

### **Student Government Resolution 122.005**

**A Resolution Amending the Standing Rules to Revise and Specify the Absence Policy  
Sponsored by Kennedy Cooper, President; Alicia Stout, Speaker; Alexis Cook, Secretary;  
Blaine Smallwood, Senior Senator; Alexa Kolesiak, Colleen O'Reilly, and Mairin Warner,  
Voting Senators**

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
- On October 9, 2022, President Kennedy Cooper issued an executive order to start the Governing Documents Review Board<sup>1</sup>; and
  - The executive order authorizes the Governing Documents Review Board to “Adjust the attendance policy”; and
- The current attendance policy was adopted on October 31, 2021, and over the past year, members of the Student Government have found it to be ineffective; and
  - There is not a clear difference between what is an excused absence and what is an unexcused absence; and
  - The definition of a necessary obligation is unclear, and could be applied to almost anything; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT,

- Adopts the proposed changes to the standing rules that are listed in Appendix A; and
- Will adopt the new absence policy immediately after this resolution passes, but will not remove any members under the new absence policy until the Spring 2023 semester; and
- Shall make, upon approval and immediate effect of the amendments to the governing documents, any corrections to section title or numbering in the table of contents of the governing documents; and

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<sup>1</sup> [Executive Order to start GOVDOCs - Google Docs](#)



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THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT DIRECTS THAT,

Additional copies of this resolution be disseminated to President Sue Thomas; Truman State Board of Governors; The Truman Media Network; and the University Archives.

Passed 11-2-2 on November 27th, 2022.

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads 'Kennedy Cooper'.

Kennedy Cooper, President of the Student Association