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It is the policy of this school district to grant equal access to secondary school facilities for students who wish to conduct a meeting for religious, political, or philosophical discussion during non-instructional time, pursuant to the Equal Access Act.

Provision of school facilities does not constitute school district sponsorship of such meeting, and the views expressed therein may or may not reflect those of the school administration, staff, or board of education and are neither approved nor disapproved by them.

Student(s) Initiating Request (print): _____

Faculty Advisor: _____ School: _____

Name of Club: _____

Purpose of Club: _____

Who is open to attend Club: _____

Meeting Dates: _____ Meeting Times: _____

Special Equipment needs: _____

The following guidelines must be followed for all student clubs:

1. Students shall be permitted to meet before or after the regularly scheduled instructional school day.
2. All meetings shall be student-initiated and open to all students in the school. Student attendance at any meeting shall be completely voluntary.
3. All student groups shall have a faculty advisor. The faculty advisor for the religious, political, or philosophical student group shall be present only in a non-participatory role to monitor student safety.
4. Student groups may (may not) invite non-school persons to attend their meetings, as long as the non-school persons do not direct, conduct, control or regularly attend activities of the group. Non-school persons must follow the school's established procedure for allowing non-school persons on campus, including registration procedures.
5. All student groups shall have equal access to the school newspaper, bulletin boards, public address system and club fairs.
6. Permission to meet will not be given to _____ .
   a) any meeting that materially and substantially interferes with the orderly conduct of educational activities within the school
   b) any meeting at which unlawful conduct is likely to occur
   c) any meeting that threatens order and discipline on school premises
   d) any meeting that threatens the well-being of students and faculty or
   e) any meeting at which attendance of the students is not completely voluntary
7. The school, its agents and employees will not:
   a) influence the form or content of any prayer or other religious, political, or philosophical activity
   b) require any person to participate in prayer or other religious activity
   c) expend public funds beyond incidental costs for student-initiated meetings
   d) compel any employee to supervise a meeting to which he or she objects
   e) impose a minimum size limit on student meetings

We have read and understand the rights and expectations of the Non-Curriculum Student Groups Board Policy.

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Faculty Advisor Date Student Initiating Request Date

(School District Use Only)

Room assigned: _____ Condition of Facilities: _____

Staff (if any) assigned to supervise: _____

Notes: _____