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For years the SEC Reform Group and other concerned members have set up tables outside of Finley Gym when meetings of the SEC were scheduled to give out information, get signatures on petitions, etc. Our presence and activities are cleared in advance with the City of Socorro and the Sheriff's department because trustees have always tried to have us removed.

This Friday (1/21/11) at 5:30 p.m. the Rate Increase Information meeting will take place. Last Friday (1/14/11) SEC Reform Group representatives met with city officials and the sheriff for clearance to set up tables with copies of all current recall petitions for signature. This clearance was granted.

The first attached letter from Interim General Manager Richard Lopez is another attempt to curtail members' rights. State election laws to not apply to this situation. The second letter from Jerry Armijo, City Attorney makes it very clear that SEC members have the right to be inside Finley or at tables outside Finley Gym collecting signatures. The term "license" in this letter means permission.

Please attend this meeting and sign the recall petition (s) for your district.