## **SGA Bill 6-17-S**

## A Bill to Amend the Student Government Association (SGA) Constitution to clarify the Qualifications of members of SGA

Whereas: Middle Tennessee State University's Student Government Association Executive Board Officers and Senators are held to high academic standards.

Whereas: SGA Executive Board Members and Senators are leaders on campus, and should be ethical members of the MTSU community.

Whereas: According to Article 2 of the SGA Constitution, a governing principle for members of the Student Government Association is academic and personal integrity.

Whereas: The SGA Constitution does not currently set forth behavioral requirements for the Executive Board and Senators.

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

Section 1: The SGA Constitution shall be amended by renaming Article V, Section 3, Subsection "B" to Article V, Section 3, Subsection "D."

Section 2: The SGA Constitution shall be amended to add a Subsection "B" and "C" of Article V, Section 3 to read:

B. A Senator must be in "good standing" both academically and behaviorally to be eligible to hold any position within SGA. A student is deemed not in good standing, and ineligible to hold any SGA position, if any of the following conditions exist up to 12 months prior to election packet application submission deadline or appointment to an SGA office: the student is currently on academic probation with the institution, the student is currently on disciplinary probation with the institution, or the student is under a trespass warning from either the campus police or the Office of Student Conduct. If any current member of SGA receives any of the previously mentioned behavioral judicial actions, they shall be required to resign their position.

C. The office of the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs will assure that the judicial records of all SGA Senators are checked at the start of the semester and in the seventh week of the semester.

**Section 3:** The SGA Constitution shall be amended to add a Paragraph 6 and 7 to Article IV, Section 1, Subsection C to read:

- 6. Any member of the Executive Board, elected or appointed, must be in "good standing" both academically and behaviorally to be eligible to hold any position within SGA. A student is deemed not in good standing, and ineligible to hold any SGA position, if any of the following conditions exist up to 12 months prior to election packet application submission deadline or appointment to an SGA office: the student is currently on academic probation with the institution, the student is currently on disciplinary probation with the institution, or the student is under a trespass warning from either the campus police or the Office of Student Conduct. If any current member of SGA receives any of the previously mentioned behavioral judicial actions, they shall be required to resign their position.
- 7. The office of the Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs will assure that the judicial records of all SGA Executive Board members is checked at the start of the semester and in the seventh week of the semester.

Section 4: This bill will go into effect upon favorable passage, and a referendum.

Sponsor: Senator Carroll

Speaker of the Senate

SGA President

VP of Student Affairs