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AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION CONSOLIDATING THE EXECUTIVE CABINET

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

Section 1. Findings:

- A. The Constitution has language that needs to be fixed for grammatical and tense purposes.
- B. There existed an ambiguous nature on the fulfillment of positions.
- C. An opportunity exist for the executive cabinet to be streamlined by combining several positions.

Section 2. Amendment to the Constitution: changes in red

ARTICLE IV - EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Section 10: Executive Cabinet. The President shall create appointed positions within the Executive Branch that serve the President in the administration and facilitation of the duties of his or her office. These appointed positions shall be listed below, and their duties shall be enumerated in the Code of Laws. All executive cabinet positions with the title of "Chief" shall be permanent Executive Cabinet positions. Furthermore, the Treasurer and the Attorney General shall be permanent Executive Cabinet positions. The Executive Cabinet application shall be opened one day after the spring general election, and it shall close after ten school days. The Executive Cabinet shall only have one student per position. The only exception shall be deputy appointments.

- A. The Chief of Staff shall oversee the Executive Cabinet.
- B. The Treasurer shall serve as a member on the Executive Cabinet that assists the Vice President for Financial Affairs in achieving the duties of his or her office. The Treasurer

shall be enumerated with the following duties at the discretion of the Vice President for Financial Affairs. The Treasurer shall:

- 1. Organize and file all paperwork that comes through the financial affairs office;
- 2. Assist in processing all paperwork;
- 3. Serve as a secretary during Financial Affairs Committee meetings;
- 4. Appear and speak on behalf of the Vice President for Financial Affairs in his or her absence:
- 5. Assist in the planning and execution of fundraising events;
- 6. Record allocations of SGA funds and give advice on SGA expenditures;
- 7. Succeed the Vice President for Financial Affairs if the Vice President for Financial Affairs vacates his or her office;
- 8. Possess other duties as delegated in this Constitution and the Code of Laws.
- C. The Attorney General shall serve as a member of the Executive Cabinet. The Attorney General shall:
 - 1. Be responsible for the upkeep of the SGA Constitution and any rules or regulations which may be established pursuant to this Constitution;
 - 2. Write executive orders at the discretion of the SGA President:
 - 3. Clearly communicate the duties of office to SGA officials;
 - 4. Advise the Executive Council on lawful procedure;
 - 5. Issue legal opinions on matters pertaining to this Constitution and any rules or regulations which may be established pursuant to this Constitution;
 - 6. Advise SGA officials on the requirements outlined in the SGA Code of Laws;
 - 7. Possess other duties delegated in this Constitution and the SGA Code of Laws;
 - 8. Be nominated through letters of recommendation submitted by faculty and staff members at The University of Alabama.
 - a) Candidates shall be interviewed by an inter-governmental committee composed of the SGA President, Chief of Staff, and the Chief Justice of the Student Judicial Board.
 - b) The committee shall recommend a candidate to be appointed Attorney General. The Senate shall either confirm or reject the committee's recommended candidate by a majority vote (fifty percent plus one vote). The remaining Executive Cabinet positions shall consist of:
- D. The remaining Executive Cabinet positions shall consist of:
 - 1. Chief Administrative Officer
 - 2. Chief Implementation Officer
 - 3. Chief Legislative Officer
 - 4. Chief Advisor
 - 5. Director of Programming and Advancement
 - 6. Director of Engagement
 - 7. Director of Environmental Affairs

- 8. Director of Communications
- 9. Director of IT and Webmaster
- 10. Press Secretary
- 11. Chief Justice
- 12. Speaker of the Senate
- 13. Deputy Chief of Staff (may be more than one person)