Central Student Government

Assembly Resolution 15-017

Caucus Recognition Act

Resolution Information

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Long title	**A Procedural Resolution** to Amend the Operating Procedures to recognize formally an assembly caucus.
Author Summary	This resolution will help ensure caucus can be officially recognized within the Assembly by establishing a process for starting and maintaining them. It outlines the requirements for recognition, how recognition will be granted, and how caucus registrations will be managed.

Assembly Information (to be completed by the Speaker)

Requirements	Reading in two separate meetings; simple majority vote; Presidential approval.
Committees	**RULES**

Committee Information (to be completed by the respective Committee Chairs)

Committee (if applicable)	**Passed For First Reads (Y/N; Initials)**	**Passed For Second Reads (Y/N; Initials)**
Rules	**Y:RK**	**Y:RK**
Finance		
Communications	**Y: SK**	**Y: SK**
Resolutions		

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<u>Attest</u>

Devin William Woodruff, Rackham
Speaker of the Assembly

Unanimous Date: 27 August 2025

Eric L. Veal Jr.

Eric Veal Jr., LSA & Education
President
28 August 2025

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Section 1.
The Central Student Government Assembly finds and declares all of the following:

WHEREAS,

Groups such as the Black caucus and Arab caucus have already formed within the Assembly to advocate for shared community interests and organize members around aligned goals; AND,

WHEREAS,

There exists no formal process to recognize such caucuses within the Assembly's Operating Procedures; AND,

WHEREAS,

Formal recognition of these caucuses would help ensure their continuity across legislative sessions, and provide structure for collective action.

Section 2.
THEREFORE it is, by the Students of the University of Michigan, through Central Student Government:

RESOLVED,
The 15th Assembly supports the outlined[1] caucus recognition process, requiring three active members and submission of updated info, and affirms that approvals must be based only on policy compliance, not popularity or ideology, with written explanations for denials, and the right to appeal to the Assembly; AND,

AND FINALLY RESOLVED,
The 15th Assembly shall amend The Operating Procedures in accordance with Appendix A.

[1] Requirements for Caucus Recognition in CSG

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Appendix A:

Chapter 2. Committees

1. Committee Basics

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2. Regular Committee Membership

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3. Special Committee Membership

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4. Regular Committee Meetings

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5. Rules Committee

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6. Finance Committee

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7. Resolutions Committee

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8. Communications Committee

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9. Executive Nominations Committee

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10. Ethics Committee

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12. Caucuses

12.1. Caucuses are not formal committees but internal organizing groups of at least three CSG members, who are currently serving in any of the three branches. Caucuses conclude at the end of each assembly session.

12.2. For a caucus to form or to continue to be recognized in the next assembly session, the chair must submit or resubmit the caucus name, updated membership, and chair information to the Speaker, President, and Program Manager, with a unanimous approval from all three. If this is not submitted, the caucus will no longer be considered active. The Speaker, President, and Program Manager, must approve all caucuses that do not violate University or CSG governing documents.

12.3. Once recognized, caucuses shall be listed publicly on the website. Caucuses may not create their own social media accounts nor release their own public statements. .

12.4. Caucuses may request presentation agenda time during Assembly meetings and executive meetings.

12.5. If the Speaker, President, and Program Manager collectively deny a caucus based on a violation of CSG's governing documents and not University policy, one of the three active CSG members in that caucus may appeal the denial, via email to the Speaker, which may entail that the member

wishes to place the decision under reconsiderations on the agenda for a vote. Members have 1 week from when the decision is issued to file an appeal, otherwise, the denial stands. If the Assembly approves the caucus by a two-thirds majority vote, then the Speaker, President, and Program Manager's ruling is overturned.