EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

ANIMALS ON CAMPUS - Policy No. D014

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Recommended for Approval by: Gordon J. Herbst, Vice President for Finance and Administration

Approved By: Dr. Julie E. Wollman, President on 3/15/2013

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INTENT

It is the intent of this policy to provide for the control of all animals other than those related to instructional and/or research activity; and to optimize the safety and health of faculty, staff, students, and visitors as it relates to animals on campus. The areas affected by this policy are limited to the grounds and buildings located on Edinboro University (the University) property.

This policy shall not apply to service dogs. The use of service dogs for purposes of an accommodation pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) are to be approved by the Office of Students with Disabilities for students or the Office of Human Resources and Faculty Relations for university employees.

Members of the public are permitted the use of service dogs on campus grounds and within campus buildings (i.e. guide dogs) consistent with Federal and State laws.

POLICY and PROCEDURE

A. The abandonment of animals on campus grounds is strictly forbidden.

B. The trapping, caging, and/or use of wild animals on campus other than by authorized individuals is prohibited. Wild animals that are not a risk and do not represent a hazard, cause property damage, or create a public nuisance, and that do not involve human intervention, shall be allowed to inhabit the campus grounds. Prohibited human intervention includes, but is not limited to, feeding and building of shelters.

C. Wild animals that are a potential risk, represent a hazard, cause property damage, create a nuisance, or otherwise pose a potential conflict for humans shall be regulated, controlled, or humanely relocated when possible, in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

D. Domestic animals are not allowed in campus buildings where campus business is conducted, including residence halls. This paragraph does not apply to service animals or to animals used by law enforcement officers. Domestic animals are defined as having been trained or adapted to living in a human environment. Such animals include, but are not
limited to dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, and other types of household pets.

E. Domestic animals must be under the direct control of a responsible person while on campus grounds, restrained by either a leash that does not exceed 72 inches in length or in an appropriate animal carrier, crate, cage or kennel. Domestic animals under voice command are not considered on leash and are not permitted.

F. Domestic animals brought to campus must be licensed and fully inoculated, with the burden of proof on the owner.

G. Fecal matter deposited by any domestic animal brought to campus must be removed immediately and properly disposed of by the owner.

H. Domestic animals found tethered, unattended, or abandoned shall be humanely impounded in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

I. The University reserves the right to prohibit domestic animals from campus.

J. At all times the owner is responsible for the actions of their domestic animal on campus.

RELATED UNIVERSITY POLICIES

A008 – Reasonable Accommodations for Students with Disabilities
C059 – Disability Service Animals on Campus
G005 – Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination
G018 – Americans with Disabilities Act – Public Accommodations
G019 – Reasonable Accommodations for Employees with Disabilities