

# B.B.043

ADDING THE FIRST YEAR COUNCIL TO THE SGB GOVERNING CODE

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## STUDENT GOVERNMENT BOARD UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

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Rohit Anand introduced the following resolution; which was read for the first time.

~~[18 APRIL 2017]~~

~~Read the second time and voted on.~~

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## A BILL

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- 1 WHEREAS, the University of Pittsburgh Student Government  
2 Board sought to increase first year student involvement  
3 in our initiatives and committee membership;
- 4 WHEREAS, the inaugural First Year Council proved to be largely  
5 successful this past semester; *now, therefore, be it*
- 6 RESOLVED, on this ~~[18th day of April in the year 2017]~~, the  
7 University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board  
8 enacts the following addition to the Student  
9 Government Board Governing Code:
- 10 “Title 2, Chapter 1, Article 3, Item 1, A  
11 7. Serve as the Board Member Liaison to the First Year Council.  
12 Title 2, Chapter 2, Article 2, Item 1, A  
13 9. Serve as the Chair and Speaker of the First Year Council.  
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15 Title 2, Chapter 3, Article 6. First Year Council

16 Item 1. Purpose of the First Year Council

17 A. The First Year Council serves as the combined research and  
18 outreach branch of Student Government Board.

19 B. The main goals of the First Year Council are as follows:

20 1. Provide a first year student perspective on all SGB  
21 initiatives and activities.

22 2. Assist Board Members and Committees with research  
23 on ongoing initiatives

24 Item 2. Structure of the First Year Council

25 A. The First Year Council shall be led by the Vice President and  
26 Chief of Cabinet and Chief of Staff.

27 B. The First Year Council will consist of appointed first year  
28 students selected through an application and interview  
29 process:

30 1. The nominating committee must include, but is not  
31 limited to: the President, the Vice President and Chief  
32 of Cabinet, and the Chief of Staff.

33 2. All appointments must be done in the Fall semester.

34 3. The final Committee size is left to the discretion of the  
35 nominating committee, but 10 members is suggested.

36 Item 3. First Year Council Committee Chair

37 A. The Chief of Staff shall serve as the Chair and Speaker of the  
38 First Year Council and shall coordinate the First Year Council  
39 to accomplish its goals and initiatives

40 B. The Vice President and Chief of Cabinet shall serve as the  
41 Board liaison to the First Year Council and will work with the  
42 Chief of Staff to further the mission of the First Year Council

43 Item 4. First Year Council Member Duties

44 A. The duties and responsibilities of each First Year Council  
45 Member include the following:

46 1. Have a general knowledge base of SGB operations and  
47 current initiatives

48 2. Aid in SGB outreach to the student body, and facilitate  
49 campus relations

- 50 3. Assist with general research of SGB projects as  
51 determined by the Vice President and Chief of Cabinet  
52 and Chief of Staff  
53 4. Plan and execute initiatives with the guidance of the  
54 Board and Chief of Staff  
55 5. Sit on at least one Conditional Committee and attend  
56 the weekly meetings of said Committee  
57 6. Attend at least one meeting of each Conditional  
58 Committee per semester  
59 7. Attend at least one SGB Public Meeting per month

60 Item 5. First Year Council Meetings

- 61 A. Meetings of the First Year Council will be organized and  
62 chaired by the Chief of Staff  
63 B. Meetings shall take place at least once every two weeks

64 Item 6. Length of Term

- 65 A. Each member of the First Year Council shall serve from the  
66 date of appointment through the last Friday before the finals  
67 week of the Spring semester.  
68 B. Resignations shall be submitted in writing to the Chief of Staff  
69 and Vice President and Chief of Cabinet.”; *and be it further*

70 RESOLVED, that all numbering changes resulting from these  
71 revisions shall be automatic, pursuant to the rules set  
72 forth in items 1.1.1.0.4 and 1.1.1.0.5 of the Student  
73 Government Board Governing Code; *and be it finally*

74 RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be effective immediately upon  
75 adoption and shall reflect the changes shown in the  
76 attached document.

77 ~~ADOPTED: this [18<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017] by a vote of [#] for, [#]  
78 against, and [#] abstentions.~~

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Natalie R. Dall, President  
University of Pittsburgh Student Government Board