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USE OF COLLEGE FACILITIES—ACADEMIC

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DISSPOSITION OF SECTIONS FORMERLY CODIFIED IN THIS CHAPTER

(1) Free expression is encouraged on the college campus. Use of college facilities as determined by the president and regulated by his/her designee, however, does not accord users immunity from legal action.

(2) Handbills, leaflets, newspapers, and similar material—except those which are commercial, obscene, or unlawful—may be distributed only in areas on the campus designated by the director of student programs where, and at times when, such distribution will not interfere with the orderly administration of the college, the ingress or egress of persons, or the free flow of traffic.

(3) Newspapers, leaflets, and similar material offered for sale by any student or nonstudent person or organization may be distributed and sold through the college bookstore as are other commercial forms of merchandise, subject to reasonable rules and regulations that may be imposed by the bookstore manager.

(4) All handbills, leaflets, newspapers, and similar material must bear identification as to the publishing agency and distributing organization or individual.

(5) All students and nonstudents shall be required to register with the director of student programs prior to the distribution or sale of any handbill, leaflet, newspaper, or related material, including but not limited to posting materials on college bulletin boards and distributing materials in college parking lots.

(6) Any student who violates any provision of this section relating to the distribution and sale of handbills, leaflets, newspapers, or related materials shall be subject to disciplinary action.

(7) Any distribution of materials regulated by established policies and authorized under this section by the director of student programs shall not be construed as support or approval of the content by the college or by the board of trustees of Washington Community College District No. 13.

WAC 132M-136-030  Outside speaker policy. (1) The college subscribes to the proposition that an important aspect of the education of college students is the opportunity to listen to speakers representing a wide variety of opinions and beliefs on important public issues. In conformity with the American tradition of free speech and free inquiry, the following policies are established governing the appearance on campus of speakers not themselves members of the college community.

(2) Any recognized ASLCC student organization with written sanction of its advisor, may invite individuals to speak on campus.

(3) The appearance of an invited speaker on the campus does not involve an endorsement, either implicit or explicit, of his views by this college, its students, its faculty, its administration, or its board.

(4) The scheduling of facilities for hearing invited speakers shall be made through the dean of instruction and/or director of student activities.

(5) The dean of students will be notified at least three days prior to the appearance of an invited speaker, at which time a form, available in the office of the dean of students, shall be completed with such particulars as speaker, time, and place, signed by the sponsoring organization advisor, and filed with the dean of students. Exceptions to the three day ruling may be made by the director of student activities with the approval of the dean of students.

(6) The dean of students may require and arrange to have views other than those of the invited speaker represented at the meeting, or at a subsequent meeting. The president may, at his discretion, assign a faculty member to preside over any meeting where a speaker has been invited.

WAC 132M-136-050  Outside organizations meeting with students. (1) The college encourages and welcomes representatives of organizations not associated with the college to meet with students for the purpose of providing additional opportunities for their total educational development. However, the holding of such meetings on the campus does not constitute an endorsement of the organization by the college; nor will the college necessarily require or request students to attend the meeting or meetings.

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132M-136-060 Use of college facilities. (1) The policy of the college is to permit the use of its facilities by responsible organizations or groups on a space available basis except when the use of such facilities is for the purpose of:

(a) Making a profit and is in competition with available privately owned facilities.
(b) Political campaigning by or for candidates who have filed for public office except for student-sponsored activities or forums.
(c) Religious groups, as a permanent meeting place, under any circumstances. Such use shall be intermittent only.

(2) The president may allow persons or organizations other than college faculty, staff, or recognized student organizations use of college facilities when satisfactory arrangements can be worked out and such use does not conflict with the educational programs being offered by the college or with the maintenance and repair programs of the college. Authorization to persons or organizations other than college faculty, staff, or recognized student organizations for use of college facilities is granted with the express understanding and condition that such persons or organizations assume full responsibility for any loss, damage, or claims arising out of such use. The president or his/her designee may require proof of appropriate liability insurance coverage or posting of a bond prior to granting authorization for use of college facilities.

(3) The use of college facilities shall, in all instances, be determined and regulated by the policies of the institution.

(4) Nonprofit organizations such as, but not limited to, those directly concerned with public schools and those sponsored by public schools or affiliated organizations may be allowed reasonable use of college facilities without the payment of a rental fee. However, functions which require college personnel, other support services, or utilities, including heat, thereby resulting in additional costs to the college shall be charged for such costs accordingly.

(5) The college shall permit the use of its facilities to persons, groups, or organizations for such fees as will compensate for the reasonable costs thereof. Additionally, to any organization using college facilities with the intent of realizing a profit therefrom (through charging admission, taking up a collection, or other) rental fees to be determined by the president or his designee shall be charged.

(6) The president shall establish and revise, as circumstances warrant, a schedule of rental and/or other fees consistent with the policy outlined above and shall advise the board thereof. The established fees in effect at any given time shall apply to the facilities covered by the schedule. For those facilities which are not covered in the schedule, the president may determine reasonable fees from the relevant factors or decline them for noncollege use.

(7) Application is made through the office of the president or his designee. When the application is approved, an invoice shall be sent to the applicant by the business office. Full payment of appropriate fees, if any, or satisfactory payment arrangements are required prior to the actual use of the facilities.

(8) Special conditions and considerations for the use of specific college facilities may be set forth in board policies as now or hereafter amended.

(9) College facilities may not be used by groups or organizations which discriminate in their membership or limit participation in a manner inconsistent with the college's commitment to nondiscrimination as set forth in its written policies and rules.

(10) No person or group may use or enter college facilities having in their possession firearms or other weapons, even if licensed to do so, except duly appointed and commissioned law enforcement officers.

WAC 132M-136-080 Use of college services and equipment by outside groups. (1) The use of college services and equipment is available on a negotiated basis.

WAC 132M-136-100 Commercial activities. College facilities shall not be used for commercial solicitation, advertising, or promotional activities except when such activities clearly serve educational objectives, including but not limited to display of books of interest to the academic or career-oriented community or the display or demonstration of technical or research equipment, and when such commercial activities related to educational objectives are conducted under the sponsorship or at the request of a college department or of the dean for students or his/her designee: Provided, That such solicitation does not interfere with, or operate to the detriment of, the conduct of college affairs or the free flow of pedestrian or vehicular traffic.


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