

TENATIVE SGA Resolution 15-10-F

A resolution to encourage a change in MTSU’s ‘chalking policy’;

Whereas: the current chalking policy prohibits the use of chalk on sidewalks and buildings;

Whereas: all violators of the current policy are subject to arrest;

Whereas: the current chalking policy is too expensive for the university to maintain;

Whereas: chalk is a naturally formed material with no adverse environmental risk;

Whereas: the university is failing to meet full potential at raising certain revenues with the current policy;

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 73RD CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY:

—Title, Purpose—

Section 1: this resolution shall be known and cited as the “Chalking and Vandalism Act of 2010”.

Section 2: it is the purpose of this act to encourage the university to amend its ‘chalking policy’ in order to better serve the student body, the community, raise revenue for the university, and cut the cost of the current policy.

—New Chalking Policy—

Section 3: it should be the new policy of the university to issue permits to allow chalking in areas designated by the university. The permit should contain the name of the person/company that is applying for the permit, the effective date(s) of the permit, and the signature of both the applicant and the appropriate university faculty personnel.

Section 4: all non-MTSU applicants should be required to pay for the issuance of the permit, no less than \$10 per day. Chalking without a permit should be subject to a \$20 fine for the first offense and a \$65 fine and/or arrest for any such violations thereafter.

—Definitions, Miscellaneous —

Section 5: the following definitions shall apply to this act:
1. “Chalk” means any substance used for writing that contains calcium sulphate, calcium carbonate, or substance of like kind used for writing;

2. "Chalking" means the act of using chalk to write on sidewalks, buildings, or other surface area on the MTSU campus;
3. "Non-MTSU applicant" means any person not associated with the university either through an officially recognized student organization or via employment.

Section 6: a copy of this resolution shall be sent to MTSU President Dr. Sidney McPhee, with this clause deleted.

Section 7: this resolution shall take immediate effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring it.