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| S.1314-148 | **DATE INTRODUCED:**  April 30th, 2014 |
| **SPONSORED BY:** President Agyemang | **COMMITTEE:** N/A |
| **SUBJECT: Executive Board Structure** | **COMMITTEE VOTE:** N/A |
| **SENATE VOTE:** | **LEGISLATIVE RESULT:** |

**Be it hereby proposed that the following be enacted:**

1. That the following section of the Student Association Bylaws be amended:

**303.10** – Director of Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy***

303.10.1 – There shall hereby be established in the Executive Branch of Student Association the Department of Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy***. This department shall be responsible for making sure that the academic needs and concerns of University at Albany students are met. The Director shall organize and oversee the Academic Affairs Department.

303.10.1.1 – The Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy***Department shall have one (1) Assistant Director who shall be nominated by the Director, with the advice and consent of the Vice President, and appointed by the President. They shall serve under the guidance of the Director.

303.10.1.2 – The Assistant Director of Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy***shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

303.10.1.2.1 – Assist the Director in organizing and overseeing the Academic Affairs Department.

303.10.1.2.2 – Perform any duties assigned by the Director.

303.10.1.2.3 – In the absence of the Director, or upon his/her request, the Associate Director shall assume all duties and responsibilities of the Director.

303.10.1.3 – The Director of Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy*** shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Vice President and confirmed by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Association Senate.

303.10.1.4 – The Director of Academic Affairs ***and Advocacy*** shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

303.10.1.4.1 – Shall be the President’s ***default***representative to the many governance bodies of the University, including, but not limited to the University Senate.

303.10.1.4.2 – Shall oversee the examination of all student academic concerns.

303.10.1.4.2.1 – Handle all student grievances pertaining to teachers/academics, working with the Marketing Department to publicize ways for students to file grievance.

303.10.1.4.3 – Shall serve as a channel of communication in academic matters between the Student Association and University administration.

303.10.1.4.4 – Shall do everything in his/her power to achieve/ensure the optimum amount of student input on all University academic policy-making bodies.

303.10.1.4.5 – Shall coordinate all Student Association operations in the area of faculty evaluation.

303.10.1.4.6 – The Director, or his/her designee, shall report weekly to the Senate Committee on Governance in addition to regular reporting requirements.

*303.10.1.4.7– Create and maintain a mechanism by which the Student Association may effectively respond to the problems of individual students.*

*303.10.1.4.7.1– The Director of Academic Affairs and Advocacy shall ensure that this function of his/her office is publicized.*

*303.10.1.4.8 – Have the knowledge to write resolutions to problems proposed by the undergraduate student body.*

*303.10.1.4.9 – Initiate and execute programs, and act as the student’s advocate in response to all relevant issues, in the area of student rights and student welfare.*

*303.10.1.4.10 – Serve as a channel of communication in non-academic matters between the Student Association and University administration.*

*303.10.1.4.11 – Do everything in his/her power to achieve/ensure the optimum amount of student input on all University nonacademic policy-making bodies.*

**~~303.11~~** ~~– Student Advocate~~

~~303.11.1 – There shall hereby be established in the Student Association the Office of the Student Advocate. The Office of the Student Advocate shall be responsible for advocating for the needs of individual students. The Student Advocate shall head the office.~~

~~303.11.2 – The Student Advocate shall be appointed by the President, with the advice and consent o the Vice President, and shall serve at the discretion of the President.~~

~~303.11.3 – The Student Advocate shall have the following duties and responsibilities:~~

~~303.11.3.1 – Create and maintain a mechanism by which the Student Association may effectively respond to the problems of individual students.~~

~~303.11.3.1.1 – The Student Advocate shall ensure that this function of his/her office is publicized.~~

~~303.11.3.2 – Have the knowledge to write resolutions to problems proposed by the undergraduate student body.~~

~~303.11.3.3 – Initiate and execute programs, and act as the student’s advocate in response to all relevant issues, in the area of student rights and student welfare.~~

~~303.11.3.4 – Serve as a channel of communication in non-academic matters between the Student Association and University administration.~~

~~303.11.3.5 – Do everything in his/her power to achieve/ensure the optimum amount of student input on all University nonacademic policy-making bodies.~~

***303.11 – Director of Communications***

*303.11.1 – There is hereby established in the Executive Branch of Student Association the Department of Communications. This department shall be responsible for assisting student groups with spreading their initiatives to the student body and surrounding community.*

*303.11.2– The Director shall be appointed by the President in consultation with the Vice President and is subject to a two-thirds approval vote of the Student Association Senate.*

*303.11.3 – The Director of Communications shall have the following duties and responsibilities:*

*303.11.3.1 – Assist members of the Executive with the formulation of news releases which work to advertise goals, initiatives and accomplishments*

*303.11.3.2 – Reach out to community organizations in an effort to partner with them and investigate how the Student Association can play a role in their initiatives*

*303.11.3.3 – Assist the President and other members of the Executive with any public addresses (speeches, announcements, etc.)*

1. That this bill goes into effect immediately upon passage in accordance with the Student Association Constitution.

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| Francis Agyemang, *President* |