



Resolution 92-12

"Political Participation in the Community"

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Sponsored by:	Andy Ternay
Date Submitted:	1992-03-24
Date Considered:	0000-00-00
Committee:	Community Affairs
Action:	
Result:	
Remarks:	No further information is available about this resolution.
Whereas:	The By-laws of Student Congress require Representatives to have meetings; and
Whereas:	The specific day of the week is not designated in the By-laws; and
Whereas:	We now meet Tuesdays; and
Whereas:	The City Council of Arlington meets at the same day and time as Student Congress; and
Whereas:	UTA is located in Arlington and the political, economic, and social issues of the City of Arlington can have a great impact on the Students of UTA; and
Whereas:	Current issues discussed in Arlington City Council such as, General Motors, Ethics, Recycling, and Arlington Stadium deserve input from UTA. Many representatives of Student Congress are politically active and would provide excellent representation for UTA and the Student Body in Arlington City Council meetings; and
Be It Therefore Resolved That:	Student Congress schedule meetings beginning in Fall of 1992 to not conflict with the regularly scheduled Arlington City Council Meetings; and
Be It Further Resolved That:	Student Congress meet on Thursdays; and
Be It Further Resolved That:	A member of Student Congress be selected as a volunteer or be appointed to seek information and or attend the Arlington City Council Meetings and the agenda for Student Congress include a report from a member on issues and items being discussed in Arlington.



City of Arlington Texas

Richard E. Greene
Mayor

March 10, 1992

The University of Texas at Arlington
Student Congress

Dear Members:

I have been contacted by Clayton Starkweather regarding Resolution 92-30. I understand that the reason for this particular resolution is to enable student attendance at Student Congress meetings as well as Arlington City Council meetings.

It is my opinion that government is best realized and most representative when it is participated in by the majority of the people. Municipal government is most easily identified as government "of the people, by the people, and for the people," for it is at the city level where the responsiveness of elected officials to their constituency is readily weighed and measured. A lack of attendance at City Council meetings is sometimes disheartening, and casual interest by qualified voters in their polling rights as well as the silent majority voice are difficult to interpret.

I congratulate you on your interest in City government. The University of Texas at Arlington is a significant asset in our community and many of our present day leaders are graduates from this fine institution of higher learning. It is never too early to get involved in the process and we welcome your attendance at our meetings.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Greene
Mayor

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON
STUDENT CONGRESS
RESOLUTION 92-12

TITLE: POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY

AUTHOR: CLAYTON W. STARKWEATHER, STUDENT CONGRESS HISTORIAN AND
REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

SPONSOR: ANDY TERNAY, LIBERAL ARTS REPRESENTATIVE, CHAIRMAN OF THE
STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE CONSIDERED:

REFERRED TO:

RESULT:

REMARKS:

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