

Policy Name: Media Policy Policy Number: A12

# Policy Statement:

The SAOC shall have a consistent and unanimous voice in all forms of media, including; press releases, radio announcements, formal letters and all forms of communication representing SAOC as a whole.

# Purpose:

To ensure a unanimous voice as dictated by consensus of council.

Related Policies	
Review Plan: 5 years	Review Date: March 14, 2021
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Procedure:

### Media being:

- a) Press Releases
- b) "Thank You" letters
- c) Letters to external individuals or groups that represent SAOC as a whole.
- d) Communications of an official nature that represent SAOC as a whole.
- Social Network Sites

#### Where in:

- a) The voice of the Executive Council or SAOC as a whole is represented by each active member.
- b) Representation comes in the form of any public address, media release or other form of communication that would reflect on SAOC as a student governing body.
- Lead in these matters is taken by the President and in lieu of the President, Communications VP, followed by Internal VP, followed by the Administrative Coordinator of the SAOC.
- 2. Consensus reached in Council shall be the expressed message, no matter the medium of that expression.
  - Lacking consensus, on matters of an expected nature, the original message will be clarified but unchanged.
  - Deviating from message of consensus could result in legal action, depending on severity of transgression.

### Mediums:

- 1. Press Releases
  - a) Will be brought before council, time sensitivity not withstanding
  - b) Will be approved by consensus or edited so that they may be approved by consensus
  - Will be the followed message for all members of the SAOC if questioned by the Media or the Public
- 2. Thank You Letters
  - a) See Press Releases
- 3. Letters to External Individuals or Groups that Represent SAOC as a whole
  - a) See Press Releases
- 4. Communication of an Official Nature that Represents SAOC as a whole
  - a) See Press Releases
- 5. Social Network Sites
  - a) Will be carefully monitored by the Communications VP and Office Assistant
  - b) Removal of posts will be at the discretion of the SAOC

Supporting Documents	
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