Constituent Organizations and Student Governments

I. Recognition

The Chancellor holds authority to authorize or discontinue recognition of constituent organizations or student governments. Contact the Associate Chancellor for information regarding recognition.

II. Privileges of Recognition

- A. Access to reservable University property in accordance with Section 270-20.
- B. Use of campus mail.
- C. Use of Dateline UC Davis and UCDMC Update, on a space available basis, for announcements relating to the organization.
- D. Right to post and exhibit material on campus in accordance with Sections 310-25 and 310-27.
- E. Fundraising activities, with approval of the Chancellor, in accordance with Section 270-16.
- F. Use of University service departments.
- G. Staff and operational support.
- H. Accounting Office financial services.
- I. Space assignment in University facilities.
- J. Funding allocations.

III. Financial Operations

- A. Financial activities must be conducted in accordance with prudent business practices and generally accepted accounting principles.
- B. All financial activities and records are subject to audit by the University or its agents at reasonable times and under reasonable circumstances.
- C. A department or program University account must be used for all financial transactions; however, a campus Accounting Office agency account may be used for activities that are predominantly social (e.g., dinners, parties, tours). Should the account accumulate extra income as a result of a particular social event, the excess must be transferred to the University account (see <u>Section</u> 330-09).
- D. Financial commitments and expenditures must be in accordance with the policies and budgets approved by the group's governing body.

Student Governments

I. Positions on Public Issues

- A. Student governments have the right to address and take positions on public issues.
- B. Positions on issues must not be represented as or deemed to be official positions of the University.
 - 1. Any communications must avoid any implication that the positions taken are sponsored, endorsed, or favored by the University.

2. Publications and radio broadcasts must be clear that the position expressed does not represent the official views of the University, faculty, staff, or the student body as a whole.

II. Support with Student Fees

Student governments may be supported by either compulsory or voluntary fees.

- A. The Chancellor must approve any fee established to support a student government.
- B. Compulsory fees become effective only upon approval by the President (see Section 280-15).
- C. A student who objects to a specific lobbying activity supported by a compulsory student fee may request a refund of that portion of the fees paid in support of the activity. Contact the <u>ASUCD</u> <u>Student Services Office</u> for information.

III. Expenditure and Allocation of Funds

- A. Allocations and expenditures from student government funds must be in accordance with all applicable University policies and procedures and legal requirements.
- B. The Chancellor has authority for the following:
 - 1. To call for an audit of student government finances.
 - 2. To exercise control of expenditures to maintain financial solvency.
 - 3. To take action to ensure that any financial or business activity is operated in accordance with sound business practices.
- C. Student governments must maintain procedures to assure reallocation of compulsory campusbased student funds to registered student organizations is based upon objective considerations and do not take into account the viewpoint of the organization.