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Pass: Yes

Other:

Resolution 6-14-F Resolution to Adopt Amendments to the Constitution of the Glasgow Student Body Association.

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to adopt amendments to the Constitution of the Glasgow Student Body Association.

WHEREAS: All representative organizations should continually seek improvements to their operational structure to better represent their constituents, and

WHEREAS: The Glasgow Student Body is a regional campus that was incorporated as a regional affiliate of the Student Government Association two years ago, and

WHEREAS: The organization has been unable to strike up enough student interest to fill and maintain an Executive Cabinet, Student Senate, and Judicial Council, and

WHEREAS: The proposed amendments will allow for greater involvement in the Student Government Association and will allow for more effective representation and action of the Glasgow Student Body Association, and

WHEREAS: The proposed amendments have been reviewed and approved by the Judicial Council of the Student Government Association pursuant to clause 4.5.9 of the Constitution.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University adopt the proposed amendments to the Constitution and subsequently refer these amendments to the student body for ratification.

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Resolution 7-14-F Resolution to Support a Student Fee to fund Western Kentucky University Student Legal Services

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to support the implementation of a student fee to financially support Western Kentucky University Student Legal Services

WHEREAS: The Western Kentucky University Student Legal Services is currently offering legal counsel and services to students with a temporary grant, and

WHEREAS: In order for Student Legal Services to continue to offer these services to students, they must obtain a permanent source of income, and

WHEREAS: A student fee of $2.00 (two) dollars per student, per semester for a total of $4.00 (four) dollars per student, per year would allow Student Legal services to hire an attorney to represent students and a paralegal to assist with filing and initial consultations, and

WHEREAS: Student Legal Services currently offers a variety of legal services at a greatly reduced cost to students; for example, where a regular lawyer would cost up to $250 per hour, a Western Kentucky Legal Services lawyer costs up to $50 per hour, and

WHEREAS: There will be internship positions for paralegal students at Western Kentucky University within the clinic to assist with filing and consultations, and

WHEREAS: The interns, the clinic paralegal, and/or paralegal faculty will put on various seminars educating students on specific legal issues, such as an introduction to the American legal system for international students, tenant/landlord laws, estate planning, credit and bankruptcy, etc., and

WHEREAS: Similar legal clinics are currently in place at Indiana University, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, the Ohio State University, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, University of Tennessee, University of Memphis, and Florida International University.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University support the implementation of a student fee to financially support Western Kentucky University Student Legal Services.

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Other:

Bill 12-14-F Scholar Development Grant Award Allocations

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate $3,250.00 from the Academic Affairs budget to assist students participating in student research.

WHEREAS: The Academic Affairs Committee’s Scholar Development Grant awards qualifying students up to $250.00 for participation in research, and

WHEREAS: The allocated funds will support students’ conference attendance fees, equipment costs, travel expenses, test prep fees, or other expenses relevant to their academic involvement.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University allocate the awarded funds of $3,250.00 from the scholarship fund to these qualifying Western Kentucky University students.

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Other:

Bill 13-14-F Study Abroad Scholarship Award Allocations

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate $6,325.00 from the Academic Affairs budget to assist students participating in study abroad programs.

WHEREAS: The Academic Affairs Committee offers a Study Abroad Scholarship that awards qualifying students up to $300.00 per term, with a maximum of $600.00 per academic year, and

WHEREAS: The allocated funds will support students’ tuition fees, travel expenses, or other expenses relevant to their program.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University allocate the awarded funds of $6,325.00 from the scholarship fund to these qualifying Western Kentucky University students.

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Bill 15-14-F Winter Term Scholarship Award Allocations

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to allocate $12,573.00 from the Student Affairs scholarship budget to financially assist students who are participating in Winter Term courses.

WHEREAS: The Student Affairs Committee awards thirty-three (33) scholarships to qualifying students enrolled in at least one (1) Winter Term course, and

WHEREAS: Each scholarship will cover the expense of one (1) credit hour of courses at the undergraduate level, equivalent to $381.00, and

WHEREAS: Each student has demonstrated his or her need as well as a dedication to both the campus and community, and

WHEREAS: Each student has provided evidence that the scholarship will be beneficial in furthering his or her education at Western Kentucky University.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University allocate the awarded funds of $12,573.00 from the Student Affairs scholarship budget to financially assist these qualified Western Kentucky University students.

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