ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

FIFTY-SECOND SESSION

BILL NO.  52-04
INTRODUCED BY: PORTER  SECONDED BY: JANSEN

A BILL TO: Amend the ASMSU Code of Operations

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, from time to time the General Assembly experiences vacancies among the various college delegations and;

WHEREAS, the current process to appoint members to the assembly is flawed and does not allow for appointments to colleges that have no representation and;

WHEREAS, The current process is restrictive to students, and pushes many away from ASMSU involvement, therefore be it;

RESOLVED, that Title II, Section 8 of the General Assembly Code of Operations is amended to read:

"An official appointment process shall exist to appoint eligible members of ASMSU to vacant seats of colleges represented within the General Assembly for the remaining duration of the given session; such an appointment process will be subject to the following rules and procedures:

A. A person shall be eligible for appointment to represent the college in which they have major(s) as defined by the Office of the Registrar, provided that the candidate is a taxpaying member of ASMSU.

B. Interested students shall be required to submit a completed appointment application along with a current resume to the Vice President of Internal Administration for consideration of an appointment.

i. Appointment applications shall be available to any member of the public, both online and in the ASMSU Business Office.

ii. Applications shall be accepted upon a rolling basis throughout each session of the General Assembly.

C. Upon the verification of the application and certification of candidacy by the Vice President of Internal Administration, the student must then be reviewed and approved by an appointment board. The appointment board will make formal recommendations to the General Assembly for their approval."
D. All final recommendations made by the Board will appear on the agenda for the following General Assembly meeting for approval of the appointment.

E. All appointments must be approved by a majority vote of the General Assembly.

F. The Vice President of Internal Administration shall be responsible for overseeing and administering all arrangements pertaining to the appointment process. including the following responsibilities:
   i. Discretion to conduct paper-cuts if the applicant pool is too large for interview. At least one additional member of the appointment board must be present to administer paper-cuts.
   ii. Discretion to not consider an applicant who has not followed the instructions on the application.
   iii. Organize interviews on behalf of the appointment board and send the board’s official recommendation to the General Assembly for approval.
   iv. Determine means of evaluating applicants during the interview process and keep record of the decision making process.

G. An appointment board shall exist to oversee and administer the interview process under which individuals applying for a position will undergo. The appointment board will adhere to the following procedures and guidelines:
   i. All appointment board interviews shall be open only to members of the public that are currently enrolled in the University. No member of the public will be allowed to be present during the interview, but may speak on the merits of the candidate during a public comment time. All public comments must remain germane to the evaluation of the applicant being interviewed. All public comments are subject to a three-minute limit.
   ii. Each applicant will be interviewed separately.
   iii. The Board will be organized and chaired by the Vice President of Internal Administration.
   iv. Consist of the following members:
      i. Vice President of Internal Administration or designee
      ii. At least one other member of the Office of The President
      iii. Liaison for University Multicultural Affairs or designee
      iv. At least one currently serving representative of the college the applicant is applying for. If
there is no current representative serving in the same college, a representative from another college may sit as a member of the board.

v. Once all petitioners for a specific college have been interviewed, the appointment board shall deliberate and determine which applicants will be recommended to the General Assembly for appointment.

vi. All official recommendations to the General Assembly shall be of unanimous consent of the board.

vii. Candidates will be evaluated based on certain qualities but not limited to, knowledge of ASMSU and its procedures, and motivation and intention to be an involved representative.

viii. Retain the right to not recommend any candidates to the General Assembly if the board does not find any candidates properly qualified.

L. Once the VPIA receives an appointment application the VPIA must announce they are looking for seeking applications for that college seat and allow for a 2 week application process for other interested students to submit applications.

M. Applicants may ask for an appeal using the typical appeal process stated in the ASMSU bylaws title VII section 8

INTRODUCED ON ___________________________ April 30, 2015

REFERRED TO n/a COMMITTEE ON n/a

SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN Sent to GA DATE 4/30/2015

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PRESIDENT VPIA