

First Reading: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Second Reading: November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Pass:

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Other:

Bill 37-17-F. A Bill to Amend the Bylaws of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University.

**PURPOSE:** To add a section to the Western Kentucky University Student Government Association Bylaws on Senate meeting and debate procedure.

**WHEREAS:** In Executive Cabinet and Judicial Council meetings, any person outside that branch is not allowed to contribute to debate or discussion, and

**WHEREAS:** In the Constitution of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University it is designated in Sections: 2.3.6; 2.4.6; 2.5.8; 2.6.7; 2.7.9; 2.8.5; 2.9.7; and 4.4.7 that the officers in the Executive Cabinet and Judicial Council have sections to make reports, and

**WHEREAS:** In the Bylaws of the Western Kentucky University Student Government Association Section 3.4 “that all interested persons of the student body shall be given an opportunity to attend and have their views recognized at the discretion of the chair” where this opportunity is given in the “Guest/Student Speakers” section of the Senate meetings, and

**WHEREAS:** Add Section 5.4 stating, “Speaking Procedure”

**WHEREAS:** Add Section 5.4.1 stating, “In Senate meetings, only members of the Senate shall speak during the meeting, with the exception of officer reports and university committee reports stated in Sections: 2.3.6; 2.4.6; 2.5.8; 2.6.7; 2.7.9; 2.8.5; 2.9.7; and 4.4.7 of the Student Government Association Constitution and for guest/student speakers as stated in Sections: 3.4 and 4.1.7 of the Student Government Association Bylaws” and

**WHEREAS:** Add Section 5.4.2 stating, “Members of the Executive Cabinet and Judicial Council may speak during debate, only if they can offer knowledge of expertise

that falls under their constitutional duties or if the Speaker of the Senate deems the point germane.”

**THEREFORE:** Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University will amend the Bylaws of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to add Section 5.4 on speaking procedure.

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