ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 05
Forty-Fourth Session

Author(s): Speaker Austin M. D. Quick
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WHEREAS, Part I, Article III, Section 4.F of the Student Association Bylaws explains the duties and responsibilities of the position of Director of Cultural Affairs;

WHEREAS, the current duties and responsibilities for the Director of Cultural Affairs is vague and deals only with one area of the campus community;

WHEREAS, students of various faith organizations are not serviced by the current SA guidelines;

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Student Association to work on behalf of all students regardless of religion or beliefs;

SA BYLAWS PART I, ARTICLE III, SEC. 4.F

The Director of Cultural Affairs, working under the direction of the President and Chief of Staff, is responsible for promoting a diverse campus culture by encouraging cultural programming, opportunities for religious expression to the various faith groups that service the campus community, ensuring support services are provided to underrepresented individuals, and monitoring policies that affect minorities. The Director of Cultural Affairs shall:

1. Serve as the Student Association liaison to all cultural and religious student organizations.

2. Promote cultural programming and encourage joint programming across cultural organizations.

3. Act as the Student Association’s liaison to campus support services for all religious and cultural organizations along with all of the various NIU Resource Centers, underrepresented individuals including, but not limited to, the Center for Black Studies, University Resources for Latinos, Asian Resource Center, CARR, LGBT Resource Center, and University Resources for Women.

4. Monitor and provide recommendations regarding university policies affecting minority members and religious organizations of all faiths and beliefs of the university community including the recruitment and retention of minority students, staff, and faculty.

5. Organize and chair a committee consisting of representatives from all recognized cultural and religious student organizations to facilitate proposals to improve the quality of life for minorities on campus and to create an environment for cultural exchange.

6. Serve on the Unity in Diversity Steering Committee as the Student Association representative.

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7. Coordinate Student Association representation on the Presidential Commissions on the status of minorities.
8. Research and recommend major minority-related cultural and religious policy changes to the University via the Student Association Senate.


10. Attend meetings of Believing in Culture, a sub-organization of the Residence Hall Association.

11. Work with and serve on the NIU Association of Campus Religious Organizations

Therefore, be it resolved by the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate, amend the Student Association Bylaws to reflect the following changes to give those of various faith based organizations opportunities to be served by the position of Director of Cultural Affairs.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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I hereby verify that the Student Association Senate has approved the following legislation in accordance with the rules and requirements set forth in the Student Association Constitution, Bylaws, and Senate Operating Rules and Procedures.

Chad Harris, Clerk of the Senate

Austin M. D. Quick, Speaker of the Senate

This legislation is now considered binding under the laws of the Student Association, given under my hand in DEKALB, ILLINOIS on the FOURTEENTH day of October in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

Delonte LeFlore, President