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## **Student Government Resolution 118.022**

A Resolution Suggesting the Appointment of a Main Street Kirksville Student Government Representative For the 2019-2020 Academic Year

Sponsored by Rachel Holt, External Affairs Committee Chair; Emma Carignan, Katelyn Lowe, and Rachel Owings, External Affairs Committee Members

## WHEREAS,

- The Student Government is the official governing body of the Student Association and exists to represent the present and long-term best interest of the Student Association in the formulation of University policy and in the fulfillment of the University mission; and
- A goal of the External Affairs Committee is to improve relations with and be involved in the Kirksville community; and
- The Kirksville Downtown Improvement Committee (KDIC) was created in 2018 as a nonprofit organization; and
- As of 2019, KDIC changed their title to Main Street Kirksville with the goal to "strengthen the Kirksville community by creating a positive image, fostering economic development, & revitalizing & preserving downtown Kirksville, while promoting it as an exciting place to shop, dine, live, work, be entertained, invest, & own a business"<sup>1</sup>; and
- Downtown Kirksville is a major attraction to Truman State University alumni, current Truman State University students, and prospective Truman State University students; and
- Main Street Kirksville provides an avenue to learn more about opportunities for entertainment and service events available to students in the broader Kirksville community; and
- On March 25, 2019, Main Street Kirksville reached out to the Student Government to request participation; and
- On April 2, 2019, current members of the External Affairs Committee attended a Main Street Kirksville meeting; and
- The External Affairs Committee was able to provide helpful insight to Main Street Kirksville such as adopting a process similar to the current Appropriations process, inviting student music groups to future events, and reaching out to service groups on campus for volunteer help; and
- Main Street Kirksville asked Student Government to return and be part of other committees based off of our members' constructive feedback; and
- Main Street Kirksville asked the committee to continue attending meetings; and

<sup>1</sup> https://www.facebook.com/pg/downtownkirksville/about/?ref=page\_internal

• Main Street Kirksville meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Economic Development Alliance Building, unless the date falls on a holiday.

## THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT

- Suggests the appointment of a representative from the Student Government to attend these meetings and provide feedback for the 2019-2020 Academic Year; and
- Recommends the representative be appointed from the External Affairs Committee by the President and the Committee Chair; and
- Understands that if no such member can be found, a representative may come from another interested person on the body; and
- Directs the 2019-2020 Student Government Body to consider the continuation of this resolution past the directed school year.

## THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT DIRECTS THAT

Additional copies of this resolution be disseminated to President Sue Thomas; Janna Stoskopf, Vice President of Student Affairs; Kirk Ranson, Chair of Main Street Kirksville; Heidi Templeton, Public Relations Director; Truman Media Network; and the University Archives.

Passed by Unanimous Consent, April 14, 2019

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