



Eleventh Session of the Student Senate
April 5th, 2011

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Minutes

IV. Executive Council Reports

A. President

B. Secretary

C. Treasurer

D. Chief of Staff/Deputy Chief of Staff

E. Senate Leader

F. Vice President

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

A. SB-053-2011-A bill to allocate \$128 to the Classics Club for gas.

B. SB-054-2011-A bill to allocate \$75 to the Political Science Club for an awards ceremony.

C. SB-055-2011-A bill to allocate \$2,600 to the Relay for Life.

D. SB-056-2011-A bill to allocate \$600 from the Student Outreach Fund to Dylan Kornegay.

E. SB-057-2011-A bill to allocate \$1,298 to Students in Free Enterprise for a conference.

F. Fall 2010 Budget

G. SB-058-2011-A bill to amend the bylaws regarding the qualifications for student body president.

H. SB-059-2011-A bill to amend the bylaws regarding the line of succession for president.

I. SB-060-2011-A bill to amend the bylaws regarding minutes taken in committee.

- 1 **J. SB-061-2011-A** bill to amend the bylaws regarding campaign expenses.
- 2 **K. SB-062-2011-A** bill to allocate \$500 from Revenue for the Lt. Dan Choi program
- 3 on October 10, 2011.
- 4 **L. SB-063-2011-A** bill to amend the bylaws regarding compensation for executive
- 5 council.
- 6 **M. SB-064-2011-A** bill to amend the bylaws regarding the creation of a senate leader.
- 7 **N. SB-065-2011-A** bill to amend the bylaws regarding compensation for executive
- 8 council.

9 **VII. Committee Reports**

- 10 **A.** Academic Affairs
- 11 **B.** Advocacy Committee for Diversity on Campus
- 12 **C.** Community Outreach
- 13 **D.** Public Relations
- 14 **E.** Student Involvement

15 **VIII. Announcements**

16 **IX. Open Forum**

17 **X. Adjournment**

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COLLEGE of
CHARLESTON
STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION

SB-53-2011

Presented by Parliamentarian Lauren Swing
of the
College of Charleston Student Government Association
On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

PURPOSE, to represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse student clubs and organizations in monetary distributions.

WHEREAS, it is the duty of a Senator, as expressed in our bylaws, “to serve as a representative of the student body” throughout the university and the community.

WHEREAS, it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to registered and sanctioned student organizations throughout the college campus.

WHEREAS, the support of student organizations is vital to the success of an active and healthy student life.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION I: the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of **\$128** to the student organization **the Classics Club** for gas.

SECTION II: the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the following manner. The distribution of those funds will be at the discretion of the Treasurer, Allocations Committee and Coordinator for Business Services.

1.\$128: gas to Atlanta and back for 2 cars

\$128: amount of money going toward gas

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2 **SECTION III:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
3 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF
4 THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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8 President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of
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SB-54-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

PURPOSE, to represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse student clubs and organizations in monetary distributions.

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WHEREAS, it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to registered and sanctioned student organizations throughout the college campus.

WHEREAS, the support of student organizations is vital to the success of an active and healthy student life.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION I: the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of **\$75** to the student organization, *Political Science Club* for the purpose of *their annual awards ceremony*.

1 **SECTION II:** the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the
2 following manner. The distribution of those funds will be at the discretion of the
3 Treasurer, Allocations Committee and Coordinator for Business Services.

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5 1. \$75: Faculty Award

6 a. Every year, the Political Science Club give an award to a
7 faculty member, and the award will be engraved.

8 **\$75: amount of money going towards the entire event**

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10 **SECTION III:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
11 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF
12 THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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16 **President Isaiah Nelson**
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ASSOCIATION

SB-055-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

PURPOSE, to represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse student clubs and organizations in monetary distributions.

WHEREAS, it is the duty of a Senator, as expressed in our bylaws, “to serve as a representative of the student body” throughout the university and the community.

WHEREAS, it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to registered and sanctioned student organizations throughout the college campus.

WHEREAS, the support of student organizations is vital to the success of an active and healthy student life.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION I: the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of **\$2,600** to the student organization, Relay for Life for the purpose of *their annual Relay for Life event*.

1 **SECTION II:** the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the
2 following manner. The distribution of those funds will be at the discretion of the
3 Treasurer, Allocations Committee and Coordinator for Business Services.

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5 1. \$2,600:

6 a. Public safety, stage and lighting, a band from Other
7 Brother Entertainment, a PA system, and physical plant, etc

8 **\$2,600: amount of money going towards the entire event**

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10 **SECTION III:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
11 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF
12 THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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16 **President Isaiah Nelson**

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COLLEGE of
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STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION

SB-056-2011

Presented by Senator Healy

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this Fifth Day of April, 2011

PURPOSE, to allocate money from the Student Outreach Fund to Dylan Kornegay.

WHEREAS, according to the Compass, The SGA Student Outreach Program was established “to provide support to undergraduate students at the College of Charleston in endeavors that provide opportunities for growth as global citizens and the ability to serve as representatives of the institution beyond the campus community.”

WHEREAS, it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to students who wish to be active members of the Charleston community.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION I: the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocates up to the amount of \$600 to the student Dylan Kornegay, for the purpose of an internship working with abused women in Peru. \$450 of this amount would be used for lodging for a period of two months and \$150 of this amount will be used for on-field transportation for two months.

1 **SECTION II:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
2 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF
3 THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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7 **President Isaiah Nelson**

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ASSOCIATION

SB-057-2010

Presented by Senator Healy

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this Fifth Day of April, 2011

PURPOSE, to represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse student clubs and organizations in monetary distributions.

WHEREAS, it is the duty of a Senator, as expressed in our bylaws, "to serve as a representative of the student body" throughout the university and the community.

WHEREAS, it is a function of the Student Government Association to allocate monetary funds to registered and sanctioned student organizations throughout the college campus.

WHEREAS, the support of student organizations is vital to the success of an active and healthy student life.

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION I: the Student Government Association of the College of Charleston allocate up to the amount of \$1,296 to the student organization, Students in Free Enterprise for the purpose of attending the National SIFE Competition in Minneapolis.

1 **SECTION II:** the total amount of money to be allocated will be distributed in the
2 following manner. The distribution of those funds will be at the discretion of the
3 Treasurer, Allocations Committee and Coordinator for Business Services.

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5 1. \$540: for lodging

6 a. Two rooms for two nights, at the Hyatt Conference
7 Center.

8 2. \$756 for airfare.

9 a. 75% of airfare cost.

10 **TOTAL: \$1,296**

11 **SECTION III:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
12 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF
13 THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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17 **President Isaiah Nelson**
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SB-058-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the SGA

Whereas: Currently, according to section 902.004, "Candidates seeking the office of President shall have served as an elected member of the student senate for a period of not less than 16 weeks and shall have been in attendance for not less than 14 sessions of the general assembly."

Whereas: There are many ways to be involved in the Student Government Association without being a senator.

Whereas: Committee chairs , Executive Council members, and Executive Board members are all extensions of the Student Government without necessarily being senators.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

Section I: Rephrase section 902.004 to read "Candidates seeking the office of President shall have served in the Student Government Association for no less than 16 weeks, either as a member of the senate, a member of the Executive Council, or a member of the Executive Board."

Section II: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE

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President Isaiah Nelson

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SB-059-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the SGA

Whereas: There is currently an issue involving line of succession with the Vice President to President.

Whereas: Section 600.001, under Duties of the Vice President, states "To serve in lieu of the President of the Student Government Association in his/her absence or disability and to assume the office of President should it be permanently vacated."

Whereas: Vice President assumes the role of President, however, the qualifications of President and Vice President are different.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

Section I: Add section 600.001a to read "The Vice President does not need to have served in the Student Government Association for 16 weeks in order to assume the office of the President."

Section II: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of CHARLESTON

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SB-060-2011

Presented by Senator Schmidt

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this Fifth of April, 2011

Purpose: To amend the bylaws by adding a "Section 1400.001c"

Whereas: Currently, no SGA committee provides minutes display publicly.

Whereas: Many of the questions asked during Senate discussion were answered during committee meetings

Whereas: Many students question the legitimacy of the budget hearings

Whereas: There are insufficient ways of keeping attendance during committees

Whereas: Attendance to committee meetings is tantamount for an effective student government association.

Whereas: The student body has shown its support for greater student government transparency.

Whereas: Many in the student body are interested in knowing the events and culture of their student government association.

Whereas: The administration has made an effort to make the Student Government Association more transparent and external.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEANTE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION

1 ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING

2 **Section I:** Add a Section 1400.001c, which will state:

3 "All committees shall be required to keep minutes of their official
4 meetings, in which attendance will be recorded. Minutes will be
5 submitted to the President Pro Tempore within 48 hours of the
6 adjournment of the meeting."

7 **Section II:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
8 STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE
9 SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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13 **President Isaiah Nelson**

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COLLEGE of
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ASSOCIATION

SB-061-2011

Presented by Deputy Chief of Staff Sensenig

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth Day of April, 2011*

Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the SGA

Whereas: Different family circumstances limit the amount a household can donate.

Whereas: The regulations regarding campaign literature are too restrictive and limit
the amount of information the student body can receive about SGA
candidates.

Whereas: Allowing more campaign literature for SGA candidates makes the SGA
function as a more external organization.

Whereas: Allowing SGA candidates to spend more money on their campaigns
will provide more information to a larger proportion of the student
body.

Whereas: Allowing a President and Vice President to campaign together ensures
that they would work well together the following year.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT
ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

1 **Section I:** Section 903.003a shall read "Candidates may fundraise up to
2 \$50.00 per person from other donors..."

3 **Section II:** Section 903.003b shall read "Total campaign expenditures, including
4 campaign literature, shall not exceed \$250.00 for Senate candidates and \$500.00
5 for Executive Council candidates..."

6 **Section III:** Section 903.003c shall read "No candidate(s), with the exception of
7 President and Vice President, shall pool campaign expenses with another
8 candidate(s)..."

9 **Section IV:** Add Section 903.005(renumber accordingly to read): A President and
10 Vice President may run together and pool their funds together, given the
11 following:

12 903.005(a) Both the Presidential and Vice Presidential
13 candidates' names must be on all campaign material.

14 **Section V:** Section 904.003 shall read "...There shall be a 400 count limitation on
15 posting of flyers..."

16 **Section VI:** Section 904.003 shall read "...There shall be a 15 count limitation on
17 the posting of posters..."

18 **Section VII:** Section 904.003 shall read "...There shall be a 4 count limitation on
19 banners..."

20 **Section VIII:** Section 904.004a shall read "If either by their declaration, or if in
21 the opinion of the Election Commission, with the exception of Presidential and
22 Vice Presidential candidates, candidates appear to be coordinating campaign
23 literature, so as to express support for one another,..."

24 **Section IX:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY
25 THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE
26 SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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2 President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of
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SB-062-2011

Presented by Chief of Staff Wright

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

Purpose: To represent the Student Body by supporting its many diverse students through monetary distributions.

Whereas: Keeping in line with the College's nondiscrimination policy and Strategic Plan, the Student Government Association supports events that promote equality and contribute to the diversity of the Student Body.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

Section I: The Student Government Association will allocate \$500 from revenue to serve as a co-sponsor for the Lt. Dan Choi program on October 10, 2011.

Section III: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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President Isaiah Nelson

COLLEGE of
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ASSOCIATION

SB-063-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

of the

College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the SGA

Whereas: Sections 601.001, 701.001, and 801.001, under duties of the Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, read “shall receive compensation up to the equivalent of half of in-state tuition, not to exceed that of the President, which shall not be increased or decreased during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can withhold half of the (Vice President/Treasurer/Secretary)’s compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”

Whereas: The ability for the Secretary, Treasurer, and Vice President to earn compensation for their hours worked should no be limited by the amount of compensation the President has received.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

Section I: In sections 601.001, 701.001, and 801.001, strike the phrase “not to exceed that of the President.”

Section II: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE STUDENT SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of
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ASSOCIATION

SB-064-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons and President Pro Tempore Lanza
of the
College of Charleston Student Government Association

On this *Fifth* Day of *April*, 2011

Purpose: To amend the bylaws of the SGA

Whereas: The positions of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, President Pro Tempore, and Parliamentarian could be rearranged to be more efficient with the inclusion of the duties of the recently created position of Senate Leader.

Whereas: Whereas the Senate felt it necessary to create the office of the Senate Leader.

Whereas: Rearranging positions, as opposed to creating positions, will help lessen unnecessary positions and strengthen existing positions.

Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:

Section I: Under duties of the President of the Senate, strike section 300.001c "To appoint, with the approval of a two-thirds vote of the Senate a President Pro Tempore."

Section II: Strike from section 300.001d the phrase "as well as any other positions he/she deems necessary for the orderly conduct of Senate." And add a section 301.001b to read "The President Pro Tempore shall be able to create and appoint any other positions he or she deems necessary for the

1 orderly conduct of Senate. Both creation and appointment are at the
2 discretion of a two-thirds approval of the senate.”

3 Section III: Add section 500.004, under duties of the president, (and renumber
4 accordingly) which shall read “The President shall be able to create and
5 appoint any other Executive positions he or she deems necessary at the
6 discretion of the Executive Board with 2/3 approval from the Senate.

7 Section IV: Move the sections of the duties of the President Pro Tempore 301.001a,
8 301.001d, 301.001g, 301.001h, to under section 302.001, the duties of
9 the Parliamentarian.

10 Section V: Strike sections 301.001e and 301.001j.

11 Section VI: Under duties of the Secretary, add section 800.008 (and renumber
12 accordingly) “To be responsible for taking the minutes of the Student
13 Senate meeting and posting these minutes by email and on the SGA
14 web site within one week of the meeting, or appointing a designee to
15 fulfill this duty.”

16 Section VII: Under Duties of the Chief of Staff, strike the phrase “President Pro
17 Tempore” from section 500.004a.

18 Section VIII: Under Duties of the Chief of Staff, rephrase section 500.004g to read
19 “To, with the President Pro Tempore, hold monthly Bylaw and
20 Constitutional review meetings, and present amendments to the Senate
21 as deemed necessary.”

22 Section IX: Add section 500.005 (and renumber accordingly) to read “To appoint a
23 Deputy Chief of Staff whose duties shall include, but not be limited to,
24 the following:”

25 Section X: Add section 500.005a to read “To assume any duty delegated to him or
26 her by the Chief of Staff.”

27 Section XI: And strike 500.004k which reads “*The duties of the Chief of Staff*
28 *should be split between the Deputy Chief of Staff and the Chief of*
29 *Staff.*”

30 Section XII: Add Section 500.005b to read “To take the minutes of Executive Board
31 Meeting and Executive Council Meeting and to distribute said minutes

1 to the Senate and the SGA website within two weeks, or to appoint a
2 designee to do so with approval from the President.”

3 Section XIII: Under duties of the President Pro Tempore, section 301.001, the
4 subsections will read as follows:

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6 301.001a To be the leading advocate for the Senate and exist as a solely
7 Legislative office. The President Pro Tempore shall not attend Executive Board
8 Meetings.

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10 301.001b To maintain voting rights.

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12 301.001c To be responsible for all attendance records of the Student
13 Senate and any other duties directly deriving from the responsibility for these records,
14 including maintaining quorum.

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16 301.001d To maintain at least two posted hours per week in the Student
17 Government Association office.

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20 301.001e To, at their discretion, lead workshops for the benefit of the
21 Senators, including but not limited to workshops in drafting legislation, parliamentary
22 procedure and proper decorum.”

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24 301.001f To review legislation weekly, with the assistance of the
25 Parliamentarian.

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27 301.001g To, with the Chief of Staff, hold monthly Bylaw and
28 Constitutional review meetings, and present amendments to the Senate as deemed
29 necessary.”

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31 301.001h: Nominations for President Pro Tempore will be accepted by the
32 President of the Senate, and voting shall take place during the first Senate of the Fall
33 Semester.

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36 **Section XIV:** THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE
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38 SIGNATURE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.

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President Isaiah Nelson

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COLLEGE of
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ASSOCIATION

SB-065-2011

Presented by Senate Leader Lyons

In the Student Government Association

At the College of Charleston

On this

Fifth day of April, 2011

Purpose: To change the way in which the SGA Executive Officers are compensated, ensuring that said compensation does not correlate with tuition as well as allowing for said compensation to adjust in accordance with the minimum wage standard as set by the State of South Carolina

Whereas: The current system of payment for the SGA executive officers presents an inherent conflict on interest

Whereas: Compensation for the SGA executive officers should not be correlated with tuition to ensure that the SGA can vote and express opinions regarding current tuition levels without having tuition correlate with the pay in which current and future executive council members receive

Whereas: Compensation for the College of Charleston Student Government Association Executive Officers should increase per changes in inflation and the minimum wage of the State of South Carolina without forcing the Student Government Association to vote periodically to make said changes

Whereas: Basing the SGA Executive compensation on minimum wage will allow for the pay of the officers to change in correlation to other wages in the state without forcing the SGA senate to make constant changes to the pay

Whereas: The intensity and leadership required of the SGA Executive Council Officers positions merits pay that exceeds the minimum wage requirements

Whereas: Pay for the Executive Council Officers in the SGA ensures that said officers are accountable to the Student Body of the College of Charleston, as funds that pay said officers come from Student Fees in the Student Activity Fees

Whereas: According to the ASGA, over 80% of American SGA's provide compensation for the executive officers in some fashion

1 Whereas: The SGA at the College of Charleston ensures that all documents that
2 pertain to the organization are made publically available, including the SGA
3 Bylaws, which include information about the compensation of the SGA
4 Executive Council

5 Therefore: BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE OF THE STUDENT
6 GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR SESSION
7 ASSEMBLED, THE FOLLOWING:
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9 Section I: Strike the language in section 501.001 and replace with the following
10 language in section 501.001:
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12 “The President shall receive compensation based on a 25 hour work week
13 average, and shall be compensated an amount of 1.5 X the current
14 minimum wage as established by the State of South Carolina. The current
15 minimum wage will be the wage that is established by the State of South
16 Carolina on a date of exactly 4 (four) weeks before the first day of the
17 Spring Election polling. The SGA President has the potential be
18 compensated up to an average of 25 hours a week for the total amount of
19 the academic weeks in the year they serve at the said hourly rate, following
20 the approval of said hours by a member of the College of Charleston staff.
21 The compensation rate of the President shall not be increased or decreased
22 during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can withhold
23 half of the President's compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”
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25 Section II: Strike the language in section 601.001 and replace with the following
26 language in section 601.001:
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28 “The Vice President shall receive compensation based on a 20 hour work
29 week average, and shall be compensated an amount of 1.25 X the current
30 minimum wage as established by the State of South Carolina. The current
31 minimum wage will be the wage that is established by the State of South
32 Carolina on a date of exactly 4 (four) weeks before the first day of the
33 Spring Election polling. The SGA Vice President has the potential be
34 compensated up to an average of 20 hours a week for the total amount of
35 the academic weeks in the year they serve at the said hourly rate, following
36 the approval of said hours by a member of the College of Charleston staff.
37 The compensation rate of the Vice President shall not be increased or
38 decreased during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can
39 withhold half of the Vice President's compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”
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42 Section III: Strike the language in section 701.001 and replace with the following
43 language in section 701.001:
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1 “The Treasurer shall receive compensation based on a 20 hour work week
2 average, and shall be compensated an amount of 1.25 X the current
3 minimum wage as established by the State of South Carolina. The current
4 minimum wage will be the wage that is established by the State of South
5 Carolina on a date of exactly 4 (four) weeks before the first day of the
6 Spring Election polling. The SGA Treasurer has the potential be
7 compensated up to an average of 20 hours a week for the total amount of
8 the academic weeks in the year they serve at the said hourly rate, following
9 the approval of said hours by a member of the College of Charleston staff.
10 The compensation rate of the Treasurer shall not be increased or decreased
11 during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can withhold
12 half of the Treasurer’s compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”
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14 Section IV: Strike the language in section 801.001 and replace with the following
15 language in section 801.001:
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17 “The Secretary shall receive compensation based on a 20 hour work week
18 average, and shall be compensated an amount of 1.25X the current
19 minimum wage as established by the State of South Carolina. The current
20 minimum wage will be the wage that is established by the State of South
21 Carolina on a date of exactly 4 (four) weeks before the first day of the
22 Spring Election polling. The SGA Secretary has the potential be
23 compensated up to an average of 20 hours a week for the total amount of
24 the academic weeks in the year they serve at the said hourly rate, following
25 the approval of said hours by a member of the College of Charleston staff.
26 The compensation rate of the Secretary shall not be increased or decreased
27 during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can withhold
28 half of the Secretary’s compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”
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30 Section V: This bill shall take effect upon passage of the Student Senate in regular
31 session assembled and the signature of the Student Body President for the
32 Academic Year 2012-2013. The spring elections for which the officers and
33 senators for the Academic Year 2012-2013 are elected will be done under
34 the procedures of this bill, and will henceforth be applicable.
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36 Section VI: THIS BILL SHALL TAKE EFFECT (UPON PASSAGE) BY THE STUDENT
37 SENATE SITTING IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE SIGNATURE OF THE
38 STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT.
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“The Vice President shall have the potential to be compensated the equivalent of exactly half of the full amount that the SGA President has the potential of receiving during their tenure. The Department of Student Life will determine the wage of pay and average weekly hours worked for the Vice President based upon the amount the Vice President has the potential to earn. All hours will be verified by a member of the College of Charleston staff. The compensation rate of the Vice President shall not be increased or decreased during his/her term of office; however, the Student Senate can withhold half of the Vice President's compensation upon a 2/3 vote.”