

**SGA Resolution 4-14-F**

**A resolution to request the uniform opening of all campus parking lots.**

**Whereas:** Section 3-8 of the Parking Service Rules and Regulations Handbook currently states:

*“All students and employees are to park in their assigned areas Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., except for the following parking lots which will open for all permitted parking at 5:30 p.m.”;*

**Whereas:** The afore mentioned section allows for only seven parking lots to become open to all permitted vehicles;

**Whereas:** The discrepancy in parking lot openings causes confusion for many on-campus drivers resulting in the issuance of numerous parking tickets;

**Whereas:** MTSU has a large percent of commuter students who would benefit from parking lots opening at an earlier time.

**THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE 77th CONGRESS OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:**

**Section 1:** Section 3-8 of the Parking Services Rules and Regulations Handbook will be amended so that MTSU parking lots will become open for all permitted vehicles Monday through Friday at 5:30 p.m. and on weekends.


**Section 2:** All parking signs will be amended to reflect this change.

**Section 3:** A campus wide email will be sent to make MTSU students, faculty and staff members aware of this change.

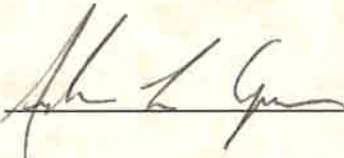
**Section 4:** This resolution will go into effect immediately upon favorable passage.

**Sponsors:** Senator Katherine Barber




  
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**Speaker of the Senate**

  
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**SGA President**

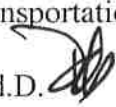
  
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TO: Mr. Ron Malone, Assistant Vice President  
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FROM: Debra Sells, Ed.D.   
Vice President for Student Affairs and  
Vice Provost for Enrollment and Academic Services

RE: SGA Resolution 4-14-F

DATE: October 17, 2014

I am forwarding the attached Student Government Association Resolution 4-14-F requesting that all campus parking lots be open for all permitted vehicles Monday – Friday at 5:30 p.m. and on weekends.

Resolutions passed by the Student Government Association are generally understood to be recommendations. Legislation resulting in these resolutions is brought before the SGA by one or more members of the Senate, and is generally subject to debate within the senate. Senate meetings are open to the full student body, and thus debates are sometimes observed by and/or joined by students other than SGA senators. Resolutions are not binding upon administrators or departments, but are generally regarded as expressing the will of the Senate on the issue brought before them.

Once a resolution has been passed by the Senate, I forward that resolution to the administrator or department most likely to benefit from reviewing the student recommendation, and in the best position to provide a response regarding possible future action. I generally ask the administrator to whom I have forwarded the resolution for some timely response that helps SGA to understand the potential feasibility of the proposal. If, in your opinion, the resolution requests action which is not feasible, I ask for your help in explaining why it is not practical, affordable, or otherwise in the best interest of the university.

In the immediate instance, I believe it would be appropriate for you to review the SGA's recommendation and provide such a response to me within 30 days. Please contact Andrew George, SGA President, or Dr. Danny Kelley if you have any questions regarding this legislation.

c: Mr. Andrew George  
Ms. Haley Cobb ✓  
Ms. Chelsea Jones  
Ms. Gabby Woodland  
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**To:** Debra Sells, Ed. D.  
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**From:** Ron Malone *R. Malone*

**Re:** SGA Resolution 4-14-F

**Date:** October 30, 2014

I have reviewed SGA Resolution 4-14-F requesting that all campus parking lots be open for all permitted vehicles at 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, and on weekends.

I would first like to thank Senator Barber for identifying a student parking concern that warrants our immediate attention.

Section 3-8 of the Parking Services Regulation Handbook is fashioned in such a way as to allow evening commuter students the access to several parking spaces located within the campus interior, while maintaining sufficient parking for faculty and staff who are teaching evening classes. I agree that the current system has the potential to be misinterpreted.

I believe, however, that although this proposed solution has a merit, it would also render interior parking non-existent for the faculty and staff teaching evening classes.

For this reason I would like to accommodate the spirit of this resolution, to both help evening commuter students, while also preserving much needed faculty and staff parking, by offering the following

Sect 3-8 would be amended to read:

All students and employees are to park in their assigned areas, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., except for the following streets and parking lots which will NOT open for all permitted parking until 6:30 p.m.:

Old Main Circle and Faulkenberry Dr. (on street parking)

Davis Science Lot

Honors Lot

Founders Lot

I believe this compromise would be in the best interest of the University and ask that this thoughtful resolution be amended accordingly. I look forward to your reply.

