SGA Resolution 5-11-S

A Resolution to increase student accessibility to professor/class evaluations

Whereas: Each semester in each class offered at MTSU, students are given class time to complete a course evaluation relative to course content of the class and instructor effectiveness.

Whereas: These evaluations normally have no immediate bearing on the instructor’s employment, but they are considered as an equal portion in a three part equation that is used when considering a professor for a promotion and/or for attaining tenure.

Whereas: This resolution is not meant as an attack on the faculty of MTSU, but as a more positive and accurate gauge of a professor’s performance, based on the opinions of his or her students.

Whereas: Considering that websites such as <mtsreview.com> and <ratemyprofessor.com> have relatively few evaluations and allow any student to state their opinion in an open format; access to the results of MTSU surveys taken by each class will provide a more accurate portrayal of a given instructor’s performance and teaching abilities.

Whereas: The results that are received at the end of each semester and recorded by the database responsible for them (Sedona) could easily be added as a link to “Raidernet” in the class search section.

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

Section 1: The previous four (4) semesters’ survey results will be made available through a link attached to each of the instructor’s names in the “Raidernet” class search section of Pipeline.

Section 2: Funds from our Student Technology fees shall be, if needed, appropriated in order to pay for making our student surveys available to the students.

Section 3: Professors will have the option to take an evaluation to rate their own overall performance during the course to be included in the results as well if it can be feasibly done.

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