

Tentative Bill 3-17-F

A Bill to Amend Article XVII of the Student Government Association (SGA) of Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) By-Laws to Create the Tina Stewart Campus Nonviolence Fund

Whereas: MTSU women's basketball player, Tina Stewart, was killed in a domestic violence dispute while enrolled at MTSU.

Whereas: Tina Stewart left a profound legacy of nonviolence at MTSU.

Whereas: SGA should honor this legacy of nonviolence indefinitely.

Whereas: SGA has shown its support for campus nonviolence by budgeting \$5,000 to sponsor or cosponsor preventative efforts.

Whereas: These funds should be publicized and offered to all MTSU student groups and departments.

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

Section 1: Article XVII SGA Co-sponsorship, be renamed Article XVII SGA's Commitment to Campus Nonviolence.

Section 2: Article XVII be amended to read:

Section 1: The Tina Stewart Campus Nonviolence Fund

- A. Tina Stewart, an MTSU women's basketball player, left a profound legacy of nonviolence at MTSU after she was killed in a domestic violence dispute in 2011.
- B. To honor this legacy, SGA shall sponsor the Tina Stewart Campus Nonviolence Fund. MTSU student groups or campus departments may apply for these funds in the following circumstances:
 1. They are sponsoring or cosponsoring events whose goals are to prevent student violence, educate students on consent and safe dating, publicize campus resources for victims and bystanders, or other related goals.
 2. They are purchasing equipment which will primarily be used to prevent violence on campus or surrounding areas, educate students on consent and safe dating, publicize campus resources for victims and bystanders, or other related goals.

3. They are creating public service announcements, social media campaigns, advertising or other communication which will encourage nonviolence on campus or surrounding areas, educate students on consent and safe dating, publicize campus resources for victims and bystanders, or other related goals.
- C. SGA shall budget no less than \$5,000 for the Tina Stewart Campus Nonviolence Fund.
 - D. To apply for these funds, MTSU student groups or campus departments shall complete an application provided by the Center for Student Involvement and Leadership (CSIL) office, detailing their plans and expected needs.
 - E. The MTSU Campus Nonviolence Committee will review these applications and award funds based on their alignment with campus nonviolence goals. The SGA delegate shall report back to SGA with how the awards were granted.

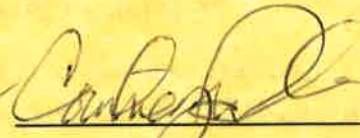
Section 2: Nonviolence Co-sponsorship. The Student Government Association of Middle Tennessee State University shall actively seek opportunities to sponsor or cosponsor events whose goals are to prevent student violence, educate students on consent and safe dating, publicize campus resources for victims and bystanders, or other related goals.

Section 3: This amendment shall go into effect immediately upon favorable passage by 2/3 of members present.

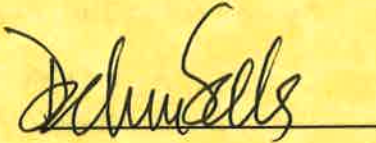
Sponsor: Senator Abbigail Tracy Thomson



Speaker of the Senate



SGA President



VP of Student Affairs