees are members of the police bargaining unit, the provisions of Article 15 of this agreement shall not be applicable to such employees during this period of temporary reassignment. In addition, the provision of Article 13 shall not apply to a decision by the University to discontinue the temporary reassignment.

ARTICLE 3 - DEFINITIONS

The definitions herein specified apply to the following words used in this Agreement:

1. Employees - those persons holding the positions of Police Officer, Police Corporal, Police Sergeant, Police Detective, Crime Prevention Specialist, Police Communications Coordinator, Security Guard I, Security Guard II and Security Guard III.

3. Director - the Director of Police and Safety (or equivalent title) at a campus of the University.

**ARTICLE 4 - UNION SECURITY**

1. All employees shall have the right to join the Union or refrain from doing so except as otherwise provided herein. No employee shall be favored or discriminated against either by the University or by the Union because of membership or nonmembership in the Union. The Union recognizes its responsibilities as bargaining agent and agrees to represent all employees in the bargaining unit without discrimination, interference, restraint, or coercion.

2. All employees who are currently in the bargaining unit, or who enter into the bargaining unit subsequent to the effective date of this Agreement, shall during the term of this Agreement be required to pay to the Union amounts equal to the Union's periodic dues or to pay the Union amounts equal to eighty (80) percent of the Union's regular periodic dues. The obligation to pay such amounts shall begin on the first day of the month next following the thirtieth calendar day after achieving bargaining unit status, or the first day of the month next following the thirtieth calendar day after the effective date of this Agreement, whichever is later.

3. All employees in titles covered by this Agreement shall be informed by the University at the time of hire of the existence of this Agreement and the obligation of employees after entering the bargaining unit to either join the Union and pay the initiation fees and regular periodic dues or to pay to the Union amounts equal to eighty (80) percent of the Union's regular periodic dues. The University shall promptly notify the Union of the name and address of each employee who enters the bargaining unit.

4. In the event this provision for Union security shall be declared to be invalid by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the Union shall indemnify and hold harmless the University from any and all damages, restitution of amounts paid hereunder, or other monetary liability which may accrue against the University by virtue of this provision.

**ARTICLE 5 - CHECKOFF**

1. The University shall deduct on an agreed basis due and initiation fees or amounts equal to periodic dues upon receipt of signed authorization from an employee and a certified statement from the secretary-treasurer of the Union as to the amount to be withheld.

2. Such amounts shall be deducted from the payroll checks of all employees of the police unit who have so authorized.

3. The University shall forward all such dues or amounts collected to the secretary-treasurer of the Union within 21 days after the deductions were made.

4. Written withholding authorizations from each employee so authorizing will be submitted to the appropriately designated University office. The University together with the Union shall develop forms and procedures to expedite the deduction of dues and amounts and the prompt remission to the Union.

5. The Union shall indemnify and save the University harmless against all claims and suits that may
arise by reason of any action taken in making deductions and remittances to the Union pursuant
to this Article.

ARTICLE 6 - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Agreement, all rights, powers or authority
possessed by the University prior to the execution of this Agreement including the determination
and administration of policy and the control, supervision and direction of all employees are
retained by, reserved to and vested exclusively in the University.

ARTICLE 7 - MAINTENANCE OF
STANDARDS AND SUBCONTRACTING

1. General working conditions not specified in this Agreement which are applicable on a
system-wide basis, or in the case of a particular campus, on a campus-wide basis, shall be
maintained for covered employees at a level not less favorable to employees than that existing on
the date of execution of this Agreement, except where the Union is provided a reasonable
opportunity to meet and discuss proposed changes in such working conditions prior to their
implementation.

Any disagreement regarding this Section shall be subject to the grievance procedure described in
Article 14, Grievance Procedure, commencing at Step 2, thereof.

2. The University agrees not to subcontract work performed by employees in the bargaining unit or
reassign such work to University students or supervisors, where the effect thereof would result in
the layoff of regular employees. For purposes of this paragraph the term "layoff" shall mean only
termination of University employment and not a transfer to another work assignment.

3. Decisions made by the University under section 2 of this Article shall not be subject to the
grievance and arbitration procedure provided the requirements of this Article have been complied
with and provided such decisions are made in good faith.

ARTICLE 8 - WORK RULES

1. When existing work rules are changed or new rules are proposed, they shall be posted
prominently on all specified bulletin boards for a period of ten (10) consecutive work days,
whenever possible, before becoming effective. Objections to any proposed work rules shall be
made in writing by the Union Steward to the Department Head, who shall have the responsibility
for reviewing such objections. A work rule, as posted, may be the subject of a union grievance
beginning at Step 1 within fifteen (15) workdays after posting the work rules. Pending resolution
of any such grievance, employees shall act in accordance with the disputed work rule.

2. The University further agrees to furnish each Police Officer subject to this Agreement with a copy
of all new work rules within thirty (30) days after they become effective. A copy of the work rules
and rule changes shall be provided to the Union and the Steward.

ARTICLE 9 - PROBATIONARY PERIOD AND STATUS

1. a. All appointments to full-time regular non-sworn positions shall be made for a probationary
period of six (6) months during which time the employee shall not be a member of the bargaining unit and may be discharged without cause. After completion of the probationary period the employee shall be deemed a regular University employee.

b. All appointments to part-time regular non-sworn positions shall be made for a probationary period as described herein. For the first six (6) months of the appointment the employee shall not be a member of the bargaining unit. During the first six (6) months of the appointment, or the first five hundred-twenty (520) hours of actual work for the University, whichever is longer, the employee may be disciplined or discharged without cause, notwithstanding Article 13 of this agreement.

c. Police officers hired with a full-time Maine Criminal Justice Academy certificate of eligibility shall have a probationary period of six (6) months.

d. The probationary period for sworn police officers shall be from the date of hire through one (1) year after successful completion of the Maine Criminal Justice Academy Basic Police School and receipt of certification as a full-time law enforcement officer.

2. Any person who is promoted or transferred to a classification which is included within the bargaining unit, or who is promoted or transferred from one classification in the bargaining unit to another classification in the bargaining unit in which he or she has not completed a probationary period shall be required to satisfactorily complete a six (6) month probationary period. An employee who in the judgment of the Director fails to satisfactorily complete this probationary period may be demoted or transferred to his or her former classification.

3. A regular position is where an individual is employed in a position that is expected to continue for a period of one year or more. The employment must be on a continuing basis.

4. A full-time regular position is where an individual holding one or more job classifications in this unit has a regularly scheduled workweek of forty (40) hours in those job classifications.

5. A part-time regular position for the purpose of this Agreement is where an individual holding one or more job classifications in this unit has a regularly scheduled work week of less than forty (40) hours, either when employed in a single job classification in the unit or as the individual's total employment status with the University.

ARTICLE 10 - BULLETIN BOARDS

The University shall permit in accordance with University regulations and policy the use of bulletin boards, specified by the University, by the Union for the posting of notices relating to Union business.

ARTICLE 11 - STEWARDS

1. The University of Maine System recognizes the right of the Union to designate one Steward and one alternate Steward at those campuses with unit employees.

2. The authority of job Stewards and alternates so designated by the Union shall be limited to and shall not exceed the following duties and activities:
a. The investigation and presentation of grievances in accordance with the provisions of this collective bargaining agreement.

b. The transmission of such messages and information which shall originate with and are authorized by the Local Union or its officers, provided such messages and information have been reduced to writing.

3. Stewards shall be permitted to conduct official Union business with representatives of management and to investigate, present and process grievances, on and off the property of the University. Time spent on such matters during the Steward's normal working hours shall be considered working hours in computing overtime but shall be limited to two (2) hours paid time per week, except that additional paid time for official Union business may be granted by the appropriate University supervisor in extraordinary circumstances.

4. Meetings with management and conferrals relating to grievances shall be scheduled at mutually convenient times that do not interfere with the operation of any administrative unit of the University.

5. Two (2) stewards designated by the Union shall each be granted a maximum of one (1) day off without loss of pay per fiscal year to attend a training session regarding labor relations. The Union shall provide the University with written notice of the names of the stewards to receive such training and the date and time of the training session at least thirty (30) days prior to the event.

**ARTICLE 12 - SENIORITY**

1. "Unit seniority" is the length of continuous service of an employee at any or all University campuses from the employee's most recent date of hire or assignment to full-time regular status in a position covered by this Agreement. This seniority shall be for purposes of layoff and recall. An employee may bump a less senior employee in an equal or lower classification at any campus rather than accept a layoff.

   a. In the event a full-time employee is laid off on a permanent basis, the employee shall be entitled to severance pay based on the following completed years of continuous regular service:

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2. "Classification seniority" is the length of continuous service of a covered employee on full-time regular status in his or her current job classification at the campus where he or she is currently working. Prior service in the same classification at the same campus shall be included in the computation of classification seniority only where service in the classification was interrupted by continuous University service in an equal or higher classification, within or outside the bargaining
unit, in the performance of police and/or security responsibilities. In such event, classification seniority shall include the prior service in the same classification and the intervening service in the equal or higher classification. Classification seniority shall prevail for purposes of shift vacancies, annual leave selection and the overtime rotation "wheel" on that particular campus.

3. Seniority for all purposes shall be broken or terminated when an employee:

   a. resigns or retires;
   b. is discharged for just cause;
   c. is laid off for a period of more than twenty-four (24) months;
   d. fails to report to work when recalled from layoff within eleven (11) working days from the date on which the employee received notice by certified mail from the University;
   e. fails to report to work after an approved leave of absence.

4. A classification seniority list shall be established by the University of Maine System listing by campus all police unit members covered by this Agreement, with the employee with the greatest seniority listed first. The seniority list shall be brought up to date semi-annually showing classification seniority as of July 1 and January 1 of each year and posted immediately thereafter on specified bulletin boards for a period not less than thirty (30) days. A copy of the list shall be sent to the Union and to each Steward. Any objections to the seniority list, as posted, must be reported to the System Office of Human Resources within ten (10) days from the date posted, or it shall stand accepted. Any unresolved objection made in accordance with the foregoing procedure shall be subject to the grievance procedure described in Article 14, Grievance Procedure, commencing at Step 3 thereof.

5. All job openings and/or vacancies for full-time regular positions within the unit shall be posted by the campus for bid by qualified police unit members as soon as such openings and/or vacancies become available. This provision shall also apply to temporary job openings that are likely to last one hundred eighty (180) or more calendar days. Selection of a person to fill the vacancy shall be based on the qualifications of the applicants to perform the duties and responsibilities of the position and equal employment opportunity obligations. Where all other qualifications are equal, University seniority shall be the governing factor.

6. Assignments to persons who are not within the unit will not be made for the purpose of undermining the Union.

7. It is the right and responsibility of the University to determine the number and classification(s) of employees to perform assignments. Such determination shall reflect needs for efficiency, economy, quality of service and other relevant considerations. On those occasions when the University determines that work is necessary and available outside the regular work schedule for special details, full-time regular employees shall be given priority in assignment to such work if the Police Department is directly reimbursed for wages to be paid to employees performing the work by the department or organization which requires police and/or security services.

ARTICLE 13 - DISCHARGE OR SUSPENSION

1. a. When the University believes it may have cause to terminate or suspend without pay a unit member, a disciplinary hearing will be held prior to the implementation of the suspension or discharge except when circumstances mandate that action must be taken to protect the
interests of the University, its employees, or the affected employee. In the case of suspension without pay or termination the University shall notify the employee, the steward and the Union that a hearing will be held and arranged a mutually agreeable time for the parties to meet. At the hearing the University shall provide that unit member and the Union with an explanation of any adverse evidence and allow an opportunity for the unit member and/or the Union to respond. No disciplinary meeting shall be held until the Union business agent or union steward is provided a reasonable opportunity to attend.

b. The University shall not discipline, discharge or suspend without pay any regular employee without cause. In all cases involving the discharge or suspension of such employee, the University will as soon as possible notify the employee in writing, in person, or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the employee's last known address according to University records, of the discharge or suspension and the reason(s) therefor. Such written notice shall also be forwarded to the Steward, and a copy mailed to the Union, within five (5) working days from the time of the discharge or suspension.

2. The University agrees that, in general, it will follow the principle of corrective discipline for minor offenses prior to effecting a discharge or suspension without pay of a regular employee; that is, the University will give an oral warning for a first complaint against the employee, and a written warning for a second complaint, following which the employee may be discharged or suspended without pay without further warning. The University will provide the Steward with a copy of any written warning notice given to a regular employee.

   The written warning notice as herein provided shall not remain in effect for a period of more than twelve (12) months from the date of the occurrence upon which a complaint and warning are based, provided that the employee has received no other oral or written warnings during such period.

3. The oral and written warnings by the University referred to in paragraph 2 shall not be required, by way of illustration but not of limitation, in cases such as: theft or attempted theft; working under the influence of alcohol; absence without leave; and so on.

4. Any employee discharged must be paid in full for all wages owed him by the University, including overtime, and unused annual leave and holiday pay, if any, on the next regular payday following the pay period in which the discharge occurs.

5. A discharged or suspended employee must advise the Union in writing, within five (5) working days after receiving notification of such action against him, of his/her desire to appeal the discharge or suspension. Notice of appeal from discharge or suspension must be made to the University in writing within ten (10) calendar days after the employee's receipt of notification of the discharge or suspension. In the event that the foregoing time limits are not met by the employee or the Union, the right of appeal shall be deemed waived.

6. If the Union and the University disagree as to the validity of the discharge or suspension the matter may be referred to Step 2 of the grievance machinery as set forth in Article 14, paragraph 4, within ten (10) calendar days after the above notice of appeal is given to the employer.

7. If an employee is called by the Director or designee to an investigatory interview which may reasonably lead to the employee's discharge or suspension, the employee may request that a
Union Steward be present at such investigatory interview. Such request shall be granted provided that the Steward does not disrupt or interfere with the conduct of the investigation.

8. The University and the Union agree to establish a committee to meet for one (1) day to discuss and collaborate on the issue of procedures regarding suspension and discharge. The Union's bargaining team members shall have paid release time during working hours to attend the one-day session.

ARTICLE 14 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

1. A grievance, for the purpose of this Article, shall be defined as a dispute between an employee or employees and the University, or between the Union and the University with respect to the interpretation or application of the specific terms of this Agreement.

2. The Steward, with or without the employee who believes that a problem exists with respect to the interpretation or application of the specific terms of the Agreement, shall first discuss the problem in an informal manner with the employee's immediate supervisor within five (5) calendar days of the occurrence of the problem. Reasonable efforts shall be made by the parties involved to resolve the problem informally within seven (7) calendar days. The Steward and the employee will be notified of the disposition by the supervisor.

3. Step 1: If the problem has not been adjusted informally, the Steward shall reduce it to writing and submit a written grievance to the Director of Police and Safety or equivalent campus administrator within five (5) calendar days after notification of disposition provided in paragraph 2. The written grievance shall contain:

   a. A concise statement of the events giving rise to the grievance;
   b. The specific section of this Agreement alleged to be violated;
   c. All evidence available in support of the grievance claimed;
   d. A statement as to when the grievance arose, became known or should have become known to the employee; and
   e. A statement as to the redress sought by the employee.

Upon receipt of the written grievance, a grievance number shall be obtained from the System Office of Human Resources and assigned to the grievance by the Director of Police and Safety or equivalent campus administrator. A written disposition with respect to the grievance shall be rendered by the Director to the employee and the Steward within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the written grievance.

4. Step 2: If the disposition is not satisfactory to the Union, the Steward may appeal the grievance in writing to the President or the President's designee within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the notification provided in paragraph 3. The President or the President's designee shall render a disposition in writing to the employee and the Steward within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the written grievance.

5. Step 3: If the disposition of the President or the President's designee is not satisfactory to the Union, the Steward may appeal the grievance in writing to the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the notification provided in paragraph 4. The Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee shall render a determination in writing to the
Steward within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of the written grievance.

6. Step 4: In the event that the determination of the Chancellor or Chancellor's designee is not acceptable to the Union it may, within thirty (30) working days after the date of that determination or the date the determination is due, request that the matter be submitted to arbitration by notifying the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee in writing by certified or registered mail.

a. The arbitration proceedings shall be conducted by an arbitrator selected by the Chancellor or the Chancellor's designee and the Union within ten (10) working days after the notice has been received. If the parties fail to agree upon an arbitrator, either may request the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service or Maine Board of Arbitration to provide an arbitrator in accordance with the rules of the organization.

b. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding with regard to the dispute consistent with applicable law and this Agreement. The arbitrator shall not have the authority to amend or modify or establish new terms or conditions with respect to this Agreement. Wherever possible the arbitrator shall render the decision within thirty (30) calendar days after the conclusion of the hearing and any final written or oral argument.

c. All fees and expenses for the arbitrator's services and the proceedings shall be borne equally by the University and the Union. However, each party shall be responsible for bearing the costs of preparing and presenting its own case and compensating its own representatives and witnesses. If either party desires a verbatim record of the proceedings, it may cause such a record to be made providing it pays for the record.

7. All grievances shall be filed and appealed within the time limits set forth above or they will be deemed waived; provided, however, that the time limits may be extended by mutual agreement, of the appropriate Union representative and the University administrator at any step of the above procedure.

**ARTICLE 15 - WORK SCHEDULE**

1. The work week for full-time regular employees holding a single job classification shall be a forty (40) hour week consisting of five (5) consecutive eight (8) hour days including meal time where regularly scheduled within the work day. If mealtime is not scheduled within the workday the hours of work shall be consecutive except for the mealtime allotted. Other schedules in existence under the prior agreement shall be continued.

2. Each campus of the University will establish a work schedule for full-time regular employees holding a single job classification to bid on in seniority order. The bid and assignments except for mutually agreed upon rotating schedules shall take place annually but no later than October 1 of each year. This provision does not prevent the University from changing the work schedule when it determines that reasons exist for such change(s). However, if any change occurs, re-bidding if appropriate, shall take place. Prior to implementing a change in the work schedule, the University shall notify the Union of the change and shall discuss the change with it.

3. A full-time regular employee with five (5) full-time equivalent years of continuous service may request a reduction in work schedule when it is mutually beneficial to the University and the employee and be eligible for certain pro-rated benefits available to full-time regular employees.
The work schedule reduction shall be to no less than one-half (\(\_\)) time to be eligible for pro-rated benefits. The work schedule reductions shall be for an indefinite duration with no right to return to full-time regular status unless specifically agreed to in writing between the University and the employee at the time the reduction occurs. Requests by employees for work schedule reductions shall be made at least two (2) months prior to the requested effective date. This time limit may be waived by the campus. Final approval or disapproval of work schedule reduction requests shall be at the sole discretion of the campus president or the president's designee and communicated to the employee in writing.

4. The Union agrees to cooperate with campus initiatives to improve productivity as directed by the University of Maine System Board of Trustees in keeping with the collective bargaining agreement.

**ARTICLE 16 - WAGES AND OVERTIME**

1. a. Effective July 1, 1999 all current employees hired before November 1, 1999, shall be placed on a step in the band assigned to their classifications on the FY2000 Police Unit Wage Schedule (Appendix C) that provides an hourly rate increase of twenty-five (25) cents per hour.

   b. Effective January 1, 2000 all current employees hired before November 1, 1999 shall be placed on a step in the band assigned to their classifications on the FY2000 Police Unit Wage Schedule (Appendix D) that provides an hourly rate increase of twenty-five (25) cents per hour.

   c. Effective July 1, 2000 the hourly rate of all current employees shall be increased by fifteen (15) cents and they shall be placed on the FY2001 Police Unit Wage Schedule (Appendix E) in the band assigned to their classifications at the step which they occupy on the FY2000 Police Unit Wage Schedule on June 30, 2000.

   d. Effective January 1, 2001 the hourly rate of all current employees shall increase by fifteen (15) cents and they shall be placed on the FY2001 Police Unit Wage Schedule (Appendix F) in the band assigned to their classifications at the step which they occupy on the FY2001 Police Unit Wage Schedule on December 31, 2000.

2. No employee shall advance to any higher step in a wage band during the term of this Agreement, except as provided in Section 4 of this Article.

3. The University and the Union agree that no employee advances to any step after the expiration of the contract. Any future step movement is subject to negotiations.

4. Employees who are promoted to another job in a higher grade shall be placed at the Start step in the new grade or receive an increase of five percent over the employee's former rate, whichever is greater.

5. a. Employees who are demoted for non-disciplinary reasons to a job in a lower grade shall be placed at the level in the new grade on the Police Unit Wage Schedule which would have been obtained had the employee not been employed at the higher classification, except that an employee who is demoted for non-disciplinary reasons due to the abolition of his or her former
position shall be placed at the level in the new grade which provides a pay rate nearest to but not exceeding the employee's former rate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that managerial decision is made at a campus to discontinue the performance of law enforcement functions which under applicable law require sworn law enforcement personnel, the wage rates of police officers who are reassigned to perform security functions as a result of such decisions shall be red-circled.

b. Employees who are demoted for disciplinary reasons to a lower grade shall receive ninety-five (95) percent of the hourly rate held by the employee in the former job, but not above the Maximum step of the lower grade nor below the Start step of the lower grade.

6. The base hourly rate of pay shall be determined by the attached schedules.

7. Notwithstanding other provisions of this Agreement, an employee required by supervision to be in active pay status more than forty (40) hours in any work week shall be compensated for such time worked over forty (40) hours per week at 1 times the base hourly rate of pay. For purposes of this Article "active pay status" shall mean all hours actually worked by the employee and shall include sick leave pay, annual leave pay, or other paid leave of absence.

8. Overtime shall be distributed pursuant to Article 12.2 and any employee who has worked overtime may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off in lieu of cash payment. Such compensatory time will be granted on the basis of hours of time off for each hour of overtime worked. The compensatory time will be taken at a time mutually convenient to the employee and supervision, but within twelve (12) months of the date it is earned. Employees shall be permitted to accumulate no more than eighty (80) hours of compensatory time.

9. Whenever two (2) or more overtime or premium rates may appear applicable to the same hour or hours worked by an employee, there shall be no pyramiding or adding together of such overtime or premium rates, and only the higher of the applicable rates shall apply.

10. a. The University shall maintain a job description for each job classification in the Unit. The job description shall describe the duties considered necessary to perform the principal functions of the job. In the event that the duties of the classification are altered by the University, the University shall maintain a job description for each job classification in the unit. The job description shall describe the duties considered necessary to perform the principal functions of the job. In the event that the duties of the classification are altered by the University, the University shall revise the job description accordingly, and shall so inform the Union in writing. Upon its request, the Union may meet with the University to discuss the impact of the revision(s) on employees. In the event of disagreement between the University and Union regarding such impact, employees shall perform such work as is assigned. The wage grade for the classification shall be maintained or revised in accordance with the University's application of the existing job evaluation criteria.

Disagreements regarding assignment of the classification to a wage grade may be referred by the Union to Step 3 of the grievance procedure within five (5) working days after the discussion is concluded. Other disagreements as to whether the impact of the assignment violates any provision of this agreement may be referred to the grievance procedure commencing at Step 1 thereof.
b. Except as permitted under this Article, the assignment of wage grades to classifications which are included within the unit will not be altered for the duration of this Agreement.

11. The University and the Union shall establish a committee to study wage and safety issues. The Union may have three members on the committee who shall have paid release time to attend meetings during working hours.

**ARTICLE 17 - SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL**

Employees working a scheduled shift the majority of which falls between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. shall be entitled to shift differential for all hours of that shift in the following amounts:

for such shifts which begin after 1:00 p.m. and at or before 8:00 p.m. - $.20 per hour
for all other shifts - $.30 per hour.

Shift differentials shall be payable to police officers for assignments to special details, other than scheduled shifts, which occur at the aforementioned times.

**ARTICLE 18 - HOLIDAYS**

1. a. The following days shall be considered holidays for full-time and part-time regular employees:

   - New Year's Day
   - Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday
   - Washington's Birthday
   - Patriot's Day
   - Memorial Day
   - Independence Day
   - Labor Day
   - Columbus Day
   - Veteran's Day
   - Thanksgiving Day
   - Day after Thanksgiving
   - Christmas Day

   Holidays shall be observed on the days designated by the University. The dates of the observance of the holidays shall be communicated to the Union prior to the start of the fiscal year in which the holidays occur. If any other day declared as a holiday is granted to another bargaining unit, then it shall apply to police unit employees.

b. Patriot's Day may be used as a floating annual leave day in accordance with Article 19, Section 6. Employees electing to replace Patriot's Day with an annual leave day must notify their supervisor before July 1 of each fiscal year and identify the day and month when the annual leave day will be used.

2. To be eligible for holiday pay an employee must be in an active pay status or an approved leave of absence the last hour of his or her scheduled workday prior to the holiday and in an active pay status the first hour of his or her scheduled workday after the holiday. Holiday pay eligibility does not extend to employees on an unpaid leave of absence as described in paragraphs 2 and/or 5 of Article 20, layoff, long-term disability or Worker's Compensation, unless the employee is scheduled to work on the holiday.
3. An employee shall receive holiday pay at his or her basic hourly straight time rate for a number of hours equal to the employee’s regularly scheduled workday.

4. Holiday pay is in lieu of other paid leave to which an employee might otherwise be entitled on the employee's holiday.

5. An employee required by the University to work on a holiday shall be paid the basic hourly straight time rate for each hour worked in addition to the holiday pay to which the employee is entitled as above described except that on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day after Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, the employee shall be entitled to a premium rate of one and one-half (1½) times the basic hourly straight time rate for each hour worked in addition to the holiday pay as above described. Employees shall be considered to have worked on a holiday only if the majority of the hours of a shift worked by the employee fall on the calendar date that has been designated by the University as the holiday.

In such event, the provisions of this paragraph and paragraph 6 of this Article shall apply to all hours of that shift; but they shall not apply to any minor portion of any other shift which the employee may also work on the calendar date which had been designated as the holiday.

6. An employee who has worked on a holiday may choose, with the consent and approval of the Director, to take compensatory time off in lieu of cash payment. Such compensatory time will be granted on the basis of one hour of time off for each hour of holiday worked, except that on New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day after Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day, compensatory time off will be granted at the rate of one and one-half (1½) hours off for each hour of holiday worked. The compensatory time off will be taken at a time mutually convenient to the employee and supervision, but within twelve (12) months of the date it is earned. Employees not scheduled to work on a holiday may choose compensatory time off in lieu of cash payment provided the employee notifies supervision of their choice within the week that the compensatory time was earned.

7. The University shall determine the number and categories of employees needed for holiday work and schedule shall be posted preceding the workweek in which the holiday falls.

8. Holiday pay paid to employees who are not scheduled to work on the holiday shall not be counted in the computation of overtime.

**ARTICLE 19 - ANNUAL LEAVE**

1. Full-time regular employees working on a twelve (12) month basis shall earn paid annual leave based upon continuous service in accordance with the following schedule:

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Such accumulation shall continue during pay periods in which the full-time regular employee with the approval of the University works a reduced number of hours per week but at least twenty (20) hours per week, provided that such pay periods do not exceed one third (1/3) of the pay periods in the employee's work year.

2. If a full-time regular employee is regularly scheduled to work less than twelve (12) months per year or less than forty (40) hours per week the annual leave earned shall be prorated.

3. An employee with twelve (12) months per year or less may carry forward from year to year annual leave time not to exceed twenty-four (24) workdays. An employee with more than twelve (12) years of service may carry forward from year to year up to a total of thirty (30) workdays. Effective August 31, 1998, the annual leave carry forward date shall be August 31. A workday for purposes of this paragraph shall be equal to the number of hours in the employee's regularly scheduled workweek divided by five (5).

4. Part-time regular employees shall accumulate annual leave on an hourly basis. For each eighty (80) hours worked and compensated for, annual leave shall be accumulated according to the following schedule:

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Prorated annual leave based on the aforementioned formula shall be credited to part-time regular employees each bi-weekly pay period.

5. Annual leave shall not accrue after an employee is on Worker's Compensation for three (3) months, or when an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence, layoff, or long-term disability, or becomes separated from the University on or before the middle of a pay period. An employee who becomes separated from the University will be paid for accumulated unused annual leave earned at the time of separation.

6. Employees may request the use of annual leave. Such requests shall be made as far in advance of the desired leave period as is practicable. The University shall review such requests and may approve or disapprove them based on consideration of such criteria as the following:

a. the availability of adequate staffing during the period desired;
b. the employee’s seniority;
c. the date of the employee’s request relative to the period desired.

No more than two consecutive weeks of annual leave may be requested except in exceptional circumstances. The University's decision regarding an employee's request for annual leave will be communicated to the employee as far in advance of the desired leave period as is
practicable.

7. The University will report on a bi-weekly basis the amount of annual leave and sick leave earned and used by full-time regular employees. This report shall be made available by the University for inspection by employees.

8. Annual leave taken will be computed on the basis of the hours scheduled to work times the hourly rate of pay, and shall be recorded in one-half (\textfrac{1}{2}) hour intervals. Less than one-half (\textfrac{1}{2}) hour annual leave shall be recorded as one-half (\textfrac{1}{2}) hour.

**ARTICLE 20 - LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

1. Full-time regular employees shall be eligible for a leave of absence without pay for urgent and compelling personal business. Periods of absence not to exceed three (3) workdays per fiscal year, may be granted. A written request for this leave must be submitted by the employee to the appropriate supervisor. Approval must be granted by the Director prior to commencement of the leave.

2. Full-time regular employees shall be eligible for extended leaves of absence without pay for personal reasons other than personal illness for additional periods not to exceed sixty (60) days and not less than thirty (30) days. A written request, with reasons, for this leave must be submitted at least thirty (30) days in advance by the employee to the appropriate supervisor. This time requirement may be waived by mutual consent of the director and the employee. A request for leave of this nature shall require approval, in advance, by the appropriate supervisor and the Personnel Officer/Business Manager. If the request is approved a copy of the communication approving the leave shall be transmitted to the Union. An extension of this leave may be requested by an employee.

3. While on the leave of absence described in paragraph 2 or paragraph 5, the employee will not accumulate sick leave or annual leave or be eligible for long-term disability or insurance benefits. The employee may at the time of the approval of the leave, but prior to the commencement of the leave, make arrangements to maintain life and health insurance coverage, at the employee's expense. The employee is responsible for the timely submission of the remittance in full of the premium cost on a monthly or pre-paid basis. An employee will accumulate seniority for the initial term of office while on leave of absence as described in paragraph 5.

4. Any employee designated by the Union to attend a labor convention or serve in any capacity on other official Union business shall be granted time off, without pay, provided seven (7) calendar days written notice is given to the University by the Union, specifying the length of time off. In the event the time off desired exceeds seven (7) calendar days, the provisions of paragraphs 2 and 3 shall govern. The Union agrees that, in making its request for time off for Union activities, due consideration shall be given to the number of employees affected in order that there shall be no disruption of the University's operation due to lack of available employees or the creation of unreasonable work schedules for remaining employees.

5. An employee elected to a full-time paid Union office shall be granted an unpaid leave of absence for the term(s) of office. A written notice of this leave must be submitted at least thirty (30) days in advance by the employee to the appropriate supervisor. This time requirement may be waived by mutual consent of the Director and the employee. The Union shall provide to the University official
notice of such appointment and the applicable term as soon as possible. The Union shall provide notice of the employee's intent to return to active duty as soon as possible but at least thirty (30) days in advance of the date of return. The least senior employee in the same job classification at that employee's campus may be laid off upon return of the employee granted such leave.

6. Employees can obtain information about the Family Medical Leave Act at the following System-Wide campus addresses:

- UMA Farmhouse 621-3100
- UMF Merrill Hall 778-7246
- UMFK Cyr Hall 834-7554
- UM 234 Corbett Hall 581-1640
- UMM Powers Hall 255-1220
- UMPI Preble Hall 768-9551
- USM - Gorham 7 College Avenue 780-5175
- UMS Auburn Hall 973-3370

**ARTICLE 21 - MILITARY LEAVE**

Full-time regular employees who are members of the National Guard or the Military Reserve will be granted a leave of absence when ordered to active duty for training. Such employees will receive their normal University pay while on military leave, not to exceed ten (10) working days per fiscal year, and shall accrue sick and annual leave and seniority during such periods of absence not exceeding seventeen (17) days. All military duty must be authorized by the Governor or under the provisions of the National Defense Act.

**ARTICLE 22 - SICK LEAVE**

1. Full-time regular employees shall accumulate 4.62 hours of sick leave for each bi-weekly pay period of continuous service or a major portion thereof. Such accumulation shall continue during pay periods in which the full-time regular employee with the approval of the University works a reduced number of hours per week but at least twenty (20) hours per week provided that such pay periods do not exceed 1/3 of the pay periods in the employee's work year. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of one thousand forth (1040) hours. If a full-time regular employee is regularly scheduled to work less than twelve (12) months per year or less than forty (40) hours per week, sick time earned shall be prorated.

2. Part-time regular employees shall accumulate 4.62 hours of sick leave for each eighty (80) hours worked and for which compensation is paid. Prorated sick leave based on the aforementioned formula shall be credited to part-time regular employees each bi-weekly pay period. Sick leave may be accumulated up to a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) times the number of hours in the employee's regularly scheduled workday.

3. Sick leave shall not be accrued after an employee is on Worker's Compensation for three (3) months, or when an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence, layoff, or long-term disability, or becomes separated from the University on or before the middle of a pay period.

4. In the case of an illness over five (5) work days in duration or suspected sick leave abuse, the University may require the submission of a written statement by a qualified physician regarding the sickness or illness prior to the payment of sick leave to an employee.
5. Employees must notify the Director, or appropriate Supervisor in charge of the shift of their illness as early as possible, but in any case no less than one (1) hour prior to the starting time, in order to be paid sick leave, unless a shorter time is approved by the Director.

6. In cases of serious illness, an employee who has exhausted all available leave credits, including annual leave and compensatory time, shall make application for total disability benefits if the medical prognosis indicates a disability of qualifying duration. If the medical prognosis does not indicate a disability of qualifying duration, the employee may be placed on leave without pay for the duration of the illness but not to exceed a total of twelve (12) months of paid and unpaid leave. Employees who are placed on leave without pay for reasons of personal illness shall have the rights and responsibilities described in Article 20, Leaves of Absence, Section 3, except that eligibility for long term disability benefits shall be retained to the extent permitted under the existing or equivalent long term disability insurance plan. In such event, the employee may make a written request to the Director for an advance of sick leave. The Director shall forward the request with his/her recommendation to the campus President or his/her designee. The President or designee may receive other recommendations regarding the request from such individuals as he or she determines to be appropriate. The President or designee shall have the sole discretion to accept or reject the request, and his/her decision shall be final and shall not be grievable.

Upon the employee's return to work, the amount of sick leave advanced shall be repaid by the employee on a monthly basis at the rate of one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) of any future amounts accumulated until such time as the advance has been repaid. Any outstanding balance shall be repaid by the employee at the time of termination.

7. The amount of sick leave accumulated by an employee at the time of retirement, up to a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) days, shall be credited as if compensation were paid for such accumulated leave for purposes of determination of the employee's retirement benefit.

8. Subject to supervisory approval, accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) of the total accumulated, may be used in the event of serious illness or death in the employee's immediate family. Immediate family shall be defined as spouse, children, parents, grandparents, grandchildren, sisters, brothers, stepchildren, stepparents, half-brothers, half-sisters, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law, and sister-in-law. This provision is for those emergency situations where the nature of the illness or family conditions are such that the employee must be available to care for the family member, or in the event of death, to attend to the details related thereto. Approval for such use of sick leave will not be unreasonably denied.

**ARTICLE 23 - BEREAVEMENT AND FUNERAL LEAVE**

1. Full-time regular employees will be granted a maximum of three (3) paid days leave in the event of a death in their immediate family to a maximum of six (6) paid days leave per fiscal year. For the purposes of this paragraph only, if additional time away from work is needed, an employee may use accumulated sick leave up to a maximum of one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) of the total sick days accumulated in addition to or in lieu of accumulated annual leave.

2. For the purpose of this Article "immediate family" is defined as spouse, significant other in the household, children, parents, grandparents, sisters, brothers, step-children, step-parents,
half-brothers, half-sisters, or corresponding close relatives by marriage; specifically, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-in-law, mother-in-law, brother-in-law and sister-in-law.

3. Full-time regular employees may be granted paid leave, in an amount determined by the Director to a maximum of one (1) day to permit an employee's attendance at the funeral of any of the employee's aunts or uncles, provided that in no event shall the total amount of bereavement and/or funeral leave payable to an employee under all paragraphs of this Article exceed six (6) days per fiscal year.

ARTICLE 24 - ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE HOLIDAYS

1. All employees directed by management to work during hours which have been declared, because of weather conditions, "administrative leave" at their particular campus shall receive double the regular hourly rate of pay for each hour worked during the period of the "administrative leave". An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one (1) hour off for each hour worked during the period of the administrative leave in lieu of premium pay. If the employee is directed to work for more than eight (8) hours the employee shall receive this pay or compensatory time in lieu of overtime.

2. In the event that a declaration of "administrative leave" is delayed because the University administrator for that particular campus responsible for making an "administrative leave" determination is not immediately available to assess the weather conditions which are later determined to warrant "administrative leave", those employees on duty and working during the period in which the declaration of "administrative leave" is delayed shall receive the above rate for the hours actually worked by them during the period of such delay, to a maximum of two (2) paid hours at this rate for work outside the "administrative leave" period.

3. Administrative holidays may be declared only at the discretion of the Chancellor or his or her designee. Such holidays may be declared in conjunction with such occasions as national observances or regularly scheduled University holidays. The duration of the administrative holiday shall be specified by the Chancellor or designee, but shall not be limited in a manner that arbitrarily excludes any group of employees from the administrative holiday period. Employees directed by management to work during hours that have been declared to be within the administrative holiday period shall receive double the regular hourly rate of pay for each hour worked during the period of the administrative holiday. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one (1) hour off for each hour worked during the period of the administrative holiday in lieu of premium pay. If the employee is directed to work for more than eight (8) hours, the employee shall receive this pay or compensatory time in lieu of overtime.

4. The provisions of this article shall be applicable to any unit member who is normally scheduled to work during the period of an administrative leave or an administrative holiday but who has been excused from work and is on leave with pay under the terms of another provision of this Agreement, except in cases of absences involving Worker's Compensation.

ARTICLE 25 - OFF DUTY ASSIGNMENTS AND CALL BACK
1. Any full-time regular employee assigned by supervision to special details which extend beyond the normal work day shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) times their regular hourly rate of pay for those hours assigned beyond the normal work day. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) hours off for each such hour worked beyond the normal workday in lieu of such pay. There shall be a minimum of three (3) hours pay or compensatory time, or pay or compensatory time for the scheduled hours if greater, at this rate for such assignments.

2. Any full-time regular employees called back by supervision from home without prior notice before or after their normal work day, or on days which are not included in their regular work schedule shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) times their regular hourly rate of pay for those hours worked outside the regular work period. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) hours off for each such hour worked in lieu of such pay. Time will begin when the employee leaves home and will end when the employee returns home provided that reasonable travel time is claimed. There shall be a minimum of two (2) hours pay or compensatory time at this rate for such call back. If the call-back period overlaps the regular work period, the pay rate and status will revert to straight time at commencement of the employee's normal reporting time, but the two (2) hour guarantee mentioned above shall prevail in this event.

**ARTICLE 26 - DEPARTMENTAL MEETINGS**

1. Any full-time regular employee who is required to attend a departmental "troop" meeting scheduled by the Director outside of his or her regular work shift shall be paid at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) times the regular hourly rate for such off-duty attendance. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) hours off for each such hour of off-duty attendance in lieu of such pay. There shall be a minimum of two (2) hours pay or compensatory time at this rate when such meetings are outside the regular work shift.

2. The Steward will be notified in advance of all departmental "troop" meetings. It is the Steward's responsibility to attend the meeting called on his or her shift and to appoint a designee from those employees who are on duty to attend other shift meetings.

**ARTICLE 27 - COURT TIME**

1. Any employee covered by this Agreement who is required in the course of duty to attend a federal or state court proceeding or other formal hearings before an administrative agency of the state, outside his or her regular work shift, shall receive overtime compensation, but in no event less than four (4) hours pay at one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) times his or her regular hourly rate for such attendance. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one and one-half (1\textsuperscript{\textfrac{1}{2}}) hours off for each hour of such attendance in lieu of such pay. No court time shall be allowed to any employee who has been notified that his or her presence is not needed prior to the end of his or her last shift preceding a scheduled court attendance. The provision of this section shall not apply to campus disciplinary proceedings.
2. If an employee is required to stay in attendance at such court for more than four (4) hours in any one (1) day and this attendance is outside the regular work shift, the employee shall be paid for the actual hours or half hour fractions thereof spent at court that day at one and one-half (1½) times the regular hourly rate for such attendance. An employee may choose, with the consent and approval of supervision, to take compensatory time off at the rate of one and one-half (1½) hours off for each hour of such attendance in lieu of such pay.

3. Any and all fees, compensation or allowances which any employee is or would be entitled to for court time, as provided for by statute or court order, shall be turned over and paid to the University and not retained by the employee.

ARTICLE 28 - TRAINING

1. Any employee assigned to work-related schooling or training will be paid at the applicable hourly rate for all hours of said training or schooling.

2. Any employee required to travel in his or her own vehicle to and from any training program or school shall be reimbursed for travel mileage at the established University rate in addition to meals, lodging and other related expenses. The employee shall submit receipts to the Director for expenses incurred.

3. When notice of training schools available to Police Officers is received by the Director, the Director or his/her designee shall post a notice of such schools as soon as possible. Such notice may include a statement regarding whether such training may be eligible for approval of attendance of Police Officers under the provisions of this Article. Police Officers may express their interest in attendance at any appropriate training school. The Director shall select from the qualified applicants for approved schools based on departmental needs and evaluation of the relevance of the training offered.

   a. Employees grandfathered under An Act Concerning Law Enforcement Training, who request to attend the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and commence the program, shall be terminated from employment if they do not graduate from the Academy.

   b. During the period of attendance at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, employees shall be paid for forty (40) hours per week at their regular hourly rate.

4. The University shall comply with State of Maine requirements for training to certify police communications coordinators.

ARTICLE 29 - EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

1. The University will waive tuition for up to two (2) courses per semester and during the summer not to exceed four (4) credit hours for each course for full-time regular employees. Tuition for one (1) course per semester and during the summer not to exceed four (4) credit hours each course will be waived for part-time regular employees.

2. Such courses chosen shall not conflict with the employee's normally scheduled work hours, shall be contingent on the availability of space with the understanding that tuition paying students have a space priority and shall be approved by supervision and the administration prior to the
beginning of the course. Every attempt shall be made to allow employees in degree programs to receive a class assignment that does not conflict with their work schedules. Each campus shall retain the right to designate those courses to which tuition waiver will not apply.

3. This benefit shall not be applicable when an employee is on an unpaid leave of absence, layoff, long-term disability or Worker's Compensation. In the event an employee has begun a course and one of the above situations occurs, the employee shall be permitted to maintain enrollment at no cost until the end of the semester.

4. a. The spouse or dependent children of full-time regular employees shall be eligible for a waiver of one-half (%) tuition, provided that the spouse or dependent child is attending the University as a full-time student. The dependent tuition waiver may be used for up to two summer courses, as long as the student was a full-time student within the University of Maine system during the full previous academic year. This dependent waiver does not apply to mini courses, or other non-semester course openings.

b. In no event shall tuition waivers exceed one-half (%) tuition for the spouse or each eligible child of a full-time unit member, or one-quarter (%) for the spouse or dependent child of a part-time unit member.

ARTICLE 30 - UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

1. The University agrees to furnish at no cost to the employees the present University approved uniforms, rain gear, and other equipment the University deems necessary for the regular performance of the employee's duties. This provision does not prohibit the University from adding to or subtracting from the mandatory uniform or equipment requirements during the life of this Agreement.

2. The University shall replace appropriate uniforms or equipment damaged, destroyed or stolen in the line of duty.

3. Effective January 1, 1997, all full-time regular employees shall receive from the University an allowance of eighty dollars ($80.00) a year to purchase shoes used in the line of duty. All part-time regular employees shall receive from the University an allowance of twenty dollars ($20.00) a year to purchase shoes used in the line of duty.

4. "Plainclothes" Police Officers shall receive from the University a two hundred dollar ($200.00) allowance per year to purchase and maintain clothing used in the line of duty.

5. Eligibility for shoe and clothing allowances described in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article shall be based on the status of police unit employees as of January 1 of each year. Such allowances shall be included with the first regular paychecks paid to unit employees after the pay period in which the aforementioned eligibility determination date occurs.

ARTICLE 31 - PERSONAL EFFECTS ALLOWANCE

Employees shall be reimbursed for the replacement cost of personal effects required in the performance of assigned duties that are damaged or destroyed during, or as a direct result of the performance of duty; provided that such damage or destruction, and satisfactory evidence
therefor, shall be reported within forty-eight (48) hours of actual knowledge thereof and provided that the damage or destruction is not covered by personal insurance.

ARTICLE 32 - INSURANCE

1. a. The University will provide a health plan, a modified July 1, 1999, or a comparable plan for all full time regular unit members. Effective July 1, 1999 employees shall have the following amounts deducted bi-weekly from their pay for health coverage:

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b. For part-time regular employees who are regularly scheduled to work thirty (30) or more hours per week, and for part-time regular employees who are regularly scheduled to work twenty (20) to twenty-nine (29) hours per week and who have at least two (2) continuous years of University service, the University will make available personal and spouse and/or family health insurance coverage equivalent to the coverage which is made available to full-time regular employees. The University will pay one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) of the premium cost for the employee's personal coverage and one-half (\(\frac{1}{2}\)) of the premium cost for the spouse or family coverage.

2. a. The University will provide for all full-time regular unit members the existing or equivalent basic group life insurance. The premiums for this insurance shall be paid in full by the University.

b. For part-time regular employees who are regularly scheduled to work thirty (30) or more hours per week, and for part-time regular employees who are regularly scheduled to work twenty (20) to twenty-nine (29) hours per week and who have at least two (2) continuous years of University service, the University will provide life insurance coverage equivalent to the basic life insurance coverage which is provided to full-time regular employees. Premiums for this insurance will be paid in full by the University.

3. The University will provide for all full-time regular employees the existing or equivalent travel insurance, accidental death and dismemberment insurance, long-term disability insurance and Worker's Compensation.

4. Eligible employees who have been laid off shall be eligible to participate at their cost in University group life and health insurance for one year following the effective date of layoff. Employees who desire to maintain group life and health insurance in accordance with this Article must so notify
the University in writing by no later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of the layoff.

5. The Union may continue to participate in the System-Wide Health Committee. The Union may have two representatives who shall have paid release time during normal working hours to attend scheduled meetings.

6. Employees may register a domestic partner for purposes of receiving University benefits in accordance with University policy.

7. Any improvements to benefit provisions in the University health plan made after the execution of this agreement shall apply to the Police Unit.

8. The University shall provide access to a group dental plan. Any premiums for the dental plan shall be fully paid by the employees.

**ARTICLE 33 - RETIREMENT**

1. The University will provide for all full-time regular employees the existing or equivalent retirement plans.

2. The University Non-Contributory Retirement Plan shall be amended as agreed by Teamsters Union Local #340 and the University of Maine System effective July 1, 1996, and shall conform to trustee determined appropriate Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) standards.

3. a. Full-time regular employees may elect to purchase, at their own expense, tax-sheltered annuities, subject to any limitations and conditions determined and established by the University.

   b. The University agrees to provide for Police Unit members, who are participants in the Non-Contributory Retirement Plan, a voluntary defined contribution retirement plan, in accordance with Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code. The University shall contribute .25% (one-quarter percent) of a unit member's base wages for each 1% (one percent) any unit member contributes of his/her annual base wages, up to a maximum University contribution of 1% (one percent). Effective July 1, 1998, the University's contribution shall increase .25% (one-quarter percent) to .50% (one-half percent) of a unit member's base wages for each 1% (one percent) any unit member contributes of his/her annual base wages, up to a maximum University contribution of 2% (two percent). Participating unit members shall make contributions in whole number percentages. TIAA-CREF shall administer payroll deducted funds that shall be remitted by the University once monthly.

   The University and the Union agree that the plan shall be administered in compliance with applicable plan provisions and amendments, Internal Revenue Service, and TIAA-CREF guidelines.

4. The University or the Union may request to reopen negotiations no earlier than December 31, 1997, with thirty (30) days notice to the other party. Negotiations shall be limited to retirement.
ARTICLE 34 - LIABILITY INSURANCE

To the extent that insurance coverage is available to the University, the University agrees to provide a policy with liability coverage in the amount of one million dollars ($1,000,000.00) for personal injury charges such as false arrest, false imprisonment, or other similar civil actions covering Police Officers acting in the line of duty, within the scope of their University employment and not in violation of any federal, state, local or University statute, law, rule or regulation.

ARTICLE 35 - VEHICLES AND SAFETY

1. All vehicles henceforth purchased for regular patrol use by Police Officers shall be purchased by the University as police package vehicles and shall be equipped with all necessary police equipment which the University deems required in the performance of duty, except that at the University of Southern Maine vehicle size shall be no smaller than the available police package. Equipment shall include emergency lights, electronic siren, spotlight, two-way radios and other such emergency equipment. Engine size shall be appropriate for campus use and energy conservation.

2. Police Officers shall immediately report all defects of equipment or needed repairs to the Director or appropriate supervisor. A suitable form provided by the University (Appendix D) shall be utilized for the reporting of defects of equipment. The Director or appropriate supervisor shall determine the action to be taken with respect to continued use of the vehicle.

3. A Police Officer shall not be required to operate or use a duty connected vehicle that the Director or appropriate supervisor determines is not in safe operating condition. Any vehicle not in safe operating condition shall be taken to the University motor pool at the direction of the Director or appropriate supervisor to be inspected by a qualified mechanic for evaluation of the problem or for repair.

4. A motor pool vehicle may be assigned to the Police Officer on a temporary basis until repairs are completed.

ARTICLE 36 - NON-DISCRIMINATION

1. The University and the Union agree not to discriminate against any individual because of that individual's sex, race, color, national origin or religion. The parties shall comply with applicable provisions of federal and state laws in respect to discrimination in employment because of age and physical and mental disability.

ARTICLE 37 - STRIKE OR LOCKOUT

1. The University and the Union agree that disputes which may arise between them shall be settled without resort to strike or lockout.

2. The Union on behalf of its members agrees that it will not call or sanction a strike, slowdown or interference with the normal operation of the University.

3. The Union will take immediate action to avoid any interruption or slowdown with regard to the normal operation of the University, and if any such activity occurs will inform employees they are in
violation of this Agreement and/or law and direct employees to comply with this Article.

**ARTICLE 38 - SEPARABILITY**

In the event that any provision of this Agreement is found to be in conflict with any laws of the State of Maine, or other applicable laws, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of remaining provisions.

**ARTICLE 39 - FUTURE NEGOTIATIONS**

With no more than one (1) team member from any one campus, the University shall permit a reasonable number of employees, not to exceed three (3), to participate as members of the Union's bargaining team in collective bargaining negotiations for a successor agreement to this Agreement, without loss of time or pay for attendance at such negotiations with the University which take place within an employee's normal working hours. This privilege is subject to the understanding that adequate notice of the date and time of such negotiations will be given by the employee to the director or designee. Pay for time not worked because of attendance at negotiations will be limited to the number of hours within the employee's normal work schedule which are reasonably necessary to permit the employee's attendance at a negotiating session.

**ARTICLE 40 - PARKING FEES**

Parking fees which are charged to employees may be established or increased by the University, but the amount of such fees may not exceed the rate which is charged to members of any other bargaining unit.

**ARTICLE 41 - JURY DUTY**

Full-time regular employees who are required to serve on a jury will be granted a leave of absence for the period of such service. The University will pay any such employee his regular base pay for the first ten (10) working days of jury duty. If an employee is required to serve more than ten (10) working days of jury duty, the University will pay any such employee the difference between his regular base pay and his jury duty pay, exclusive of travel, for any period following the initial ten (10) working days of jury service, during which the employee is unable to work because of such jury service. If the employee is released from jury duty prior to or within the first four (4) hours of his scheduled work shift on any day, the employee shall return to work unless, in the judgment of the University, such return would impose an unusual hardship on the employee. Employees who are scheduled to work prior to the reporting time for jury duty on any day shall report to work unless, in the judgment of the University, such work would impose unusual hardship on the employee.

**ARTICLE 42 - CONDITIONS OF AGREEMENT**

This is a tentative Agreement and shall be of no force and effect unless and until all of the following occur:

1. The tentative Agreement is approved by the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine System;

2. The tentative Agreement is ratified by the bargaining unit membership of the Teamsters Union;
Local No. 340.

In the event that both of the above conditions are not met, this tentative Agreement shall be null and void, and negotiations shall be resumed upon request of either party hereto.

**ARTICLE 43 - DURATION**

1. The provisions of this Agreement shall be effective as of the date of execution or July 1, 1999 whichever comes later, unless otherwise specified herein, and shall continue in full force and effective until and including June 30, 2001.

2. This Agreement shall not be modified in whole or in part by the parties except by an instrument, in writing, duly executed by both parties, and it is expressly understood and agreed that this Agreement shall expire on the date indicated above.

3. Either party may serve upon the other a notice at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the Agreement advising that they desire to confer and negotiate with regard to the terms of a successor Agreement.

4. This Agreement incorporates the entire understanding of the parties on all matters, which were or could have been the subject of collective negotiations. During the term of this Agreement, neither party shall be required to bargain with respect to any such matter, whether or not within the knowledge or contemplation of either or both of the parties, at the time they bargained for or executed this Agreement.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed as indicated below.

September 29, 1999

For the University of Maine System
Terrence MacTaggart
David Lane
Alan G. Reynolds
Charles P. Chandler, Jr.
Richard A. Lincoln

For Teamsters Union Local #340
Robert Piccone
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**Non-Discrimination Notice**

In complying with the letter and spirit of applicable laws and in pursuing its own goals of pluralism, the University of Maine System shall not discriminate on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin or citizenship status, age, disability, or veterans status in employment, education, and all other areas of the University. The University provides reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request.

Questions and complaints about discrimination in any area of the University should be directed to the appropriate campus Equal Opportunity Director or to Sally Dobres, Equal Opportunity
Coordinator for the University of Maine System, 107 Maine Avenue, Bangor, ME  04401, (207) 621-3199 (voice) or (207) 973-3300 (TTY/TDD).

Inquiries or complaints about discrimination in employment or education may also be referred to the Maine Human Rights Commission. Inquiries or complaints about discrimination in employment may be referred to the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Inquiries about the University’s compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, may also be referred to the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights (OCR), Boston, MA  02109-04557, telephone (617) 223-9662 (voice) or (617) 223-9695 (TTY/TDD). Generally, an individual may also file a complaint with OCR within 180 days of alleged discrimination.