

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE
Cowboys for Life, et al. v. Sampson, et al.

This Settlement Agreement and Release (the “Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between Cowboys For Life, Jennifer M. Ortman, and Joshua R. Bowman (“Plaintiffs”) and Brian K. Sampson, Lee Bird, Burns Hargis, Jason Ramsey, Members of the Board of Regents of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical Colleges, and Members of the Student Government Association at Oklahoma State University (“Defendants”). (Collectively, the “Parties” and each individually, a “Party”).

RECITALS

- A. On January 25, 2013, Cowboys for Life, Jennifer M. Ortman, and Joshua R. Bowman filed a Complaint in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma in a case styled *Cowboys for Life, et al v. Brian K. Sampson, et al.*, Case No. CIV-13-86-M (hereinafter referred to as the “Litigation”), seeking injunctive, declaratory, and monetary relief for the violation of their rights under the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.
- B. In the Litigation, Plaintiffs challenged several of Defendants’ policies contained in Oklahoma State University’s (OSU) *Student Code of Conduct*, claiming that these policies subjected OSU students to a prior restraint, gave OSU officials unbridled discretion to restrict student expression, and failed to protect OSU students against content and viewpoint discrimination. These policies are attached to this Agreement as Exhibit 1.
- C. In the Litigation, Plaintiffs also challenged Defendants’ application of the challenged policies when Plaintiffs reserved OSU facilities for a pro-life display during the period of October 24–26, 2012 (the “Event”), claiming that Defendants’ actions pursuant to these policies violated Plaintiffs’ constitutional rights guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.
- D. In the Litigation, Plaintiffs also challenged the investigation Defendants called for, launched, and conducted against them regarding the exercise of their First Amendment rights during the Event, claiming that this constituted unconstitutional retaliation.
- E. In order to avoid the expense, risk, and cost of further proceedings in the Litigation, without any admission of liability upon the claims asserted in the Litigation, Plaintiffs and Defendants desire to resolve the claims asserted in the Litigation in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

AGREEMENT

Now therefore, Plaintiffs and Defendants agree as follows:

1. *Definitions.* As used in this Agreement, the following terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them below.

1.1 “*Claims*” means and includes, without limitation, any previously or presently existing assertion, allegation, claim, demand, right, request for payment, request for reimbursement, cause of action, damage (including, without limitation, incidental, consequential or punitive damages), deficiency, remedy, judgment, lien, penalty, cost, expense, attorney fee, interest, right to indemnification, suit, and proceeding of every kind, at law or in equity, regardless of whether any of the foregoing are asserted or unasserted, known or unknown, matured or not matured, accrued or not accrued, contingent or potential, and any consequences thereof based on the facts set forth in Plaintiffs’ complaint.

1.2 “*Released Claims*” with respect to Plaintiff’s means any and all Claims that were made or could have been made in the Litigation, including all Claims arising from or in any way concerning or related to the facts set forth in Plaintiffs’ complaint.

2. *Settlement.* Pursuant to this Agreement, Defendants have agreed to do the following:

2.1 Oklahoma State University will amend the challenged policies from its *Student Code of Conduct* as reflected in Exhibit 2;

2.2 Further Defendants Sampson and Bird will write a letter to Cowboys for Life stating; (1) that Cowboys for Life is a student organization in good standing, (2) that there are no pending investigations against Cowboys for Life based on alleged violations of the *Student Code of Conduct*, (3) that Cowboys for Life is welcome to participate in activities on campus just like any other student organization, and (4) that any “verbal warnings” issued against Cowboys for Life based on its activities in conjunction with Justice for All in 2012 (*i.e.*, the Event) are officially rescinded.

2.3 OSU shall provide a check in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) made payable to Alliance Defending Freedom.

3. *Release, Discharge, and Covenant Not to Sue.* For and in consideration of the Settlement, the covenants and agreements set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Plaintiffs hereby release, waive, acquit and forever discharge Defendants from any and all Released Claims. Plaintiffs acknowledge and agree that all disputes between them and Defendants have been fully and finally settled to their complete satisfaction, leaving no disputes, contro-

versies, Claims, or grievances of any kind between Plaintiffs and Defendants based on the facts set forth in Plaintiffs' complaint. Plaintiffs covenant and agree that, except as may be compelled by legal process, they will not raise or in any way pursue any Released Claim in any forum of any kind.

4. *Dismissal With Prejudice.* The parties agree that pursuant to this Agreement, a joint stipulation of dismissal with prejudice in *Cowboys for Life, et al v. Brian K. Sampson, et al.*, Case No. CIV-13-86-M will be filed within ten (10) days after execution of this Agreement or upon receipt of the payment referenced in paragraph 2 by Alliance Defending Freedom, whichever date is later.

5. *Ownership of Claims.* The Plaintiffs represent and warrant that they have the sole right and exclusive authority to execute this Agreement and that they have not assigned, subrogated, or otherwise transferred any interest in any of the respective Released Claims.

6. *No Admission.* By entering into this Agreement, Defendants are not admitting liability or recognizing the validity of any of Plaintiffs' claims. Likewise, by entering into this Agreement, Plaintiffs are neither recognizing the validity of any defense Defendants asserted nor providing any assurance or certification that all aspects of Defendants' revised policies (*i.e.*, Ex. 2) fully comply with the United States Constitution. Rather, Plaintiffs and Defendants are entering into this Agreement solely to avoid the expense and inconvenience of further dispute and the Litigation.

7. *Advice of Counsel.* Plaintiffs represent that they have been fully advised by counsel with respect to the terms of this Agreement and execute it with full knowledge of the terms and conditions hereof.

8. *Governing Law.* This Agreement shall be deemed to have been made under the laws of the State of Oklahoma and shall be construed and enforced in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of Oklahoma. Plaintiffs acknowledge that they have participated in the drafting of this Agreement and agree that the language of this Agreement shall not be construed for or against any particular party merely because that party or its attorneys prepared, drafted, or proposed such language.

9. *Severability.* The unenforceability or invalidity of any provision or provisions of this Agreement shall not render unenforceable or invalid any other provision or provisions hereof.

10. *Execution in Counterparts and/or Transmitted by Electronic Means.* This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. The execution of this Agreement by signature transmitted by facsimile or other electronic means shall be as fully enforceable as an original signature. A party providing its signature by facsimile or other electronic means shall promptly transmit an originally

executed Agreement to all other parties.

11. *Entire Agreement.* All agreements, covenants, representations, and warranties, express or implied, oral and written, of the Parties to this Agreement concerning the subject matter of this Agreement are contained herein. No other agreements, covenants, representations, or warranties, express or implied, oral or written, have been made by any Party to any other Party concerning this Agreement, and no Party has any entered into this Agreement in reliance upon an agreement, covenant, representation, or warranty, express or implied, oral or written, that is not expressly stated in this Agreement. All prior and contemporaneous conversations, negotiations, possible and alleged agreements, representations, covenants, and warranties concerning the subject matter of this Agreement are merged herein. This is an integrated Agreement. This Agreement can only be amended in writing signed by all of the Parties.

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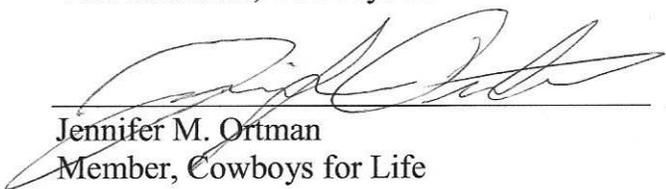
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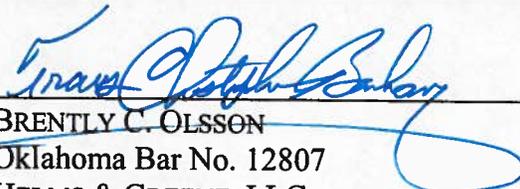
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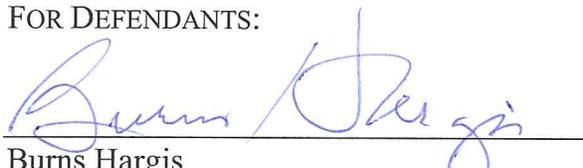
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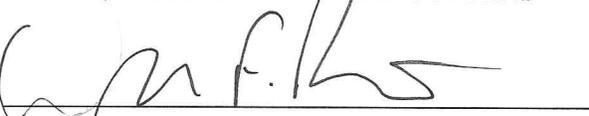
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EXHIBIT 1



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XI. Conduct, Rights, and Obligations of Student Organizations

Oklahoma State University has adopted policies and procedures governing student organizations. These policies and procedures are available in the Office of Campus Life or on-line at <http://studentconduct.okstate.edu/code>.

As individual students are asked to uphold certain expectations, organizations and their officers are under obligation to the University and larger community to maintain high standards of ethics and conduct. This includes proper maintenance of financial records and sponsorship of events and activities that uphold the standards of the University. Any activities that encourage the improper conduct of student members which violate the prohibitions contained within the Student Code of Conduct may cause the charter of the organization to come under judicial review by the Committee on Student Organizations or the appropriate administrative judicial board.

A. Benefits Afforded Student Organizations:

1. Benefits available to both registered and recognized organizations are:
 - a. The opportunity to use designated University facilities for regularly scheduled meetings, usually at no cost.
 - b. The opportunity to use the student notices section in the Daily O'Collegian.
 - c. The opportunity to use the bulletin boards on campus, with the proper registration.
 - d. The opportunity to use the non-postage campus mail service for the distribution of materials pertaining to the business of the organization.
 - e. The opportunity to use the name of the University to show affiliation.
 - f. The opportunity to request co-sponsorship from the Student Government Association, as designated by the Student Government Association bylaws.
2. Recognized groups shall be awarded this additional privilege:

The opportunity to request the allocation of student fees designated to Activity Fee Allocation Process through the process designated in the bylaws of the Student Government Association and the Graduate and Professional Student Government Association.

B. Obligations of Student Organizations:

1. Required Information: Each student organization is required to submit the following information to the Office of Campus Life by no later than the first Friday of October of each fall semester or when new officers are elected. Changes during the school year need to be reported promptly.
 - a. The name, address, and telephone number of each officer.
 - b. Name of the organization's faculty advisor.
 - c. Time and place of regularly scheduled meetings.
 - d. The purpose of the organization.
2. Advisors: Each registered or recognized organization must have an advisor who is a full-time faculty or staff member. Policies regarding advisors for social sororities and fraternities are governed under separate policy statements as required by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs [(See Section XII (D) (4)]. Other exceptions to this rule may be granted by the Office of Campus Life with the concurrence of the Committee on Student Organizations. Advisors responsibilities include:
 - a. Attending group meetings.
 - b. Assisting in program and project development.
 - c. Serving as a resource to the organization with regard to University policy and procedures.
 - d. Advising the organization on financial matters.
3. Financial Obligation: All funds of recognized organizations must be kept on deposit with the University if obtained in any of the following ways:
 - a. Funds collected by the University on behalf of the organization.
 - b. Funds allocated by the University to the organization, including the Activity Fees Allocation Committee (AFAC) process. Funds of those groups on deposit with the University may not be used to purchase alcohol or beer. Likewise student organizations are prohibited from using mandatory fees, dues, or assessments paid by members of the group to buy alcohol or beer.
4. Meetings: It is the responsibility of the student organization to schedule its meetings in accordance with the policies of the University, Campus Life, and the building being scheduled. Only registered or recognized student groups may schedule, sponsor or hold activities using University facilities, property, or buildings unless a special exception has been made by the Director of Campus Life.
5. Use of Facilities and Grounds
 - a. Facilities - Student organizations are encouraged to use facilities in the Student Union. Room reservations may be made through the Student Union Meeting and Conferences Services office; however, if space is not available, special interest and service organizations expecting to use other campus facilities should secure clearance through the Office of Campus Life and see the following people for room reservations in their areas:

Classroom: Classroom Scheduling Technician in the Registrar's Office.
Gallagher-Iba Arena and Boone Pickens Stadium: Coordinator of Facilities, Athletics Department
Bennett Memorial Chapel: Director of Campus Life.
Colvin Physical Education and Recreation facilities: Assistant Director for Facilities, Campus Recreation
Seretean Center Concert Hall: Seretean Building Manager.
Residence Halls: Residence Area Manager.

Recognized and registered groups may schedule University facilities through the offices responsible for reservation of a facility. All groups will be expected to comply with the following statements:

1. Facilities will be scheduled through the office responsible for scheduling the facility.
2. The purpose of the activity is consistent with the stated purposes of the organization.
3. The organization will comply with the facilities utilization policies of the scheduled areas.

b. Campus University Grounds - All outdoor activities of Student Organizations on the OSU Stillwater Campus shall be scheduled and approved through the Office of Campus Life. The only exception shall be for academic (classes) and intramural sports. Location assignments shall be made with the appropriate department head, or in the case of the residence halls groups, the Residence Halls program office. In all cases, consideration should be given to the public safety, welfare, health, and non-interference with University academic endeavors. Each group is responsible for the preservation and the maintenance of the grounds assigned. In the event damage occurs, financial responsibility will be assumed by the group and its officers.

c. Use of facilities and campus grounds by entities not affiliated with the University - In the event a student organization or campus department wishes to reserve spaces in the Student Union or on University grounds scheduled through the Department of Campus Life for use by an entity not affiliated with the University, the organization or department must comply with the following rules:

1. Present a letter signed by the President and Advisor of the student organization or head of the campus department indicating that the group or department is "sponsoring" the outside entity, that the organization or department recognizes and agrees that they will be held responsible for any violations of University policy or damage caused by the entity; and
2. An officer of the sponsoring student organization or staff member of the department must complete all permits and paperwork required to secure the reservation.

d. The University reserves the right to refuse granting permission for an outside entity to use campus grounds or reserve rooms in the Student Union through sponsorship by a student organization or campus department for reasons including, but not limited to:

1. Outside entity has been "sponsored" by student organizations or campus departments 4 times during the preceding 12 months;
2. The activity has been deemed unsafe by the Department of Campus Life in consultation with the Department of Environmental Health and Safety;
3. The sponsoring student organization or campus department has not complied with regulations regarding the reservation;
4. The outside entity has not complied with the regulations regarding reservation of space or "sponsorship" by a student organization or campus department.

6. Pre-Finals and Finals Week Policy:

- a. Student organizations organizing, sponsoring, scheduling, or holding activities are responsible for complying with the University's Pre-Finals and Finals Week policy. During prefinals week no student or campus organization may hold meetings, banquets, receptions, or may sponsor or participate in any activity, program, or related function which requires student participation. Any exception to this policy must have prior approval from the Department Head, the Director of Campus Life, and the Provost and Senior Vice President.
- b. Final examinations are scheduled at the end of each semester and are preceded by prefinals week which shall begin seven days prior to the first day of finals. During prefinals week, all normal class activities may continue; however, no assignment, test, or examination accounting for more than 5% of the course grade may be given; and no activity or field trip may be scheduled that conflicts with another class. This excludes make-up and laboratory examinations and independent student courses.

7. Faculty and Staff Representatives at Functions

It is desirable for student groups holding functions to host faculty and staff representatives at their activities. The institutional representatives may be the faculty advisor and guest.

8. Poster and Posting Regulations: Registered or recognized student organizations are allowed to post signs, handbills, or fliers in designated areas in buildings and residence halls at Oklahoma State University. All materials to be posted must be registered and approved by the Office of Campus Life and, where appropriate, the Office of Residential Life. Others wishing to post materials may inquire at the Office of Campus Life.

- a. Procedures: To register and approve materials for posting, a member of the group must fill out an authorization permit in the Office of Campus Life. Upon completion of the permit the member will be allowed to stamp each poster or sign with a registration stamp. Any materials posted without this registration will be removed. Detailed regulations for posting materials are available in the Office of Campus Life.

9. The painting or other defacing of sidewalks is not allowed.

10. Chalking is permitted on campus sidewalks; however, a permit is required. Chalking regulations and permits are available in the Campus Life Office.

11. Lawn signs must be registered and approved by the Director of Campus Life for special events of an all-campus nature. Lawn signs for campus elections must be stamped as registered in the same manner as those posted and must conform to the regulations of the Student Government Association (SGA) Election Agency.

12. The posting of signs in the residence halls is governed by differing policies. Contact the Office of Residential Life or the Area Manager for the residence hall.

C. Student Organization Misconduct:

All student organizations are governed by rules developed by one of six administratively designated University judicial systems, each of which is separate and distinct from the others. These are the Student Government Association (all registered and some recognized organizations), Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council, Panhellenic Council, and Residence Halls Association. In most non-living group situations cases would be investigated by the Committee on Student Organizations to determine just cause for disciplinary action. The Residence Halls Association, the Interfraternity Council, the Multicultural Greek Council, the National Pan-Hellenic Council, the Panhellenic Council, and the Off-Campus Student Association (OCSA) will be held responsible to maintain appropriate conduct by the University administrative units assigned to oversee their activities. The OCSA is supervised by the Department of Campus Life. All sororities and fraternities are supervised by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs. Discipline cases involving any Greek group will be processed jointly by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and Student Conduct Education and Administration. In cases where suspension or expulsion of a fraternity or sorority is a possibility, the case will be referred directly to the Student Conduct Committee for a Level Three hearing.

In cases where organizational behavior is believed to be against the best interest of the membership, the purpose of the organization, or the mission of the University, the Vice President for Student Affairs can suspend all organizational activities on an interim basis until

such time that a final decision has been made on the pending allegation of misconduct through a hearing process. When misconduct by a fraternity or sorority is believed to be detrimental to the well-being of students, the organization, or chapter property, the Vice President for Student Affairs is authorized to suspend that fraternity or sorority on an interim basis until the misconduct has been fully investigated and a decision has been made on the pending allegation of misconduct through a hearing process.

D. Code of Ethics for Student Organizations:

1. Relationship of Student Organizations to the University: Recognition of or registration of an organization does not mean that the University supports or adheres to the views held or position taken by registered or recognized student groups. Responsibility for any action which violates federal, state, or local laws, or University regulations is assumed by the individual groups, their officers and members.

2. Introduction of Code of Ethics: The extension of privileges by the University as detailed in this document requires recognized and registered student organizations to conduct their organizations and activities as responsible bodies in their relationships with their members, other students, the community and the University. Organizations and their members are subject to being governed and sanctioned by the same rules and regulations established for individual students. In addition to statutory obligations, this Code of Ethics has been established for the students by the students as a set of guidelines for all registered and recognized student organizations. Each registered or recognized student organization is encouraged to adopt and abide by this Code of Ethics.

3. Specific Standards of Ethics:

- a. Academic: In accordance with the larger mission of the University, the Code of Ethics encourages that a portion of an organization's activities reflect a conscious effort to enrich each member's academic development.
- b. Character Development: The moral conduct and personal behavior of each member affects the organization's image. This makes it important for the individual to act at all times with self-respect and integrity. University policy prohibits students from cheating, using alcohol on campus, providing fraudulent information, or in any way misrepresenting themselves in interactions with the campus or larger communities.
- c. Community Relations: Supportive, communicative and positive relations with the community will result in mutual benefit. The impression made by an organization on the community reflects upon the University as a whole. All organizational members will conduct themselves so as to support a positive relationship with the community.
- d. Financial Management: Members shall handle both institutional and private funds judiciously, recognizing the annual transfer of debt responsibility. Members shall not incur debts (either individually or in the name of the organization) which result in organizational disability.
- e. Health and Safety: Members shall take basic precautionary measures to ensure individual and group safety. An appropriate program would encompass a concern for mental, emotional and physical well-being.
- f. Leadership Development: The continuing existence of the organization requires a regular succession of effective leaders. An appropriate program would provide for the development of the members leadership skills for future positions of service and authority.
- g. Legal Responsibility: Each organization's members have a responsibility to know and uphold all relevant federal, state, and local laws and University policies. Student organizations should be knowledgeable of and comply with the expectations set forth for individual students and student organizations in the Student Code of Conduct.
- h. Multi-Cultural Sensitivity: Both the University community and the larger society are diverse with persons from differing ethnic and cultural backgrounds. Organizations are encouraged to recognize and respect the cultural heritage of others. Compliance with the Oklahoma State University Equal Educational Opportunity Policy is required. Guidance regarding the interpretation and implementation of this policy is always available at the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Office of Campus Life, or the Office of the Associate Vice President for Institutional Diversity.

E. Committee on Student Organizations:

The Committee on Student Organizations (CSO) is both a standing committee of the Student Government Association Senate and a standing University committee.

1. Composition: The membership of the CSO is composed of the Director of Campus Life (acting as a non-voting permanent secretary), two members of Graduate and Professional Student Government Association (GPSGA), two administrative staff members, three faculty members, five student senators and one student-at-large. One of the senators will serve as chairperson.

2. Appointment to Membership: The staff members shall be appointed by the President of the University from recommendation(s) submitted by the Vice President for Student Affairs. The GPSGA members shall be appointed by the President of GPSGA. The faculty members shall be appointed by the President of the University from recommendation(s) by the Faculty Council. The student-at-large shall be appointed by the President of the Student Government Association and shall not be a member of the Senate. The senators shall be appointed by the Senate Chair as he/she assigns members of the Senate to their respective committees. The committee chairperson shall be elected from the Senate members by the entire membership of the Committee on Student Organizations near the end of every semester.

3. Terms of Service: The period of service for the faculty, administrative staff, and appointed student member of the committee will be two years, with alternating dates of expiration. The five senators and two GPSGA members shall be appointed or reappointed each semester.

4. Responsibilities of the Committee on Student Organizations:

- a. The Committee on Student Organizations (CSO) shall recommend issuance or denial of registered or recognized status to student organizations that request University designation. The CSO shall also make recommendations for other changes in organizational status. CSO has adopted guidelines for registration that are available at the Office of Campus Life. CSO recommendations are made to the Student Government Association Senate for action for those organizations whose members are primarily undergraduate students. For organizations whose members are primarily graduate students, the CSO will make recommendations to the Graduate and Professional Student Government Association for its review and recommendations. The recommendations from the CSO and SGA or recommendations from CSO and GPSGA will be sent to the Director of the Campus Life for final approval. If no action has been taken by CSO, SGA or GPSGA within a six week period (to include only the regular academic semesters), the Director of Campus Life may take action. Any subsequent appeals are to be made through the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

- b. The CSO will approve or deny any constitutional revisions or name changes recommended or made by any student organization.
- c. The CSO shall serve as a hearing panel for considering complaints against student groups. The CSO can also take corrective action against student groups when necessary.
- d. The CSO shall serve in an advisory capacity for the Director of Campus Life in policy matters related to student organizations and their activities.
- e. CSO shall make public through the Student Government Association Senate all decisions concerning registration, recognition, and any other status changes made in any student organizations.

F. Status of Student Organizations and Changes of Status:

1. **Recognized Groups:** Recognized groups are those which have a purpose related directly to the academic mission of the University as demonstrated through their affiliation with a larger University organization. Currently recognized student organizations include the college student councils, the Interfraternity, the Multicultural, Greek, the National Panhellenic, and the Panhellenic Councils and their associated members, Residence Hall Association and components thereof, Student Government Association, Graduate and Professional Student Government Association, International Student Organization, Off Campus Student Association, the Student Union Activities Board, and the Sports Club Council and components thereof. Recognized status is also given to organizations which primarily recognize student scholarship or leadership.
2. **Registered Organizations:** Registered organizations are those with student membership but whose activities do not meet the standards for recognized status.
3. **Forming New Organizations:** A group of students who desire to form a new student organization may schedule up to three meetings for organizational purposes prior to requesting recognized or registered status.
4. **Changes in Status from Registered to Recognized:** To request a change in status from registered to recognized or to become registered, a student group must comply with the following procedures:

Documents that must be filed with the Office of Campus Life are:

- a. The name of the organization.
 - b. The purpose of the organization.
 - c. The names, addresses and phone numbers of the current officers and advisor(s).
 - d. A copy of its constitution and by-laws.
 - e. A list of its charter members.
 - f. A disclosure statement of the source of financial support.
 - g. A current "Affirmation of Compliance" statement.
 - h. If the organization is seeking recognized status, a current "Intent to Sponsor" form signed by the President or Advisor of a college student council should be filed. Organizations not affiliated with a particular college may seek sponsorship from the appropriate governing body (i.e., International Student Organization, Sports Club Council, Living Group Council, Campus Life or other non-academic University department).
5. **Change of Status Hearing:** After the required information is submitted to the Office of Campus Life, the president or a representative of the organization is required to appear before the Committee on Student Organizations to justify registering or recognizing the organization.
 6. **Membership:** Membership in any student organization is limited to students only and those students must meet the minimum standards as required in the Student Code of Conduct. Only students who are fully matriculated at OSU-Stillwater and meet organizational eligibility requirements are allowed to join Greek letter organizations who are members of the Interfraternity Council, National Pan-Hellenic Council, Pan-Hellenic Council or Multicultural Greek Council. University faculty or nonfaculty staff employees may be associate or honorary members in student organizations. Persons not affiliated with the University may also become honorary or associate members of student organizations if authorized by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs.
 7. **Requirements for Holding Office:** To be eligible for office within a student organization, an undergraduate student must maintain a 2.0 grade point average and be enrolled in a full course of study (12 hours) at Oklahoma State University at Stillwater or Northern Oklahoma College at Stillwater. A graduate/professional student must be in good academic standing and be enrolled in a full course of study. Students who are on academic probation or conduct probation are not eligible to serve as officers at Oklahoma State University. Regular checks will be conducted to verify that students desiring to serve as officers are not on academic or conduct probation. Each individual group may set higher standards if it so chooses or may authorize part-time students to hold office if granted permission to do so by the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs. Notwithstanding the above, where the University has authorized a particular student to be considered a full-time student even though the student is enrolled in less than the normal full course load (such as in the case where a student with a learning disability has been granted a reasonable accommodation), such authorization shall also permit the student to be eligible for office within a student organization. Such student must meet all other requirements for the position in question.
 8. **Non-Discrimination:** The organization must not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, disability, or status as a veteran.

G. Review of Status or Denial of Requested Status:

1. **Causes for Change or Revocation of Status:** The Committee on Student Organizations (CSO) has the right either on their own or at the request of any individual or interested University agency to review the status of any student organization. A student organization may have their status reduced to "inactive" or their status revoked by the Committee on Student Organizations as a disciplinary action. Some of the reasons may include:
 - a. Failure of the group to maintain current records in the Office of Campus Life.
 - b. Failure to plan and implement a program of activities.
 - c. Failure to hold any meeting for a period of one year.
 - d. Failure to maintain an adequate system of financial accountability.
 - e. Failure to comply with its constitution and by-laws.
 - f. Violation(s) of University rules and regulations or municipal, state or federal laws.
2. **Procedures Prior to Status Review:** Prior to any disciplinary action which might adversely affect the status of a group, the Committee on Student Organizations normally will inform the group of its situation and normally will give that organization the opportunity to correct the problem, if possible. Any decision made to discipline, revoke or reduce the status of any group will only be done after an

appropriate and fair hearing by the Committee on Student Organizations. Procedures of the CSO will be established by the CSO, be in writing and available upon request in the Office of Campus Life, and will incorporate due process principles. Any disciplinary action or reduction or revocation of status shall be reported to the Student Government Association Senate, the Director of Campus Life and the Director of the Student Union.

3. Appeal of Change of Status: Any group subject to reduction of status as disciplinary action may appeal that decision to the Student Government Association Supreme Court by filing a request with the Chief Justice within ten school days following the action of the CSO. The Student Government Association Supreme Court may or may not render a judgment on the adequacy of due process or the sanctions imposed. If the decision making process is judged inadequate, the case will return to the CSO for a new hearing. The Student Government Association Supreme Court also has the authority to (1) reduce, (2) sustain, or (3) dismiss the disciplinary action taken by the CSO. The actions of the Student Government Association Supreme Court will be reported to the Student Government Association President, the Director of Campus Life and the Director of the Student Union.

4. Appeal to the Vice President for Student Affairs: Under extraordinary circumstances, the Vice President for Student Affairs or his/her designee can act to protect the interests of the University. If the normal procedures and processes pertaining to student organizations are determined by the Vice President or his/her designee to be inadequate for the situation or not appropriate at the time, they may take such actions including temporary denial of further activity, temporary suspension of the group's University privileges or similar sanctions. These actions may be imposed until the Committee on Student Organizations can address the situation through its hearing procedure.

5. Denial of Status to Student Organizations: The mere request to be a recognized or registered student organization does not assure that an official status will be granted by the CSO. A few of the criteria upon which the members of the CSO will evaluate each application are:

- a. The proposed student organization must not duplicate the specific purpose(s) of an existing organization.
- b. There must be an indication of sufficient student interest as evidenced by the number of charter members.
- c. The purpose and structure of the organization must be in accord with approved policies and the rules and regulations which govern such matters at Oklahoma State University.
- d. A group may be organized for the secondary purpose of instruction but it cannot be organized for the primary instruction of an art or skills.
- e. The organization must be under the supervision and control of the officers and members as reflected in the submitted constitution.
- f. The honesty and conduct of the proposed organization's members during the application process. Compliance with the ethical standards for student organizations specified in the Student Code of Conduct (Section XI (D)) is required during the application process. Submitting false representations of any kind to the CSO or violation of the ethical standards specified in Section XI (D) will be grounds for denial of status with a proviso that the proposed student organization shall not be permitted to reapply for status for up to, but not exceeding, 32 weeks during a regular academic term.

6. Loss of Status: Any recognized or registered student organization or fraternal organization that has lost University or national recognition may not engage in any University event or activity. This includes but is not limited to the use of the University name, nickname, ritual, mascot, organization letters, or recruitment activities. Recognized, registered, or fraternal organizations are not permitted to co-host or co-sponsor any type of event with an organization which has lost their status.

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XV. Other University Policies

A. Student Mailing Address

All students are responsible for keeping the University informed of their current local mailing address. If a residence has not been established at the time of enrollment or if the student changes addresses during the semester, students should login to SIS to change their address.

B. Official Announcements

Official announcements are published in the Official Bulletins section of the Daily O'Collegian. Students are held responsible for regularly checking this section.

C. Definition of Fund Raising and Sales Solicitation

For the purpose of this document, the terms "fund raising" and "solicitation of funds" will mean the solicitation of donations, the charging of admission, or the selling of products and services.

D. Solicitation on Campus

Normally, solicitation can be divided into the following categories:

1. Housing: All solicitation in University recognized housing must have primary approval of the appropriate administrative heads (i.e., Residence Area Manager, Fraternity and Sorority Affairs Manager, Area Coordinator for Family & Graduate Student Housing).
2. Student Organizations: Solicitation by recognized student organizations will follow these steps:
 - a. Obtain a solicitation permit from the Office of Campus Life.
 - b. Secure permission from the head of the department affected by the sale, if appropriate.
 - c. Sales solicitation to more than one campus group or residence must have the approval of all student groups and department heads which are affected by the sale. The scheduling of space and charges for space rental will be determined by the Director's Office of the Student Union and Housing and Residential Life.

No sales or solicitation may be conducted if such is in competition with products or services offered in the Student Union or in conflict with the covenants of the University bond requirements.
3. Private Enterprise: No private enterprise will be permitted to solicit business on University grounds, in academic buildings, or in University Physical Plant service facilities. The Student Union is available for such purpose.

In some cases, private enterprises will be allowed to engage in commercial activity outside of the Student Union, subject to the approval of the Director of Campus Life for University grounds or the Director of Housing and Residential Life for residential grounds.

Special permission or concession contracts may be granted for sales and solicitation from tables or space allocated for such in approved non-academic public spaces. A rental fee may be assessed by the University agency assigned responsibility for approving the solicitation space. (See [Student Code of Conduct Section XI](#), paragraph B, sub-paragraph 5, c.). Newspapers sold through wire racks will not be charged a rental-solicitation fee. Door-to-door sales to students' rooms are not permitted at any time.

E. Charitable Fund Drives on Campus

Solicitation of funds for charitable purposes involving the personnel of one college, one department, or one residence group, must be cleared in advance by the college dean, the department head, or the program coordinator. Solicitation involving broader segments of the student body must be cleared with the Director of Campus Life.

F. Distribution of Literature

Distribution of handbills, pamphlets, etc., is a privilege granted primarily to students of recognized and registered organizations. All such literature must bear the name of the organization or responsible individual on the front page of the material distributed. Such material may be distributed only in those areas designated as distribution areas by the Office of Campus Life or Residence Area Managers, as appropriate. A copy of the literature to be distributed must be filed with the Office of Campus Life.

1. The privilege of distribution is available to all free student publications.
2. For buildings other than organized living units, the Director of Campus Life shall determine, after consultation with the administrative occupants, the places of distribution.
3. The establishment of self-service stands for the sale of student publications shall be permitted in the lobby of the Student Union without charge to the sponsoring department, agency, or group subject to scheduling procedures.
4. Free distribution and sale by students of student publications shall be permitted on the campus outside the confines of campus buildings subject only to such limitations as deemed necessary by the Office of Campus Life to prevent interference with the use of streets, sidewalks, and building entrances and as are consistent with established guidelines.

G. Extracurricular Use of University Facilities, Areas or Media for the Purpose of Expression

A goal of the faculty, students, administration, staff, and Board of Regents, is for Oklahoma State University to be a superior educational center for the preservation, transmission, and discovery of knowledge. The mission of the University recognizes and protects free inquiry and free expression as indispensable components of the critical examination of philosophies and ideas. Accordingly, the Board of Regents has adopted a policy statement governing the extracurricular use of any University-controlled facility, area, or medium for the purpose of expression. The full policy may be viewed on-line [here](#).

H. Gender Discrimination and Sexual Harassment

It is the policy of Oklahoma State University (OSU) that unlawful gender discrimination in any form, including sexual harassment of faculty and staff, or other forms of gender discrimination as referenced by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §2000e (Title VII), and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §1681 (Title IX), is prohibited in the workplace and in the recruitment, appointment, and advancement of employees. Gender discrimination of students, including sexual harassment, as referenced by Title IX, is prohibited in and out of the classroom and in the evaluation of students' academic or work performance. This

policy is in keeping with the spirit and intent of various federal guidelines which address the issue of fair employment practices, ethical standards and enforcement procedures.

The University encourages victims to report instances of gender discrimination prohibited by Title IX or Title VII, including but not limited to, sexual assault or other sex offenses, either forcible or nonforcible in nature. In addition to internal grievance procedures, victims of criminal gender discrimination (e.g., sexual assault or harassment) are encouraged to file complaints or reports with campus police or local law enforcement agencies as soon as possible after the offense occurs in order to preserve evidence necessary to the proof of criminal offenses. The OSU Police Department is available to assist victims in filing reports with other law enforcement agencies.

All students, members of the faculty, and non-faculty staff personnel are required to comply with the policy and procedures outlined to address complaints about gender discrimination, sexual harassment and sexual assault. In addition to the procedures outlined in this policy statement, discrimination and harassment complaints may be filed with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (involving employment) or U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (involving education programs or activities). Any complaint of gender discrimination or sexual harassment filed under the University's policy shall be processed even if the complainant also files a complaint or suit with an outside agency, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights. Retaliation against anyone who makes a complaint or participates in the complaint process will not be tolerated.

The University will (1) respond to every complaint of gender discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual assault reported, (2) take action to provide remedies when gender discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual assault is discovered, (3) impose appropriate sanctions on offenders in a case-by-case manner, and (4) protect the privacy of all those involved to the extent it is possible. The above actions will apply to the extent permitted by law or where personal safety is not an issue.

Any individual who believes he/she may have experienced gender discrimination, including sexual harassment, or who believes that he/she has observed such actions taking place, may receive information and assistance regarding the University's policies and responsive processes from any of the following offices:

1. Title IX Coordinator
408 Whitehurst Hall
405-744-9154
eeo@okstate.edu
2. Coordinator, Student Conduct Education and Administration
328 Student Union
405-744-5470
student.conduct@okstate.edu
3. Vice President for Student Affairs
201 Whitehurst Hall
405-744-5328
4. Provost and Senior Vice President
101D Whitehurst Hall
405-744-5627

If an apparent conflict of interest prevents use of the assistance of the above offices, the person complaining of gender discrimination, sexual harassment, or sexual assault may request assistance directly from the Office of the President, 107 Whitehurst Hall (405-744-6384).

The two University officials most directly involved in reviewing allegations of unlawful gender discrimination are:

Mrs. Mackenzie Wilfong, Title IX Coordinator
408 Whitehurst Hall, Stillwater, OK, 74078
(405) 744-9154. eeo@okstate.edu

Mr. Kevin Kraft, Coordinator of Student Conduct
328 Student Union, Stillwater, OK, 74078
(405) 744-5470. student.conduct@okstate.edu

Copies of the University's policy and procedures letters regarding gender discrimination, including, but not limited to, sexual harassment, may be found at Oklahoma State University Policy and Procedures Letter No. 1-0702, accessible on-line at <https://stillwater.sharepoint.okstate.edu/Policies/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx> or at the [Gender Discrimination and Sexual Harassment section](#) of this website.

I. Other Student Discrimination Grievances

In addition to the prohibition of discrimination on the basis of gender (Section H, above) it is the policy of Oklahoma State University to provide equal opportunity to all students enrolled at the University without discrimination because of race, age, status as a veteran, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or qualified disability. Oklahoma State University students shall have available to them certain procedures for resolving complaints and grievances regarding alleged illegal discrimination as well as alleged arbitrary or unreasonable acts of discrimination, which may arise in areas related to admission or treatment while enrolled at the institution and non-academic complaints related to employees, campus living, and student life not otherwise covered by applicable University policy.

All students enrolled at the University who have a non-gender discrimination complaint related to an area as previously described that cannot be resolved informally between the parties involved, may request a hearing before a grievance committee which shall hear the alleged grievance and make recommendations to the appropriate vice president to resolve the complaint.

Formal student discrimination complaints will be filed with and administered by Student Conduct Education and Administration and will be resolved following due process procedures as described in [Section IV](#) (Disciplinary Responsibility) of the Student Code of Conduct. Detailed informal and formal complaint procedures are available in the Office of Student Conduct Education and Administration and the [Affirmative Action Office](#)/Title IX Coordinator.

These grievance procedures neither supersede nor take precedence over established University procedures of due process for any and all matters related to Academic Appeals, Traffic Appeals, and Disciplinary Appeals. Approved by the Board of Regents, June 1998.

J. Equal Opportunity Policy

OSU does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, qualified disability, religion, sexual orientation, veterans' status, genetic information, or age in its programs and activities. The Equal Opportunity Officer is designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies and can be reached at 405-744-9154, eeo@okstate.edu, or 408 Whitehurst Hall, Stillwater, OK 74078.

K. Health and Immunization Responsibilities

1. Students are responsible for compliance with the immunization policies set forth by the State of Oklahoma and the University.
 - a. All new students, regardless of entering classification or hours enrolled, are required to submit to OSU the Immunization and Health History form and supporting copies of immunizations. The form and details are available at: <http://www.okstate.edu/UHS/studentinfo.php>.
 - b. Students have the right to more information regarding immunizations. Supporting information can be found at the above website.
2. Students have the right to exercise a religious, moral or personal objection to the immunization policies of OSU and the State of Oklahoma. Objections must be submitted in writing using the Certificate of Exemption form found at the above-listed website.
3. In some circumstances, students may be directed by OSU physicians, their private physician or the Oklahoma State Department of Health to restrict their contact with other students or to not attend class. In those cases, University staff can work to coordinate absences with instructors, with the written permission of the student.
4. Students who choose to be treated at University Health Services are entitled to specific rights and responsibilities. These are defined at: <http://www.okstate.edu/UHS/about>.

L. Drug Free School and Workplace Programs

Oklahoma State University complies with the provisions of the federal Drug Free Workplace Act of 1989 and the Drug Free School and Communities Act Amendments of 1990. University policies adopted to implement these federal requirements provide for the possibility of serious disciplinary action in the event of alcohol abuse or illicit drug use on campus or in connection with University functions, or for mandatory referral to approved rehabilitation, assistance programs. See the University's [policy statement regarding the Drug Free Workplace Act](#) and the [University's policy statement regarding the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act](#).

M. Financial Aid Policies and Procedures

Oklahoma State University complies with all federal laws and administrative regulations concerning the availability and disbursal of financial aid. A synopsis of the University policies and procedures affecting financial aid is available on the [Student Scholarships and Financial Aid Policies and Procedures](#) section of this site.

N. Student Complaints Regarding Faculty or Nonfaculty Staff

Students who believe that they have been unfairly treated by members of the faculty or nonfaculty staff of the University have the right to seek redress through several different procedural channels. Complaints about faculty conduct not related to grades are required to be processed as set forth in the ["Policy Statement To Govern Appointments, Tenure, Promotions, And Related Matters Of The Faculty Of Oklahoma State University."] Academic grade appeals are required to be processed through the academic appeal process supervised by the Office of the Provost and Senior Vice President. Complaints about conduct by nonfaculty staff employees are required to be processed as set forth in the University Policy and Procedures Letters governing Classified and Administrative/Professional staff. Copies of these policies may be found in the University library, the Office of the Provost and Senior Vice President, or the Human Resources Office. In appropriate circumstances, students may be assisted by the University's [Division of Institutional Diversity](#) regarding understanding their rights to seek internal review of complaints.

O. Hazing Policy

No student organization or any person associated with any organization sanctioned or authorized by the governing board of any public or private school or institution of higher education in this state shall engage or participate in hazing. Complete information can be accessed on the [Hazing Policy](#) section of this website.

P. Admission Clearances for Potential Students Convicted of a Felony or Suspended from an Institution

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions and the Graduate College forward applications for admission to Student Conduct Education and Administration when potential students have been convicted of a felony or suspended from an institution. These potential students require a clearance for further admission consideration and must provide additional information as requested to Student Conduct Education and Administration. Students may be granted provisional clearances with admission conditions for further admission consideration. The final decision regarding admission rests with Undergraduate Admissions and the Graduate College using normal academic criteria. Oklahoma State University typically upholds current suspensions from other institutions.

Q. Readmission Requirements for Students Suspended for Disciplinary Reasons

Students who have been suspended from Oklahoma State University for disciplinary reasons will be required to receive a clearance from Student Conduct Education and Administration before they will be readmitted. The Office of Undergraduate Admissions and the Graduate College will forward such applications to Student Conduct Education and Administration for review and additional information may be requested. Students may be provisionally cleared for readmission consideration with or without special conditions.

R. Registrar Policies and Procedures

The Office of the Registrar provides services related to the creation and maintenance of student academic records. Information on policies and procedures may be accessed online at <http://registrar.okstate.edu> or in the Office of the Registrar.

S. Undergraduate Admissions Policies and Procedures

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions oversees admission to Oklahoma State University. Information on policies and procedures may be accessed online at <http://admissions.okstate.edu> or in the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.

T. Graduate College Admissions Policies and Procedures

The Graduate College oversees graduate admission to Oklahoma State University. Information on policies and procedures may be accessed online at <http://grad.okstate.edu> or at the Graduate College.

U. Bursar Policies and Procedures

The Office of the Bursar bills and collects tuition, fees, campus housing, and other University related charges. Information on policies and procedures may be accessed online at <http://bursar.okstate.edu> or in the Office of the Bursar.

V. Information Technology Policies and Procedures

The Information Technology Department provides innovative, reliable, and integrated technology solutions, quality services, and information resources. Information on IT policies and procedures may be accessed online at www.it.okstate.edu.

W. Sexual Misconduct Policy

Oklahoma State University is committed to providing a productive living and learning community in which students can pursue their educational goals. Sexual misconduct undermines this commitment and affects the ability of students to focus on their educational goals. Therefore, Oklahoma State University will not tolerate nor condone any form of sexual misconduct. Sexual misconduct policy and procedures may be accessed online at the [Sexual Misconduct](#) section of this website.

X. Student Mail and E-Mail

Students are responsible for maintaining a current local mailing address and a current e-mail address with the Office of the Registrar. Because many official OSU communications are sent to students at their local mailing address and their OSU e-mail address, students are responsible for regularly checking their U.S. mail and OSU e-mail. OSU departments reserve the right to send correspondence through either means (examples of official correspondence include billing notifications from the Bursar's Office, communications from professors and academic advisors, communications regarding enrollment, and communications regarding student conduct). OSU e-mail can be forwarded to another e-mail account if students choose. See IT Services for details.

Access to Policies

Hard copies of policies may be requested through Student Conduct Education and Administration in 328 Student Union or from each office listed in this document.

Code of Conduct

This document was approved by the Board of Regents, February 1993. Included are minor changes approved by Board of Regents Legal Counsel in July 1995, September 1996, September 1997, June 1998, August 1999, August 2000, July 2002, July 2003, July 2004, August 2005, June 2006, June 2007, June 2008, July 2009, July 2010, July 2011, and July 2012. Revisions approved by The Board of Regents, September, 2001, July, 2002.

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b. Campus University Grounds – With three exceptions, all outdoor activities of Student Organizations on the OSU Stillwater Campus that request the reservation of particular campus venues shall be scheduled through Student Union Meeting and Conference Services. Those exceptions shall be for (1) academic classes (2) intramural sports, and (3) the peaceful distribution of literature, oral communication, and the display of signs held by a person. Policies regarding (3) are available at the offices of Student Union Meeting and Conference Services and online at Campuslink.okstate.edu. Student organizations may request to reserve any outdoor venue on campus on a first-come, first-served basis. Student Union Meeting and Conference Services may deny these requests for the following reasons only:

1. The venue is already reserved for another event;
2. The activity will attract a crowd larger than the venue can safely contain;
3. The activity will disrupt another event being held at a neighboring venue;
4. The activity is a clear and present threat to public safety, according to the OSU Police Department; or
5. The activity will substantially disrupt university operations (including classes).

During an event, the organization is responsible for preserving and maintaining the grounds it reserved. If it causes any damage to those grounds, it and its officers shall assume financial responsibility.

c. Use of facilities and campus grounds by entities not affiliated with the University – If a student organization or campus department wishes to reserve spaces in the Student Union or on University grounds scheduled through Student Union Meeting and Conference Services for use by an entity not affiliated with the University, the organization or department must:

1. Present a letter signed by the President of the student organization or head of the campus department indicating that the group or department is sponsoring the outside entity and that the organization or department recognizes and agrees that it will be held responsible for any violations of University policy or damage caused by the entity; and
2. An officer of the sponsoring student organization or staff member of the department must complete all paperwork required to secure the reservation.

d. The University reserves the right to refuse granting permission for an outside entity to use campus grounds or reserve rooms in the Student Union through sponsorship by a student organization or campus department for the following reasons only:

1. The venue is already reserved for another event;
2. The activity will attract a crowd larger than the venue can safely contain;

3. The activity will disrupt another event being held at a neighboring venue;
4. The activity is a clear and present threat to public safety, according to the OSU Police Department;
5. The activity will substantially disrupt university operations (including classes); or
6. The sponsoring student organization or campus department has not complied with the reservation policies available at the offices of Student Union Meeting and Conference Services and online at Campuslink.okstate.edu..

e. Student Union Meeting and Conference Services and the OSU Police Department must not consider the content or viewpoint of the student group's expression or the possible reaction to that expression when deciding whether to approve its request to reserve campus facilities. Nor may Student Union Meeting and Conference Services, the OSU Police Department, or any other OSU personnel impose restrictions on a student group due to the content or viewpoint of its expression or the possible reaction to that expression. In the event that other persons react violently to a student organization's event, Student Union Meeting and Conference Services and the OSU Police Department shall take all available steps to ensure public safety while allowing the student organization's event to continue.

Especially for students, recognized or registered student organizations, and their sponsored outside entities, the distribution of literature and the display of hand-held signs on campus is a constitutionally protected right.

1. For buildings other than organized living units, the Director of Student Union Meeting and Conference Services shall prominently post – both on-line and in each building – the areas in which students, recognized or registered student organizations, and their sponsored outside entities may distribute literature. Any interior distribution zones must (a) apply equally to all students and organizations and (b) not depend upon the content or viewpoint of the expression or the possible reaction to that expression.

2. In organized living units, the Residence Hall Managers shall prominently post – both on-line and in each building – the areas in which students, recognized or registered student organizations, and their sponsored outside entities may distribute literature. Any interior distribution zones must (a) apply equally to all students and organizations and (b) not depend upon the content or viewpoint of the expression or the possible reaction to that expression.

3. Outside the confines of campus buildings, students, recognized or registered student organizations, and their sponsored outside entities may freely distribute literature, attempt to engage in conversations with passersby, or display hand-held signs as long as they do not block access to campus buildings, obstruct vehicular or pedestrian traffic, disrupt previously scheduled campus events, or substantially impede university operations.

4. No OSU personnel may impose restrictions on students, recognized or registered student organizations, or their sponsored outside entities who are engaging in activities described in this policy due to the content or viewpoint of their expression or the possible reaction to that expression. In the event that other persons react violently to these activities, Student Union Meeting and Conference Services and the OSU Police Department shall take all available steps to ensure public safety while allowing these activities to continue.