

West Virginia University
The Student Assembly - Student Government Association
Assembly Resolution: AR-2025-08-01
**AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION TO AMEND AR-2025-02-01 “AN
ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH THE STUDENT DINING
TASKFORCE”**

Short Title: To Report AR-2025-02-01 As Amended

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Presidential Signature:



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 all by providing access and opportunity...”¹; and,

¹ [West Virginia University Mission Statement](#)

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.”²; and,

Whereas, West Virginia University announced a partnership with Elio Collegiate Dining to provide residential, retail, and catering services across the Morgantown, Beckley, and Keyser campuses under the new name “WVU Hospitality Group,” replacing the former WVU Dining Services;³ and,

Whereas, renaming the “Student Dining Taskforce” to the “Student Hospitality Taskforce” will ensure the Taskforce’s title reflects the University’s current branding, organizational structure; and,

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

Section 1: The following amendments laid forth in AR-2025-02-01, “*An Assembly Resolution to Re-establish the Student Dining Taskforce*” shall take effect upon passage of the resolution:

Title shall be amended as:

AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION TO RE-ESTABLISH THE STUDENT DINING TASK
FORCE **HOSPITALITY TASKFORCE**

Short title shall be amended as:

Student Dining **Hospitality** Taskforce Re-establishment

The resolution will be amended as follows:

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

² [Student Government Association Vision Statement](#)

³ [WVU Dining Services to WVU Hospitality Group Announcement](#)

a diverse and inclusive culture that advances education, healthcare and prosperity for all by providing access and opportunity;” 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.”; and,

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

Whereas, the West Virginia University Dining Services Hospitality Group website states “All students are encouraged to lend their voices and opinions on their dining experience.”; and,

Whereas, the [previous] West Virginia University Dining Services established the Student Dining Committee the 2022-2023 school year; and,

Whereas, on November 14, 2024, the Associate Vice President of Strategic Partnerships and Director of Dining Services—now Director of WVU Hospitality Group—met with the West Virginia University Student Government, and stated the [previous] West Virginia University Dining Services discontinued the Student Dining Committee beginning the 2023-2024 school year; and,

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

Whereas, the [previous] 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 Hospitality Taskforce would allow for a focused and ongoing review of dining services the Hospitality Group, ensuring a proactive response to student needs; and,

Whereas, a taskforce would provide a structured platform for regular engagement with the Associate Vice President of Strategic Partnerships, Director of Dining Services,

West Virginia University Hospitality Group, 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 Hospitality Taskforce between the Student Government Association and the West Virginia University Dining Services Hospitality Group; 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 Hospitality Group.
- Promote surveys to identify student preferences, concerns, and suggestions for dining improvements.
- Collaborate with the Student Dining Taskforce Government Association 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 Hospitality Taskforce and the Student Government Association Assembly may add additional responsibilities to the Student Dining Hospitality Taskforce as necessary; and,

Section 4: The Student Dining Task Force Hospitality Taskforce 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 Hospitality 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:

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
Haley Orcutt, Executive Secretary
Erin Newmeyer, Associate Vice President of Strategic Partnerships
Clayton Cappellanti, Director of Dining Services
Daily Athenaeum~~

Section 2: Any language from AR-2025-02-01 that conflicts with this amendment is hereby struck and replaced by the provisions in this resolution.

Section 3: Upon passage and approval, AR-2025-02-01 shall be reported as amended, and the Attorney General shall hereby amend AR-2025-02-01 within 72 hours.

Section 4: Upon passage and approval, this legislation shall be forwarded to:

Mandates:

Gary G. Furbee II, Vice President of Student Life
Carrie Showalter, Dean of Students
Dr. Thanh Le, Director, Student Engagement and Leadership (Advisor)
Michael T. Benson, University President
Daily Athenaeum
Colin Street, Student Body President
Rozaireo Jones, Student Body Vice President
Emma Davis, Executive Secretary
Molly Meeker, Attorney General
Wyatt Ambreaster, Hospitality Taskforce Chair
Jake Rogers, Historian