SGA Bill No. 2-04-F

A Bill to amend Article 4, Section 1, Part C, Number 4 of the Middle Tennessee State University Student Government Association Constitution, thus stating: "Have at least a 2.75 cumulative grade point average at the time of candidacy and maintain such average throughout the term of office."

Whereas: The current grade point average requirement of a 2.3 is an unreasonably low standard set for students running to represent the 22,000 + students as an Executive Officer in the Student Government Association,

Whereas: The Panhellenic Council requires that each girl going through sorority recruitment must have at least a 2.5 g.p.a.; Therefore, academic standards are higher to be a member of a Greek organization than they are to be an Executive Officer in the SGA,

Whereas: The Student Government Association is an organization that is to be the epitome of strong leadership on M.T.S.U.'s campus; therefore, our leaders need to exemplify high, but reasonable standards,

Whereas: The Student Judicial Board, which is a branch of the Student Government Association, requires you maintain a 2.5 g.p.a., which is currently a higher standard than it is to be an officer in the organization it is a branch of,

Whereas: If we as members of the Student Government Association start striving to achieve a higher level of excellence, the rest of campus, including faculty and administration will start to view our organization as one that can taken more seriously,

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 67TH SGA CONGRESS STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MTSU THAT:

Section 1: Upon two consecutive passings, this bill will go before the entire student body immediately in the form of referenda via PipelineMT, in a date set by the Election Commissioner and the Election Commission of the Student Government Association.

Section 2: Upon passage of referenda, this bill will go into effect immediately, thus amending the constitution of the Student Government Association to state the above.

Section 3: Upon passage of the referenda, this bill will go into effect as a requirement of all candidates running for Executive Office in the Spring 2005 Student Government Association Elections.

Sponsored by: Senators Tyler A. Smith, Justin Owen, Courtney Ledford, Lizzie Miller, Randy Stubblesfield

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