Sierra College
BOARD POLICY

Civic Center and Other Facilities Use

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References: Education Code Sections 82537, 82542; Title 5 Sections 59601 et seq.

Sierra College is a community institution and is oriented to educational, cultural and recreational needs of all the citizens of the Sierra College community.

There is a Civic Center at both the Rocklin Campus and Sierra College-Nevada County Campus. Use of the Civic Center shall be granted as provided by law. The Superintendent/President shall establish administrative procedures regarding the use of District property and facilities, including but not limited to equipment and supplies, property designated by the District as a Civic Center, by community groups, outside contractors, and others. These procedures shall reflect the requirements of applicable law, including Education Code Section 82537, regarding Civic Centers. The procedures shall include reasonable rules regarding the time, place and manner of use of District facilities. They shall ensure that persons or organizations using District property are charged such fees as are authorized by law. A copy of the rules and regulations shall be distributed with applications for use of facilities. Public use of District property shall not interfere with scheduled instructional programs or other activities of the District on behalf of the students.

No group or organization may use District property for purposes that discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, military or veteran status, disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, or sexual orientation, or the perception that a person has one or more of the foregoing characteristics, or because a person associates with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics, or on any basis prohibited by law.

Use of the District’s Civic Centers will be only for the purposes described by the California Legislature in Education Code Section 82537(a). These purposes include use by associations “formed for recreational, educational, political, economic, artistic, or moral activities of the public school districts” in order to “engage in supervised recreational activities” or “meet and discuss, from time to time, as they may desire, any subjects and questions which in their judgment appertain to the educational, political, economic, artistic, and moral interests of the
citizens of the communities in which they reside” (Education Code Section 82537(a)). In granting permission to use the Civic Centers, the District will not discriminate on the basis of viewpoint with regard to organizations engaging in expressive activities on the topics and subject matters articulated above.

See Administrative Procedure 6700.