WALLA WALLA COMMUNITY COLLEGE LIBRARY PLANNING AND COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY 6800

I. POLICY BACKGROUND/PURPOSE

The Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) Library provides for the information and scholarly needs of students, faculty, staff, and the community. WWCC Library serves as the intellectual crossroads of the institution by providing an environment that nurtures learning and fosters freedom of intellectual activity. In addition, the access, retrieval, management, application, and distribution of information are central to the college's mission. WWCC follows the standards of the Northwest Commission on College and Universities (NWCCU) and the American Library Association's (ALA) Bill of Rights and the American College and Research Libraries.

II. AUTHORITY

Board Policy 1370; RCW <u>28B.50.140 (13)</u>, NWCCU, ALA, RCW <u>27.12.025</u>, RCW <u>27.12.340</u>.

III. SCOPE OF POLICY

This policy applies to all faculty, students and community members.

IV. POLICY

- A. The WWCC Library follows the basic tenants of the American Library Association Bill of Rights:
 - Books and other library resources should be provided for the interest, information, and enlightenment of all people of the community the library serves. Materials should not be excluded because of the origin, background, or views of those contributing to their creation.
 - 2. Libraries should provide materials and information presenting all points of view on current and historical issues. Materials should not be proscribed or removed because of partisan or doctrinal disapproval.
 - 3. Libraries should challenge censorship in the fulfillment of their responsibility to provide information and enlightenment.
 - 4. Libraries should cooperate with all persons and groups concerned with resisting the abridgment of free expression and free access to ideas.
 - 5. A person's right to use a library should not be denied or abridged because of origin, age, background, or views.
 - 6. Libraries which make exhibit spaces and meeting rooms available to the public they serve should make such facilities available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use.
 - 7. All people, regardless of origin, age, background, or views, possess a right to privacy and confidentiality in their library use. Libraries should advocate for, educate about, and protect people's privacy, safeguarding all library use data, including personally identifiable information.
 - B. The WWCC Library Collection Development consists of:
 - 1. providing resources adequate for introducing and defining a subject in the curriculum with relevancy to course outcomes.
 - 2. introducing primary and secondary resources in a subject area.
 - 3. expanding student horizons and facilitating learning outside the classroom.

- 4. reflecting diverse heritages and socio-economic backgrounds of students.
- 5. addressing a range of learning styles and reading levels.
- 6. providing subject-based tools such as dictionaries and handbooks, essential journals, and the current selection of monographs addressing cross-disciplinary topics.
- 7. supporting effective learning environment and activities.
- C. The WWCC Library Advisory Council (LAC) aids the library in collection development and maintenance. Additionally, the LAC assists with creating and maintaining a Library Instructional Plan. The committee shall consist of five faculty members appointed by the Faculty Senate.

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