



SUUSA S.B. #012
Bill: Revision of SUUSA Governing Bylaws

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WHEREAS: The STIL Center has expressed interest in increasing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) amongst its student organizations and other campus wide initiatives, and

WHEREAS: Our Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC), marginalized, and historically underrepresented students face socioeconomic challenges in their lives that adversely affect their academic lives, and

WHEREAS: The current standards for Student Body Elections are not equitable and are counterproductive towards DEI initiatives that are trying to be furthered, and

WHEREAS: These aforementioned students' drive, motivation, and leadership initiative are no less than that of their peers that serve or have served in the SUUSA Student Government, and

WHEREAS: The current Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for the senators and 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for the EC members of the Government Branch of the Student Senate is a barrier to DEI Initiatives and to students of adverse socioeconomic standing,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the SUUSA Governing Bylaws be amended so that the GPA requirements for the entirety of SUUSA Student Government Members be 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in order to meet the requirements of election campaign eligibility, and

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED: That any student that is elected or appointed to any SUUSA Student Government position that falls within the 2.5 to 3.0 GPA range must adhere to an academic grade plan with the appropriate advisor as well as showing the

appropriate effort to strive for academic improvement and maintaining a 3.0 GPA whilst in their respective positions.

THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED: That an academic grade plan be defined as a series of goals and metrics of success set out by the student along with an advisor which will allow for the continuous academic improvement of said student. This will be decided with meetings between an advisor and student in which the aforementioned will be set with discretion. The oversight of adherence to the academic grade plan and any violations thereof will be determined at the discretion of the advisor.

Student Body President, Nouman Kante: _____