

Student Government Resolution 082.001
In Recognition of the Presidency of Matthew Andrew Szewczyk

WHEREAS Matt Szewczyk,

- has served the Student Association in the following positions:
 - Responsive gallery member during '05-'06
 - Senator At-Large, on the Student Affairs Committee, during '06-'07
 - President of the Student Association during '07-'08; and
- has been involved in SSDP, AKL, ODK, Art of Living; and
- served as a student representative on the committee to select the new CSI coordinator; and
- served as a student representative on the committee to select the Vice President/Provost; and
- organized a campus wide, all day memorial for Virginia Tech victims involving 500 Truman students; and
- presented the Student Association perspective through Arete to the Board of Governors on May 2007 on the progress by the University by grading the University on their current status; and
- presented the perspective of the Student Association to the Board of Governors on April 5th, 2008 on:
 - By highlighting the vision for student initiatives and Student Senate progress.
 - The Student Association's deep concerns regarding the inaction of the University Committee for Campus Safety
 - Empowering the Student Association towards responsible citizenry, regarding the opaque enforcement of the University alcohol policy.
- Chaired a search committee for 2008-2010 Board Of Governors Student Representative; and
- Organized a public relations campaign for the Bike Co-op to create campus wide support and collaboration between multiple fee organizations which culminated in the fall '07 "Bandfest: In Support of a Bike Co-op"; and
- Worked as a negotiating figure between the bike co-op and the administration to activate the bike co-op workshop
- Created and proposed a system for allowing the University to allocate space to student groups; and
- Created the Athletic Fee Review committee and inspired the "fair use doctrine" to ensure equal access to the fee funded facilities; and
- Selected and appointed the (Organizational Activities Fee) OAF Review committee; and
- Was able to compromise a response draft with the President and Vice President of Academic Affairs regarding the Missouri General Assembly's mandate for professor rating systems before signing the letter to the Missouri Board of Higher Education on behalf of the Student Association; and

- Organized and hosted forums for students to interact and ask questions to Vice President of Academic Affairs/Provost candidates; and
- Devised a joint committee between students and faculty for an Instructor Rating System with a balanced student:faculty ratio; and
- Prioritized communication between the variety of student demographics within the Student Senate through frequent roundtables; and
- Co-founded the Missouri Higher Education Consortium, a state wide group of the student body presidents from the 13 public universities which gather to share information and ideas; and
- Formulated and published a cohesive legislative agenda that was lobbied to the state legislature to voice the Missouri student perspective; and
- Established a Diversity Initiative Pilot Program that ran during The Big Event and “mixed up” different races and student organizations; and
- Represents the student perspective on the University Advisory committee for Enrollment Management; and
- Represented the students’ concerns regarding financial aid confusion, including the Truman Financial Aid and the legality of selling half of MOHELA’s assets; and
- Represented the SAB grievances with Baldwin Management to the administration; and
- Pushed the University Committee for Campus Safety to meet for the first time in over two years, voiced student concerns that it campus safety policies haven’t been reviewed since 2000, and those recently created did not included a student voice; and
- Greatly supported the collaborative Joint Campus Safety Education Committee’s creation between student senate and RHA, the Residence Hall Association; and
- Kept a fractured and tumultuous student senate together and functioning positively; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT:

- Recognizes and commends 2007-2008 Student Government President Matthew Andrew Szewczyk for:
 - His creative vision and ability to effectively represent the students of Truman State University.
 - Never giving up in the face of opposition.
 - Being unrelenting in representing the student opinion.

THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT DIRECTS THAT,

- This resolution be delivered to President Dixon, Dean of Student Affairs Lou Ann Gilchrist, VPAA/Provost Garry Gordon, the parents of Matthew Andrew Szewczyk and the Truman Media Network.

**Passed April 20, 2008
By a Vote of 12 – 0 – 0**

**Anna Elizabeth Esfeld
President of the Student Association**