

**A RESOLUTION ADVOCATING FOR CHANGING THE AGENDA USED
FOR STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLY MEETINGS**

WHEREAS: The current agenda used during Assembly meetings of the Students' Association (SA), as outlined in Article IV, Section 3 of the Internal Rules of Procedure, places executive reports near the top of the agenda, and

WHEREAS: The current agenda used during Assembly meetings of the SA places legislation near the bottom of the agenda, and

WHEREAS: The Assembly operates primarily as a *legislative body* since the meetings run under *Robert's Rules of Order*, and

WHEREAS: The student body recognizes the SA as a forum for discussion and debate upon legislative matters, and

WHEREAS: *The Daily Texan* has reported frequently this year that the SA does not complete the items on its legislative calendar because meetings adjourn due to a lack of quorum, and

WHEREAS: These actions have further damaged the reputation of the SA as an organization that does not address student issues and concerns which is its mission, and

WHEREAS: Legislation is not addressed until at least an hour to an hour and a half into the Assembly meeting, and

WHEREAS: Communication with the Assembly by executive officers can be accomplished through internal memoranda during the two-week interim between Assembly meetings rather than solely at Assembly meetings; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN THAT:

The current agenda used by the SA during Assembly meetings should be amended to place legislation near the top of the agenda and executive reports near the bottom of the agenda as follows:

Call to Order
Reading and Approval of the Minutes
Guests
Appointments
Members' Privilege
Unfinished Business
New Business

President's Report
Vice President's Report
Executive Director's Report
Financial Director's Report
Chair of the Cabinet of College Council's Report
Committee Reports
Announcements
Adjournment; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the executive reports should be submitted in writing to further their importance and aid in the communication between representatives and the student body as a whole.

Sponsored by Representative Garcia