7.60 Student Organizations and Activities

- 1. The students of the District are authorized to organize student body associations. The Board hereby recognizes those associations at the three Colleges as the Associated Students. Students at each College in the District are encouraged to form and participate in a student body association and other recognized student organizations.
- 2. Membership in student organizations is open to all students. Denial of membership in any organization or of participation in any activity on the basis of age, gender, marital status, disability, race, color, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, or other similar factors is specifically prohibited. Membership in secret societies is prohibited.
- 3. The Associated Students organization is recognized as the official voice of the students in the District and the College decision-making processes. It may conduct other activities as approved by the Chancellor or designee. The Associated Students activities shall not conflict with the authority or responsibility of the Board or its officers or employees.
- 4. The Associated Students organization may conduct such activities as are consistent with the purposes of the organization, the educational and social goals of the College, and approved policies and procedures of the District and the College.
 - a. All activities shall be appropriately supervised by a member of the staff or by a person designated by the Vice President, Student Services.
 - b. Activities involving field trips or excursions shall be subject, as appropriate, to the same regulations as for required and non-required field trips.
 - c. Activities shall be designed to minimize the possibility of degrading, disgracing, or injuring any person or persons.
 - d. Distribution and posting of materials shall be subject to District and College policies and procedures.
- 5. The Associated Students organization shall be granted the use of District premises subject to such administrative procedures as may be established by the Chancellor or designee. Such use shall not be construed as transferring ownership or control of the premises. When College facilities are used, the organization shall assume liability for all charges incurred as well as property damage.
- 6. Student clubs and organizations operate under the auspices of the Associated Students.
- 7. The Associated Students organization operates under the auspices of Student Services at each College (see Student Organizations and Activities Procedures, 7.60(1).

Reference: Education Code Sections 76060 and 76062

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2. The Vice President, Student Services for each College or designee shall be responsible for certifying that a student organization meets requirements for recognition set forth below and is entitled to the privileges accorded recognized student organizations. A list of all recognized student organizations shall be maintained in the Student Activities Office of each College.

- 3. A recognized student organization is one which:
 - a. Has a purpose compatible with the policies and educational objectives of the College.
 - b. Maintains an approved constitution and a current list of officers.
 - c. Operates under appropriate College staff advisorship.
 - d. Holds meetings, all of which are announced to and open to the general student body.
 - e. Is composed entirely of students currently enrolled in the College.
- 4. A student body association is the official governing organization of the associated students of the College.
- 5. In addition to meeting the conditions cited above, a student body association shall be subject in formation to:
 - a. A vote of the members of the student body of the College.
 - b. The approval of the Board.
- 6. An ad hoc organization is a group which is organized for a specific and temporary purpose compatible with the policies and educational objectives of the College and is not a group which ordinarily would be an ongoing organization. Eligibility of recognized student organizations for the privileges noted below shall also be extended to any ad hoc student organization which:
 - a. Satisfies the conditions listed in [3] above, with the exception of the condition regarding a constitution and list of officers.
 - b. Normally operates for a period not to exceed 30 days.
 - c. Files a statement of purpose and a list of student sponsors with the Student Activities Office.
- 7. Reasonable charges may be made for College services provided in connection with an activity sponsored by a student organization.
- 8. Privileges of student organizations as identified above may include:
 - a. Use of the College name.
 - b. Use of buildings, grounds, equipment, and services of the College when available and officially scheduled, as provided in regulations governing each College.
 - c. Publicity through appropriate College channels.
 - d. Advice and assistance from the Student Activities Office.
- Student organizations, as defined above, may conduct such activities as are consistent with the
 purposes of the organization, the educational and social goals of the College, and approved
 policies and procedures of the District and the College.
 - a. All activities shall be appropriately supervised by a member of the staff or by a person designated by the Vice President, Student Services.
 - b. Activities involving trips or excursions shall be subject, as appropriate, to the same regulations as required and non-required trips. (See Rules and Regulations, Chapters VI and VIII.)
 - c. Activities shall be designed to minimize the possibility of degrading, disgracing, or injuring any person or persons.

- d. When College facilities are used, the organization shall assume liability for all charges incurred as well as for property damage.
- e. Distribution and posting of materials shall be subject to District and College policies and procedures.
- 10. Recognized student organizations may raise funds for purposes related to the objectives of the organization. Fund raising activities shall be conducted in accordance with regulations adopted by the Colleges, in coordination with the District Administrative Services Office. Under no circumstances shall funds be solicited in the classroom. On campus fund raising activities must be approved in advance by the organization's advisor. Off campus solicitation of funds shall require the approval of the Vice President, Student Services. The following types of fund raising activities are permitted:
 - a. Sales (e.g., cake sales, cookies, foods (varied), arts and crafts)
 - b. Services (e.g., car wash, sign making, projects)
 - c. Entertainment (e.g., concerts, plays, movies, dance groups, mime troupes, bands, performers)
 - d. Educational Activities (e.g., displays, films, speakers, classes, workshops)
 - e. Contests (e.g., races, relays, sporting events, other competition)
 - f. Concessions (e.g., game room, booths at special events)
 - g. Special Events (e.g., craft fairs, exhibits, flea markets, auctions, swap days, carnival booths, trips, games)
 - h. Contributions/Donations (e.g., donation collec-tions, drawings, door prizes)
 - i. Exhibits/Shows (e.g., fashion shows, art exhibits)
 - j. Collection Drives (e.g., recycling aluminum)
 - k. Advertising (e.g., programs, student publications)
 - 1. Activity Card Sales
 - m. Dances
 - n. Rentals/Commissions (e.g., copy machine for student use)
 - o. Charity Drives (e.g., "walk-a-thon," collection drives)
- 11. Failure to comply with the student organization rules and regulations or administrative direction pursuant to those rules may result in revocation or suspension of recognition of a student organization and/or suspension of privileges listed above, as determined by the College President or designee.
- 12. If no official student body organization exists on a campus, or if an existing student body organization becomes defunct, the administration may carry out necessary functions of the student body organization.