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**UNIVERSITY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AFFECTING  
ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES**

**I. INTRODUCTION**

- A. All Central Michigan University policies, procedures, and operating directives which affect advocacy activities on campus, whether or not they were developed for that specific purpose, are set forth in this document. In each case the policies are intended to conform with certain assumed principles. These are:
1. The vast majority of Central Michigan University students have reached the legal age of majority and have all the rights and responsibilities of adult citizens.
  2. Informed political participation is a necessary element in the democratic process, and such participation is one of the obligations of citizenship.
  3. Participation in the discussion of political and other public issues by University students is a desirable educational function and goal.
  4. The University, as a public agency supported by public revenues, maintains a posture of institutional neutrality with respect to partisan issues.
- B. Inquiries concerning these policies or questions concerning their interpretation may be addressed to the Vice President for University Relations or the Dean of Students. Complaints arising in connection with political campaigning or advocacy activities on the campus shall be addressed to the Vice President for University Relations.
- C. Fund raising, solicitation of funds and commercial activities, including commercial speech, to the extent occurring on the University's Mt. Pleasant campus, are governed by the following policies:
1. Fund Raising, Sales and Solicitation on Central Michigan University Campus.
  2. Where applicable, Application for Sales and Solicitations and Fund Raising in Residence Halls.

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## **II. DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions apply to these policies.

- A. PRINTED MATERIALS: Written, non-commercial communications including leaflets, handbills, literature, signs, cloth signs or posters.
- B. DISTRIBUTION: The practice of hand delivering or passing out PRINTED MATERIALS, including leafleting or handbilling.
- C. DEMONSTRATING: The practice of patrolling, marching, walking, standing or sitting, usually with placards or other signs, to publicize a point of view.
- D. RELATED FIRST AMENDMENT ACTIVITY: The practice of (1) asking an individual to sign a petition or registration, or (2) asking an individual to support or oppose an issue or support or oppose a candidate for office, or (3) asking an individual to register to vote.
- E. AMPLIFIED SOUND: Sound which has been amplified by electronic means, or otherwise, including public address equipment, sound vehicles and amplified musical instruments.
- F. TEMPORARY STRUCTURES: Sandwich Board signs and any temporary facility (e.g. tent, hut, shanty, stage, table, vehicle) which have not been approved by a faculty or staff member or the designated representative of a University sponsored class or event in conjunction with that University sponsored class or event. No TEMPORARY STRUCTURES may be greater than 100 square feet or taller than 8 feet high.
- G. REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION: Those student organizations registered with the Office of Student Life.

## **III. DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTED MATERIALS**

DISTRIBUTION of PRINTED MATERIALS on the University's Mt. Pleasant Campus is governed by these policies.

- A. PRINTED MATERIALS with respect to a University sponsored class may be DISTRIBUTED at the discretion of the teacher. PRINTED MATERIALS with respect to a University sponsored event may be DISTRIBUTED by the sponsor (or representative) at that University sponsored event.
- B. Except as provided in Article III.A. (university sponsored activities), any person may DISTRIBUTE PRINTED MATERIALS outside of any University building subject to the following limitations:
  - 1. PRINTED MATERIALS may be DISTRIBUTED after 6:30 a.m. and before 8 p.m.
  - 2. PRINTED MATERIALS may be DISTRIBUTED after 8 p.m. and before 6:30 a.m.:
    - a. Starting 30 minutes before any University sponsored event and lasting until 30 minutes after a University sponsored event (other than a class) no farther than

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300 feet from the site of the University sponsored event or of the location of the University building in which the University sponsored event takes place.

OR

- b. If the person or group DISTRIBUTING the PRINTED MATERIALS registers with the University's Vice President of Facility's Management, or designee. To register, the person or representative must provide his/her name, address and phone number and the name of the group (if any) DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS and the approximate time(s) and location(s) of DISTRIBUTION.
  3. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be DISTRIBUTED within 25 feet of any window of any classroom or office, within 25 feet of any door of any classroom building or office building, or within 40 feet of any window of any residence hall or University apartment.
  4. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be DISTRIBUTED within 50 feet of the gates of Kelly/Shorts Stadium or other athletics venues during the times audiences are arriving at or leaving an event at those locations. This regulation shall not limit the DISTRIBUTION of programs or associated materials with respect to the events taking place at the site, or to sales that take place in connection with authorized University concessions.
  5. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be DISTRIBUTED within Kelly/Shorts Stadium, or other athletic venues during a scheduled public event or during the times that audiences are arriving at or leaving the event. This regulation shall not limit the DISTRIBUTION of programs or associated materials with respect to the events taking place at Kelly/Shorts Stadium, or other athletic venues, or to sales that take place in connection with authorized University concessions.
  6. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be placed for self-DISTRIBUTION outside of any University building.
  7. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be left on parked cars on University property.
  8. Notwithstanding the limitations in Article III.B.2., PRINTED MATERIALS may be DISTRIBUTED to University apartments on a door to door basis, subject to the limitations in this Article III.B.1.
  9. Persons DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS are asked to bear in mind the problems of litter caused by discarded papers. Where possible, DISTRIBUTION of PRINTED MATERIALS should be done in the vicinity of trash containers which are generally located adjacent to main routes of pedestrian traffic. Persons DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS shall remove all discarded items from the grounds at the conclusion of their activity.
- C. Except as provided in Article III.A., PRINTED MATERIALS may not be DISTRIBUTED inside University buildings except as permitted in these Policies.
1. PRINTED MATERIALS may be placed for self-DISTRIBUTION immediately next to those locations where CM LIFE is placed for self-DISTRIBUTION.

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2. Bulletin Boards

- a. Bulletin Boards in University buildings, or on campus information kiosks, which are not designated for a particular and specified purpose, are considered to be General Purpose Bulletin Boards. All University buildings shall have at least one General Purpose Bulletin Board located adjacent to the main traffic flow of that building.
- b. Bulletin Boards for a particular purpose, and visibly labeled to that effect, shall be reserved for the purpose designated.
- c. The University reserves a space 10" x 18" in the upper left hand corner of all General Purpose Bulletin Boards for the posting of official announcements.
- d. Any person or group may place PRINTED MATERIALS on General Purpose Bulletin Boards. Everyone should show courtesy toward other potential users of the limited space.
- e. A person may post only one piece of printed material on a General Purpose Bulletin Board at a time and must limit the size of such PRINTED MATERIALS to 22" by 28".
- f. Each piece of printed material placed upon a General Purpose Bulletin Board must list the initial date of the posting.
- g. PRINTED MATERIALS placed upon a General Purpose Bulletin Board will be removed after the event being announced has taken place, or within 30 days after its initial posting, whichever is sooner, so that other persons or groups may have access to the limited Bulletin Board space.

3. Residence Halls

- a. Any person may DISTRIBUTE PRINTED MATERIALS in the lobby of any residence hall during the hours the lobby is open to visitors.
- b. Before a person or group may DISTRIBUTE PRINTED MATERIALS within a residence hall other than in the lobby of that residence hall, the person or representative of the person or group must register with the Office of Residence Life. To register, the person or representative must provide the name(s), address(es), phone number(s) of the person(s) DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS and the approximate time(s) and location(s) of the DISTRIBUTION.
- c. Individual residence halls shall, through their self-government councils or appropriate authority, establish conditions of time, place and manner under which PRINTED MATERIALS may be DISTRIBUTED from door to door in the residence hall. Such conditions may include the setting of limited times during which DISTRIBUTION from door to door may take place; may require

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that persons DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS register at the reception desk and/or be escorted by a hall resident; or, in the case of single-sex residence halls or corridors, may require that the persons making the DISTRIBUTION be of the same sex as the residents. The Residence Hall Director will be responsible for ensuring that the rules for DISTRIBUTING PRINTED MATERIALS are posted in the lobby of each residence hall and that a copy of the rules for each residence hall is on file in the Office of Residence Life.

4. The University Center

- a. Any person may DISTRIBUTE PRINTED MATERIALS within the second floor lobby to the University Center when the building is open to the public.
- b. PRINTED MATERIALS may not be DISTRIBUTED at any other location in the University Center except for programs and information materials DISTRIBUTED in connection with scheduled events; and except for PRINTED MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED at reserved tables.
- c. The reserved tables provided by the University Center will be located in the lower lobby of the building outside of the eating area and in front of the bulletin board. No more than three reserved tables will be used at any one time. The reserved tables may not be placed in the corridor or in any area that would impede exit from the building in case of an emergency.
- d. Reserved tables may be reserved for a period of time not to exceed two days. REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONs will have priority in the reservation of reserved tables on a “first come, first served” basis. If, however, four or fewer days before a particular date, reserved table space has not been reserved for that date by a REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION, the reserved table space may be reserved by individuals on a “first come, first served” basis.
- e. After using a reserved table for two days, the group or individual must wait for two days before reserving a reserved table for another period of use, except that an immediate reservation may be granted if there are no other applicants for table reservations.
- f. Reservations for reserved tables may be made with the University Center Office, and the University Center management will provide instructions concerning the maintenance of the reserved table area.

**IV. RELATED FIRST AMENDMENT ACTIVITIES**

Related First Amendment Activities, as defined in Article II.D, are authorized on the University's Mt. Pleasant campus. A person participating in Related First Amendment Activities must follow the policies relating to the DISTRIBUTION of PRINTED MATERIALS as set forth in Article III.

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**V. DEMONSTRATING**

DEMONSTRATING on the University's Mt. Pleasant Campus is governed by these policies.

- A. DEMONSTRATING is recognized as a legitimate means of publicly expressing opinions. When DEMONSTRATING occurs on the campus, it must be conducted in a manner which preserves the safety of all persons and property.
- B. DEMONSTRATING is permitted on the campus outside of University buildings, subject to the following restrictions and limitations:
  - 1. DEMONSTRATING is permitted after 6:30 a.m. and before 8 p.m.
  - 2. DEMONSTRATING is permitted after 8 p.m. and before 6:30 a.m.:
    - a. Starting 30 minutes before any University sponsored event and lasting until 30 minutes after a University sponsored event (other than a class) no farther than 300 feet from the site of the University sponsored event or of the location of the University building in which the University sponsored event takes place.
  - OR
  - b. If the person or group registers with the University's Vice President of Facilities Management, or designee. To register, the person or representative must provide his/her name, address and phone number and the name of the group (if any) DEMONSTRATING and the approximate time(s) and location(s) of the DEMONSTRATION.
- 3. DEMONSTRATING may not take place within 25 feet of any window of any classroom or office, within 25 feet of any door of any classroom building or office building, or within 40 feet of any window of any residence hall or University apartment.
- 4. DEMONSTRATING may not take place within 50 feet of the gates of Kelly/Shorts Stadium or other athletic venues during the times audiences are arriving at or leaving an event at those locations.
- 5. DEMONSTRATING may not take place within Kelly/Shorts Stadium, or other athletic venues during a scheduled public event occurring in those locations or during the times that audiences are arriving at or leaving the event.
- C. DEMONSTRATING will not be permitted inside of any University building.
- D. Demonstrators may not block access to or exit from University buildings, nor may demonstrators interfere with the free movement of persons or vehicles on campus.
- E. Demonstrators may not disrupt instruction, research, administration or other University activities. Disruption may result from noise or actions.

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- F. Circumstances may arise in which the President concludes it is necessary to establish more specific conditions for DEMONSTRATIONS. In such a case the President will make a public announcement of the special conditions and the duration of their effect.

## **VI. SIGNS/STRUCTURES ON CAMPUS**

- A. No PRINTED MATERIALS or other material (e.g., paint, chalk, etc.) shall be attached or applied to (1) the external walls or roofs of any campus building, (2) the outside doors of any classroom building or administrative building, (3) the outside windows of any classroom building or administrative building or (4) the outside windows of any public area of any other campus building.
- B. Except for PRINTED MATERIALS carrying out official University functions, no PRINTED MATERIALS or other material (e.g., paint, chalk, etc.) shall be attached to (1) the internal walls, floors or ceilings in any public areas in any campus building or (2) the internal doors or internal windows of any classroom building or office building.
- C. No PRINTED MATERIALS or other material (e.g., paint, chalk, etc.) shall be attached to poles, trees, sidewalks, or structures, except that chalk may be used on sidewalks for non-commercial purposes, and no TEMPORARY STRUCTURES shall be erected or placed on open campus grounds, except as provided below in Section VI.E (UC, Warriner Mall and Library areas).
- D. PRINTED MATERIALS may be placed on General Purpose Bulletin Boards as set forth in Article III.B.2.
- E. Central Michigan University tradition recognizes that the following areas may be used as set forth below:
  - 1. The circle drive of the University Center is a place where REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS of the University may place sandwich boards or temporary cloth banners carrying announcements or messages. These banners should be of cloth or other soft material and tied by cords to the trees, and may remain for a period up to one week. Signs not conforming to this general description will be removed.
  - 2. The Warriner Mall area between the flagpole (north of Warriner Hall) and south ends of Grawn and Smith Hall is a place where REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS of the University may place TEMPORARY STRUCTURES. The TEMPORARY STRUCTURES may not be placed on sidewalks, parking lots or walkways and must be removed at the conclusion of the event but no later than 12:00 p.m. of the day immediately following the event.
  - 3. The area between the University library and the pond is recognized as an area for placement of sandwich board signs and/or TEMPORARY STRUCTURES. These signs and TEMPORARY STRUCTURES may not be placed on sidewalks, parking lots or walkways and must be removed within seven (7) days after placement and/or erection. Each sandwich board sign and/or TEMPORARY STRUCTURES must conspicuously show the initial date of the placement.

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4. TEMPORARY STRUCTURES or signs are not permitted which advertise activities which are not permitted under the University Code of Student Rights, Responsibilities and Disciplinary Procedures, The Student Organizations Operation Guide, or the laws of the State of Michigan.
5. Before a REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION displays a banner or sandwich board as permitted in this Article VI, the REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION must register with the Office of Student Life. To register, the REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION must provide its name, address, phone number, a general description of the TEMPORARY STRUCTURES and the approximate time of the display.

#### **VII. SALE OF PRINTED MATERIALS AND OTHER ITEMS**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article I.C., the sale on the University's Mt. Pleasant campus of PRINTED MATERIALS or other items intended for the communication of ideas or opinions, and which are not sold for amounts in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per item, will be governed by the policies relating to the DISTRIBUTION of PRINTED MATERIALS as set forth in Article III. The sale of all PRINTED MATERIALS or other items intended for the communication of ideas or opinions, and which are sold for amounts in excess of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per item, will be governed by the policies relating to Fund-Raising, Sales and Solicitations On the Central Michigan University Campus.

#### **VIII. PARADES, PROCESSIONS AND SOUND TRUCKS**

The CMU Traffic Ordinance provides, in part:

"No funeral, procession, or parade, excepting the forces of the United States Armed Services, the military forces of the State, and the forces of the police and fire departments shall occupy, march or proceed along any street or roadway except in accordance with a permit from the Central Michigan University Office of Student Life and such other regulations as are set forth herein which may apply. No sound truck or other vehicle equipped with amplifier or loudspeaker may be used unless written authorization is obtained from the Central Michigan University Office of Student Life."

#### **IX. AMPLIFIED SOUND**

The use of AMPLIFIED SOUND on the University's Mt. Pleasant campus may be desirable or necessary in connection with certain special activities or events on the campus. At the same time AMPLIFIED SOUND presents the potential for interference with University activities. Therefore, the use of AMPLIFIED SOUND is governed by these policies.

- A. A Person or group wishing to use AMPLIFIED SOUND is required to register with the Dean of Students, or the Dean's designee, a minimum of two business days in advance of the proposed date of the event so that a determination can be made as to the appropriate time and place for the use of the AMPLIFIED SOUND. To register, that person or representative of the group must provide his/her name or group's name, address, phone number, type of AMPLIFIED SOUND proposed to be used and the approximate time and location of the proposed use of the AMPLIFIED SOUND.
- B. The factors used in determining the appropriate time and place of the use of AMPLIFIED SOUND are as follows:

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1. AMPLIFIED SOUND is allowed between Park Library and the pond on non-class days and from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. on class days. The Dean of Students, or the Dean's designee, may establish a decibel level which may not be exceeded by the AMPLIFIED SOUND.
  2. The use of AMPLIFIED SOUND elsewhere on campus will be permitted if its use will not disrupt University activities, including, but not limited to, classes and other academic or administrative activities. The Dean of Students, or the Dean's designee, may establish conditions as to time, place and manner of the use of the AMPLIFIED SOUND, including a decibel level for the AMPLIFIED SOUND which may not be exceeded.
- C. If a person is not satisfied with the decision of the Dean of Students, or the Dean's designee, the person may submit a written appeal to the Dean of Students. Thereafter an administrative committee composed of one representative of the Office of Student Life, one representative of the Office of Academic Affairs, one representative of Student Government Association, and one representative of the Department of University Events will be appointed, each appointment coming from these respective offices/association. This appeal committee shall meet, review the request and reach a decision within three business days after the written appeal is received. The appeal will be granted if the proposed use of the AMPLIFIED SOUND will not disrupt University activities, such as classes or other academic or administrative activities. The decisions of the appeal committee are final.

## **X. CAMPUS MAIL**

- A. The Campus Mail Service is maintained for the purpose of carrying messages relating to University business from (1) offices of the University and (2) individual members of the faculty, staff or student body. The Campus Mail Service will not carry personal messages between individuals or groups.
- B. A REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION may send, by Campus Mail, announcements of the time and place of its meetings together with a short description of the purpose of its meetings to bona fide members of the REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION. A REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION may also send general announcements of the time and place of meetings or organization-sponsored events, together with short descriptions of the purposes of the meetings or events, to the general DISTRIBUTION lists maintained by the Campus Mail Service.
- C. All other material or communication, including PRINTED MATERIALS, will be delivered by the Campus Mail Service only if it is received from the U.S. Postal agency with sufficient postage attached.

## **XI. COMPUTER MEDIATED COMMUNICATION**

- A. The use of the University's computer mediated communications systems (e-mail, including LISTSERV lists and NETNEWS news group) by all individuals and/or organizations must comply with the CMU Rules for Computing and Networking Resources [http://www.it.cmich.edu/it/policies\\_computing.asp](http://www.it.cmich.edu/it/policies_computing.asp) and the policies of any other networks which are used as a result of their CMU network connection (e.g., Internet, MichNet).

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- B. A University employee may not use the University's electronic mail systems to communicate with another University employee for political advocacy except as follows:
  - 1. To encourage and stimulate discussion and dialogue on issues of public concern, University employees and students may correspond by electronic mail with an internal bulletin board (public news group) established for that purpose.
  - 2. This bulletin board may not be used by employees if such use interferes with the performance of their job responsibilities.
  - 3. Users are prohibited from implying that their views in any way represent an official University position.
- C. It is suggested that University employees who use the University's electronic mail system at a time when the employee has not been officially designated to represent the University's position shall include the following language in any discussions of political advocacy or political solicitation:

This message is not endorsed by Central Michigan University.

## **XII. RESIDENCE HALL MAIL DISTRIBUTION**

- A. In addition to the regular delivery of U.S. Mail, PRINTED MATERIALS will be placed in the residence hall mailbox of any student resident as the time of desk attendants permits, provided that the PRINTED MATERIALS is delivered to the reception desk of the hall in which the student resides, and provided that the name and room number of the student appear on the PRINTED MATERIALS.
- B. Non-addressed PRINTED MATERIALS may be placed for self-DISTRIBUTION at the reception desk of any residence hall.
- C. REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS may deliver non-addressed announcements to the desks of residence halls and those announcements will be placed in residents' mailboxes as the time of desk attendants permits.

## **XIII. LOBBYING**

- A. Only those individuals authorized to lobby on behalf of the University by the Board of Trustees are permitted to lobby on behalf of the University or any part of the University. Any person engaged in lobbying who is not authorized to lobby on behalf of the University is not lobbying for or representing the University.
- B. Those authorized to lobby on behalf of the University are: any member of the Board of Trustees, the President, the Provost, any Vice President, the University Counsel, the Assistant Vice President for Governmental Relations, and any person delegated authority in writing by the President, Provost or any Vice President. This written authority must be kept on file, in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

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- C. No funds DISTRIBUTED by the University to the Student Government Association, or to any RSO shall be used for the purpose of lobbying, either directly or indirectly.
- D. No University trustee, officer or employee shall make any assessment for funds of other University trustees, officers or employees for the purpose of lobbying, either directly or indirectly.

#### **XIV. ENDORSEMENTS OF POLITICAL CANDIDATES**

While individuals and groups are free to express political judgments in the form of an endorsement of a candidate or a ballot issue, such an endorsement may not imply and does not imply official University sanction or action.

#### **XV. USE OF UNIVERSITY NAME, SEAL OR SYMBOL**

- A. The name of the University, the abbreviated name, the seal, or symbols of the University shall not be used in such a manner as to imply University endorsement of a political party or candidate.
- B. The name of the University, the abbreviated name, the seal, or symbols of the University shall not be used in such a manner as to imply a University position on a public advocacy issue, unless such position has been officially adopted by the University.
- C. The name, abbreviation of the name, the seal, or symbols of the University shall not be used by any person or persons soliciting funds for political or public advocacy purposes, except for CMUPAC.
- D. Organizations and employees associated with campus political and public advocacy organizations are encouraged to inform donors that their contributions are given to a political or public advocacy organization and are not, therefore, a contribution to the University and are not tax deductible as a gift to the University.
- E. The University owns and controls its name, the abbreviated name, the seal and other symbols for licensing and commercial purposes. Use of the name on commercial products, must be approved by the licensing coordinator or designee.

#### **XVI. USE OF UNIVERSITY FACILITIES**

The University will make available outdoor areas traditionally used as a public forum to political candidates and to political and public advocacy organizations for advocacy activities on a uniform basis and subject to the regularly established University policies on scheduling. The University will make its meeting facilities available on a uniform basis, subject to the regularly established University policies on scheduling and fees for use.

#### **XVII. UNIVERSITY PUBLICATIONS**

University publications which are supported by public funds and facilities have a particular responsibility when reporting political news or discussing public issues to do so fairly.

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**XVIII. TELEVISION AND RADIO**

- A. Radio and television stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to the Board of Trustees shall comply with applicable federal statutes and regulations, including standards for fairness, if any, relating to broadcasting about political news or public issues.
- B. The student carrier-current station will observe those same standards for fairness, if any, which the Federal Communications Commission requires of public broadcast facilities relating to broadcasting about political news or public issues.
- C. In the absence of such standards for fairness, radio and television stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission to the Board of Trustees and the student carrier-current station shall fairly report political news and shall fairly discuss public issues.

**XIX. ADDITION OR AMENDMENT**

- A. The University may, from time to time, adopt additional rules or revise existing ones. Such additions or revisions may affect political campaigning and advocacy activities on the campus.

The University will promulgate any such revision or addition in writing before taking any action to enforce the new or revised rule. The President of the University, or the acting senior administrative officer on campus, may, however, without a specific written regulation, direct that any political campaigning or advocacy activity be discontinued if the activity presents a clear danger or imminent disruption to classrooms, laboratories, offices, or other University functions, or injury to persons or property.

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**CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
PICKETING AND DEMONSTRATIONS - CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**

Pursuant to Article V.F. of the University Policies and Procedures Affecting Advocacy Activities, the following policy applies:

During any period of time in which a construction or renovation project (herein "Construction Project") is being undertaken on the University's Mt. Pleasant campus (herein "Campus"), picketing and demonstrations by individuals (a) directed to individuals or entities who are providing service, equipment, materials, or supplies for the Construction Project or (b) directed to anyone else but relating to the Construction Project will be permitted under the following circumstances:

1. The University policies relating to Demonstrating, as set forth in Article V of the University Policies and Procedures Affecting Advocacy Activities, apply except as modified by this policy.
2. The Vice President for Business and Finance of the University shall determine in any given situation the size of the construction and staging area (herein "Construction Site"), taking into consideration the needs of the University and its contractors to have free access once on the Construction Site to complete properly their responsibilities as well as the need to prevent injuries to people not contracted to perform work for the University. The Construction Site may include storage space and parking space for individuals providing services, equipment, materials, or supplies for the Construction Project.
3. Picketing and demonstrations for the purposes described in this policy must at all times be lawful.
4. No picketing or demonstrations may take place within a Construction Site.
5. Picketers and demonstrators may not block ingress to or egress from a Construction Site, including a Construction Project within a University building or upon open spaces on the Campus. Picketers and demonstrators may also not block the free movement of persons or vehicles on the Campus.
6. The Vice President for Business and Finance shall also have the right to designate one or more specific entrances to a Construction Site as a "Reserve Gate." A Reserve Gate shall be used as the only entrance to the Construction Site by nonunion employees of a contractor(s) and shall only be used by those nonunion employees. Picketing and demonstrations will be permitted at a Reserve Gate, but the picketers and demonstrators may not block ingress to or egress from the Construction Site at the Reserve Gate or permit the free movement of persons or vehicles into or out of the Construction Site at the Reserve Gate.
7. This policy is effective immediately and shall continue until modified or terminated by the President of the University.

Dated: May 19, 1998.

Signed: Leonard E. Plachta, President