

**ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SIXTY-FIRST SESSION**



BILL NO. 61-31

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A BILL TO: Amend the ASMSU Code of Operations to Include a Section Regarding the Formation and Guidelines of Ad-Hoc Committees Under Title II, Section 21

THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

WHEREAS, The MSU Academic Governance Bylaws define the ways in which University Advisory-Consultative Committees as well as Ad-Hoc Committees can be formed; and,

WHEREAS, The language of the Academic Governance Bylaws¹ states:

“5.4. Ad Hoc Committees of the University Council

5.4.1. Ad hoc committees shall be kept to a minimum. Before establishing an ad hoc committee, the University Council shall consult with the Steering Committee to determine whether the commission might appropriately be referred to one or more University-level Standing Committees.

5.4.2. The Steering Committee shall recommend to the University Council the composition, method of selecting members, functions, and procedures of ad hoc committees;” and,

WHEREAS, In the creation of the “Ad-Hoc Committee on Free Speech and Hate Speech”, the University Council² approved the creation of the committee, and the University Steering Committee³ discussed and approved the composition of the committee,

WHEREAS, Currently, there is no outline in the ASMSU Code for the formation of Ad-Hoc Committees, however they have been historically formed through the process of

¹ [MSU Academic Governance Bylaws](#)

² [University Council Minutes 11/28/23](#)

³ [Steering Committee Minutes 1/9/24](#)

passing a bill through both the General Assembly Policy Committee and the ASMSU General Assembly; and,

WHEREAS, The Office of the President provides expert insight in areas such as finance and operations, academic affairs, governmental affairs, internal administration/policy, and student allocations, and DEI initiatives, therefore these officers are best suited to act as chairs for any committee deemed necessary by the General Assembly and the Steering Committee, which is made up of OOTP and adjacent ASMSU leadership; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That Associated Students of Michigan State University shall amend Title II to add a new Section 21 as follows:

(TO)

“Section 21. An Ad-Hoc Committee shall be defined as a temporary advisory group that addresses a specific issue or task that pertains to the business of ASMSU.

Ad-Hoc Committees shall be formed by the following means:

- A. Ad-Hoc Committees shall be chaired by a member of the ASMSU Office of the President, and Vice-Chaired by a member of GA to be elected at the first Ad-Hoc Committee meeting.**
- B. A bill must pass through both the General Assembly Policy Committee and General Assembly calling for the implementation of an Ad-Hoc Committee and must detail its purpose and need.**
 - 1. This bill shall also include the following appendix to lay out the suggested Chair and Ex-Officio members for the Committee:**

I. Appendix

Name of Ad-Hoc Committee:

Final Goal of the Ad-Hoc Committee:

Chair Suggestion:

Suggested Ex-Officio Members:

Composition Suggestion:

Number of members:

**Ratio of ASMSU Staff, Major Governing Groups,
College, and CORES/COPS Representatives:**

Proposed Timeline: ” ; let it be further,

RESOLVED, That Associated Students of Michigan State University shall amend Title II to add a clause under Section 16 outlining the duty of Steering Committee as follows:

“Section 16. The ASMSU Steering Committee shall determine the structure of each Ad-Hoc Committee through the following processes:

- A. The ASMSU Steering Committee will take the appendix of each Ad-Hoc Committee bill into account while making the approvals for Chair, Vice Chair, and Ex-Officio members.**
- B. The Chair of an Ad-Hoc Committee shall be determined by the Steering Committee by undergoing the proper election process as defined by Robert’s Rules, and the Vice Chair shall be elected at the first Ad-Hoc Committee unless otherwise specified by the ASMSU Steering Committee.**
- C. Any ex-officio members of the Ad-Hoc Committee, which may include ASMSU Staff and members of OOTP, shall be approved by the Steering Committee by a simple majority vote.”**

INTRODUCED ON _____ **10.24.2024** _____

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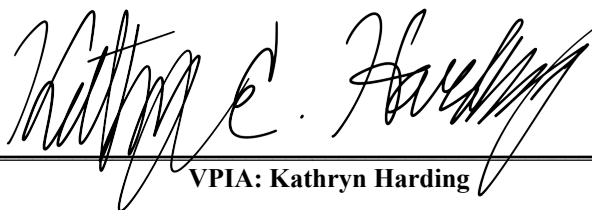
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COMMITTEE ACTION	<u>X</u>		<u>7-0-1</u>	<u>10.17.2024</u>
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