

The rising STAR of Texas

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Dr. Margarita Arellano

Kathy Weiser

DATE:

October 8, 2014

FROM:

Tiffany Young, Student Body President TNV

SUBJ:

A Resolution Dividing the Senate into Two Classes of Staggering Terms

In accordance with the Article 2, section 2 of the Student Government Constitution, this resolution formats the process of dividing the Senate into two classes of staggering terms. I approve that the Senate adopted these procedures. Cody Desalvo administered and monitored the process. The meeting that followed we classified all seats of the Senate.

Author

Senate Pro-Tempore Carlson, Christian

Sponsors

Senator Gray-Berroa, Domonique Senator Stotler, Lauren

S.S.R 2014-2015.01

Date of First Reading: August 25, 2014

A Simple Resolution-

A simple resolution to be known as "A Resolution Dividing the Senate into Two Classes of Staggering Terms" which executes the constitutional provision for dividing the Senate into two classes as equally as possible with two year staggered terms of office.

1	WHEREAS:	In April 2014 the Associated Student Government was
2		reorganized and reconstituted as the Student Government;
3		and
4	WHEREAS:	The new Constitution instituted a two year, rotating term
5		for Senators; and
6	WHEREAS:	The reorganization included major changes to the
7		Constitution of the Student Government including dividing
8		the Senate into two classes where one class of Senators
9		would not need to run for re-election in spring 2015 while
10		the other class would need to run for re-election that
11		year; and
12	WHEREAS:	Article II of the Student Government Constitution outlines
13		a procedure for division of the Senate into two classes
14		with the initiation of the constitutional two year terms;
15		therefore

16	BE IT RESOLVED:	That the Senate adopt the following procedure for
17		the division of the chamber into two classes:
18		Section 1: The Senate's size for the purposes of
19		its division into classes is determined by the
20		total number of voting Senators on the roll as
21		approved by the Vice President.
22		Section 2: That the procedure in this resolution
23		be executed no later than September 15, 2014.
24		Section 3: If the Senate's size at the time of
25		this resolution is smaller than 45 then 29 slips
26		of paper will be created and numbered 1 through
27		29 and the following shall occur:
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 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 		President shall administer and monitor the process outlined in this resolution. B. The administrator shall create a "Classification Registration Form" which will capture the following information for all Senators: Slip drawn, whether the member is At-Large or a College Senator, Name, Student

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transmitted to the Dean of Students office and Election Board in order to provide continuity during the 2015 election filing process.

- C. The administrator shall place the slips of paper in any container which can hold all of them and then mix the slips thoroughly for random selection.
- D. To divide each of the college
 representatives the administrator will
 use the paper slips numbered 1 and 2
 and have each representative from the
 college come draw one slip at a time
 to decide the class division.
- E. The At-large Senators will form a single file line at a location designated by the administrator. The administrator shall call each Senator forward and they will draw one slip from the container.
- F. After drawing a slip the Senator will use the Classification Registration

 Form to print their name, student ID number and sign on the row which corresponds with the number they drew

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and not replace the number in the container.

- G. After every Senator present has drawn a number they shall be divided into Class A and Class B. Class A all shall constitute all the odd numbers drawn and they shall serve the first two year term per the constitution, not requiring re-election in Spring 2015, these seats will be available for reelection during the Spring 2016 election cycle and every two years thereafter that. Class B shall constitute all the even numbers drawn and Senators of that class shall relinquish their seats for re-election in the spring 2015 election, and elections for those seats will occur every 2 years.
- H. If Senators are not present to be divided or seats are left unfilled the after every present Senator has drawn the administrator will draw for absent Senators and divide as equally as possible the Senate seats that are unfilled.

92		I. If the number of Senators in the
93		Senate at the time of this process is
94		45 or less then the constitutional
95		size limitations will be implemented
96		upon this resolutions implementation.
97	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:	That the administrator will have the power
98		to resolve any problems during the
99		execution of this resolution, and
100	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:	That upon completion of this procedure,
101		appeals or complaints concerning this it
102		may be addressed to the Constitutional
103		Transitional Committee; and
104	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:	That, if passed, this resolution be
105		forwarded to Student Body President Tiffany
106		Young for action.

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Legislation:

S.S.R. 2014-2015.01 "A Resolution Dividing

the Senate into Two Classes of Staggering

Terms"

Date Passed:

9/1/14

Tiffany N. Young

Student Body President

Date: 1/3/2014

Sean P. Quinones

Student Body Vice President

Date: 10/8/2014

DOS Received Date

Signed For By: