University of Tennessee Board of Trustees
Student Representative

Background:

The University Of Tennessee Board Of Trustees includes two student positions that rotate with students from the UT campuses across the state in the following order: UTC, UTHSC, UTK, and UTM. Student representatives are appointed for a two-year term. The first year is a non-voting position and the second year being a voting position.

The student representative will be expected to attend the three annual Board of Trustee Meetings; typically held in February, June, and October. The student representative position is not compensated, but will be reimbursed for any travel related expenses.

Selection Process:

Students seeking the representative position will follow the Student Government Election process and rules. Students seeking the representative position must complete the required election forms and the pledge form included in this document. The Election Packet which includes all campaign rules and forms can be found on the SGA website (http://www.utm.edu/departments/sga) located under the related links section.

Candidates must meet the qualifications as spelled out on page two of this document. Qualified candidates will be placed on the SGA General Election Ballot. The qualified candidates will campaign for the position, just like any other elected SGA position.

The top three vote getters will be submitted to the Governor's Office. The Governor will make the final selection.

Interested In The Position:

If you are interested in seeking this position, you need to complete the following tasks:

1. Review the qualifications on page two of this document.
2. Review the 2015 SGA Elections Packet that can found on the SGA Website.
   a. Be sure to complete all election forms and be familiar with all the elections rules.
3. Submit all your elections documents, including the pledge form on page three, to the SGA Elections Commissioner by Friday, March 20th, 2015.
4. Be prepared to discuss why you are best candidate at the open forum and election debates. The dates and locations of each are listed in the elections packet.
Article 1:
All nominees for The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees Student Representative position must be enrolled in the University of Tennessee at Martin and in good academic and disciplinary standing at the time of the election, of appointment, and during the term of office.
Note: Good academic standing for The Board of Trustees Student Representative position is classified as having a 2.75 cumulative grade point average at their time of nomination and should maintain a 2.75 cumulative grade point average during the tenure of the position.

Article 2:
Nominees must be willing and able to serve as the University Of Tennessee Board Of Trustees Student Representative for 2 full years. The first year of the term the Student Representative will be a non-voting member. The second year the Student Representative will serve as a voting member.
Note: The Student Representative shall attend ALL UTM SGA Senate and Legislative Council meetings.

Article 3:
Nominees must complete the Pledge Forms in the SGA office stating that they have read the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees Charter and Bylaws in detail, and will pledge to fulfill all duties and requirements of the position if elected. A copy of the Charter and Bylaws will be made available in the SGA office and is available online at http://bot.tennessee.edu.

Note: The names of the top three nominees as voted on by the student body will be sent to the Governor. The Governor will then review the resumes of the top three nominees and pick a student representative.

Article 4:
Nominees must complete the Elections Rules Compliance Form stating that they will comply with all rules and requirements set forth by the 2015 Elections Commissioner and the SGA Constitution.

Article 5:
To qualify for candidacy, nominees need 50 signatures on an Elections Petition Form. The signature of the candidate’s academic advisor is also needed on this form.

Article 6:
Nominees must comply with rules of Campaign Finance and complete the proper Campaign Finance Forms. These forms must be turned in to the Elections Commissioner by the date election packets are due.

Article 7:
Nominees are allowed to run for any SGA position and the Board of Trustees position, excluding executive council positions.
The University of Tennessee Board of Trustees
Student Trustee Nominee Pledge Form

As a student seeking the Student Trustee position on the University Of Tennessee Board Of Trustees, representing the Martin Campus, my signature below affirms that:

1) I am a full-time student enrolled in the University of Tennessee at Martin and will remain so through July 1, 2017.
2) I have a 2.75 cumulative GPA or higher and will maintain a 2.75 GPA or higher through July 1, 2017.
3) I am in “good-standing” with the University in all respects (includes, but is not limited to, financial, disciplinary, etc.) and will remain in such standing through July 1, 2017.
4) I have read and fully understand the Charter and By-Laws of the University of Tennessee Board of Trustees and pledge to fulfill all duties and requirements of the position if elected.
5) I understand that year one of my appointment I serve in a non-voting capacity.

Understanding, agreeing and committing to these conditions, I present myself for consideration...

Printed Name
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Signature
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Date
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