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Bolen

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Bill for establishing the Diversity Task Force

Whereas, last year, SGA tried to establish the Holiday Task Force,

Whereas, that task force failed due to restrictions that limited its actions,

Whereas, students have expressed a want for further representation on this campus,

Whereas, students have expressed a want to decorate the campus and celebrate different cultures,

Whereas, the task force would actually be able to function and do events in this new academic year,

Whereas, it would promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and unity on campus,

Whereas, it would celebrate and promote different cultures here at ATU,

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Whereas, it would help promote student involvement by helping our different cultural organizations promote themselves with the help of SGA,

Whereas, it would help connect the student body to the international student population as well as multiple student organizations,

Whereas, it would give the SGA Senate and Executive board plenty of opportunities to earn volunteer hours through SGA itself,

Whereas, it would help increase SGA's presence and impact on the campus,

Whereas, the Diversity Task force has a calendar of events and has a written plan for this academic year (<u>found here</u>),

Whereas, this Task Force will help SGA use its funds we receive for both semesters,

Whereas SGA does not want to currently make a standing committee for this yet; however, if success continues then SGA will continue to process the idea of a standing committee.

Therefore, be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association of Arkansas Tech University:

To establish the Diversity Task Force (taking the spot of the Holiday Task Force) for the 2021-22 Academic year in order to help campus organizations (and SGA) promote themselves, educate students on different cultures on campus, and to help be an effort to unify the campus. This task force is to be primarily overseen by Secretary Vasquez and Secretary Bolen.

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