

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

=====ASSOCIATION=====

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 Senate Meeting
D.P. Culp Center, Forum
4:00 PM

- I. Call to Order by Vice President at 4:00 PM
- II. Roll Call
 - a. 24 of 28 Senators Present
 - i. Absent Senator Arnold
 - ii. Absent Senator Holley
 - iii. Absent Senator Parks
 - iv. Absent Senator Shipley
- III. Reading of Minutes
 - a. Passes: All in favor
- IV. Open Forum
 - a. Carter Warden
 - i. He discussed the different options for the Fall concert and logos for Homecoming.
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
 - a. SSR-15-013 (Food Services)
 - i. Sent to Food Services
 - b. SSA-15-001 (Junior Senate)
 - i. Sent to Internal Affairs
 - c. SSB-15-003 (Secretary of Interior)
 - i. Sent to Internal Affairs
- VII. Executive Branch Remarks
 - a. President
 - b. Vice President
 - c. Secretary/ Treasurer
- VIII. Advisor Remarks
 - a. Dr. Howard
- IX. Cabinet Remarks
- X. Senate Remarks
- XI. Adjourn
 - a. Passes: All in favor



**Student Senate
of the
East Tennessee State University
Student Government Association**



SSB-15-003

Ms. STORMIE TUGGLE, Mr. ZACH TUGGLE, Mr. ALEX CASSELL, and Ms. MORGAN SOUTHERS present the following legislation to the East Tennessee State University Student Government Association on behalf of THE STUDENT BODY OF EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

**A BILL TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CONSTITUTION IN
REGARDS TO THE DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND
THE CHIEF OF STAFF.**

WHEREAS, The last Student Senate moved the duties of overseeing the Junior Senate program from the Secretary of the Interior to the Chief of Staff in light of creating fall and spring elections, and;

WHEREAS, the Student Government has done away with fall elections, and;

WHEREAS, since resending the fall elections the Secretary of the Interior has no duties in the fall, and;

WHEREAS, the Chief of Staff has a plethora of duties outside of Junior Senate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE 2014 - 2015 STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE OF THE EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1. Amend Article II, Section 15 to strike Subsection E as follows:

Section 15. Chief of Staff. The responsibilities of the Chief of Staff shall include, but are not limited to:

- A. Ensure all internal communication is disseminated to all cabinet members.
- B. Serve as a representative who is in charge of the electronic system at Senate meetings.
- C. To act as an executive assistant to the SGA President.
- D. To ensure smooth operation of the SGA office.

~~E. To oversee the Junior Senate Program~~

E. Any other responsibility deemed fitting by the SGA President.

Section 2. Amend Article II, Section 11 to add Subsection D as follows:

Section 11. Secretary of Interior. The responsibilities of the Secretary of Interior shall include, but are not limited to:

- A. Serve as liaison officer between the Student Government and all recognized campus organizations.
- B. To act as a liaison officer between the Student Government and the Director of Student Activities.
- C. Supervise all Student Government elections; enforce all laws pertaining to campus elections, and make additional regulations as may be necessary. Responsible for all pre-election arrangements (except publicity), including the dissemination of petitions and the posting of ballots online, and the collection of student enrollment figures.
- D. To oversee the Junior Senate Program.*

Section 3. This shall go into effect immediately upon passing as prescribed in the Constitution.



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SSB-15-001

Vice President Zackery Sholes, President Doretha Benn, Secretary Taylor Dunn, Attorney General David Unland Parliamentarian Alex Cassell present the following legislation to the East Tennessee State University Student Government Association on behalf of THE STUDENTS OF EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY.

**A BILL TO AMEND ARTICLE VII SECTION II OF THE EAST TENNESSEE
STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
CONSTITUTION**

WHEREAS, the students already have the right to petition decisions made by the student senate, and;

WHEREAS, the former referendum system allows for students to vote on measures enacted by the SGA Senate in a timely manner, and;

WHEREAS, this power, if used by the student senate, undermines decisions previously made and the entire process of the Student Government Association.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE 2014-2015 STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE OF THE EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1. Amend Article VII, Section II to read:

Section 2. Referendum. The students also reserve to themselves the power, by a petition signed by ten percent of the students registered at the time of presentation of the petition, to the Student Government President as prescribed by law, to require that measures enacted by the Student Senate be submitted to the student body for their approval or rejection. This reserved power shall be known as the referendum. ~~*The SGA Senate may also move to enact a referendum vote on measures enacted by the SGA Senate with a two-thirds vote of the Senate present and voting.*~~

Section 2. This bill, upon receiving the proper vote by the Student Government Association Senate, shall take effect immediately, the general welfare of the student body requiring it.



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SSA-15-001

Mr. ZACH TUGGLE, Mr. ALEX CASSELL, Ms. MORGAN SOUTHERS, and Ms. STORMIE TUGGLE present the following legislation to the East Tennessee State University Student Government Association on behalf of THE STUDENT BODY OF EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

**AN ACT TO AMEND THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT CODE OF LAWS IN
REGARDS TO THE JUNIOR SENATE PROGRAM.**

WHEREAS, The last Student Senate moved the duties of overseeing the Junior Senate program from the Secretary of the Interior to the Chief of Staff in light of creating fall and spring elections, and;

WHEREAS, the Student Government has done away with fall elections, and;

WHEREAS, since resending the fall elections the Secretary of the Interior has no duties in the fall, and;

WHEREAS, the Chief of Staff has a plethora of duties outside of Junior Senate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE 2014 - 2015 STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE OF THE EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1. Amend Title II, Section 188, Subsection B to read:

Section 188 The Student Government Association shall hereby have a Junior Senator Program, with its processes and eligibility defined here:

- A. Students in their first semester at East Tennessee University or students that have surpassed their first semester and have applied for an un-vacant Senate seat will be eligible for the Junior Senator Program.
- B. The ~~Chief of Staff~~ *Secretary of the Interior* shall oversee the Junior Senator Program.
- C. ...

Section 2. This shall go into effect immediately upon passing as prescribed in the Constitution.