SGA Bill 5-17-S

Prorate hour requirements for Student Government Association Senators

Whereas: Senators who are confirmed later in the semester could be at an extreme disadvantage in their ability to fulfill their SGA required hours.

Whereas: SGA Senators who do not serve a full semester should not be required to obtain the same number of hours as those who serve the entire semester.

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 79TH CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: The Student Government Association (SGA) will prorate the hour requirements for SGA Senators.

Section 2: The Student Government Association Senate By-Laws, Article 8, Section 1 shall be amended as follows:

Each Undergraduate Senator shall be required to complete at least twelve Senate hours per semester of their term. Each Graduate Senator shall be required to complete at least eight Senate hours per semester of their term. Any Senator who does not serve for a full term shall follow the prorated hour requirements laid out in the following Subsections. Senators may acquire these hours working in an SGA capacity for SGA Cabinet members or by working on any approved Student Government project or activity. The cabinet member is required to get the hour opportunity pre-approved by the Speaker of the Senate, and shall keep track of the hours each Senator earns through them and relay that information to the Speaker of the Senate. Any Senator who does not complete the required Senator hours shall go before the Internal Affairs Committee for disciplinary action.

Section 3: The Student Government Association Senate By-Laws shall be amended to add the following Subsections to Article 8, Section 1:

- A. Senators who are appointed more than six full weeks into the academic semester will be required to complete half of their required SGA approved hours.
- B. No Senator shall be appointed or confirmed within the last four full weeks of the academic class schedule.

Section 4: The Student Government Association Senate By-Laws, Article 8, Section 4, Subsection A shall be amended by deleting "twelve" and replacing it with "required."

Section 5: The Student Government Association Constitution, Article 9, Section 3, Subsection B shall be amended by deleting "12" and replacing it with "the required."

Section 6: This Amendment shall go into effect immediately upon favorable passage and a referendum.

Sponsor: Senator Monica Haun

Speaker of the Senate

SGA President

VP of Student Affairs