

West Virginia University  
The Student Assembly - Student Government Association  
Assembly Resolution: AR-2025-02-01  
**AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH THE STUDENT  
DINING TASK FORCE**

<b>Short Title:</b>	<b>Student Dining Taskforce Re-establishment</b>
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<b>Presidential Signature:</b>	

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University mission statement reads, “As a land-grant institution, the faculty, staff and students at West Virginia University commit to creating a diverse and inclusive culture that advances education, healthcare and prosperity for

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all by providing access and opportunity;”<sup>1</sup> and,

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Student Government Association (SGA) vision statement reads, “To be a Student Government Association that serves the students, West Virginia University,...creating a campus that can accommodate everyone...participating in meaningful community service, fostering healthy lifestyles, and developing innovative partnerships with students, faculty, staff and other key stakeholders.”<sup>2</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Student Government Association (SGA) is a student advocacy organization; and,

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Dining Services website states “All students are encouraged to lend their voices and opinions on their dining experience.”<sup>3</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Dining Services established the Student Dining Committee the 2022-2023 school year<sup>4</sup>; and,

**Whereas**, on November 14, 2024, the Associate Vice President of Strategic Partnerships and Director of Dining Services met with the West Virginia University Student Government, and stated the West Virginia University Dining Services discontinued the Student Dining Committee beginning the 2023-2024 school year;<sup>5</sup> and,

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Student Government Association is committed to supporting student opinions on dining services; and;

**Whereas**, the West Virginia University Dining Services has not had an opportunity to connect with students in a regular advisory setting since the 2022-2023 academic year; and,

**Whereas**, the establishment of a Student Dining Taskforce would allow for a focused and ongoing review of dining services, ensuring a proactive response to student needs;

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<sup>1</sup> [Mission - West Virginia University](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Mission and Vision | Student Government Association | West Virginia University](#)

<sup>3</sup> [West Virginia University Dining Services Statement](#)

<sup>4</sup> [West Virginia University Dining Services Student Dining Committee](#)

<sup>5</sup> Special Meeting Regarding Dining Services

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and,

**Whereas,** a taskforce would provide a structured platform for regular engagement with the Associate Vice President of Strategic Partnerships, Director of Dining Services, key university stakeholders, and representatives of diverse student populations affected by dining services.

***Therefore, be it resolved by the Student Assembly of West Virginia University:***

**Section 1:** The Student Government Association supports the re-establishment of the Student Dining Taskforce between the Student Government Association and the West Virginia University Dining Services; and,

**Section 2:** The Purpose and Responsibilities of the Taskforce shall be, but not limited to:

- Serve as a liaison between the student body and WVU Dining Services.
- Promote surveys to identify student preferences, concerns, and suggestions for dining improvements.
- Collaborate with the Student Dining Taskforce to advocate for changes that reflect the student body's needs, including but not limited to hours of operation, menu diversity, dietary options, dining location improvements, and more; and,

**Section 3:** The Student Dining Taskforce and the Student Government Association Assembly may add additional responsibilities to the Student Dining Taskforce as necessary; and,

**Section 4:** The Student Dining Task Force shall include a diverse representation of the West Virginia University student body, encompassing students with varied backgrounds, meal plans statuses, and living statuses both on campus and off; and,

**Section 5:** The Student Government Association will collaborate with the Student Dining Taskforce in creating a regular meeting schedule, agenda, and future endeavors for the task force, as necessary; and,

**Section 6:** Upon passage and approval, this legislation shall be forwarded to:

**Mandates:**

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G. Corey Farris, Dean of Students  
Dr. Thanh Le, Director, Student Engagement and Leadership (Advisor)  
University President Gordon E. Gee  
Charlie Long, Student Body President  
Abigail Browning, Student Body Vice President  
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