

THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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COMMITTEES reorganizing the Senate Internal Committee Structure.**

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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Approved by the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body, and prepared for the
presentation to the Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Body and Vice-President for
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Approved by the Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government and Vice
President for Student Affairs at Bowling Green State University, and so order into
effect.

Kasie Durkit
Speaker of the Senate

Jodi Webb
Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government

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A Resolution formally revising the Bylaws Article IV. GENERAL ASSMEBLY COMMITTEES reorganizing the Senate Internal Committee Structure.

In the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body here assembled,

1. **Whereas**, the Undergraduate Student Government represents the undergraduate
2. Student voice at Bowling Green State University through the form of the Senate; and

3. **Whereas**, the undergraduate student body elects representatives from the
4. Undergraduate Student body to represent them within the Senate; and

5. **Whereas**, the undergraduate student body elects representatives to represent their
6. interests at-large, off-campus, within their academic colleges, within residence halls,
7. within the Greek community, with regard to non-traditional student concerns, diversity
8. affairs student concerns, and athletic affairs student concerns; and

9. **Whereas**, the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government has elected to
10. organize itself into internal committees in order to allow its representatives to work
11. collaboratively with one another in addressing the needs of the undergraduate student
12. body; and

13. **Whereas**, the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Government is currently organized
14. into internal committees relating to academic affairs, auxiliary affairs, internal affairs,
15. and student affairs; and

16. **Whereas**, the internal committee relating to academic affairs is charged with specific
17. responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV. Section B. relating to academic
18. matters of the undergraduate student and their current responsibilities shall remain
19. relevant for as long as Bowling Green State University is an institution of higher
20. education; and

21. **Whereas**, the internal committee relating to internal affairs is charged with specific
22. responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV. Section D. relating to the internal
23. function and administration of the Senate and their current responsibilities shall remain
24. relevant for as long as the Undergraduate Student Government acts as the formal voice
25. of the undergraduate student body; and

26. **Whereas**, the internal committee relating to auxiliary affairs is charged with
27. responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV. Section C. that are ambiguous in
28. nature; and

29. **Whereas**, the internal committee relating to student affairs is charged with
30. responsibilities as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV. Section E. that are ambiguous in
31. nature; and

32. **Whereas**, the current Senate leadership in examining the current internal committee
33. structure has found that the lack of specificity as outlined in the Bylaws Article IV. of
34. the responsibilities of the Auxiliary Affairs and Student Affairs committee has not
35. allowed the committees to be reflective of the current needs of the undergraduate
36. student body; and

37. **Whereas**, the current Senate leadership convened following the General Assembly
38. meeting on the evening of Monday March 3rd, 2015 with their respective committees
39. to examine the current committee structure; and

40. **Whereas**, the committees each deemed that the current committee structure as
41. inadequate in addressing the specific needs of the undergraduate student body as well
42. as the ability of the Senate committees to adjust to the changing student needs of the
43. undergraduate student body; and

44. **Whereas**, the internal committee relating to internal affairs, based on this assessment,
45. began to develop a new internal committee structure which would provide the Senate
46. the ability to address the specific needs of the undergraduate student body and adjust
47. to the needs of the undergraduate student body; and

48. **Whereas**, the Internal Affairs Committee has drafted a plan for reconstructing the
49. Senate Internal Committee structure through its Bylaws in the form of a Senate
50. resolution.

51. **Therefore, let it be resolved** that the reorganization be reflected as an internal
52. committee relating to Academic Affairs, an internal a committee relating to Internal
53. Affairs, and an internal committee relating to Undergraduate Student Affairs; and

54. Therefore, let it be further resolved that the reorganization of internal committees as
55. pertaining to this resolution will have no effect to the election of committee chairs; and

56. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the reorganization remove the titles and all
57. sections of the Bylaws pertaining to the current internal Senate committees relating to
58. Auxiliary Affairs and Student Affairs; and

59. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the internal committees relating to
60. Academic Affairs and Internal Affairs retain their responsibilities and sections as
61. written in pertaining to this resolution; and

62. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the internal committee relating to
63. Undergraduate Student Affairs will be responsible for addressing the specific needs of
64. the undergraduate student body as deemed by the Speaker of the Senate at the

65. beginning of each academic semester; and

66. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the Bylaws Article III. Section A.

67. Subsection 2. regarding the Speaker of the Senate reflect that the Speaker must

68. determine the aforementioned needs by the fourth week of the Fall academic semester;

69. and

70. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the Bylaws Article III. Section A.

71. Subsection 2. regarding the Speaker of the Senate reflect that the Speaker must

72. determine whether the aforementioned needs of the Fall academic semester be

73. maintained, revised, or absolved by the second week of the Spring academic semester;

74. and

75. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the internal committee relating to

76. undergraduate student affairs will address these specific needs in the form of

77. subcommittees whereas each need identified by the Speaker will take form as a

78. subcommittee; and

79. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that the elected chair of the internal committee

80. relating to Undergraduate Student Affairs shall be responsible for ensuring the

81. efficiency and oversee the activity of each subcommittee; and

82. **Therefore, let it be further resolved** that each subcommittee will exist for a

83. minimum of one semester, at which point the Speaker will evaluate and determine

84. whether each subcommittee is still relevant to the current needs of the undergraduate

85. student body; and

86. **Therefore, let it be further be resolved** that if the Speaker deems a subcommittee as

87. no longer relevant, they will have the right to dissolve the subcommittee; and

88. **Therefore, let it finally be resolved** that the internal committee structure be

89. reorganized as outlined by the Internal Affairs Committee and reflected in the Bylaws

90. Article IV of the Undergraduate Student Government.

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*Passes by the Senate and ordered presented to the president of the Undergraduate Student Body
for Approval or Veto.*

Kasie Durkit

Speaker of the Senate

I do hereby approve and order this legislation into effect.

Jodi Webb

Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government

Jill Carr

Vice President of Student Affairs at Bowling Green State University

I do hereby disapprove and order this legislation to be returned to the Senate.

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