



“Sunset Clause Acknowledgement”

Proposed Motions: ___ motions to make a one-time exception to the Sunset Clause to allow for Charges and Charters to be voted for renewal by the 4th meeting by the AS Board of Directors, with the stipulation, **that** the policy will be reevaluated by the end of winter term 2014.

Sponsor: Hung Le, AS VP Business & Operations

Persons of Contact: ASVP BusOps, AS President, Director of Student Activities

Date: October 25, 2013

Attached Document

Sunset Clause

Background & Context

Sunset Clause -> 1) Renewal Process -> Subsection B

*“Charge and Charters must be renewed by the third AS Board of Directors meeting of fall quarter. If a charge and charter is not renewed by the AS Board of Directors **by the third AS Board of Directors meeting of fall quarter the (committee/council/taskforce) will be considered dissolved.**”*

(Found under Q Drive -> Master Documents -> Policies)

Summary of Proposal

As the AS Board of Directors held the 3rd meeting of Fall Quarter, all Charges and Charters that not been approved as renewed **should** be dissolved according to the current Sunset Clause Policy. However, due to the unexpected and unanticipated nature of the 3rd Meeting (Riot Resolution), to continue the Charge & Charter renewal process, the AS Board may take several actions:

1) Extinguish the Sunset Clause with the stipulation that it will be evaluated at a later date. This would allow for current Charges & Charters to be renewed in the 4th Meeting (or any subsequent meeting). (Motion Required)

2) Due to the unexpected nature of the 3rd Board meeting, make an exception to the Sunset Clause that would allow the Board to the vote on the Charges & Charters renewal as if it were the 3rd meeting of Fall Quarter. (Motion Required)

3) Follow the Sunset Clause and dissolve Committees/Councils as stated in the Policy.

With any of these three options, there should be a reevaluation of the Sunset Clause at a later date. Several things that need to be addressed are:

- Change 3rd meeting of quarter to 3rd regularly scheduled meeting of fall quarter.
- Describe the process for letting people know about committees being dissolved.

Recommendation

Option two would be the best course of action as it allows for the Charges and Charters to be voted on for renewal (as opposed to dissolved) without removing the Sunset Clause policy.

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Charge & Charters Sunset Clause Policy
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This policy sets timelines in which all charge and charters for committees, councils, and task forces established by the Associated Students (AS) Board of Directors must be renewed.

1) Renewal Process:

- a) Charge & Charters will be reviewed annually during summer quarter by the AS Board of Directors. During the review process charge and charters remain active but must be renewed to continue their active status until the next review process.
- b) Charge and Charters must be renewed by the third AS Board of Directors meeting of fall quarter. If a charge and charter is not renewed by the AS Board of Directors by the third AS Board of Directors meeting of fall quarter the (committee/council/taskforce) will be considered dissolved.

2) Addition of Committees/Councils or Taskforces:

- a) The AS Board of Directors may create new (committees/councils/taskforces) throughout their terms of office. If such (committees/councils/taskforces) are created, their charge & charters will stay in effect until the next annual review set out in 1.a) of this policy.

3) Exceptions:

- a) Councils established within the bylaws of the ASWWU cannot be dissolved and are hereby exempt from this policy. It is encouraged that these established councils not convene unless charge and charters have been renewed by the AS Board of Directors.

Amendments:

Amendments to this policy require a majority vote of the AS Board of Directors.

Interpretation & Enforcement: AS Vice President for Business and Operations

Approved by the AS Board of Directors by motion **ASB-09-F-07** at the 9-30-09 meeting