

Stephen F. Austin State University
Student Government Association



Fall Semester
November 16, 2011

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F11-B16

Bill to Appropriate Funds
for SGA Donations for Thanksgiving

Written and Submitted by: Chairman Matthew Pickens and the Student Affairs Committee

Whereas: The Thanksgiving holiday is coming soon and it is the time to be thankful for the soldiers who have fought for our country.

Whereas: The Wounded Warrior Project enables us to help the thousands of wounded warriors returning home from the current conflicts and to provide assistance to their families.

Whereas: A turkey hand donation event will allow SGA and the student body of Stephen F. Austin State University get more involved with the soldiers returning home.

Whereas: Students can cut out a turkey hand print and donate money towards the Wounded Warrior Project.

Enacted: SGA allocates \$80.00 for the donations event.

\$30.00 for the purchase of markers and paint.

\$50.00 for SGA donation towards the Wounded Warrior Project.

Any remaining funds for the purchase of markers and paint will be returned to the legislative budget.

Sean Valdez, Speaker of the Senate

Date

Sydni Mitchell, President

Date

F11-B17

Bill to Appropriate Funds for a Sponsorship at The Axe Factor

Written and Submitted by: Senator Ray Yates, Senator Frankie Farner and Senator Taylor Livingston

Whereas: Freshman Leadership Academy is sponsoring The Axe Factor “Be the Change” talent show to raise money for wildfire victims.

Whereas: Increasing student awareness is a part of the Student Government Association legislative agenda.

Whereas: Freshman Leadership Academy is allowing \$20 slots for sponsorship at the Axe Factor.

Enacted: Student Government Association allocates \$20 to appropriate funds towards a sponsorship at the Axe Factor talent show.

Sean Valdez, Speaker of the Senate

Date

Sydni Mitchell, President

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F11-B18

Bill to Appropriate Funds for
Waste Watcher Recycling Bins

Written and Submitted by: Senator Wesley Smith

- Whereas: In the past, the SGA and some of its past members have wanted to start a recycling program on the SFASU campus.
- Whereas: Currently, the SFASU does not have a campus-wide recycling program.
- Whereas: The Student Government Association has identified sustainability and as one of the goals that we wanted to tackle for this academic year.
- Whereas: SGA is a sponsor of a student organization that is trying to get a campus-wide recycling program started, The Environmental Awareness Movement.
- Whereas: The current recycling bins on the SFASU are not capable of supporting a long term recycling program.
- Whereas: SGA has the ability to purchase newer recycling bins to add to the already existing recycling bins around campus.
- Enacted: SGA allocates \$312.50 for the purchase of a Double Waste Watcher System and Waste Watcher System recycling bags.

Further Enacted: The Environmental Awareness Movement will be put in charge of collecting the recyclables from the bins twice a month, and dropping them off at an already designated location on the SFASU campus.

Double Waste Watcher System: **\$238.00**
Which contains: 2 recycling cans (20" width x 11" length x 30" height), 2 signage frames, one connector.
Recycling Bags: **\$29.50** (200 bags)
Shipping: **\$45.00**
Total: \$312.50

Sean Valdez, Speaker of the Senate

Date

Sydni Mitchell, President

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F11-B19

Bill to Appropriate Funds for SFA Veterans Resource Center

*Written and Submitted by: President Sydni Mitchell, Chairman Tony Hensdill and
Chairman Blaise Segura*

- Whereas: Student Government Association included in its 2011-2012 Legislative Agenda the goal of promoting a veterans friendly campus.
- Whereas: The Stephen F. Austin State University Veterans Focus Group has acquired space for a Veterans Resource Center on the first floor of the Baker Pattillo Student Center.
- Whereas: This space will be used as a location for veterans to access the specific resources that they need to be successful at SFA. In addition, the space will provide a comfortable environment for veterans to interact with one another on campus.
- Whereas: The cost of remodeling for the Veterans Resource Center, which includes installing ductwork and a glass enclosure amongst other needs is approximately \$27,000.
- Whereas: There are approximately 300 veteran students accounted for on the SFA campus.
- Whereas: Student Government Association has a duty to represent these men and women who have so valiantly served our nation.
- Enacted: Student Government Association allocates \$2,000 in support of the creation of a Veterans Resource Center in the Baker Pattillo Student Center.

Sean Valdez, Speaker of the Senate

Date

Sydni Mitchell, President

Date