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Update on ABOR Policy 5-201 “Arizona Students’ Association” Review Process

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Recent Action

On November 26, the Arizona Board of Regents reviewed policy revisions to [ABOR Policy 5-201](#) regarding the discontinuation of the use of university collections processes to collect fees for the Arizona Students’ Association, an independent 501(c)(4) organization.

In a majority vote on a motion offered by Regent Dennis DeConcini, the Board opted to continue deliberations on permanent policy changes until the February meeting. The motion also called for the temporary suspension of using university collections for ASA’s upcoming fee collection until a permanent policy has been approved.

Board Reaffirms Vote at December 6-7 Board Meeting

At its December 6-7 meeting at the University of Arizona in Tucson, the Board reaffirmed its November 26 vote and approved a proposed schedule for further review of ABOR Policy 5-201. This [link](#) will take you to an executive summary on this item from the ABOR Board book.

January 15, 2013 Regents Executive Committee Meeting

The ABOR Regents Executive Committee met on January 15, 2013 to review and forward to the Board for reading the proposed revision to ABOR Policy 5-201. The Board Committee voted to send two proposals to the full board for consideration: 1) students would have the option of paying the fee through the tuition collection process with clarification that the fee is not mandatory, and 2) elimination of the tuition collection process to collect the fee.

January 23, 2013 Special Board Meeting

ABOR has scheduled a telephonic Board meeting on January 23, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. for a first reading on proposed revisions to Policy 5-201. Those interested in attending this meeting must do so in person at one of the following locations: Arizona State University, Fulton Center, Room 4440 in Tempe; Northern Arizona University, Babbitt Building, BAC 206 in Flagstaff; or University of Arizona, Regents Room, Administration Building, 7th Floor, Rm. 701B in Tucson. Board materials for this meeting are available [here](#).

Board Members: **Chair Rick Myers**, Tucson **Dennis DeConcini**, Tucson **Jay Heiler**, Paradise Valley
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Student Regents: **Tyler Bowyer**, ASU **Kaitlin Thompson**, NAU
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January 23 Special Board Meeting Call to the Audience

Members of the public who wish to participate in call to the audience must attend the meeting at Arizona State University, Fulton Center, Room 4440 in Tempe.

Opportunity for Public Input

ABOR would like your input on Policy 5-201. Comments regarding the policy can be directed to the Board and sent the following ways:

Via e-mail: peggy.martin@azregents.edu

Via fax: 602-229-2555

Via mail: Arizona Board of Regents
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Comments will be shared with the Board before it meets to consider revisions to the policy.

When the Regents decided to postpone the decision on the policy, they were considering the [following policy revisions](#). Please note that the timing of this meeting and content of the draft executive summary are subject to change. In particular, the executive summary may be updated to reflect alternative options for consideration by the Board. For an alternative option to be considered, at a minimum, it must reflect the following:

- ASA is an independent and separate 501(c)(4) entity.
- ASA is under the governance of the ASA Board. The Board of Regents does not have jurisdiction, governance or control over ASA.
- By law, neither the Board of Regents nor any university may transfer or give ASA university fees, tuition dollars, or appropriated funds. Board of Regents and university funds may not be used to support political activity in violation of A.R.S. section 15-1633.

It is recommended that you check the ABOR website periodically for updates.

February 6-7, 2013 Board Meeting

At its regularly scheduled Board meeting on February 6-7, 2013 at Arizona State University in Tempe, it is anticipated that the Board will take final action on ABOR Policy 5-201. Materials for this Board meeting, including proposed policy revisions to 5-201, will be posted one week prior to the Board meeting and will be available on the ABOR website, www.azregents.edu.