



Resolution SS0809-09

September 17, 2008

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT
MR. SECVIAR, CHAIRMAN

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**A RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
CONSTITUTION OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY
ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**

- I. Subsection (c) of Section 18.4 is hereby repealed.
- II. A section, to be designated Section 18.5, shall be inserted into Article XVIII after Section 18.4.
- III. The current Section 18.5. shall be designated Section 18.6, and all other sections shall follow suit numerically.
- IV. Section 18.5 shall now read as follows:

Section 18.5. Political Activities.

(a) Funds of any type (allocated or unallocated) cannot be used for a direct contribution to any candidate for political office.

(b) Any appearance by a candidate shall follow the previously-adopted rules for campaign appearances as described in the Office of Public Affairs and Communications (OPAC) guidelines.

(c) Only the political clubs (College Democrats, Libertarians, and Republicans) shall be permitted to use funds of any type (allocated or unallocated) for the following activities—

- (1) Selling and/or purchasing t-shirts supporting a particular candidate.

(2) Holding rallies with student speakers and/or professors, but without the appearance of a candidate.

(3) Developing and distributing signage and promotional materials regarding the parties' positions and the candidates.

(4) Taking a club bus trip to a candidate appearance in a nearby city.

(5) Endorsing a candidate.

(d) The aforementioned activities shall be clearly indicated and properly attributed to the student club, and not seen as a University-sponsored event.

This includes conspicuous identification as a club and a disclaimer that it is not a University-sponsored event, either orally or in writing, at rallies and other events, and on club websites.

- V. This act shall take effect pursuant to Section 1.4 of the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body.

Amendments

- ✓ ① "political candidates, elected officials, or their surrogates" 27-0-0
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- X ③ "posting" 0-27-0
- ④ "posting, and distributing" 27-0-0

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