## **SGA Bill 01-11-F**

A Bill to amend the SGA bylaws, relative to establishing a "Code of Ethics" for the Student Government Association of Middle Tennessee State University

**Whereas:** SGA has upstanding traditions of integrity and excellence.

Whereas: Blue Raider Pride and honesty are SGA statutes.

Whereas: The SGA strives to maintain accountability and dependability.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 74<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

**Section 1:** The MTSU SGA will adopt a Code of Ethics, as follows:

- Members of SGA have a strong understanding that SGA exists primarily for the student's benefit and will further demonstrate this by actively listening to constituents and tailoring their work around their needs and concerns.
- Members of SGA will respect the university, their peers, and themselves.
- Members of SGA will hold themselves to the highest professional standards.
- Members of SGA will perform their duties to the fullest of their ability.
- Members of SGA will work together to provide meaningful opportunities for their peers and ensure that they are positively influenced by their actions.
- Members of SGA shall balance their personal and SGA commitments in a fair and responsible way.
- Members of SGA shall strive to empower students so that they truly have a voice.
- Members of SGA will constantly seek to better the university, and the student experience, through hard work and altruistic behavior.
- Members of SGA shall uphold the Standards of Conduct addressed in the Student Handbook and always strive to be True Blue.

Section 2: Consequences of members not abiding by the Code of Ethics are as follows:

- A member of SGA with questionable behavior regarding the Code of Ethics may be reported to the Executive Vice President. A letter with any reasonable proof of questionable behavior must be sent by two or more witnesses of the SGA.
- After considering a report and its validity, the EVP, upon his or her discretion, may forward the report to either Internal Affairs or Judicial Affairs for disciplinary action.

Section 3: This Code of Ethics must be upheld by all Senators and Executive SGA officers

for the tenures of their terms in office.

Section 3: Upon favorable passage, the Code of Ethics will be included within the SGA By-

Laws, with this clause deleted.

Sponsored by: Senator Lee

Co-Sponsored by: Senator Baudo

Senator Robinson

Senator Brittany Brown

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