



**The University of Alabama  
24th Student Senate 2019 - 2020  
Agenda for September 12, 2019  
Regular Session**

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Chief Justice

**Kathryn Hayes**

Speaker of the Senate

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Announcements
  - a. Office Hours
- III. Old Business
- IV. New Business
  - a. Resolution R-40-19: **A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND CELEBRATING SUE PEARSON'S BIRTHDAY**
  - b. Resolution R-41-19: **A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AND THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ON SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERING ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD FOR ALL STUDENTS.**
  - c. Act A-09-19: **AN ACT TO RATIFY THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR**
  - d. Act A-10-19: **AN ACT TO APPROVE THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION FUNDING REQUESTS SUGGESTED BY THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2019**
  - e. Resolution R-42-19: **A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH FOR STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF**
- V. Adjourn



**Resolution R-40-19**  
**The University of Alabama**  
**2019 – 2020 Senate**

**Authors:** Senator Sam Rickert, President Harrison Adams, Speaker Kathryn Hayes

**Sponsors:** Senator Jillian Fields, Senator Anna Beth Payne, Senator Erin Jolley, Senator Cade Bosek, Senator Will Stiers, Senator Jamison Hanley, Senator Joel Rittenberg, Senator Ellen Walton, Senator Olivia Davis

**Endorsements:** Vice President for External Affairs Brooks Payne

**A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND CELEBRATING SUE  
PEARSON'S BIRTHDAY**

*Be it enacted by the Senate of the Student Government Association assembled.*

WHEREAS, The Pearson family, Sue and Jack Pearson have continually supported the University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Ms. Pearson make an annual dedication on behalf of their son John H. Pearson through the Pearson Award; and

WHEREAS, The Pearson Award has been awarded for over 40 years; and

WHEREAS, the Pearson award is awarded to an SGA member of high character, outstanding service, and leadership in SGA and The University of Alabama; and

WHEREAS, this award is the highest honor in SGA, exemplifies the qualities of the Pearson family, and recipient is voted on by the Senate of SGA; and

WHEREAS, Sue Pearson's birthday is today the 12th of September

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The 24th Senate of SGA acknowledges the outstanding accomplishments of Sue Pearson and her family, and wish Sue Pearson a happy birthday.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: Copies of this resolution be sent to Sue and Jack Pearson, Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Kathleen Cramer, Vice-President for Student Life; Savannah Bullard, Editor-In-Chief of *The Crimson White*; Harrison Adams, President of Student Government Association



**Resolution R-41-19  
The University of Alabama  
2019 – 2020 Senate**

**Authored By:** Senator Royce Dickerson

**Sponsored By:** Speaker Kathryn Hayes

**Endorsements:** President Harrison Adams

**A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION AND THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
ON SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERING ADOBE CREATIVE CLOUD FOR  
ALL STUDENTS.**

WHEREAS, The Student Government Association of the University of Alabama and the Office of Information Technology (OIT) strive daily to serve UA students, faculty, and staff in providing them with the resources needed to be successful in their academic and professional career; and

WHEREAS, Last spring OIT with the help of SGA surveyed UA students asking what tools they could provide to better support students at the Capstone; and

WHEREAS, Adobe Creative Cloud, a design suite used for print, web and video creations, was identified as the number one need asked for by students. Currently, UA faculty, staff, and graduate student assistants can utilize Adobe Creative Cloud software at no cost; and

WHEREAS, Students from all across campus were required to use their own funds in order to pay for software that is crucial to their academic success, and this burden was expressed by SGA officials who worked with OIT to allow the full

resources of the Adobe Creative Cloud to be offered to all students free of charge;  
and

WHEREAS, Beginning today, September 12th, UA students will have full access to Adobe Creative Cloud at no cost, and along with providing the software, The University of Alabama will also be designated as an Adobe Creative Campus; now,

THEREFORE, be it *RESOLVED*, That the Student Government Association commends the work of SGA President Harrison Adams, Senator Royce Dickerson, and The Office of Information Technology for providing Adobe Creative Cloud to all students, further enhancing the student learning experience and providing students the opportunity to leverage technologies in new ways.

*Be it further resolved*, That copies of this resolution be sent to: Dr. Stuart R. Bell, President of the University of Alabama; Dr. Kevin Whitaker, Executive Vice-President and Provost; Matt Fajack, Vice-President of Finance and Operations; All Deans of The University of Alabama's Colleges; The Crimson White; John P. McGowan, Vice Provost and Chief Information Officer; Meagan Bennett, OIT Director of Customer Relations; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



**ACT A-09-19**  
**The University of Alabama**  
**2019 – 2020 Senate**

**Authored by:** Vice President for Financial Affairs Hunter Scott

**Sponsored by:** Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Sam Rickert, Senator Jamison Hanley

**Endorsed by:** Treasurer Emma Thomas, Director for Financial Transparency Morgan Russell

**AN ACT TO RATIFY THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FOR THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR**

*WHEREAS*, the Senate has the responsibility of adopting a budget to ensure the efficient operation of the Student Government Association; and

*WHEREAS*, the Senate is mandated by the Constitution to adopt a budget before the beginning of the fiscal year on October 1, 2019; and

*THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED THAT*, The Senate approves the following budget items for the 2020 Fiscal Year as adopted by the Senate Committee on Finance:

1. Executive Vice President is allocated \$3,000
2. Academic Affairs is allocated \$2,300
3. External Affairs is allocated \$2,300
4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is allocated \$2,300
5. Student Affairs is allocated \$2,300
6. Financial Affairs is allocated \$500
7. Awards is allocated \$8,200
8. Better Relations Day is allocated \$2,500
9. SGA Fundraising is allocated \$1,000

10. Communications and Phones are allocated \$5,500
11. Elections is allocated \$12,100
12. Homecoming is allocated \$35,000
13. Legal Clinic Support is allocated \$20,000
14. Senate is allocated \$2,000
15. First Year Council is allocated \$1,000
16. Undergraduate Research and Travel Fund is allocated \$2,000
17. Graduate Research and Travel Fund is allocated \$30,000
18. Student Judicial is allocated \$2,000
19. FAC Expenses is allocated \$1,000
20. SGA Office Technology is allocated \$3,300

*BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT*, The Senate allocates \$53,700 to the Executive General Fund as part of the Executive Operating Budget.

*BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT*, The Senate allocates \$1,500 to the Director of Programming and Advancement sub-account within the Executive Operating Budget with the activity code SGPADV.

*BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT*, The Senate allocates \$1,500 to the Director of Engagement sub-account within the Executive Operating Budget under the activity code SGENGA.

*BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT*, The Senate allocates \$200,000 to the Financial Affairs Committee (FAC) for reimbursement of student organization expenditures.

*BE IT FURTHER ENACTED THAT*, Copies of this act be sent to the following: Kendra Powell, Assistant Director of Business Services all members of the SGA whose positions are to receive an amended emolument via this Act; Sherry Phillips, FAC Advisor; all members of the Executive Council; and The Crimson White for informational purposes.



**Act A-10-19**  
**The University of Alabama**  
**2019 – 2020 Senate**

**Authored by:** Vice President for Financial Affairs Hunter Scott

**Sponsored by:** Speaker Kathryn Hayes, Senator Cade Boseck, Senator Kaelyn Embler

**Endorsed by:** Treasurer Emma Thomas

**AN ACT TO APPROVE THE STUDENT ORGANIZATION FUNDING  
REQUESTS SUGGESTED BY THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2019**

WHEREAS, The Senate finds the following:

- A. The Financial Affairs Committee met on September 9, 2019.
- B. The committee heard the funding requests of 26 various student organizations before making its decisions.
- C. The Financial Affairs Committee partially or fully funded all 26 student organizations. 100% of *eligible* amount was awarded.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Senate approves the following Financial Affairs Committee (FAC) funding requests by SOURCE student organizations for a total award of \$34,225.33 with details listed in the Excel sheet attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, copies of this resolution shall be sent to Harrison Adams, SGA President; Hunter Scott, SGA Vice President for Financial Affairs;



Sherry Phillips, FAC Advisor; Stephanie Shamblin, SGA Advisor; The Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.



**Resolution R-42-19**  
**The University of Alabama**  
**2019 – 2020 Senate**

**Authored By:** Senator Jack Kappelman

**Sponsored By:** Senator Sam Perry, Senator Isabella DeSheplo, Senator Royce Dickerson, Senator Hillary Duong

**A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA'S  
COMMITMENT TO PROTECTING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH FOR  
STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF**

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is a flagship University with a large and diverse body of students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America protects the freedom of speech for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is obligated to uphold this right in regards to the students, faculty, and staff of the Capstone; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama is bound by HB 498 to defend the freedom of speech for its students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, HB 498 ensures that no public University may take disciplinary action against any students, faculty, or staff for exercising their freedom of speech; and

WHEREAS, the University of Alabama has not reaffirmed its commitment to the protection of freedom of speech for students, faculty, and staff following the resignation of Dr. Jamie Riley; now,

THEREFORE, be it *RESOLVED*, that the Student Government Association Senate encourages the administration of the University of Alabama to reaffirm its commitment to protecting the freedom of speech for students, faculty, and staff.

*Be it further resolved*, That copies of this resolution be sent to: President Stuart Bell, President Harrison Adams, Vice President Kathleen Cramer, Vice President Christine Taylor, Vice President Linda Bonnin, the University of Alabama System, the University of Alabama Board of Trustees, the Crimson White; and others as may be deemed necessary at a later date.