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PURPOSE

This procedure establishes guidelines for organized mass assemblies and demonstrations at Hillsborough Community College.

PROCEDURE

1. Any organized mass assembly or demonstration planned to be held at the College must be registered in writing in the Campus President's office at least two (2) weeks prior to the scheduled commencement of the event. A request will be considered only when made by an organized student group that is recognized by the College or College staff. A request may be denied at the administration's discretion if the proposed assembly or demonstration could constitute a danger or disruption to the College's orderly operation.

A speaker's advocacy of topics such as, but not limited to, the following may be grounds for denying a request:

- A. the violent overthrow of the government of the United States, the state of Florida or any political subdivision thereof;
- B. the willful damage or destruction, seizure and subversion of the College's buildings or other property;
- C. the forcible disruption or impairment or interference with the College's building, classes or other property;
- D. the physical harm, coercion, intimidation or other invasion of lawful rights of the administration, faculty or students;
- E. other campus disorder of a violent or disruptive nature.

In determining whether there is the existence of such a danger or disruption, the Campus President may consider all relevant factors including whether there has been similar past violence or disruption at other educational institutions.

2. Only students enrolled and personnel at the College may register such assemblies and demonstrations. The individual(s) who registers an assembly will be held personally accountable to insure that any guidelines established for such assemblies and

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demonstrations, administrative rules and procedures and proper behavior and decorum of all participants is maintained.

3. The College has the right to designate the area(s) where a mass assembly and demonstration may be held. The location will be confined to campus areas where it will be least likely to interfere with the normal vehicular and pedestrian traffic flow and the ongoing educational process of the College. Accommodations for disabled students should be considered when designating an area for a demonstration, including providing certified interpreters for the hearing impaired.
4. All assemblies and demonstrations will be confined to a specific time period. The Campus President will establish such time limitations.
5. Any sound amplification for an assembly or demonstration must be approved in advance by the campus Dean of Student Services. The appropriateness of the sound amplification will be dependent upon the location of the event as well as the time period. The sound amplification must not interfere with or disrupt the normal operations of the College.
6. Failure to comply with the guidelines will result in the cancellation of an assembly or demonstration. The Campus President will direct any violators to cease and desist from the activity. Failure to comply with this demand will result in arrest and/or suspension from the College of the participants as well as suspension of any participating student organizations.

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