

C-2a PROCEDURE Competitive Club

Southeast Community College (SCC) supports the development of competitive clubs that engage in state or nationally recognized events aligned with the college's mission and strategic objectives. These competitive clubs are eligible for financial support from the Competitive Club Fund, subject to certain requirements and guidelines.

I. Definitions

1. **Competitive Clubs:** A club formed for the purpose of providing students with the opportunity to compete in events related to the student's program of study.
2. **Faculty/Staff Advisor:** A college employee who provides guidance, support, and oversight to a Competitive Club.

II. Competitive Club Recognition

1. **Eligibility for Competitive Club Status:** To be eligible for Competitive Club status, a club must meet the following criteria:
 - The club must consist of student members competing in events directly related to furthering their educational experience within their program of study at the college. where membership results from a direct academic connection.
 - The club must have a faculty or staff advisor.
 - The club must provide a statement of work for the year, including:
 1. Monthly meeting schedule
 2. Details on at least one fundraising event the club will coordinate
 3. Details on dates, and anticipated costs for any events they plan to compete in during the fiscal year

III. Competitive Club Fund Allocation

1. **Eligibility and Funding Allocation:**
 - Clubs that meet the active club requirements will be eligible to receive financial support from the Competitive Club Cost Center.
 - Division Deans in conjunction with the VPI has sole discretion to allocate budgeted funds to competitive clubs.
 - In the event that the Competitive Club Fund is exhausted for a fiscal year, students in the remaining clubs will be responsible for covering any unmet costs.
 - Clubs may access funds allocated by the college for Competitive Club activities, which

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include state and national competition-related expenses for the students such as room, board, travel, and competition related registration fees. (Expenses incurred by the faculty or staff advisor should be taken out of those programs operational budget for that fiscal year.)

- Clubs may only seek funding for competitive events organized by state or nationally recognized organizations.

2. **Use of Other Funds:**

- Any fundraising or scholarship dollars donated to a Competitive Club should be exhausted before accessing the Competitive Club Fund.

IV. Advisor Roles and Responsibilities

1. **Advisor Compensation:**

- Faculty advisors for programs participating in Competitive Club events may be eligible for load release (0.5 Load Hours) based on the expectations of their role and the requirements of the competitions at the discretion of the Division Dean.
- Advisors accepting load release are expected to provide support for students in their program area and for regional, state, national, or other geographically located competitive events during the fiscal year in which they accepted the load release, to include traveling with students to such events.

V. Compliance and Accountability

1. **Monitoring and Compliance:** SCC will regularly review the status of competitive clubs to ensure compliance with this policy and will monitor the use of the Competitive Club Fund.
2. **Appeals:** Clubs may appeal decisions related to their eligibility or funding allocation to the college administration.

VI. Review and Revision

This policy will be reviewed and revised as needed to ensure it remains effective and aligned with the goals and objectives of SCC.

VII. Implementation

This policy shall be implemented and effective from the date of approval. SCC will annually review and budget funds, as available.

VIII. Approval and Signature

This policy has been approved by the college administration on 12/7/2023 and is subject to periodic review and revision.

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Procedures for the recognition of a student organization will be published in the College Catalog. College facilities are available for student use if authorized, scheduled, and supervised in accordance with campus rules and regulations.

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