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A BILL TO AMEND THE SGA CODE OF LAWS TO ACCURATELY REFLECT THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

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

Section 1. Findings:

A. Since the Joiner Administration, under VP for DEI McTier, UA SGA has taken a more gender, financial, and community-minded inclusive approach to our programming with CrossingPoints and has adopted the event *Miss Unique UA* into *Tide Talent*

- B. As male students have traditionally outnumbered female students in CrossingPoints 3:1 and pageants are cost-intensive for participants and SGA, SGA adapted *Miss Unique UA* to become *Tide Talent*. This decision was made when SGA found there was little to no-demand for a beauty pageant by meeting with CrossingPoints students and faculty.
- C. Tide Talent continues to grow in scale and popularity, and the DEI Cabinet and CrossingPoints look forward to Tide Talent's third year.
- D. As future CrossingPoints students should have the freedom to decide what events SGA hosts with CrossingPoints, Chapter 201.7 should be amended to state "an annual event with CrossingPoints."

Section 2. Legislation:

Chapter 201.7: The Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Chapter 201.7.2.1: The Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall be responsible for planning the annual Miss Unique UA event."

Chapter 201.7.2.1: "The Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion shall be responsible for planning an annual event with CrossingPoints."

Section 3. Copies:

Copies of this bill shall be sent to Madeline Martin, SGA President; Angel Narvaez-Lugo, Advisor; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.