GENERAL STATEMENT
Broward College (the “College”) is committed to improving the quality of life for its students through a comprehensive Student Life program, which may include, but is not limited to, student organizations, leadership development, student government, community service opportunities/service learning, intramural sports and intercollegiate athletics, campus recreation, new student orientation, educational and entertainment programming, student media, and the issuance of the College identification card.

THE POLICY AND THE STUDENT
Participation in Student Life activities shall be open to all currently enrolled students and employees of the College, without regard to race, color, age, national origin, religion, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or disability. However, the College reserves the right to limit access, screen participants, or establish criteria for participation based on program goals and budgetary limitations.

The College shall ensure that students and student organizations remain free to examine and discuss all questions of interest to them and to express opinions publicly and privately. Organizations may host events of their own choosing if (1) they have secured funds in advance to defray expenses, (2) reservations for facilities are made and approved through appropriate channels, (3) the program is consistent with established College policy, and (4) prior written approval has been obtained from the campus/center Student Life Office. The Student Life Office may require that a student organization event be supervised by the adviser or designee.

Student organizations must conform to the College standards of civility as proscribed in the Student Code of Conduct, College Policy 6Hx2-5.02.

Student organizations are free to support causes by orderly means that do not disrupt the operation of the College. In their public expressions or demonstrations, students, student organizations, and guest speakers present their own views. The College neither sanctions nor endorses the views presented.

In accordance with College Policy 6Hx2-5.02 – Student Code of Conduct, the College prohibits any acts of hazing on or off the campus by individual students, student groups or organizations, or any other individuals or groups associated with the College.

In compliance with Florida Statute 1009.23, the Student Life programs shall be funded by the Student Activity and Service Fee assessed on a per credit hour basis.

History: Revised as Policy 5.22 (Student Activities) on September 21, 1982; revised on September 18, 1984; revised on October 15, 1985; revised on December 16, 1986; revised on December 15, 1987; revised, combined with Policy 5.07 (Student Organizations and Clubs), Policy 5.25 (Anti-Hazing Policy), and Policy 5.32 (Solicitation for Membership in Student Organizations at Broward Community College), re-numbered on July 23, 1997; revised on January 25, 2000; revised on October 31, 2001; revised October 22, 2003, revised August 26, 2008; revised August 17, 2010; revised October 24, 2017
Student Life Programs and Services Committee
The Student Life Programs and Services Committee shall recommend a balanced Activity and Service Fee budget to the Vice President for Student Services who shall submit the budget to the President for approval.

The membership of the Student Life Programs and Services Committee shall be comprised of at least 50% students, with at least one student member from each campus. A student shall serve as vice chair of the Council. The budget prepared shall be based on an estimate of total funds generated from this fee as well as an estimate of funds carried forward from the prior year. Salaries of all employees funded by the Activity & Service Fee are established through the normal college human resources processes and are not subject to approval by the Student Life Programs and Services Committee.

Student Organization Funding
Student organizations may request funds from their campus Student Life office. These funds must remain in the appropriate College account. Student organization funds from all sources other than the receipt of student activity and service fees must be deposited into a College Agency account, subject to College Policy and Procedure 6Hx2-6.25, Agency Fund Account.

Transportation
In accordance with College Policy 6Hx2-7.07 – Use of College Vehicles, travel in College owned or rented vehicles to and from student life events is open only to currently enrolled and authorized students participating in the event, and appropriate College staff. Family members and guests are prohibited from traveling in College owned or rented vehicles unless they are authorized student or staff participants in the event.

THE POLICY AND THE FACULTY AND STAFF
Faculty and staff may serve as an advisor to a student organization and are required to conform to the procedures for advisors in College Procedure A6Hx2-5.13. The chief student affairs officer on the campus may remove an adviser if it is deemed in the best interest of the student organization.

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Approved by the Board of Trustees Date: 10/24/17
President’s Signature Date: 10/24/17
IMPLEMENTATION AND OVERSIGHT

The student life directors/coordinators under the supervision of the Associate Vice President for Student Life & Ombudsperson and the Vice President for Student Services, in consultation with the campus student dean of student services, are responsible for implementation and oversight of policy compliance.

Students who wish to grieve a decision of the student life director/coordinator may appeal in writing to the Associate Vice President for Student Life & Ombudsperson within 10 days of the decision. The Associate Vice President for Student Life & Ombudsperson will consider the appeal and render a decision within 10 business days after receiving the request from the student. If the student is not satisfied with the response of the Associate Vice President for Student Life & Ombudsperson, he/she may appeal in writing to the Vice President for Student Services, within 10 business days after the decision is rendered by the Associate Vice President for Student Life & Ombudsperson. The Vice President for Student Services will render a decision as soon as practical. The decision of the Vice President for Student Services shall be final. The President has the authority to establish procedures to implement this policy.

VIOLATION OF POLICY

Individual members of and registered student organizations who violate the provisions of this Student Life policy shall be subject to the disciplinary procedures and penalties outlined in College Student Code of Conduct, up to and including dismissal from the College, both in their individual capacity as a student and in their collective capacity as a student organization.

DEFINITIONS

Student Organization - a student group that has registered with a campus/center student life office in accordance with the provisions of this policy and procedure.

Hazing - Pursuant to Florida Statute 1006.63, the College defines hazing as any action or situation which recklessly or intentionally endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student for the purpose of initiation or affiliation with any organization operating under the sanction of the College. Such terms include, but are not limited to, any brutality of a physical nature, such as whipping; beating; branding; forced calisthenics; exposure to the elements; forced consumption of any food, liquor, drug, or other substance; or any other forced physical activity which could adversely affect the physical health or safety of the individual, and shall include any activity which would subject the individual to extreme mental stress, such as sleep deprivation, forced exclusion from social contact, forced conduct which could result in extreme embarrassment,
or any other forced activity which could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of the individual. Any activity as described above upon which the initiation or admission into or affiliation with a student organization is directly or indirectly conditioned shall be presumed to be forced activity, the willingness of an individual to participate in such activity notwithstanding.