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Student Government Association

Tennessee Technological University

From the President:

An Executive Order

On Amending the Selection Process for the Student Trustee for the Board of Trustees by Creating a Review Committee for Handling Excessive Applicants

Whereas, in relation to the FOCUS Act enacted by the Tennessee State Legislature in 2016 changing the governance structure of Tennessee Tech University, the Tennessee Tech Student Government Association passed a resolution known as the Student Input on Tennessee Tech's Local Governing Board Student Member Selection Resolution of 2016, followed by the Amendment to Selection Criteria for Student Representative on the Board of Trustees Executive Order of 2022, and further followed by the Amendment to Selection Processes for Student Representative on the Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees Executive Order of 2023; and,

Whereas, this resolution has set the framework for the selection process of the student representative on the Tennessee Tech Board of Trustees; and,

Whereas, so many students are interested in representing the student voice on the Board that the number of applicants exceeds how many the Senate could reasonably hear; and,

Whereas, the Senate should not be unduly burdened in the process of selecting the Student Trustee; and,

Whereas, the Senate will maintain a majority on the recommending committee; and,

Whereas, the Senate still retains ultimate authority in submitting a nominee to the Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF TENNESSEE TECH UNIVERSITY PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 1, SUBSECTION B. 7. OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION AND THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT,

Section 1: In any case where the yearly application for the following academic years student trusteeship shall exceed 4 applicants, then an ad-hoc committee entitled the *Committee for Recommending the Student Trustee* (hereafter referred to as "the Committee") consisting of the following shall be formed:

1. The SGA President
2. The SGA Secretary

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3. One (1) Justice of the Supreme Court selected by the President
4. Three (3) Senators, all from different colleges and schools, selected by the President

Section 2: The Committee shall issue a report to the Senate listing, in its opinion, the top four (4) candidates for the position of Student Trustee in alphabetical order; the Senate shall choose the nominee for Student Trustee from among the list provided by the Committee.

Section 3: The Committee may adopt its own rules and procedures under which to function and evaluate candidates for the trusteeship.

Section 4: No member of the Committee may be considered for the nomination of Student Trustee; any member filing an application for the position of Student Trustee shall be considered that member's resignation from the Committee.

Section 5: Should the President or Secretary seek to fill the position of Student Trustee, their membership and duties related to the committee shall pass to the Vice President or Treasurer respectively.

Section 6: Nothing in this Executive Order shall construe a change in the qualifications required to be the Student Trustee as described in *Student Input on Tennessee Tech's Local Governing Board Student Member Selection Resolution of 2016* (as amended) including, but not limited to, approval by the University President and meeting the standards proscribed in the Board of Trustees Student Representative Application.

Section 7: This order shall take effect immediately and be followed in the selection process for the 2024-2025 Board of Trustees Student Representative.

**Respectfully Submitted by the
President of SGA:**
Chance Hale

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SGA Secretary:	Aye:	Nay:	Abstain:	Status:
Jeb MacLennan	23	0	0	Passed

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