

Student Community Relations Advisory Board*(a) Membership*

- (1) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall consist of seven (7) voting members who serve on the board and are appointed by the City Commission. Student and non-student members of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall be and remain bona fide residents of the City. If at anytime any student or non-student member of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board fails to be and remain a resident of the City the person shall be automatically disqualified and removed from the board.
- (2) Any resident of the City of Gainesville may be appointed to the board, but when possible the Student Community Relations Advisory Board will include the following:
 - a. Three (3) students. Students are defined as persons attending a postsecondary educational institution
 - b. Three (3) non-students. A non-student is defined as a person who is not a student, as defined above
 - c. One (1) administrator from a postsecondary educational institution. The City Commission may appoint two (2) additional administrators from postsecondary educational institutions to be nonvoting members of the board.
- (3) Student members shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year. Administrator and non-student members shall be appointed for a term of (2) two years. Members may be reappointed for consecutive terms, but service on the board may not exceed four (4) consecutive years. Reappointment may then occur after one (1) year of absence from the Student Community Relations Advisory Board. If a vacancy occurs, a new appointment shall be made by The City Commission for the unexpired term.

(b) Officers.

- (1) The members of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall annually elect a chair and vice-chair from among the members and may create and fill other offices as the board deems necessary.
- (2) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board may create subcommittees it deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the board.
- (3) The chair of the board shall annually appoint the membership of each subcommittee from the regular members of the board.
- (4) The City manager shall appoint a city employee to serve as secretary to the board, recorder, and custodian of all board records.

(c) Absenteeism, legal counsel.

- (1) Student members attending less than 50 percent of Student Community Relations Advisory Board meetings for a 6-month period commencing January 1 and July 1 and ending June 30 and December 31, respectively, shall be automatically removed from the board upon filing the attendance record with the clerk of the commission.
 - (2) Non-student and administrative members attending less than 50 percent of Student Community Relations Advisory Board meetings for a 12-month period commencing January 1 and ending on December 31 of any year, shall be automatically removed from the board upon filing the attendance record with the clerk of the commission.
 - (3) The City attorney shall provide legal counsel to advise and represent the board as necessary.
- (d) *Rules of procedure.* The Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall adopt rules of procedure to carry out its purposes. All rules must conform to this article, the Code of Ordinances and State law
- (1) The board shall meet at least once each month, unless cancelled by the board or its chair, and more often at the call of the chair or The City Commission.
 - (2) The Student Community Relations Advisory Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, indicating the attendance of each member and the decision on every question.
 - (3) The board shall adopt rules setting the number of members needed to establish a quorum.
 - (4) Each decision of the board must be approved by a majority vote of the regular members present at a meeting in which a quorum is in attendance and voting.
 - (5) All meetings shall be open to the public.
- (e) *Functions, powers, and duties*
- (1) The goal of the Student Community Relations Advisory Board is to strive for a more cohesive non-student and student community.
 - (2) To act as a vehicle for students and non-students to voice their concerns & opinions.
 - (3) Review, discuss, and forward recommendations as appropriate, on issues, concerns, and initiatives relevant to students and non-students.
 - (4) Establish and implement a new member orientation
 - (5) Assess and address needs of non-students as they pertain to student issues.
 - (6) Provide outlets for action by students and non-students.
 - (7) Be a knowledgeable liaison between the City Commission and the students and non-students of Gainesville.
 - (8) Encourage involvement by non-students and students in planning and implementation of improvements.
 - (9) Ensure that student issues are addressed by providing a link between the students, non-students, and the City Commission.