

PURPOSE: To allow only previous Senators to run for SGA Secretary

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE:

SECTION ONE (REASONING):

The SGA Constitution does not explicitly state that only senators can run for SGA Secretary. This has allowed some non-senators to run for SGA Secretary. The position requires knowledge of critical amendments, the difference between bills, resolutions, and constitutional amendments, and other Senate proceedings regarding amendments.

For efficiency, only previous senators should be able to run for SGA Secretary. They already have all this knowledge and would not have to learn it while trying to do their job.

SECTION TWO (SPECIFIC CHANGE):

On pages 6-7 of the SGA Constitution under Section 5, the following would be changed to:

Section 5 Requirements

To hold an elected or nominated position, all SGA candidates and members must satisfy and maintain the following requirements:

- 1) Any student seeking an elected or nominated position must have a numerical grade average equal to or greater than 85.0 (rounded to three significant figures). The Academic Counselors or the Director for Academic Affairs shall be responsible for the calculation of these averages. The numeric average will be determined by taking the sum of the numeric grades as provided by the faculty to the Academic Counselors and the Director for Academic Affairs, and then dividing this sum by the number of classes a student is taking. Only MSMS classes listed on report cards and evaluated with numeric grades shall be considered. This average shall be cumulative from the student's Junior year.
- 2) At the end of each nine weeks, if the numeric grade average of any SGA member does not fulfill the requirements set forth in this Section, then that person shall be forced to relinquish their position and the vacant position shall be filled according to the appropriate guidelines.
- 3) A SGA candidate or member cannot have any Level III violations.
- 4) If an SGA member does not meet the disciplinary requirements set forth in this Section, then that person must immediately relinquish their position and the vacant position shall be filled according to the appropriate guidelines.

5) At the end of each semester, all Senators will be given the opportunity to resign from the Senate.

6) All candidates seeking an elected or appointed office for their Senior year must be a Senior for the duration of their term. All candidates seeking an elected or appointed office for their Junior year must be a Junior for the duration of their term.

7.) Candidates for SGA Vice President and Secretary must have been a Senator for four Senate meetings