

Bill 4-17-F

A Bill to Update the Electoral Act of the Middle Tennessee State University Student Government Association (SGA)

Whereas: Some guidelines in the Electoral Act are outdated

Whereas: Some guidelines in the Electoral Act are in need of clarification

Whereas: Some guidelines in the Electoral Act are already stated in the SGA Constitution and do not need to be repeated in the Electoral Act

Whereas: No student should have access to the election voting counts during voting because of the possibility of candidates discovering vote counts

Whereas: It is the duty of the Internal Affairs Committee to amend and update internal documents where it sees fit

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 80TH CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: Article II, Section 9 of the Electoral Act shall be amended to read: “Qualifications of office for executive board members are listed in the SGA Constitution Article IV, Section 1, Subsection C and qualifications of office for senators are listed in the SGA Constitution Article V, Section 3.”

Section 2: The fourth sentence of Article IV, Section 4 of the Electoral Act shall be amended to read: “The President of the Student Government may appoint them to an At-large seat or a seat in their new college if a seat is vacant.”

Section 3: Article V, Section 6, Subsection B shall be struck from the Electoral Act, and the other subsections of Article V, Section 6 shall be relabeled appropriately.

Section 4: A new section shall be added to Article V of the Electoral Act and shall read: “**Section 8.** If candidates have access to MTSU department property, to which not all MTSU students have access, they shall not be permitted to use that property for the benefit of their campaign, even if they pay for access.”

Section 5: Article VII, Section 1 shall be amended to read: "Campaigning or literature distribution in computer labs, including the entire library, is strictly prohibited."

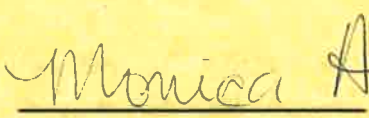
Section 6: Article VII, Section 2 shall be amended to read: "Providing laptop computers, desktop computers, cell phones, tablets, or other electronic devices for voting purposes is prohibited at any campaign location, event, or activity."

Section 7: Article IX, Section 1 shall be amended to read, "The Vice President of Campus Relations shall be responsible for obtaining vote totals and certifying the final results, but no senator, executive board member, or student shall have access to the vote counts until voting is completed. During homecoming elections, only the SGA advisor shall have access to the vote counts until the king and queen are announced."

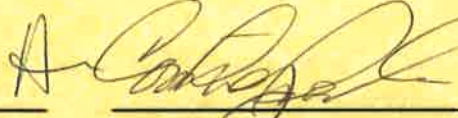
Section 8: Article X, Section 3, Subsection B shall be struck from the Electoral Act, and the other subsections of Article X, Section 3 shall be relabeled appropriately.

Section 9: These amendments shall go into effect immediately upon favorable passage by 2/3 members present.

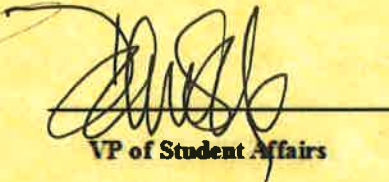
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SGA President



VP of Student Affairs