



The University of Alabama

27th Student Senate

2022-2023

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Director of Initiatives

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Announcements
 - a. Capstone Creed and SGA Mission Statement – Senator John McLendon and Senator Myles Gollop
- III. Old Business
 - a. **B-16-22 A BILLREQUIRING THE POSTING OF THE SENATE DOCKET TO THE SGA WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES PRIOR TO ALL SENATE MEETINGS**
 - b. **B-17-22 A BILL TO REVIEW OFFICE HOURS IN THE SGA CODE OF LAWS**
- IV. New Business
 - a. **R-25-22 A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RENOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF GORGAS LIBRARY AND ROGERS LIBRARY FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**
- V. Adjourn



Bill B-16-22
The University of Alabama
27th Senate
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Authors: Senator Elizabeth Prophet, Senator Tyler Tannehill

Sponsors: Senator Karina Collins, Senator Xzarria Peterson

Endorsements:

A BILL REQUIRING THE POSTING OF THE SENATE DOCKET TO THE SGA WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES PRIOR TO ALL SENATE MEETINGS

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

Section 1. Findings:

- A. In a recent decision issued by the Judicial Board, it was ordered by the Court that A-03-21, which required the posting of the Senate docket prior to Senate meetings, was invalidated under the pretense that it did not pertain to “matters involving “some sort of monetary allocation”.
- B. To continue the mission of increasing transparency and accessibility in SGA, this bill aims to reestablish the requirement of posting the Senate docket to both the SGA website and social media outlets prior to all Senate meetings.

Section 2. Legislation: changes in red

Chapter 202 Appointed Officers

Chapter 202.1 Webmaster

Chapter 202.1.3 Duties and Restrictions

Chapter 202.1.3.5 The SGA Webmaster shall be responsible for receiving the weekly Senate docket from the Secretary of the Senate and posting it on the SGA website at least 24 hours prior to Senate meetings.

Chapter 202.4 Director of Communications

Chapter 202.4.5 The Director of Communications shall be responsible for working with the SGA Webmaster and/or Press Secretary to post the weekly Senate docket link on all SGA social media platforms at least 24 hours prior to Senate meetings (ex: Instagram, Facebook, etc.).

Chapter 303 Officers of the Senate

Chapter 303.5 Secretary of the Senate

Chapter 303.5.5 The Secretary of the Senate shall be responsible for sending the weekly Senate docket to the Webmaster and Director of Communications so that they can publish the docket publicly at least 24 hours prior to Senate meetings.

Section 3. Copies:

Copies of this bill shall be sent to Madeline Martin, SGA President; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Advisor; Taryn Geiger, Secretary of Senate; Sid Elkins, Webmaster; Claire Dubreuil, Director of Communications; Bhavana Ravala, Editor-in-Chief, *The Crimson White*; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



Bill B-17-22
The University of Alabama
27th Senate
2022-2023

Authors: Senator Xzarria Peterson

Sponsors: Senator Tyler Tannehill, Senator Elizabeth Prophet, Senator Karina Collins

A BILL TO REVISE OFFICE HOURS IN THE SGA CODE OF LAWS

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

Section 1. Findings:

- A. Keeping a record of consistent office hours for each Senator can encourage the student body to schedule meeting times in the future.
- B. Clarification of SGA elected and appointed members' requirements concerning office hours will alleviate future confusion.
- C. The SGA website will contain an up-to-date calendar with all one-hour blocks for Senators and it will be updated as things are subject to change

Section 2. Legislation:

Chapter 302 Duties of Senators

Chapter 302.1 Senators shall address all concerns of the student body of the University of Alabama.

Chapter 302.2 Senators shall make themselves accessible and accountable to their constituents.

Chapter 302.3 Attendance

Chapter 302.3.1 A Senator who must be absent from a Senate meeting for any reason must notify the Secretary of the Senate, in writing, at least twenty-four hours prior to the convening of the next Senate meeting.

Chapter 302.3.2 If the reason for the Senator's absence is due to their being present at an event representing the University of Alabama or the Student Government Association in an official capacity (e.g., conferences, awards banquets) shall be deemed an excused absence.

Chapter 302.3.3 If the reason for the Senator's absence is any other reason, it shall be deemed an unexcused absence. The Secretary of the Senate shall hold the authority to determine whether an absence is excused or unexcused.

Chapter 302.3.4 A Senator shall resign if any conflict causes him or her to be unable to attend regular business meetings of the Senate.

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 at 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.



Resolution R-25-22

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Authors: Senator Clay Bruce; Cameron Doyle, Vice President for Academic Affairs

Sponsors: Speaker of the Senate CJ Pearson

Endorsements: Dr. Donald Gilstrap; Dean and Professor of University Libraries, Collier Dobbs; VP External Affairs, Luke Dille; VP Student Affairs, Izzy Boyd; VP Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Laurn Parker; VP Financial Affairs

**A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RENOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF
GORGAS LIBRARY AND RODGERS LIBRARY FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

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

WHEREAS, The University of Alabama is dedicated to continually improving its infrastructure and accessibility to accommodate the needs of a growing student body; and,

WHEREAS, Gorgas Library and Rodgers Library for Science and Engineering continue to be the two most popular libraries on campus for study, team work, and research due to their resources, technologies, and professional assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the recent renovations to Bruno Business Library have brought popular new spaces designed and designated for team work, library research, study, advanced research technology, and consultation areas available for students in the Culverhouse College of Business provided by University Libraries professionals; and,

WHEREAS, modern renovations bring needed updates to students' library research needs in the twenty-first century while helping students excel in academic pursuits in preparation for a competitive global workforce which further improves the University of Alabama's status as a flagship public research university; and,

WHEREAS, the return on investment in the University Libraries funded by tuition continues to be at a high level; and,

WHEREAS, the University Libraries Master Plan 2022 continues to remain extremely relevant for our research needs; and,

WHEREAS, the University Libraries 2022-25 Strategic Plan aims to "evaluate and update existing physical and virtual spaces to align services, collections, and changes in resources and technology with the evolving needs of users"; and,

WHEREAS, the University Libraries 2022-25 Strategic Plan aims to "maintain innovative research spaces for collaboration and instruction that accommodate established and emerging technologies"; and,

WHEREAS, a renovated Library and a renovated Rodgers Library for Science and Engineering would provide greater flexibility, accessibility, and comfort for students compared to their current configuration, whether that be in group or individual settings;

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that The University of Alabama Student Government Association encourages The University of Alabama to provide necessary funding toward the University Libraries Master Plan 2022 for construction and renovation of Gorgas Library and Rodgers Library for Science and Engineering.

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, University of Alabama Executive Vice President and Provost; Matthew M. Fajack, University of Alabama Vice President Finance and Operations; Dr. Donald Gilstrap, Dean and Professor of University Libraries; Emy Decker, University Libraries Strategic Planning Committee Chair; Angel Navarez-Lugo, SGA Advisor; Madeline Martin, SGA President; Cameron Doyle, SGA Vice President for Academic Affairs; *The Crimson White*; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.