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**SGA Meeting**  
**East Tennessee State University**  
**October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Culp 311**

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

**a. Start: 4:00 PM**

III. Open Forum

**a. YDSA: Discussing “Fight for Fifteen” Bill**

- i. Wrote the bill to help students & faculty (international, JC population, people being paid on campus)
- ii. Currently, we are giving poverty wages
- iii. They want to write more legislation (staggering) to spread the \$15 to more places on campus (APS/FWS)
- iv. Made motion to have bill read early
- v. Question by Senator: where will money come from?
  1. Response: Bill is meant to reform how money is taken in & distributed on campus; more of a faithful attempt to increase, wants university to work through it as they know the budget better

- vi. Question by Senator: how much will tuition be raised if this bill is in effect?
  - 1. Response: Not sure
- vii. Question by Senator: what if it pushes students away due to tuition increase?
  - 1. Response: Tuition is increasing anyway, so people won't stop coming to ETSU
- viii. Question by Senator: Have administrators been talked to about how this would play out?
  - 1. Response: Talked to
- ix. Question by Senator: Is \$15 too high to where we will lose a large coverage of people?
  - 1. Response: Doesn't have a fair assessment, recognizes concern
- x. Question by Senator: What does University of Memphis's life look like since bill?
  - 1. Response: Enrollment has increased by 1% over the last year; Memphis has not seen an increase in tuition
- xi. Question by President: Does this apply to faculty/staff currently, not students?

1. Response: Meant to apply to students in the future
- xii. Question by Senator: With raise, would it lower how many jobs we can provide?
  1. Believes money exists to where jobs won't have to decrease
- xiii. Question by Senator: Has the cost of living been compared between here and Memphis?
  1. Didn't know
- xiv. Question by Sec of Research: Why \$15?
  1. National fight for \$15; feels it is a conservative ask; steppingstone to \$23

#### IV. Old Business

##### i. SSR-22-001

1. Bill is going through a lot of administration and has a lot of support; faculty is attempting to push it along as well

##### **2. Vote: 18-0-0**

#### V. New Business

##### i. Appointments

##### **1. Vote as Slate: 18-0-0**

##### **2. Vote on Senators: 18-0-0**

- a. Quintin Rhodes
- b. Jay Higgins
- c. Mia Shaver
- d. Brett Strother
- e. Caleb Ishola

- ii. BucFund
  - 1. Intervaristy: \$4200/6000
    - a. **Vote: 21-0-0**
  - 2. Chinese Student Scholars Association: \$2700/2700
    - a. **Vote: 21-0-0**
  - 3. Zeta Phi Beta: \$710/1607.12
    - a. **Vote: 21-0-0**
  - 4. Model UN- Chapel Hill: \$2900/2900
    - a. **Vote: 20-0-1** (conflict of interest)
  - 5. Model UN- Atlanta: \$0/0
    - a. **Vote: 21-0-0**
  - 6. Model UN- Paris, France: \$0/0
    - a. **Vote: 21-0-0**
- iii. SSA-22-003
  - 1. Internal Affairs
- iv. SSR-22-003
  - 1. Financial Affairs in conjunction with Student Affairs

VI. Executive Remarks

- i. President
  - 1. Yielded to Student Representative Allen Archer
    - a. Fighting for Health Insurance
- ii. Executive Vice President
  - 1. Thanked for respectfulness/good questions
  - 2. Donate warm clothing to Bucky's Closet/Pantry
- iii. Vice President for Finance and Administration

VII. Cabinet Remarks

- a. Chief of Staff
- b. Secretary of Research

VIII. Advisor Remarks

IX. Senate Remarks

X. Adjourn