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Resolution 7-13-S Resolution to Adopt an Amendment to the Bylaws of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University

PURPOSE: For the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University to adopt the proposed amendment to the Bylaws.

WHEREAS: The Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University awarded approximately eighty-three (83) Study Abroad Scholarships and Scholar Development Grants during the 2011-2012 academic year, and

WHEREAS: The Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University awarded/will award approximately one hundred and twenty-five (125) Study Abroad Scholarships and Scholar Developments Grants during the 2012-2013 academic year, and

WHEREAS: Since the spring of 2011, eleven (11) members of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University received funds from one or both of these sources, amounting to approximately \$2,550, and

WHEREAS: This presents a conflict of interest and the perception of impropriety that should be remedied, and

WHEREAS: The proposed amendment will remedy the conflict of interest and the perception of impropriety and is a compromise based on a previous debate.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University adopt the proposed bylaw amendment.

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9. Scholarships and Grants

9.1 Eligibility of SGA Members

No member of the Student Government Association of Western Kentucky University shall be eligible to apply for or receive any SGA-sponsored scholarships or grants, including but not limited to Study Abroad/Teach Abroad Scholarships, Scholar Development Grants, etc., for the duration of his/her term.

9.2 Exemptions

- 9.2.1 This article shall not apply to SGA members who are recipients of federal Pell Grants or other education-related, low income assistance programs.
- 9.2.2 Any SGA member fitting these criteria shall present certifying documents from the WKU Office of Financial Aid, stating such, to the Academic Affairs committee.
- 9.2.3 The Speaker of the Senate, after consulting with the Academic Affairs chair, shall make appropriate accommodations to prevent any potential or perceived conflicts of interest should an SGA member, fitting these criteria and serving on the Academic Affairs committee, apply for a scholarship or grant.

9.3 Suspension

This article cannot be suspended.

9.4 Force and Effect

This article shall not go into force and effect until August 1, 2013.

910. Student Government Awards