



## SOLICITATIONS OF AND BY STUDENTS

### I. BACKGROUND and/or LEGAL REFERENCE

TASB Policy Manual, FI, Solicitations, 2-17-92.

### II. PURPOSE

This regulation provides policy for the sale(s) to, and solicitation of students by registered student organizations and/or other individual students.

### II. POLICY

#### A. Definition

As used in this policy, the words "student solicitation" shall mean the sale or offer for sale of any property or service, whether for immediate or future delivery, by a student or registered student organization. It also shall mean ~~and~~ the receipt of or request for any gift or contribution by a student or registered student organization.

#### B. Prohibited Solicitation

1. No student solicitation shall be conducted in or on any property either owned or controlled by the ~~District~~College, except in accordance with the following provisions when they do not violate a sole-source vendor contract clause:

- a. The sale or offer for sale of any ~~newspaper, magazine, or other publication~~ subscription or publication in an area designated in advance by the ~~Dean~~ Vice-President of Student Services for the conduct of such activity.
- b. The sale or offer for sale of any food or drink item in an area designated in advance by the ~~Dean~~ Vice-President of Student Services or a designated representative for the conduct of such activity.
- c. The collection of membership fees or dues by registered student organizations at meetings of such organizations scheduled in accordance with the College's regulations on use of facilities. [See Regulation 371.]
- d. The collection of admission fees for the exhibition of movies or other programs that are sponsored by a student or registered student organization, and are scheduled in accordance with College regulations.
- e. The activities of a student or registered student organization that can present to the ~~Dean~~ Vice-President of Student Services written evidence from the Internal Revenue Service that the organization has been granted an exemption from taxation under 26 U.S.C. 501(c), (3), Internal Revenue Code. No organization may solicit under this section for more than a total of 14 days, whether continuous or intermittent, during each fiscal year.

2. No solicitation shall be conducted on the grounds, sidewalks, or streets of any property either owned or controlled by the ~~District~~College, except as approved by the ~~Dean~~ Vice-President of Student Services.

C. Permissible Solicitation

Solicitation made pursuant to the terms of this policy must be conducted according to the following:

1. The solicitation will not disturb or interfere with the regular academic or institutional programs being conducted in buildings or on property owned or controlled by the [DistrictCollege](#).
2. The solicitation will not interfere with the free or unimpeded flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic on sidewalks and streets and at places of ingress and egress to and from buildings owned or controlled by the [DistrictCollege](#).
3. The solicitation will not harass, embarrass, or intimidate the person or persons being solicited.

D. Violation and Penalty

If, after a reasonable investigation, the **Dean Vice-President** of Student Services determines that a solicitation is being conducted in a manner violating this policy, the **Dean Vice-President** of Student Services may prohibit the offending student or registered student organization from soliciting on the campus for such period or periods of time determined to be appropriate. In the case of a registered student organization, the **Dean Vice-President** of Student Services may cancel the registered status of the organization. A student in violation of this policy shall also be subject to disciplinary measures as authorized by Board policies and administrative regulations. [See Regulation 592.] Any investigation shall afford the accused student or registered student organization every right guaranteed by the due process clause of the United States and the Texas Constitutions.

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