ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 01
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Author(s): Speaker Domke

Sponsor(s):

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WHEREAS, The Vice-President of the Student Association has granted KingsWord NIU temporary recognition.

WHEREAS, The Senate has the responsibility of approving student groups for complete recognition.

Therefore the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this Senate enact:

That the Student Association grants permanent recognition to KingsWord NIU.

This act is ordered to immediate effect.

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.

[Signature]
Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk of the Senate

[Signature]
Dillon J. Domke, 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 FOURTH day of OCTOBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN.

[Seal]
Nathan Lupstein, President
WHEREAS, there is no current position that oversees the environmental affairs of Northern Illinois University within the Student Association;

WHEREAS, President Lupstein attended a leadership summit for the presidents and heads of all student governments and Northern Illinois University was one of the very few who did not have an officer for their student government focusing on Environmental Affairs and University Sustainability;

WHEREAS, Treasurer Calvey has stated that we do have the extra funds to fund this position in a trial year;

WHEREAS, President Lupstein has deemed it worthwhile to invest time into trying out a Director of Environmental Affairs on a trial basis for this year;

WHEREAS, there have been multiple green initiatives on campus in the last few years and there is a growing demand for the campus to become more environmentally sound;

WHEREAS, Northern Illinois University has stated that they want the students and the Student Association to become a much more integral part of how the campus evolves in the past and will continue to include students on decisions in the future;

WHEREAS, there are many institutions that have a student government position that oversees the environmental affairs of their respective institutions;

WHEREAS, the City of DeKalb has been growing to become more and more environmentally sound these past few years;

WHEREAS, large institutions, such as Northern Illinois University, sometimes lose scope of the resources that they have available to them and can sometimes forget the scope of the amount of waste and byproducts they give off into their surrounding community;

WHEREAS, student lead initiatives have proven to be helpful and beneficial to the campus and surrounding community, and this establishes a community atmosphere that Northern Illinois University is looking to adopt fully;

WHEREAS, printing has become a big issue on the campus as shown with the Student Association Senate working with the CIO last year to ensure that printing would be available to students this year under the contingency that we would have to find a better and greener approach for the growing campus issue;
WHEREAS, it is evident that our campus has a high regard to the environment based on the multiple new construction and renovation projects that Northern Illinois University have been adding to campus have been done with the environment in mind;

Therefore be it enacted by the students of Northern Illinois University represented in this senate, that Part I, Article III, Section 4 of the By-laws of the Student Association shall now read: (additions in red for ease of identification)

N. The Director of Environmental Affairs, working under the direction of the President and Chief of Staff, is responsible for all communication, coordination, support, and work dealing with environmental related items on behalf of the Student Association. The Director of Environmental Affairs shall:

1. Be responsible for the coordination of environmental service projects each semester in office.
2. Support and collaborate with the university environmental groups for programming, advising, guidance, and accountability.
4. Oversee all recycling campaigns on campus, including assisting with department and organization initiatives.
5. Host a minimum of one sustainability workshop per semester for student organizations, Northern Illinois University departments, and the surrounding community.
6. Work with the University for the study of environment, sustainability, and energy to promote green initiatives for the university to enact.
7. Meet with the Institute for the study of environmental, sustainability, and energy on a monthly basis for development on the current and developing projects.
8. Advocate for a greener alternative for student issues on campus to the University Administration.
9. Offer suggestions to the university administration on behalf of the Student Association to better the university’s environmental initiatives and to better include students in this process.

10. Collaborate with the university administration and student body to help create a campus sustainability plan.
11. Collaborate with the Director of Mass Transit and Mass Transit Board, to come up with the most efficient and effective Huskie Bus Routes.
12. Collaborate with all green student organizations to find solutions to minimize campus waste and make the University as efficient as possible.
13. Collaborate with the Director of Governmental Affairs to bring any campus initiatives to the City of DeKalb and bring their initiatives back to campus.
14. Shall be paid, but cannot be paid for more than 20 hours in a pay period (2 weeks, 10 hours a week).

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Jamal Pasha Mohammed, Clerk 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 EIGHTEENTH day of OCTOBER, TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN.

SEAL:

Nathan Lupstein, President