



Student Government Resolution 118.004

A Resolution Amending the Constitution and the Standing Rules of Student Government: Creating a Position for a Sexual Assault Prevention Designee

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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 University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- Student Government is bound by the rules detailed in its governing documents; and
- Sexual assault prevention is an important subject on Truman's campus; and
- Sexual assault prevention efforts by Student Government should include continuously seeking to increase awareness and knowledge of the issue and improving the availability and knowledge of campus resources; and
- The Sexual Assault Prevention Committee is not effective for these tasks in its current state; and
- The subject of Sexual Assault Prevention falls under the purview of the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- By approving this resolution, the Student Senate is approving the proposed changes¹ to the Constitution and consenting to put these changes up to a vote of the Student Association; and
- When the constitutional changes come up for a vote by the Student Association in the Spring Election of 2019, the ballot language shall be: "A vote 'yes' on this measure shall be considered approval for the changes proposed to the Student Government Constitution; and, a vote 'no' shall be considered a vote against the suggested changes to the Student Government Constitution. Attached, there are copies of both the current Student Government Constitution and the suggested, amended version."; and

¹ See Appendix I

- Upon approval by the Student Association, the proposed changes to the Constitution shall immediately take effect.
- By approving this resolution, the Student Senate is approving the proposed changes² to the Standing Rules, which shall take place contingent on the deletion of Section 12, Clause 2 of the Constitution.
- By approving this resolution, the Student Senate is approving the proposed changes³ to the Standing Rules, which shall take place immediately.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT DIRECTS THAT

Additional copies of this resolution be disseminated to President Sue Thomas; Vice President of Student Affairs, Janna Stoskopf; Institutional Compliance Office/Title IX Coordinator, Lauri Millot; and the University Archives.

Passed 11-1-4



Keaton Leppanen, President of the Student Association

² See Appendix II

³ See Appendix III

APPENDIX I

ARTICLE II: THE STUDENT SENATE

Section 12: Secondary Committees

Clause 2

The Sexual Assault Prevention Committee shall exist to address the issue of Sexual Assault on campus by continuously seeking to improve the availability and knowledge of campus resources and peer education while simultaneously seeking new strategies for prevention.

Section 11: Primary Committees and Subcommittees

Clause 6

The Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee strives to nurture a campus environment of well-being through a commitment to continuous improvement of University public health and safety. The committee will serve in order to: advocate for mindful health practices of the Student Association at large by promoting awareness of healthy lifestyle development; fervently identifying protection concerns; promoting sexual assault prevention; solve solving comfort problems; and secure securing safety measures for the general welfare of all University students, faculty, and staff.

- a) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee is a member of the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee.
- b) The details of the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee position shall be listed in the Standing Rules.

APPENDIX II

ARTICLE I: THE STUDENT SENATE

Section 19: Sexual Assault Prevention Committee

Clause 1

The Sexual Assault Prevention Committee will exist to address the issue of Sexual Assault on campus by continuously seeking to improve the availability and knowledge of campus resources and peer education.

Clause 2

The Sexual Assault Prevention Committee will be responsible for Sexual Assault Prevention programming and an end of the year report.

Clause 3

It is suggested that membership for the Sexual Assault Prevention Committee be composed of at least one Student Government voting member, as well as representatives from the Women's Resource Center, PRISM, Greek Life, Residence Life, Truman Athletics, and any other students willing to actively participate in working to make Truman's campus a safer environment.

Clause 4

Membership applications for the Sexual Assault Prevention Committee shall be advertised and open to any member of the Student Association.

APPENDIX III

ARTICLE I: THE STUDENT SENATE

Section 16: Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee

Clause 3 The Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee shall include a Sexual Assault Prevention Designee who will address the subject of Sexual Assault Prevention on campus by continuously seeking to increase awareness and knowledge of the subject and improve the availability and knowledge of campus resources.

- a) If a student without a seat on Student Senate becomes a committee chair, the student shall simultaneously become an associate member of the Student Senate.
- b) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee shall be a member of the Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee and shall attend committee meetings accordingly.
- c) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee shall be nominated by the Health, Wellness, and Safety Chair in consultation with the President and approved by the Student Senate.
- d) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee shall be responsible for planning and executing a sexual assault prevention event lasting at least three days.
- e) It is suggested that the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee collaborate with the Women's Resource Center and the Institutional Compliance Office for sexual assault prevention projects and programming.
- f) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee shall personally report at each regular meeting of the Student Senate.
- g) The Sexual Assault Prevention Designee shall submit an end of the year report.
- h) The Health, Wellness, and Safety Committee shall aid the Sexual Assault Prevention Designee in these duties.
- i) In the absence of a Sexual Assault Prevention Designee, the Health, Wellness, and Safety Chair shall assume these duties.

ARTICLE VI: APPOINTMENTS

Section 1: Categories of Appointments

Clause 1

Major appointments shall consist of appointments to Vice President, Speaker, voting positions on Student Senate, Secretary, Treasurer, committee and subcommittee chairs, the Student Representative to the Board of Governors slate, Ethics Justice, **Sexual Assault Prevention Designee**, university search/selection committees, and all other Executive Committee positions.