



Student Government Resolution 116.020
A Resolution to Amend the Standing Rules of the Student Government
Associate Senator, Jake Buxton; and Voting Senator, Elisabeth Condon

WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and exists to represent the present and long term best interests of the Student Association in the formulation of the University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- The Constitution of the Student Government states under Article IV, Section 1, that the Student Government may amend their Standing Rules outside of the first four weeks of the Fall or Spring semester by a three-fourths majority vote; and
- Changes to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Funds Allotment Council has made it necessary to add a grievance policy for the Ethics Justice of the Student Government to follow; and
- The Sexual Assault Prevention Subcommittee was created in the Fall of 2015; and
- The time commitment required of the Sexual Assault Prevention Subcommittee Chair, as it is outlined in the Student Government Standing Rules, is an overly exhaustive time commitment for a Voting Senator of the Student Government and should be respectfully adjusted shall a Voting Senator fill the position of the Sexual Assault Prevention Subcommittee Chair in the future.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

- That the Student Government amend Article I, Section 2, of the Student Government Standing Rules, to the following:
 - “Clause 1
Voting Senators shall serve on at least one Primary Standing Committee, unless they are the Chair of a Subcommittee, attend all meetings for the committee(s) of which they are a member, and fulfill all committee obligations as deemed necessary by the Chair of the Committee or Subcommittee on which they serve.”
- Adds to Article II, Section 5, of the Student Government Standing Rules, the following:
 - “Clause 13
The Ethics Justice shall preside over any grievance appeals submitted by the Funds Allotment Council Chair within two weeks of the grievance appeal being submitted. The Ethics Justice shall form a committee in secret that includes the Chair of the Funds Allotment Council, an additional member of the Funds Allotment Council, two voting Student Senators, a representative from the Student Activities Board, and a student worker from the Center for Student

Involvement. All members of this committee (including the Ethics Justice) shall have a vote. The Advisor to the Funds Allotment Council shall be an Ex officio member of the committee. Before this committee, the students bringing forward the grievance shall have the right to testify in addition to any other witnesses they may call or the Funds Allotment Council may call. The simple majority decision of this committee shall be the final decision regarding the grievance.”; and

- Adds to Article I, Section 2, of the Student Government Standing Rules, the following:
 - “Clause 5
Voting members who are serving as the appointed chair of a subcommittee shall not be required to serve on a primary standing committee if and only if they are a Voting Senator of the Student Government.”; and
- Adds to Article I, Section 20, of the Student Government Standing Rules, the following:
 - “Clause 5
Subcommittee chairs, although they are strongly encouraged, shall not be required to attend all of the Primary Committee meetings in which they represent as long as the Chair of the Subcommittee is a Voting Senator of the Student Government.”; and
- Adds to Article I, Section 21, of the Student Government Standing Rules, the following:
 - “Clause 5
The Sexual Assault Prevention Subcommittee Chair will be responsible for maintaining regular communication with the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee Chair regarding Sexual Assault Prevention Committee Matters.”
- Amends the clauses currently labeled “5-7”, to be changed to “6-8” within Article I, Section 21, of the Student Government Standing Rules.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY DIRECTS THAT,

- Additional copies of this resolution are disseminated to each current member of the Truman State University Board of Governors; President Troy Paino; Provost/Vice President of Academic Affairs, Susan Thomas; Vice President of Student Affairs, Lou Ann Gilchrist; Director of the Student Union and Campus Activities, Laura Bates; University Archives; and the Truman Media Network.

**Passed April 17, 2016
By Unanimous Consent**



**Molly Ann Turner
President of the Student Association**