



Student Trustee Selection

Responsible Official: Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment

Responsible Office: Division of Student Life and Enrollment

Policy Purpose

The policy provides a structure to facilitate the Board's selection of a student trustee each year.

Policy Statement

The Board of Trustees is required to select a student trustee to serve a term of 1 year as outlined in Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-8-201(f)1.A.F. A process to vet those students interested in serving as student trustee coordinated by the Student Government Association in conjunction with the Division of Student Affairs and the Vice President Student Affairs.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-8-201(f)1.A.F.

Definitions

None

Policy History

Effective Date: Approved by the Board of Trustees 4/27/2018

Revision Date:

Procedure (s)

The Board of Trustee's selection of the student trustee follows the timeline and procedure below:

January

1. The SGA Vice President appoints a Student Trustee Selection Committee.
2. A campus wide email is sent to students soliciting applications.
3. Applications are submitted online and include a release of grades and student record information.
4. The Office of Student Life and Enrollment verifies student standing and grades and shares the list of applicants with the Committee.

February

1. The Student Trustee Selection Committee evaluates applications and narrows the pool to a group of finalists to be interviewed. Guidelines used for evaluation are same as that of holding an Executive SGA office (3.0 GPA, Junior status or higher which is 60 or more credit hours, been at ETSU one semester).
2. The Student Trustee Selection Committee interviews the finalists.

February/March

1. The Student Trustee Selection Committee submits a list of three candidates to the full SGA Senate its consideration and vote.
2. To be named student trustee, a candidate must obtain a majority of the votes (50%+1) of attending senators. If no candidate reaches a majority on the first ballot, an immediate run-off will occur between the top two vote getters. If there is a tie during the vote casting, the executive vice-president will cast the deciding vote. If the executive vice-president is a candidate, the presiding chair will cast the vote instead
3. The SGA shares its selection with the Vice President of Student Life and Enrollment and President of the University.

March/April

1. The President takes a selected candidate to the Board of Trustees.
2. At its discretion, the Executive Committee may elect to interview the selected candidate.
3. The Executive Committee will then support the President's recommendation or make an alternative recommendation. The President will submit the recommended candidate to the Board of Trustees for review and approval.

Procedure History

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