

# ASB Laws of the State of Washington

## RCW 28A.325.010-Fees for optional noncredit extracurricular events -- Disposition.

The board of directors of any common school district may establish and collect a fee from students and non-students as a condition to their attendance at any optional noncredit extracurricular event of the district which is of a cultural, social, recreational, or athletic nature: PROVIDED, That in so establishing such fee or fees, the district shall adopt regulations for waiving and reducing such fees in the cases of those students whose families, by reason of their low income, would have difficulty in paying the entire amount of such fees and may likewise waive or reduce such fees for non-students of the age of sixty-five or over who, by reason of their low income, would have difficulty in paying the entire amount of such fees. An optional comprehensive fee may be established and collected for any combination or all of such events or, in the alternative, a fee may be established and collected as a condition to attendance at any single event. Fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the associated student body program fund of the school district, and may be expended to defray the costs of optional noncredit extracurricular events of such a cultural, social, recreational, or athletic nature, or to otherwise support the activities and programs of associated student bodies.

## RCW 28A.325.020-Associated student bodies--Powers and responsibilities affecting

As used in this section, an "associated student body" means the formal organization of the students of a school formed with the approval of and regulation by the board of directors of the school district in conformity to the rules and regulations promulgated by the superintendent of public instruction: PROVIDED, That the board of directors of a school district may act or delegate the authority to an employee of the district to act as the associated student body for any school plant facility within the district containing no grade higher than the sixth grade.

The superintendent of public instruction, after consultation with appropriate school organizations and students, shall promulgate rules and regulations to designate the powers and responsibilities of the boards of directors of the school districts of the state of Washington in developing efficient administration, management, and control of moneys, records, and reports of the associated student bodies organized in the public schools of the state.

## RCW 28A.325.030-Associated student body program fund-Created-Source of funds-Expenditures-Budgeting-Care of other moneys received by students for private purposes

There is hereby created a fund on deposit with each county treasurer for each school district of the county having an associated student body as defined in RCW 28A.325.020. Such fund shall be known as the associated student body program fund. Rules and regulations promulgated by the superintendent of public instruction under RCW 28A.325.020 shall require separate accounting for each associated student body's transactions in the school district's associated student body program fund.

All moneys generated through the programs and activities of any associated student body shall be deposited in the associated student body program fund. Such funds may be invested for the sole benefit of the associated student body program fund in items enumerated in RCW 28A.320.320 and the county treasurer may assess a fee as provided therein. Disbursements from such fund shall be under the control and supervision, and with the approval, of the board of directors of the school district, and shall be by warrant as provided in chapter 28A.350 RCW: PROVIDED, That in no case shall such warrants be issued in an amount greater than the funds on deposit with the county treasurer in the associated student body program fund. To facilitate the payment of obligations, an imprest bank account or accounts may be created and replenished from the associated student body program fund.

The associated student body program fund shall be budgeted by the associated student body, subject to approval by the board of directors of the school district. All disbursements from the associated student body program fund or any imprest bank account established thereunder shall have the prior

approval of the appropriate governing body representing the associated student body. Notwithstanding the provisions of RCW43.09.210, it shall not be mandatory that expenditures from the district's general fund in support of associated student body programs and activities be reimbursed by payments from the associated student body program fund.

Nothing in this section shall prevent those portions of student-generated moneys in the associated student body program fund, budgeted or otherwise, which constitute bona fide voluntary donations and are identified as donations at the time of collection from being used for such scholarship, student exchange and charitable purposes as the appropriate governing body representing the associated student body shall determine, and for such purposes, said moneys shall not be deemed public moneys under section 7, Article VIII, of the state Constitution.

Non-associated student body program fund moneys generated and received by students for private purposes, including but not limited to use for scholarship and/or charitable purposes, may, in the discretion of the board of directors of any school district, be held in trust in one or more separate accounts within an associated student body program fund and be disbursed for such purposes: PROVIDED, That the school district shall either withhold an amount from such moneys as will pay the district for its cost in providing the service or otherwise be compensated for its cost for such service.