

**WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

S.R. 3

Temporary Appointment of the Senate Historian

Fall 2021

September 6, 2021	Introduced by President Ally Swartzberg, Speaker of the House Braden Strackman, and Secretary Cate Pitterle
September 6, 2021	Submitted to the Speaker of the House
September 6, 2021	Messaged to the Senate
September 7, 2021	Resolution passed by the Senate

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: From 2007-2016, no Student Government records were kept in the Student Government Office or transferred to ZSR Special Collections and Archives. These records have not been found, and;

WHEREAS: In the summer of 2020, approximately three years of voting records were misplaced prior to the Executive transition process, most of which have not been recovered, and;

WHEREAS: No mechanisms currently exist to protect and sustain Student Government records across term years, and;

WHEREAS: Student Government's records, where they exist, vary in form and content, leading to the loss of important information on best practices and past achievements, and;

WHEREAS: Article II Section 8 Subsection F of the Student Government Constitution provides for the implementation of Executive Advisory Committees for the purpose of addressing concerns, and;

WHEREAS: Past and present Student Government leaders have expressed the need for more comprehensive and consistent records of past legislative terms to assist in the adequate completion of their duties as outline in the Constitution.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. Effective upon passage of this resolution, an Executive Advisory Committee will be created by the President of Student Government for the temporary creation of a Senate Historian.

2. Passage of this resolution shall not incorporate the Historian as an official officer of the senate, nor shall this resolution be considered an amendment to the governing documents. As of Academic Year 2021-2022, historian appointment on a trial basis is subject to the President's discretion as an Executive Advisory Committee (Constitution Art. II § 8, Subsection F) and is subject to the Senate's approval.
3. This committee, formally the Historian's Advisory Committee, will consist of the appointed Historian in an advisory role, and The Speaker of the House and the Secretary, in supervisory roles.
4. The Historian shall:
 - a. Be responsible for archiving and reviewing existing and created documents to ensure the longevity and actions of Student Government are preserved.
 - b. Keep a record of all pertinent documents (listed below) in Google Drive.
 - c. At the end of each semester, upload all pertinent documents to the ZSR Special Collections and Archives. Pertinent documents (listed below) are subject to approval by the Secretary before being sent to ZSR.
 - d. The Historian will meet with the Speaker and Secretary at least once a month to update them on their progress. The Speaker and Secretary reserve the right to schedule these meetings and determine whether they should be more frequent.
5. Documents pertinent to the Historian's duties include approved Senate minutes, legislation, judicial memos, election outcomes, the governing documents, and the Student Government roster.
6. Once appointed, the Historian will serve as a non-voting member of the Senate unless also appointed or elected as a Senator.
7. Ethan Wearner, having met with the Speaker and Secretary and demonstrated interest and ability to successfully complete the duties of this role, will serve as the Senate Historian for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Respectfully submitted

Ally Swartzberg
President

Braden Strackman
Speaker of the House

Cate Pitterle
Secretary

