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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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Jill Carr, Vice President of Student Affairs

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.

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Kasie Durkit                Jodi Webb
Speaker of the Senate      Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government
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In the Senate of the Undergraduate Student Body here assembled,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

56. Therefore, let it be further resolved that the internal committee relating to Undergraduate Student Affairs will be responsible for addressing the specific needs of 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.
THE SENATE OF THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT BODY

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

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Kasie Durkit
Speaker of the Senate

I do hereby approve and order this legislation into effect.

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Jodi Webb
Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government

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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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Jodi Webb
Adviser of the Undergraduate Student Government

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Jill Carr
Vice President of Student Affairs at Bowling Green State University