



Broward
Community
College

Policy Manual

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Student publications and related broadcast or electronic media are a valuable aid in establishing and maintaining an atmosphere of free and responsible discussion and provide a forum for student opinion and intellectual exploration.

Editorial Freedom and Responsibility. As the publisher/producer of student publications, the College shall insure free and responsible journalism and neither censor nor approve content in advance. All College-sponsored and financed student publications shall explicitly state that the opinions expressed are those of the writers and do not necessarily reflect those of the College. The editor-in-chief or advisor of any student produced publication shall have the right to accept or reject any advertising copy or art. With this editorial freedom come corollary responsibilities to avoid libel, indecency, undocumented allegations, attacks on personal integrity, and the techniques of harassment and innuendo. All publications shall observe the standards of their respective professions, as well as those established by relevant governmental agencies, such as the Federal Communications Commission.


Student Publications Board. A Student Publications Board shall be established to support the mission of student publications and to enhance positive community participation in student publication efforts, specifically in the areas of:

1. Serving as a liaison between student publications and other parts of the College
2. Enhancing College-wide support for student publications
3. Selecting and removing editors and associate editors upon the advice of the advisor

The Student Publications Board shall not exercise editorial control over student publications at BCC either by prior restraint or through after-the-fact commentary. The Director of Student Affairs, Programs, Services, and Organizations is responsible for ensuring that the Board does not exercise such control.

[Link to Procedure A6Hx2-5.04](#)

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