STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

SGA Bill No. HR 3-98F

PASSED HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Eric A. Spear
Speaker of the House

11-2-98
Date

PASSED SENATE:

Timothy K. Smith
Speaker of the Senate

11-4-98
Date

APPROVED: √

VETOED:

SGA President

11-16-98
Date

APPROVED: √

VETOED:

Vice President for Student Affairs

Date
HR-3-98

Sponsor: House - Larry West
       Senate - Jeremy Feham

A resolution to clarify the difference between the Student Activity Fee and the SGA Student Activity Fee.

Whereas: There are two different fees called Student Activity Fees.

Whereas: The Student Activity Fee is designated to retire the debt on the stadium renovation and is not a fee from which student activity funds are generated.

Whereas: The source of funds for student organizations is the SGA Student Activity Fee.

Whereas: Having two fees with similar designations is confusing to students and makes it difficult to explain requests for increases in the SGA Student Activity Fee when students believe they are already paying an additional $65 activity fee for the same purpose.

THEREFORE LET IT BE ENACTED BY THE 61st CONGRESS OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:

Section 1: That the $65 Student Activity Fee designated for the renovation of the stadium more appropriately be called a Stadium Debt Service Fee so as to avoid confusion with the SGA Student Activity Fee.

Section 2: That the current Debt Service Fee be amended to be called the Rec Center Debt Service Fee.

Section 3: That the appropriate University officials pursue such a request with the Tennessee Board of Regents.

Section 4: This resolution should take effect immediately, the student welfare requiring it.
MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Jason Lawson
   Mr. Tim Smith
   Mr. Eric Spear
   Ms. Jennifer Sykora
   Mr. Aaron Tallent
   Mr. Jerome Hurksa
   Mr. Jeremy Parham
   Mr. Tyson McClanahan
   Mr. Brian Gillespie

From: Robert C. LaLance, Jr.
       Vice President for Student Affairs

Re: SGA Resolution 5-98-F

Date: December 7, 1998

I have reviewed the referenced resolution which, if approved by the student body, would increase the student activity fee to $20.00 per person. While I generally agree and am supportive of providing enhanced resources for student activities, there are several items of concern that I have with regard to this specific proposal. As you know, I am retiring at the conclusion of this semester. It does not appear that there will be sufficient time to initiate the dialogue necessary to resolve my questions prior to the effective date of my retirement. Therefore, I will advise the Interim Vice President that he/she should coordinate a meeting in early January to include:

(1) Mr. Harold Smith, Director of Student Unions & Programming;
(2) Dr. Tom Burke, Dean of Student Life;
(3) Dr. David Hays, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs;
(4) Ms. Mimi Thomas, Assistant Director, Student Programming;
(5) Mr. Josh Bracken, Chair, Student Programming Council;
(6) Chair, Ideas & Issues Committee, and;
(7) Mr. Jason Lawson, SGA President.

The purpose of this meeting will be to ensure that all parties with the potential to be impacted by the proposed increase are comfortable with the allocations suggested, the implementation of the fee, and any other matters considered problematic by the participants. I will provide the Interim Vice President a summary of my concerns.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

cc: Dr. Tom Burke

[Weekend marked with:
meeting
Friday
Jan. 15th]