

# The Student Senate

#### **Texas A&M University**

S.B. 64-105

The Student Senate 64th Session TexasA&MUniversity

Introduced By:

Diversity Commissioner Dan Gutierrez

Constituency Affairs Chair Jody Harris, Off-Campus

Senator Kevin Markowski, Off-Campus Student Body President Jeff Pickering

Sponsored By: Academic Affairs Chair Brody Smith, Off-Campus

**Action Taken** 

April 18, 2012

Certified By:

Tanner Wilson

Speaker of the Senate

**Duly Approved:** 

Student Body President

**Aggie Union Act** Special Designation: Act of the Senate

"An act to create the Aggie Union as an initiative of the Student Government Association Diversity Commission."

Whereas(1): Campus unity is the calling of every Aggie student; and,

Whereas(2): Many student organizations support similar charitable aims; and,

Whereas(3): Consolidating philanthropic efforts can exemplify a cohesive commitment to selfless service—thereby demonstrating unity through diversity.

Therefore Let it be

Enacted(1):

That Title V, Chapter 104 of the Student Government Association Code—

Executive Committees, Commissions, and Other Offices —shall be

immediately amended as follows:



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Further Certified By: Oacun War

Tanner Wilson Speaker of the Senate

#### ARTICLE V. EXECUTIVE BRANCH COMMISSIONS

**SECTION II.** The Diversity Commission

- (a) STATUTORYESTABLISHMENT. There is established an executive branch commission known as the "Diversity Commission."
- (b) Mission Statement
  - (1) The Diversity Commission exists to creatively address the issues surrounding diversity by rebuilding the norm. The Diversity Commission shall facilitate communication, generate awareness, and emphasize the importance of these issues throughout the entire Texas A&M University campus. Through the ideals of the Aggie Family, Code of Honor, and the Core Values the commission shall strive to provide a cohesive and welcoming environment for campus interaction among the variety of students at Texas A&M University.
  - The Diversity Commission shall promote and oversee the Aggie Union (2) initiative. As a corollary to this objective, the Diversity Commission will host an annual induction banquet. Aggie Union Mission Statement: We come from varied backgrounds. and different walks of life—but our common values are Aggie Values. Our virtue, honor, and reputation are contained in enforcing, by precept and example, the decency of our traditions. Aspiring to Excellence, we test the limits of our abilities; insisting on Integrity, we know that character is destiny; embracing true Leadership, we choose a brighter future for ourselves and for our Country. For in our Loyalty to each other, we sustain the bonds of family: in our Respect for diversity, we find the capacity for reason; in the necessity of Selfless Service, we discover our common humanity. Above all else—in our unity of purpose—we illuminate countless paths toward becoming a good Aggie. This is the aim of the Aggie Union: to shape the course of our lives according to the enduring convictions which have always defined Texas A&M University.
  - (3) The Diversity Commission shall also faithfully execute any diversity policy or initiative called for by the statutes or the Student Body President.
- (c) Primary Charge
  - (1) The primary charge of the Diversity Commission shall be to organize and operate programs to educate the students of Texas A&M University about diversity, to facilitate discussion on the same, and to promote campus unity through the Aggie Union initiative.