SPEAKER AND CONTROVERSIAL PROGRAM REVIEW BOARD

When College facilities are used for Associated Students of Citrus College sponsored programs involving controversial issues, or speakers presenting specific points of view, the Superintendent/President of Citrus College shall be responsible for determining the educational value and the compatibility of the programs with the philosophy of the College.

A Review Board composed of an administrator, two teachers, and three students will consider a speaker and/or program for their educational value and make recommendations to the appropriate administrator and Associated Students of Citrus College or faculty organization. It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent/President to assure an opportunity for the expression of a variety of viewpoints. Opposing views on controversial issues should be presented on the same program when feasible.

All A.S.C.C. sponsored programs involving speakers will be requested through the normal Student Government channels as required for all club activities. The College Superintendent/President has the power of veto. The request must adhere to the following procedures:

1. All speaker applications must be turned in to the Student Activity Office. The Student Activity Deans shall determine what applications shall be sent to the Speakers Review Board. This allows the Student Activity deans to approve non-controversial speakers, such as teachers and students. The office can only approve speakers but cannot disapprove a speaker on its own. If there is any question at all, the application will be sent to the Speaker's Review Board.

2. The Review Board shall meet weekly if there is business to be conducted. Recommendations of the Review Board must accompany the activity clearance form to the Inter-Club Council and the Executive Board.

3. The club or organization wishing to sponsor a controversial program and/or speaker must present all information concerning the topic and speaker to the Review Board. Information is to include:
   a. State purpose of the program.
   b. Speaker(s) available to present program requested.
   c. Informational background of speaker.
   d. Tentative date on the master calendar.
   e. Name of proposed moderator.
   f. Other items requested by the Review Board.
The student representative from the Review Board will present the recommendation to the Inter-Club Council.

4. The College administration reserves the right to:
   a. Require a moderator to conduct the program.
   b. Permit questions from the audience. The moderator may require questions to be presented in writing from the audience, and he may terminate the program prior to the announced closing time.
   c. Require a personal background vita on all speakers.

5. The College administration may have programs taped. This tape may be used for a record of contents for quoting the speaker and as a resource for press releases. These tapes may be placed in the library for educational purposes.

6. Review Board
   a. To be composed of six voting members:
      (1) Voting members
          - one administrator elected by the Administrative Council
          - two faculty members selected by the Faculty Senate
          - three students elected by the A.S.C.C. Executive Board
      (2) The Review Board will elect a chairperson from among its members
   b. Any committee member who is associated with a club or organization sponsoring a program must be excused as a voting member while this activity is being considered.
   c. Consideration of the Review Board should be given to:
      (1) competency of speaker
      (2) balance and format of club or organization program
      (3) the potential impact of the program on the college and community

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