Agenda for November 11, 2021
Regular Session

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The University of Alabama
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authored by: Senator Drew St. Charles


Endorsed by:

A RESOLUTION TO LOOK INTO THE FEASIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL-COLLEGE GET ON BOARD DAYS

Whereas, the Source reports that they currently coordinate over 600 registered student organizations at UA

Whereas, the majority of these organizations sign up to attend the Source’s annual Get On Board Day, which allows students to get connected with different organizations

Whereas, the event draws thousands of students over the course of its 3-4 hour run time

Whereas, the clubs that attend this event heavily rely on it to build strong new member classes and remain a club on campus

Whereas, some students cannot attend this event, which is only held once per year, and some of the students who do come are unable to locate or visit all of the booths of clubs they are interested in
Whereas, students may miss out on clubs that may be vital to their college experience, or crucial to building the knowledge for their planned career path as a result of not speaking to them at recruitment events such as GOBD

Therefore, be it resolved that the University of Alabama Student Government Association requests that the eight colleges that have representation in Senate (Arts & Sciences, Business, Communication & Information Sciences, Education, Engineering, Human & Environmental Sciences, Nursing, Social Work) look into the feasibility of implementing individualized college Get On Board Days around the same time period as the general Get On Board Day

Be it further resolved, that the SGA reiterates it is only asking that the feasibility of such a program being set up within each college be analyzed as a solution to the problem outlined above, and fully understands individualized Get On Board Days may not work with the internal operations or plan of each college

Be it further resolved, that the SGA recommends that if any colleges find that this a viable and necessary implementation, that they should reach out to the Source regarding logistical advice, as well as alerting organizations within their collegiate focus of the opportunity

Be it further resolved, that if any colleges implement an individualized Get On Board Day upon finding it to be a viable option, the SGA will assist that college with marketing for the event, as well as evaluate the resources it can provide based off what each college would need to make the event possible

Be it further resolved, that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. James Dalton, Executive Vice President and Provost; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice-President for Student Life; Angel Narvez Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; Dr. Joseph P. Messina, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; Dr. Kay Palan, Dean of the Culverhouse College of Business; Dr. Mark Nelson, Dean of the College of Communications & Information Sciences; Peter Hlebowitsh, Dean of the College of Education; Dr. William Edward Beck, Interim Dean of the College of Engineering; Dr. Stuart Usdan, Dean of the College of Human Environmental Sciences; Dr. Suzanne Prevost, Dean of the Capstone College of Nursing; Dr. Schnavia Hatcher, Dean of the School of Social Work; The Crimson
White Editor-in-Chief; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.
Resolution R-31-21
The University of Alabama
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator John McLendon, Senator Andrew Bregman


Endorsements: Mr and Mrs Walker, Walker Wing President of Delta Chi, Sam Rickert Executive Vice President, Amanda Allen Vice President Academic Affairs, Colin Marcum Executive Secretary, Jillian Fields SGA President, Madeline Martin Vice President External Affairs, Sullivan Irvine Vice President Financial Affairs,

**A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE OF GARRETT WALKER**

*Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.*

**WHEREAS,** Garrett Walker was a member of the Delta Chi Fraternity and was a beloved brother; and

**WHEREAS,** Garrett will leave a lasting impression on those who were fortunate enough to call him a friend; and
**WHEREAS**, Garrett’s personality allowed those in contact with him to feel loved and appreciated; and

**WHEREAS**, the Theta Sigma chapter of Delta Chi and the University of Alabama community as a whole lost a beloved and valued brother and member on November 9, 2021, with the passing away of Garrett Walker; and

**THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED**, Garrett Walker will forever be remembered and loved by every member of the University of Alabama, and the Student Government Association extends our deepest condolences to the Walker family and his friends

**Be it further resolved**, that copies of this resolution be sent to: Mr. and Ms. Walker; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. James Dalton, Executive Vice President and Provost; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice-President for Student Life; Keely Brewer, Editor-in-Chief of *The Crimson White*; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.
Resolution R-32-21
The University of Alabama
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Andrew Bregman; Colin Marcum, Executive Secretary


Endorsements: Jillian Fields; President, Sid Elkins, SGA Webmaster; Sam Rickert; Executive Vice President, Jack Steinmetz; Vice President for Student Affairs, Madeline Martin; Vice President for External Affairs, Amanda Allen; Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lauren Gilonske; Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Sullivan Irvine; Vice President for Financial Affairs, Nathan Yamaguchi; Chief of Staff, Sid Elkins, SGA Webmaster

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE INTEGRATION OF NOTION AS THE HOST FOR SGA’s INITIATIVE TRACKER

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

WHEREAS, currently The University of Southern California hosts their initiative tracker using Notions platform; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama’s Student Government Association is seeking a suitable platform to host their own initiative tracker; and,
WHEREAS, Notions platform will allow UASGA to cross collaborate on events and initiatives while also pushing its goal of remaining open and transparent to the student body; now,

THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, UASGA will host their initiative tracker using Notions platform. The software will require an eight dollar subscription per month. Funding for the subscription will be sourced from the SGA Advisors technology budget. The platform will be monitored and updated by the Executive Secretary.

Be it further resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to: Angel Narvaez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Sid Elkins, SGA Webmaster; Trinity Hunter, Chief Administrative Officer; Elise Luoma, Chief Administrative Officer; AnnAdair Blackledge, Chief Administrative Officer; Kat Guillo, Chief Administrative Officer; Hanna Pohlmann, Chief Administrative Officer; Eric Doh, Chief Administrative Officer; Elijah Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer; Kennedy Carter, SAFE Center Director; Marcella Martinez, Director of Lobby Board; Garrett Mayo, Director of Lobby Board; Will Bradley, Director of FYC; Darius Thomas, Speaker of the Senate; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.
A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS TO INCLUDE THE SGA INITIATIVE TRACKER WITHIN THE OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY DUTIES

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

Section 1. Findings:

A. Per the SGA Code of Laws, the Executive Secretary shall maintain records of all executive council and SGA business.
B. The SGA Initiative Tracker currently does not reside within the Executive Secretary’s list of responsibilities nor is the initiative tracker included anywhere within the Code of Laws.

C. A Bureau of Archivists is required to aid in the maintenance of the complex records of the organization

Section 2. Legislation: changes in red

Chapter 201.8 The Executive Secretary

Chapter 201.8.1 The Executive Secretary shall maintain a permanent, public record of all executive business, including Executive Council meetings.

Chapter 201.8.2 Failure to make any relevant updates of amendments to the Code of Laws and Constitution within 14 calendar days shall be grounds for any student to file for impeachment.

Chapter 201.8.3 The Executive Secretary shall be the SGA’s historian.

Chapter 201.8.4 The Executive Secretary shall record the office hours served by SGA executive officers and weekly post those hours on the SGA website.

Chapter 201.8.5 The Executive Secretary shall perform other duties assigned by the President or the Executive Council.

Chapter 201.8.6 The Executive Secretary shall oversee and maintain the SGA Initiative Tracker on a monthly basis in correlation with the academic calendar.

Chapter 201.8.6.1 The Executive Secretary shall appoint whomever they deem necessary to aid with the updating of the initiative tracker (ie: Secretary of the Senate, Secretary of First Year Council, etc.)

Section 3. Copies:

Copies of this bill shall be sent to: Angel Narvaez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Sid Elkins, SGA Webmaster; Trinity Hunter, Chief Administrative Officer; Elise Luoma, Chief Administrative Officer; AnnAdair Blackledge, Chief Administrative Officer; Kat Guillo, Chief Administrative Officer; Hanna Pohlmann, Chief Administrative Officer; Eric Doh,
Chief Administrative Officer; Elijah Thompson, Chief Administrative Officer; Kennedy Carter, SAFE Center Director; Marcella Martinez, Director of Lobby Board; Garrett Mayo, Director of Lobby Board; Will Bradley, Director of FYC; Darius Thomas, Speaker of the Senate; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.
Bill B-10-21
The University of Alabama
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authored by: Speaker of the Senate Darius Thomas, Senator Drew St. Charles


Endorsed by:

A BILL TO INCLUDE A CLOSING REMARKS PERIOD IN THE SENATE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled:

Section 1. The Senate finds the following:

A. Robert’s Rules of Order are intended as a generalized debate guideline that can be adapted to best meet the needs of the legislative body
B. Outside of presenting and summarizing legislation, the author of the legislation’s only speaking in the presentation process would be through points or motions
C. A concluding remarks period would allow the author of the legislation to give more information on the topic or explain parts that may not have been covered or apparent from the summarization period, provide an informed pro-argument to
ensure all Senators have researched arguments from all sides, or clear up any misconceptions or miscommunications from the summarization/debate period

Section 2. Legislation: Changes in red

Chapter 501 Special Rules of the Senate Chapter

501.1 When the Senate is in session, the Senate shall be governed by Robert’s Rules of Order, Newly Revised and any additional rules that the Senate may adopt.

Chapter 501.2 Amending the Rules of the Senate Chapter

501.2.1 Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised shall be superseded by any special rule of order that the Senate may adopt, but must be adopted under the requirements of Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised via a bill.

Chapter 501.2.2 The special rules of the Senate will be recorded in Chapter 501.

Chapter 501.3 All members shall have as much time as they may consume to express their remarks during general debate (outside of closing remarks) and during technical question sessions.

Chapter 501.4 During second readings after consideration by one or more Senate committees, legislation can have the following recommendations:

Chapter 501.4.1 Receive a favorable recommendation—a majority of Senate committee members present vote for a favorable recommendation.

Chapter 501.4.2 Receive an unfavorable recommendation—a majority of Senate committee members present vote for an unfavorable recommendation.

Chapter 501.4.3 Receive no recommendation—a majority of Senate committee members present vote to give no recommendation.

Chapter 501.4.4 Be tabled—a majority of Senate committee members present vote for tabling the legislation for further review.

Chapter 501.4.5 Legislation may be taken from the table in a Senate committee by a majority vote of committee members present.
Chapter 501.5 Proxies

Chapter 501.5.1 For the purposes of this chapter, a proxy is hereby defined as a member of the student body who is designated by a member of the Senate to voice the opinions of the represented Senator and to cast votes on legislation in the absence of said Senator.

Chapter 501.5.1.1 A Senator may not serve as a proxy for another Senator.

Chapter 501.5.1.2 A proxy may only represent one Senator at a time.

Chapter 501.5.2 A proxy shall carry on their persons written or electronic documentation stating that the student is authorized to represent the Senator, and must bear the authorization of the Senator whom the proxy is representing.

Chapter 501.5.3 A proxy shall be able to vote on all business before the Senate in place of the Senator they are representing, including voting on all legislation, motions, and confirmations.

Chapter 501.5.3.1 A proxy shall not be able to speak without unanimous consent of the Senate.

Chapter 501.5.3.2 A proxy shall not be able to make or second motions or make points of order, information, inquiry, or privilege.

Chapter 501.5.4 Proxies shall count towards quorum.

Chapter 501.5.5 The names of all proxies along with which Senator they proxied for shall be published with the minutes of each Senate meeting.

Chapter 501.6 Closing Remarks Period

Chapter 501.6.1 Following the conclusion of Pro-Con debate, the author of the legislation will be granted an optional period for concluding remarks lasting no longer than a minute and a half.
Chapter 501.6.2 To indicate intent to deliver concluding remarks, the author must ask for “permission to deliver concluding remarks” after Pro-Con debate has ended.

Chapter 501.6.3 The Speaker of the Senate has the authority to rule a concluding remarks period dilatory per only the following instances written below.

Chapter 501.6.3.1 The Speaker of the Senate may rule a concluding remarks period dilatory if it is clear in their eyes that no points have been brought up which may need further elaboration or clarification on behalf of the author.

Chapter 501.6.3.2 The Speaker of the Senate may additionally rule a concluding remarks period as dilatory in the interest of time if the number of pro speeches outnumbers the amount of con speeches by at least five.

Chapter 501.6.3.3 If a Senator disagrees the decision to rule the period dilatory, they may motion to reconsider, and this will proceed to a vote by voice acclamation given a second from another Senator. In order to be reconsidered, the vote must pass by simple majority.
Resolution R-33-21  
The University of Alabama  
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authored by: Senator John Dodd


Endorsed by:

A RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STATUE IN HONOR CHIEF TUSSALUSA

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is located in the city of Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and,

WHEREAS, The modern city of Tuscaloosa, Alabama is named after Chief Tuskalusa, and is located on land previously inhabited by the people of the Choctaw, Creek, and Cherokee nations; and,

WHEREAS, The city of Tuscaloosa, Alabama’s slogan is “Tuscaloosa, the One and Only” in reference to the fact that it is the only city in the world with that exact name; and,
WHEREAS, Chief Tuskalusa was a paramount chief of a Mississippian chiefdom in what is now the U.S. state of Alabama. Chief Tuskalusa is notable for leading the Battle of Mabila at his fortified village against Spanish conquerors in an effort to protect his community; and,

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is constructed alongside, and benefits from the resources of, the Black Warrior River; and,

WHEREAS, The Black Warrior River’s name is derived from Chief Tuskalusa, being that “Tuskalusa” translates to “Black Warrior” in the Western Muskogean language; and,

WHEREAS, Throughout the United States, Native American depictions in public statuary are often not accurate and are offensive to the Native American culture; and,

WHEREAS, It is The University of Alabama’s obligation to properly honor the true heritage of the land it is constructed on today; and,

THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED, that the University of Alabama Student Government Association implores The University of Alabama to fund the construction of a statue to honor Chief Tuskalusa in coordination with the Moundville Archaeological Park and the American Indian nations who have a claim to Chief Tuskalua’s legacy.

Be it further resolved, that the erection of this statue be on the property of The University of Alabama’s portion of the Black Warrior River Riverwalk

Be it further resolved, that copies of this resolution be to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice President of Student Life; Tonjanita Johnson, Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, Dr. Christine Taylor, Vice President and Associate Provost for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Dr. Steven Hood, Senior Associate Vice President; Dr. Stacy Jones, Interim Dean of Students; Jim Dalton, Executive Vice President and Provost; Donald Elswick, Executive Director in the Director’s Office; Keely Brewer, Editor-In-Chief of The Crimson White; Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; Chapman Greer, President of Faculty Senate; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Advisor of the Student Government Association; Dr. Ruperto Perez, Associate Vice President for Student Health and Well-being.
Bill B-11-21
The University of Alabama
26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Hope Rider; Executive Secretary, Colin Marcum

Sponsors: Senator CJ Pearson; Senator Taryn Geiger; Speaker Darius Thomas; Senator Ella Kutner; Senator Andrew Bregman; Senator Grant Haidu; Senator Deborah Oberkor; Senator Jennifer Baggett; Senator Benner Page; Senator Mary Kate Grossmann; Senator Sims Johnson; Senator John Dodd; Senator Katie Morris; Senator Lauryn Parker; Senator Ruthanne Carter; Senator John McLendon; Senator Hallie Sara Foster

Endorsements: Jillian Fields; President, Sam Rickert; Executive Vice President, Jack Steinmetz; Vice President for Student Affairs, Madeline Martin; Amanda Allen, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Vice President for External Affairs, Sullivan Irvine; Vice President for Financial Affairs; Nathan Yamaguchi; Chief of Staff

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS TO ADD SPECIFIC OFFICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS FOR LAW SCHOOL AND GRADUATE STUDENT SENATORS

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.

Section 1. Findings:

1. Currently every member of the Senate is required to achieve their office hours through the SGA office or through external office hours including law school and graduate school senators.

2. The Code of Laws does not currently include an exception for law school and graduate school senators office hour requirements.
3. Due to the large commitment to be a law school or graduate school student, the requirement that office hours must be obtained through physical attendance within the SGA office is not in the best academic interest of those designated senators.

4. In effort to provide these senators with the ability to achieve academic success while maintaining their involvement within The Student Government Association it is necessary that the SGA pursue more appropriate locations for those senators to achieve their monthly office hour requirements.

Section 2. Legislation: changes in red

Chapter 302.4 Office Hours

Chapter 302.4.1 Each Senator is obligated to perform three office hours per week for every academic week in which the Senate has convened.

Chapter 302.4.2 The Speaker of the Senate and the Secretary of the Senate shall be obligated to perform three office hours per week for every academic week in which the Senate has convened.

Chapter 302.4.3 Senators may contribute time spent as any committee meeting, including the meetings of the Financial Affairs Committee, towards the fulfillment of office hours, so long as the time spent in those meetings has been documented.

Chapter 302.4.4 After every four weeks in which the Senate has met, the Secretary of the Senate shall tally the total number of hours completed by each Senator performed during that month.

Chapter 302.4.5 If the average number of office hours is less than three hours per week for Senators or three hours for the officers stated in Chapter 302.4, then the offending Senator shall accrue one unexcused absence.

Chapter 302.4.6 Senators currently enrolled in graduate school or law school who currently serve within a graduate or law school seat may obtain their three office hours within both the SGA office and/or their designated library (ie: Bounds Law Library, Gorgas Library, etc.).
Chapter 302.4.6.1 In the case that a law school or graduate school senator is not available on campus to achieve their office hour requirement an alternate location can be approved through the Executive Secretary (ie: a semester long internship, Co-Op, etc.).

Chapter 302.4.6.2 All law school and graduate school senators must submit their hours using the external office hour form available on the Student Government Association website. If a senator fails to submit their form for the designated week they accrue one unexcused absence.

Section 3. Copies: Copies of this bill shall be sent to: Angel Narvaez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Alex Howard, Chief of Staff to the Executive Secretary