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# The University of Alabama 26th Student Senate 2021-2022

## Agenda for February 3, 2022 Regular Session

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
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Resolution R-05-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Collier Dobbs, Senator Hope Rider

**Sponsors:** Senator Lauryn Parker, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Nate Fulmer, Senator Charlie Parse, Senator Taryn Geiger, Senator Charlie Crouse, Senator John Richardson, Senator Aaron Wilkes, Senator Emmett Wilson, Senator Sarah Mason Avery, Senator Benner Page, Senator Justin McCleskey, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Izzy Talbert, Hallie Sara Foster, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator Paige Hoss, Senator CJ Pearson, Senator Jordan Jones, Senator Andrew Bregman, Senator Grant Haidu, Senator Rebecca Rose Lutonsky, Senator Will Goodloe, Senator Ruthanne Carter, Senator Luke Schroeder, Senator Rachel Cordry, Speaker Darius Thomas, Secretary Grace Federico

**Endorsements:** Vice President for Student Affairs Jack Steinmetz, Vice President for Academic Affairs Amanda Allen, Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Lauren Gilonske, Executive Secretary Colin Marcum

#### A RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S ACTION

#### CARD OFFICE TO REINSTITUTE PHYSICAL ACTION CARDS

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

*WHEREAS*, the student body has expressed concern regarding the lack of accessibility in not having a physical action card;

WHEREAS, many students at the University of Alabama are hindered and or obstructed by the

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barriers regarding a purely virtual action card;

*WHEREAS*, many students would benefit by having the accessibility of having the option to opt in for a physical action card; and

*WHEREAS*, it would be advantageous for the student body, residential assistants, and the action card department to have physical action cards; and

**THEREFORE**, *be it resolved*, the University of Alabama Action Card Office look into the feasibility of creating a program giving students the option to opt in to have a physical action card.

*Be it further resolved*, that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Dr. Stuart Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Meagan Bennett, Director of Customer Relations for the University of Alabama's OIT Department; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Student Government Association Advisor; Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice President for Student Life; Nathan Yamaguchi, Chief of Staff of the Student Government Association; Sid Elkins, Director of IT & Webmaster for the Student Government Association; Colin Marcum, Executive Secretary for the Student Government Association; Dehua Tian, Senior Programmer Analyst; Jeanine Brooks, Director of Action Card Department.



## Resolution R-06-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Author: Senator Alison Gaston

**Sponsors:** Senator Katie Morris, Senator Cameron Doyle, Senator Collier Dobbs, Senator Taryn Geiger, Senator Charlie Crouse, Senator John Richardson, Senator Justin McCleskey, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Sarah Beth Corona, Senator Hallie Foster, Senator Sims Johnson, Secretary Grace Federico, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator John Dodd, Senator CJ Pearson, Senator Luke Dille, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Senator Jordan Jones, Senator Andrew Bregman, Speaker Darius Thomas

**Endorsements:** Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; Dr. Jennifer Humber, President of the Alabama Advising Association

## A RESOLUTION FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA TO CREATE A CENTRAL WEBPAGE CONTAINING ADVISORS OF EVERY COLLEGE

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

*WHEREAS*, the University of Alabama has 79 undergraduate degrees with 69 majors for students to choose from; and

WHEREAS, many of these majors require students to have majors or minors in another college; and

*WHEREAS*, students minoring in a subject at the University of Alabama or students with a secondary major do not have an assigned advisor on DegreeWorks for their minor or secondary major; and

*WHEREAS*, students may have difficulty finding advisors within a college they are not familiar with; and

*WHEREAS*, advisors give guidance for picking classes in order to graduate on time and contribute to their future career.

*THEREFORE, be it resolved,* The University of Alabama Student Government Association supports the University of Alabama for creating a webpage on the Student Government Association website and MyBama that outlines who students can reach out to when choosing classes for minors and secondary majors, or for other questions relating to classes in any college.

*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; Dr. Jennifer Humber, Director of Student Services; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; Keely Brewer, The Crimson White Editor-in-Chief; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.





Resolution R-07-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Andrew Bregman; Senator Jordan Jones

**Sponsors:** Senator Collier Dobbs, Senator Nate Fulmer, Senator Rachel Cordry, Senator Taryn Geiger, Senator Rebecca Lutonsky, Senator John Richardson, Senator Alison Gaston, Senator Sarah Avery, Senator Justin McCleskey, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Ruthanne Carter, Senator John McLendon, Senator Izzy Talbert, Senator Hallie Foster, Senator Henry Boyle, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator Grayson Shook, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Senator Porter O'Doherty, Speaker Darius Thomas, Secretary Grace Federico

Endorsements: Sam Rickert; Executive Vice President

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SGA OFFICE TO SERVE AS A REPOSITORY TO DISTRIBUTE THE MASKS SUPPLIED BY THE DIVISION OF STUDENT LIFE

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

*WHEREAS*, the University of Alabama requires the wearing of masks inside of all academic and university owned buildings, regardless of vaccination status; and,

*WHEREAS*, the University of Alabama currently supplies masks for students in a limited capacity; and,

*WHEREAS*, the state of Alabama has seen an increase in positive COVID-19 cases due to complications such as the Omicron Variant; and,

*WHEREAS*, there has been 523 reported positive cases at the University of Alabama--Tuscaloosa from 1/17-1/23; and,

*WHEREAS*, Dr. Perez and Dr. Hood have worked closely with the University's Procurement office and the Student Government Association to acquire masks; now,

*THEREFORE*, *be it resolved*, that the University of Alabama Student Government Association office will now serve as a repository to distribute the masks supplied by the Division of Student Life; and,

*Be it further resolved*, that these masks be made available at Student Government Association office.

*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 Narvaez-Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; ; Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; *The Crimson White* Editor-in-Chief; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.





Resolution R-08-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Taryn Geiger

**Sponsors:** Senator John Richardson, Senator Alison Gaston, Senator Justin McCleskey, Secretary Grace Federico, Senator CJ Pearson, Senator Hope Rider, Senator Jennifer Baggett, Senator Andrew Bregman, Senator Jordan Jones, Senator Cameron Doyle, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Collier Dobbs, Senator Hallie Foster, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Speaker Darius Thomas

Endorsements: Sam Rickert; Executive Vice President

#### A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN END-OF-YEAR MEAL SWIPE DONATION OPTION ON THE BAMADINING WEBSITE

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

*WHEREAS*, A number of students at the University of Alabama face food insecurity and seek aid from BamaDining and The University of Alabama itself; and

*WHEREAS*, many students have a remaining balance of meal swipes at the conclusion of the spring semester that are unable to be used in the upcoming fall semester; and

*WHEREAS*, these meal swipes can be donated to a "Swipe Bank" through the *Got Meals*? program already established on the BamaDining website; and

*WHEREAS*, the left-over swipes will be distributed to students who use the meal allotment application on the BamaDining website or meet with a case manager to receive approval for meal donations; and

*WHEREAS*, students will be able to help their peers who would otherwise be unable to afford meal swipes through the university;

**THEREFORE**, be it resolved, a grey box will be added to the bottom of the *Got Meals*? page on BamaDining's website that allows students to opt-into donating their unused meal swipes at the conclusion of the spring semester.

*Be it further resolved*, that this opt-in be implemented before the end of the spring semester to allow students the option to begin this process for the 2022 academic year.

*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; The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; Angel Narvarez Lugo; Kristina Patridge, Director of University Dining Services; Keely Brewer, Editor-in-Chief of The Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.





Resolution R-09-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator Collier Dobbs, President of the Student Government Association Jill Fields

**Sponsors:** Senator Lauryn Parker, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Nate Fulmer, Senator Charlie Crouse, Senator Aaron Wilkes, Senator Sarah Mason Avery, Senator Justin McCleskey, Senator Drew St. Charles, Senator Sara Beth Corona, Senator John McLendon, Senator Izzy Talbert, Senator Luke Schroeder, Senator Deborah Oberkor, Senator John Dodd, Senator CJ Pearson, Senator Porter O'Doherty, Senator Andrew Bregman, Senator Hope Rider, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator Jordan Jones, Speaker Darius Thomas, Secretary Grace Federico, Senator Taryn Geiger

Sponsors: Vote Everywhere UA, Madeline Martin; Vice President of External Affairs

# A RESOLUTION TO GUARANTEE THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO VOTE FOR

#### ALL TUSCALOOSA RESIDENTS

Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled. WHEREAS, The Tuscaloosa City Council has proposed the vote to move municipal elections to the month of May; and

*WHEREAS*, The University of Alabama's academic year ends May 6, 2022, and a majority of students go back to their respective cities during this time; and

WHEREAS, a majority of students registered to vote in the City of Tuscaloosa elections will not

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be in the City of Tuscaloosa during the proposed election time; and *WHEREAS*, this would affect all student voters not only from the University of Alabama but also from Shelton State and Stillman Colleges; and

*WHEREAS*, The City of Tuscaloosa looks to benefit from the inclusion of students in its official census count by joining other college towns across the country in challenging the 2020 Census regarding the exclusion of students in the city's population count; and

*WHEREAS*, local businesses and the City of Tuscaloosa receive hundreds of millions of dollars in revenue annually from students and student events such as sorority recruitment and athletics;

*WHEREAS*, The Constitution of the United States of America guarantees every citizen the right to vote and prohibits any level of government's ability to disenfranchise citizens based on any circumstance.

*WHEREAS*, the postponement of the Tuscaloosa City Council election to the month of May would: indirectly disenfranchise thousands of students, deprive students of their ability to use their vote to voice their opinion regarding which elected officials govern over the city students spend most of their year in, and deprive students of their ability to use their vote to voice their concerns regarding issues within the City of Tuscaloosa;

*THEREFORE, be it resolved,* The Student Government Association strongly encourages the state legislative delegation to vote against any efforts to disenfranchise the students of the University of Alabama from participating in the democratic process.

*Be it further resolved*, that copies of this Resolution be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Myron Pope, Vice President of Student Life; Keely Brewer, Editor-In-Chief of The Crimson White; Jillian Fields, President of the Student Government Association; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, The University of Alabama Student Government Advisor; Matthew Wilson, Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; Raevan Howard, Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; Lee Busby,

Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; Kip Tyner Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; John Faile, Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; Cassius Lanier, Councilor for the Tuscaloosa City Council; Walt Maddox, Mayor of Tuscaloosa; Alli Swann, President of UA Vote Everywhere; Cynthia Almond, Representative for District 63 in the Alabama House of Representatives; Rich Wingo, Representative for District 62 in the Alabama House of Representatives; Christopher J. England; Representative for District 70 in the Alabama House of Representatives; Greg Reed, Senator for District 5 in the Alabama State Senate; Gerald Allen, Senator for District 21 in the Alabama State Senate; Bobby Singleton, Senator for District 24 in the Alabama State Senate.



## Constitutional Amendment C-01-22 The University of Alabama 26th Senate 2021-2022

Authors: Senator John Richardson

Sponsors: Senator Porter O'Doherty, Senator Sims Johnson, Senator Lauren Rouse, Speaker Darius Thomas, Senator Justin Mccleskey, Senator Jordon Jones, Senator Hallie Foster, Senator Katie Morris, Senator Taryn Geiger

Endorsements: Jillian Fields, SGA President; Jack Steinmetz, Vice President for Student Affairs; Amanda Allen, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Madeline Martin, Vice President for External Affairs; Lauren Gilonske, Vice President for DEI; Colin Marcum, Executive Secretary; Bayley St. Clair, Parliamentarian

## AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION TO CHANGE SGA HOMECOMING RESPONSIBILITIES

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

Section 1. Findings:

A. The SGA is no longer responsible for any aspect of Homecoming.

- The Constitution does not reflect this change.
- Therefore, to keep the Constitution updated, all mentions of Homecoming must be removed from the document.

Section 2. Amendment to the Constitution: changes in red

#### **ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP**

Section 2, Clause B: However, SGA members may also serve on Homecoming Committees and

as Directors, with the exception of Executive Homecoming Director, while also serving in another position within the SGA.

#### ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Section 9, Clause C: The Vice President for Student Affairs shall propose and execute policies of

the SGA in such areas as social policies, recreation and entertainment, athletic events, Homecoming, spirit events, special campus events, and other projects, programs, and initiatives related to student affairs. In carrying out the duties of this office the Vice President for Student Affairs shall:

#### ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS AND CONVENTION

Section 2, Clause C: Referenda on amendments shall be held only during the spring SGA election

#### or fall Homecoming election.

Section 3, Clause C: The students at The University of Alabama approve this Convention Resolution by a nine-thirteenths majority vote of those voting in either the spring SGA election or the fall Homecoming election.

Section 3, Clause D: A constitutional convention that has been called must be composed of elected delegates from each of the schools and colleges at The University of Alabama so as to equal two times the apportionment of Senate seats among the schools and colleges as outlined in Article III, Section 2 of this Constitution. Delegates must stand for election in a campus wide vote thirty full-class days after the spring SGA election or fall Homecoming election that calls the constitutional convention as outlined in Section 3, subsection A of this Article.

#### **ARTICLE XII - RATIFICATION**

Section 4. Legitimacy and Awareness: This amendment, if passed in the Senate by the appropriate margins, will be posted at least two (2) weeks in advance of the spring SGA Elections on the SGA website for students to review.