

North Dakota State University

Policy Manual

SECTION 605 STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

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Each institution shall adopt a policy governing publication and management of student newspaper and other student media published or operated in the name of the institution or funded, in whole or in part, by student fees or other institutional funds.

The Student Media Board at NDSU shall govern all student funded publications.

Institution policy shall include guidelines applicable to student publications and other student media. The guidelines shall:

- a. Foster and preserve the conditions necessary for a free student press;
- b. Protect the rights of student journalists;
- c. Require compliance with all applicable laws, regulations and policies, including those prohibiting discrimination in hiring or employment;
- d. To the extent permitted by law, prohibit publication or dissemination of libelous or obscene materials or materials meant to incite imminent lawless action;
- e. To the extent permitted by law, restrict advertising that is false, misleading or that promotes illegal activities; and
- f. Require appropriate disclaimers stating that the institution is not responsible for the content of student publications or broadcasts.

Institution officials or employees and student government officers, except those acting as members of the student media board or committee consistent with applicable laws, regulations or policies, may not attempt to censure or exercise control, directly or indirectly, over the content of student publications and other student media.

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