

SGA Bill 1-09-S

A Resolution to Increase the Number of Senators in Our SGA

WHEREAS: Middle Tennessee State University is the largest University in the State of Tennessee but we have the smallest SGA out of all state schools,

WHEREAS: Expanding the SGA will make the SGA much more visible on campus,

WHEREAS: The Executive officers are constantly asking Senators to work events for the SGA,

WHEREAS: A higher number of senators would allow the SGA to reach out to many more students,

WHEREAS: A higher number of Senators can offer more diversity to the SGA and offer more legislation ideas,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 71ST CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

SECTION 1: Article V, Section 2, Subsection B shall read, "For each college, one (1) Senate seat shall be allocated for every five hundred (500) students enrolled in the college. If a college has between five hundred (500) and one thousand (1,000) majoring in it, it shall be appointed two (2) Senate seats, and so forth. Senators elected by college shall be elected during the spring semester."

SECTION 2: Article V, Section 2, Subsection C shall read, "Freshmen Senators and Graduate Senators shall be elected within the first two months of the fall semesters. One (1) Senate seat shall be allocated for every five hundred (500) students enrolled with less than fifteen (15) accredited hours, and one (1) Senate seat shall be allocated for every five hundred (500) students enrolled in graduate programs."

SECTION 3: Article V, Section 2, Subsection D shall read, "There shall be seven (7) At-large Senate seats allocated. These At-large seats shall be open to all students, who otherwise meet the standards set forth in Article V, Section 3."

SECTION 4: If passed twice by the Senate, this will go in front of the student body in a special referendum on Tuesday April 21st and Wednesday April 22nd.

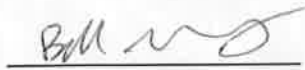
SECTION 5: The referendum will read:

"I support the expansion of the Student Government Association in regards to the addition of Senators"

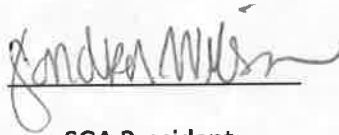
Yes _____ No _____

SECTION 6: If passed by the MTSU student body the 2009 – 2010 SGA President shall fill the newly opened Senate seats via appointment with approval from the 2009 – 2010 Senators.

Sponsored by: Senator Mertes



Speaker of Senate



SGA President




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RE: SGA Bill 1-09-S

DATE: April 27, 2009

Attached you will find Senate Bill 1-09-S which seeks to increase the number of seats within the SGA senate. Specifically, the legislation recommends an increase from one seat per 750 students enrolled in each college to one seat per every 500 students enrolled in each college. As I understand it, a special election was held on April 21st & 22nd at which time students voted in favor of the increase.

Since the vote took place prior to my receiving this legislation, I am returning this legislation with no action taken. However, I do recommend that President-elect, Brandon McNary, consider filling these newly created positions via a campus wide election as opposed to presidential appointments.

Cc: Mr. Brandon McNary ✓
Ms. Jamie Boyd
Mr. Mark Murphy
Dr. Gene Fitch



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