



Resolution #	48
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Subject of Resolution	SAFC Guideline Changes
Type of Action	Legislation
Status/Result	Business of the Day

**Whereas** the Student Assembly Finance Commission (the commission) has proposed several changes to the Funding Guidelines that govern its operations (the guidelines); and,

**Whereas** these changes address a wide variety of issues and aspects of the commission's operations;

**Be it therefore resolved** that the Student Assembly (the assembly) approves and adopts the proposed changes and accompanying rationales.

Change #1: Further clarification of documentation requirements

**Whereas** further clarification of documentation requirements is necessary,

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 11.3, titled "Documentation Requirements" be added and state the following:

**Documentation from the Internet must include logo, header, URL, or other means to validate the source.**

Change #2: Amending the prohibited durable goods list

**Whereas** there is a list of prohibited durable goods,

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 9.5.4, titled "Prohibited Expenses" be amended and add the following expenses:

- **videgame hardware, software, and games**
- **refrigerators**
- **flash drives and hard-drives**

Change #3: Allowing for the repair of goods

**Whereas** repairs are needed for certain goods,

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 9.5.3, titled “Eligible Expenses” be amended as follows:

**Repairs**

**The commission funds for the repair of durable goods purchased with SAFC funds.**

**Applicant:**

- **Specifies the equipment to be repaired**
- **Provides price estimation of repairs**
- **Provides photo documentation of damaged good with explanation of how damage occurred.**

Change #4: Prohibited travel expenses

**Whereas** certain travel expenses are prohibited,

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 9.4.4, titled “Prohibited Expenses” be amended as follows:

The commission does not fund:

- food for travelers, or
- social activities for travelers.
- **Retreats, including off-campus events in which group members partake in team building, training activities, and other such activities which do not further the purpose of the organization.**
- **Travel expenses beyond the cost of traveling to and from the final destination including but not limited to, public transportation fares and parking fees.**

Change #5: Eligible travel expenses documentation

**Whereas** there are certain requirements for travel expense documentation,

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 9.4.3, titled “Eligible Expenses” be amended as follows:

**Transportation**

The commission funds transportation for students to and from the event.

**Applicant:**

- provides Proof of Travel Distance (see Documentation (p 39) for more information).

- **includes in its application documentation of airfare costs or bus fares in addition to Proof of Travel Distance, if funding is requested for air or bus travel.**

Change #6: Publication requirements

**Whereas** certain publication requirements need to be met

**Be it therefore resolved** Section 9.6.3, titled “Eligibility” be amended as follows:

To be eligible for funding, the publication must:

- be printed and distributed in the same semester for which funding is requested; and,
- be available to the entire Cornell community and distributed in areas frequented by this community, including campus dining facilities, student centers, libraries.
- **be printed and distributed with a minimum number of 100 copies.**

Change #7: Budget hearing requirements

**Whereas** there are requirements for budget hearings,

**Be it therefore resolved** Chapter 4, titled “Budget Hearings” be amended as follows:

The applicant may cancel a hearing until one business day before it is scheduled without penalty. If no representative of the applicant **arrives within ten minutes of the scheduled start of the hearing**, the commission notes the absence or lateness and reduces the allocation to ninety percent of what it would otherwise be.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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