

LEWIS & CLARK LAW SCHOOL STUDENT BODY FALL TERM TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR



RESOLUTION NO. R.-24-006

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A RESOLUTION TO: ELIMINATE THE BAN ON THE POSTING OF FLYERS BY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

THE STUDENT BODY OF LEWIS & CLARK LAW SCHOOL HEREBY RESOLVES:

WHEREAS, Lewis & Clark Law School currently has a policy banning student organizations from posting flyers on campus bulletin boards; and

WHEREAS, Lewis & Clark Law School prides itself on the amount and variety of student organizations, events, and offerings for its students; and

WHEREAS, any policy that restricts the ability of student groups to advertise their events and offerings adversely impacts the accomplishment of the missions of such organizations; and

WHEREAS, SBA recognizes the policy's justification of environmental impacts as a noble one; and

WHEREAS, student organizations do not have an adequate alternative to physical posters, given that students' inboxes are already full and emails are easily overlooked; and

WHEREAS, some organizations are not aware of this policy and posters are currently posted in violation of this policy; and

WHEREAS, enforcement of this policy is inconsistent; and

WHEREAS, the act of taking down already printed flyers will not further the stated policy goal of reducing environmental impact; and

WHEREAS, the information available to students on the website lists at least three different policies;¹ and

¹ "Flyers and posters may be displayed on bulletin boards. Please remove event fliers promptly after the date has passed.", and "The purpose of the posting policy is to facilitate effective communication for members of the Lewis & Clark Law School community, to provide abundant and fair access to audiences, to avoid visual blight and maintain an aesthetic environment consistent with our mission, and to avoid

WHEREAS, the environmental goals and the needs of student organizations can be balanced by the creation of a single, clear policy limiting the amount of flyers distributed on campus and ensuring that organizations post only in designated areas;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

THE STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION (SBA) CALLS FOR THE FOLLOWING POLICY ON POSTERS AND FLYERS TO BE ADOPTED AND MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS AS THE SINGLE COMPREHENSIVE POLICY GOVERNING THE USE OF POSTERS AND FLYERS ON CAMPUS:

- I. "Poster" and "flyer" for the purpose of this policy are interchangeable and both mean a small printed or drawn paper advertising an event or organization.
- II. All flyers must be stamped by the Events team, located in the LRC, prior to posting.
- III. Student organizations may be allowed to post flyers on campus bulletin boards.
 - A. Student organizations shall be limited to posting flyers on the following places only:
 - 1. Gantenbein hallway, locker area, and restroom boards
 - 2. Outside McCarty classrooms
 - 3. Lower floor of Wood Hall and all restroom boards
 - 4. Legal Research Center restroom whiteboards
 - 5. Legal Research Center bulletin boards located near the stairwells
 - B. Student organizations may post one poster per bulletin board for a maximum amount of ten (10) flyers for any one event.
- IV. Flyer size shall be limited to 8.5" x 11" and may be printed in black and white or color.
- V. The organization that posted the flyer shall be responsible for removing the poster after the event has concluded.
 - A. If the flyer is not advertising a particular event, or does not have an obvious expiration date, it may remain in place until the end of the semester.
- VI. Unless one of the exceptions in (A)-(B) below are met, postings must have the name of a Lewis & Clark Law student, Lewis & Clark Law SBA-recognized student group, or department, faculty or staff member visible.
 - A. Lewis & Clark neighbors are allowed to post law student housing flyers in the Gantenbein locker area.
 - B. Bar review companies and other law student service/product vendors are also allowed to post flyers in the Gantenbein locker area.

<u>fire and safety hazards and reduce paper use."</u>, and <u>"To reduce our environmental impact, student organizations are not permitted to post physical flyers on campus."</u> under the "promoting and training" tab)

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- VII. Outdated postings and all items posted without a stamp provided by the Events Office will be removed by Facilities personnel. Unless by authorized staff members, the removal, defacing, destroying, or postering over of existing posters is prohibited.
 - A. Students or facilities personnel may remove flyers that remain posted after the conclusion of the last day of finals each semester, or which are obviously out-of-date.
- VIII. All event postings, especially public events, should have a statement detailing how to request accommodations. The following statement should be used: *If you need a disability-related accommodation or wheelchair access information, please contact:*Associate Dean Libby Davis, <u>eadavis@lclark.edu</u> or (503) 768-6610. Requests should be made by (date usually at least one week in advance of the event).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

THE STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION CALLS FOR A CLARIFICATION OF POLICY AND THE UNIFICATION OF MESSAGING AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

The SBA will work with the Dean of Students and the relevant administrative bodies to ensure that any future policies regarding student organizations will not affect the accomplishment of their mission.

PASSED IN THE SBA EXECUTIVE BOARD: N/A - Introduced in GA
VOTE TOTALS:
N/A YES
N/A NO
N/A ABSTAIN
PASSED IN THE SBA GENERAL ASSEMBLY: September 8, 2024
VOTE TOTALS:
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