

B.P.R 02-2022

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Co-Sponsored: Kendall Stephens, *At-Large Rep.* Elizabeth Lomax, *Liberal Arts College Rep.* Townley Sorge, *Parliament Speaker.* Ben Nguyen, *College of Science & Technology Rep.* Dennis Taner, *LGBTQIA+ Rep.*
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RESOLUTION NO. 02-2022

This resolution has been enacted to call Temple Student Government's Parliament Branch into action to recess their legislative governing body for the 2022-2023 term.

Currently, The Parliament Branch of The Temple Student Government has been ineffective every year since its inception.

Currently, Many tasks of the Parliament branch overlap with the Executive branch.

Knowing, The Parliament Branch of The Temple Student Government has only passed one resolution in the past year, which was on April 26th, 2021.

Knowing, Meetings have failed to reach a quorum, thus making it impossible to pass legislation.

Knowing, Parliament Steering Committee, which is the leadership committee of Parliament, has met only once, which was on November 19th, 2021.

Understanding, A student organization can only be effective if there are motivated students involved.

Understanding, Subcommittees have lacked participation due to inadequate attendance and motivation.

Understanding, Student organizations and members within the organization have expressed concern about the lack of productivity within Parliament.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, This Parliament shall dissolve as a branch of Temple Student Government effective April 25th, 2022. Therefore, Article II of the

Constitution of the Temple Student Government shall be invalidated and a new Constitution must be produced before the beginning of the 2022-2023 academic year to reflect these changes.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, Temple Student Government will form an independent committee, where they will be tasked with performing an audit on the current practices of Parliament, accessing their functions, rules and regulations, and procedures to ultimately determine whether reforms can be made to continue this legislative body in the coming years.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, The Chief Executive Officer and The Director of Governmental Affairs from the executive branch of Temple Student Government will be invited to be members of the committee.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, The Judges on the Ethic Branch on the Temple Student Government will be designated to oversee the actions of the committee and handle all and any grievances that may arise.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, Committee members will be composed of member-elects who recently won their parliamentary seats. The current member-elects are: Samuel Burg, Issa Kabeer, Ryan Quinn, Oumar Traore, Kolton Nullmeyer, Townley Sorge, and Maya Mckeown.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, Temple Student Government's executive branch will act in a managerial role to provide guidance to the committee to make sure they have all the resources needed to address the task at hand.

OPERATIVE-CLAUSE, All members who have been recently elected in the 2022 general election will receive the title of "Temple Student Government Representative" during their tenure on the committee.

RESEARCH PACKET

Addison, Taylor and Sterner, Maddie (2022, February 22) *Temple University Parliament discusses their second semester resolutions.* [News Release].

<https://temple-news.com/temple-university-parliament-discusses-their-second-semester-goals/>

“The Temple News has been the paper of record for the Temple University community since it first printed as Temple University Weekly on Sept. 19, 1921.”- Temple News Website

The article states: “Parliament, the legislative branch of Temple Student Government, has passed only one resolution this academic year — to encourage the university to implement a tuition freeze”

Miller, Greta (2021, August 31) *Temple Parliament starts the year with low participation.* [News Release].

<https://temple-news.com/parliament-starts-the-year-with-low-participation/>

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The article states: “Typically, the September election is solely to choose a freshman representative, but this cycle all candidates are eligible to run due to a record-low number of applicants.”

Temple Student Government. (2021) *Parliamentary Resolutions & Posts.*

[Website]. <https://www.templestudentgovernment.org/parliament-documents-resolutions>

“Temple Student Government’s purpose is to foster understanding and involvement among all members of the university community, advocate in the best interests of a diverse student body, serve as a conscience of the university administration in the management of this institution, hold the university administration accountable for the quality of student life, act as the official voice of students in academic, institutional and campus affairs.”- TSG Website

A timeline of everything parliament has passed since 2020.

Temple Student Government Parliament Attendance Records. 2021-2022 School Semesters. [Excel].

Attendance.xlsx

TSG Parliament Attendance/Participation					
Date	# Of Students Attended	# Of Total Parliament Members	# Of Eligible Voting Members	# of Voting Members Attended	Student Names Attended
10/21/2021	19	27	24	17	Kendall, Lillian, Rosalee, Maleah, McKenna, Lizzy, Antonio, Kyle, Vaishnav, Rajani, Nathan, Ben, Joseph, Rohan, Dennis, Drew, Jonathan, Manny, Townley
11/1/2021	15	27	24	13	Antonio, Rosalee, McKenna, Lizzy, Kyle, Lillian, Kendall, Scott, Maleah, Nathan, Vaishnav, Rohan, Ben, Townley, Manny
11/16/2021	11	27	24	9	Antonio, Kendall, Maleah, Rohan, Scott, Lillian, Vaishnav, Rosalee, Dennis, Manny, Townley
1/31/2022	10	27	24	7	Rohan, Rosalee, Sam, Kendall, Manny, Lizzie, Vaishnav, Antonio, Marley, Townley
2/14/2022	9	27	24	6	Dennis, Rohan, Rosalee, Antonio, April, Ben, Sam, Marley, Townley
3/7/2022	11	27	24	8	Dennis, Rohan, Rosalee, Antonio, April, Kyle, Sam, Lizzie, Townley, Marley
4/4/2022	10	27	24	8	Rohan, Rosalee, Sam, Manny, Antonio, Marley, Kendall, April, Kyl