A SENATE STATUTORY AMENDMENT

Be it enacted by the Senate of the University of South Florida Student Government assembled, that the following changes be made to the Student Government Statutes:

Chapter

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Sports Club Council

806.1 The USF Sports Club Council (SCC) is the governing body for all recreational and competitive clubs that are formed to promote physical sport activities. This can include organizations that compete on an intercollegiate or sport club level but are not part of the University’s Athletics Department. It does not include organizations which are recreational in nature but do not promote physical sport activities.

806.2 Sports Clubs must meet all Activity & Service fee eligibility guidelines in order to apply for funding.

806.3 Clubs which are eligible for both A&S funding and membership in the SCC shall not apply for funding directly from Student Government.

806.4 All budgets which fall within the purview of the Sports Club Council (SCC) will follow the funding procedures outlined in this chapter.

806.5 SCC shall adopt its own Standard Operating Procedures which shall not conflict with the
Student Government Constitution or Statutes. The Standard Operating Procedure shall require the approval of the Senate Committee on Rules prior to its enactment.

806.6 Sports Clubs may submit a Budget Transfer request to the SCC for the purpose of transferring funds across any funding categories, including Travel.

806.4806.6.1 SCC shall review all transfer requests from Sports Clubs and notify Student Government and ASBOMB of their decision. The Appropriations & Audits Committee can veto any transfer if deemed inappropriate, pending committee review.

806.5806.7 Annual Funding:

806.5.4806.7.1 Sport Clubs shall submit their budget request no later than 4:59pm on the third Monday in November to the Sport Club Coordinator. A copy of each club’s budget request shall be forwarded to the Sport Club Council SCC -Executive Board for review. Sports Clubs will submit their budget requests through the SG Passport system by the first SCC meeting of the Spring semester or the first Tuesday after Spring classes have started, whichever is earlier.

806.5.2806.7.2 The SCC will compile all Sports Club budget requests, along with the Council’s request for administrative/operating funds and Interim Funding for new clubs, and submit a consolidated request to Student Government by the organization deadline specified in Student Government Statutes Title VIII.

806.7.3 ASRC will review the SCC request in its entirety. Cuts will not be made to individual club requests, but the SCC will be allocated line items for administrative/operating funds and Interim Funding. An overall amount will be allocated for Sports Club funding.

806.5.3806.7.4 After receiving its initial allocations from ASRC, the SCC may appeal for additional funding for the sports clubs’ lump-sum allocation and/or the SCC’s budget allocation.

806.5.4806.7.5 After being allocated funds, After the ASRC mock budget process, the SCC will convene to review individual budget requests and allocate funds according to proviso and its overall budget.

806.5.5 After making its initial allocations, the SCC Executive Board will have the opportunity to participate in the mock budget process with other organizations and request additional funding items for specific clubs.

806.5.6806.7.6 Once all allocations are complete and the SCC budget is finalized, the SCC will send a report to Student Government, which will include funding by line item budget category for all clubs. The SCC will also recommend changes to the funding procedure and proviso for the following year.

806.6806.8 Interim Funding

806.6.1806.8.1 Sports Clubs which have been recognized by the SCC but have not previously applied for funding within a current fiscal year may apply for Interim Funding

806.8.2 Sports Clubs that received annual funding for a fiscal year shall only be eligible for Interim Funding of emergency expenditures, or through non-emergency conditions
as outlined in the SCC SOPs. Emergency expenditures are defined as those expenditures that result from a natural disaster, theft, vandalism, or unexpected equipment failure and would be extraordinarily detrimental to the organization if not funded. Insufficient funding received by organizations through the annual or Interim Funding process does not constitute grounds for Interim Funding under emergency conditions.

806.6.2 except for the following condition:

806.6.2.1—Because sports clubs cannot accurately predict their ability to play in post-season regional or national tournaments, sports clubs only will be eligible to apply for Interim Funding under non-emergency conditions if they qualify for play in a post-season tournament or competition which is sponsored by a nationally recognized sanctioning body.

806.6.2.2—Items eligible for funding under this rule will include registration, travel expenses, and materials which are required for tournament play but were not funded in the regular operating budget.

806.6.2.3 The SCC will consider post-season competition requests individually by club, but is not obligated to fund any request fully or partially. Applications for Interim Funding are available on the Sport Club website and shall be turned in to the Sport Club Office, will be entered into the SG Passport system.

806.6.3 The SCC will review Interim Funding requests according to its internal procedures.

806.6.4 Individual club allocations will be made from the SCC interim funding account.

806.6.5 Organizations that submit late or incomplete annual budget requests will be subject to the following penalties:

806.6.5.1 No travel money will be allocated.

806.6.5.2 After the Interim Funding request is approved by the SCC, a 25% reduction penalty will be applied to allocated funds.

806.7 Interim Allocations shall be limited by the following percentages:

806.7.1 No more than 560% of the interim funding account may be used for the time period July 1-December 31 (Fall).

806.9.2 The remainder of the account may be used for the time period January 1-June 30 (Spring).

806.7.2 No sport club may receive more than 20% of the interim budget per fiscal year, unless appealed to and approved by the Senate Committee on Appropriations and Audits.

806.8 In order to allow the Sports Club Council (SCC) adequate time for review, no applications for Interim Funding in the current fiscal year will be accepted after the first Friday of April of each year.

806.9 The SCC will report all sports clubs interim allocations to the Student Government Senate and to ASBO on at least a monthly basis.
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