SGA Resolution 6-04-S

A bill to amend Article 4, Section 1, C of the Student Government Association's Constitution to include a 5th qualification for the eligibility of executive branch officers, thus stating: Have served at least one (1) full semester in the Student Government Association as a member of the Senate, Homecoming Committee, Court of Traffic Appeals, AIDS Quilt Committee, University Standing Committee, Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, COSGA, Student Judicial Board, or Election Commission by the time they assume an Executive Office.

Definition that may be deemed ambiguous is defined as follows: Semester= sixteen (16) week academic term.

Whereas: The Student Government Association is an organization that upholds the highest standards on this University, and in making higher standards for ourselves we gain greater respect by the faculty and administration.

Whereas: In order to ensure a smooth transition into an executive office, candidates must have a general understanding of the Student Government Association before taking the office upon elections.

Whereas: The leaders of the most powerful student group on campus must possess experience in that organization before taking office.

Whereas: The Student Government Association Executive Officers, being the voice of nearly 22, 000 students, will be better equipped with the knowledge it takes to execute their powers.

Therefore, let it be resolved by the 66th Congress of Student Government Association of Middle Tennessee State University that:

Section 1: Upon passage by the Senate, a referendum shall be placed on the election ballot reading: Are you in favor of a Constitutional amendment reading: In order to run for a Student Government Association as a member of the Senate, Homecoming Committee, Court of Traffic Appeals, AIDS Quilt Committee, University Standing Committee, Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, COSGA, Student Judicial Board, or Election Commission by the time they assume an Executive Office. Yes / No

Section 2: Upon passage by referendum, this bill shall take immediate effect.

Sponsored by: Senators Paul Fulcher and Chastity Wilson

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