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STUDENT CONDUCT AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION

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That the process for achieving recognition for Student Groups not include the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee.

RATIONALE: For many years, the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee has had a sub-committee for New Student Organizations. This sub-committee consists of one faculty member from the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee, one student member from the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee and one staff person from Student Affairs. (In the past, this staff person has been the Coordinator of Judicial Affairs. This year, the duty has been taken over by the Coordinator of Student Activities.) The sub-committee's function is to approve or disprove requests for recognition from new student groups. There are policies in place that define exactly the procedures necessary for recognition, and it is the duty of the sub-committee to make sure the constitutions of the requesting groups are in accord with these policies.

This duty is not appropriate to the mission of the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee. According to the Constitution of the Marshall University Faculty, "It will be the function of the [Student Conduct and Welfare] Committee to consider and recommend policies relating to the coordination and regulation of student organizations." Approval of specific groups is probably a holdover from the days (before the Faculty Senate) when the forerunner of the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee was an advisory body to the Dean of Students.

It is the consensus of the Committee, that since this function obviously doesn't belong in the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee, this recommendation serves to inform the Administration that the Student Conduct and Welfare Committee will no longer perform this function since granting recognition to student groups is merely a rubber-stamping of student group constitutions. The Administration can decide who should be performing this duty.

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