Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
Student Senate

The Student Senate
28th Session
Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Introduced by: Morell Jenkins, Academic Affairs Committee Chair
Sponsored by: Jacquelyn Lara, Disabilities Senator; Mason Myers, College of Science and Engineering Senator; Sara Rodriguez, College of Education and Human Development Senator; Jordan Nellums, Freshman Senator; Alan Romero, Freshman Senator

Action Taken: **PASSED**

Certified By: [Signature]
Sarina Garcia
Speaker of the Student Senate

Further Approved By: [Signature]
Connar Allen
Student Body President

**Course Material Deadline Reform**

"A Resolution to establish a uniformed deadline for all Colleges and Departments to release course material information."

**WHEREAS(1):**

The university currently has no uniformed deadline to release course material information, not allowing for students to compare prices or for the bookstore to secure the appropriate amount of materials, and

**WHEREAS (2):**

Course materials are, in the context of this resolution, defined as: Textbooks, software requiring purchase, subscription fees, proctoring fees, required electronic devices, course specific materials (i.e. art material, instruments, uniforms, lab coats, goggles, etc.)

**WHEREAS(3):**

The University began the “Making Textbooks Affordable Initiative” in 2012 which has not been enforced due to a change in overall administration, and
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By: Sarina Garcia
Speaker of the Senate

WHEREAS(4):

Departments may release course materials for a certain subject (at varied times) but the
professors are not reporting the materials resulting in students buying the materials the week of
class or having to wait while materials are on back order from the bookstore, and

WHEREAS(5):

A uniformed deadline would not only benefit students in their effort in comparing pricing, but it
would also benefit the bookstore because it would allow the bookstore management sufficient
amount of time to assess the need and buy supplies accordingly.

Therefore
Let it be
Resolved (1):

The TAMU-CC Student Government Association calls upon the University to require that all
Colleges and its Departments report course materials to the bookstore and to students at
minimum seven days before the first Monday of classes of each term.

Therefore
Let it be Further
Resolved (2):

That a copy of this resolution and a copy of the “Making Textbooks Affordable Initiative” be
sent to following:

Frank Spaniol, Speaker of the Faculty Senate
Dr. Kelly Quintanilla, President & CEO of TAMU-CC
Dr. Clarendra Phillips, Provost & Vice President of Academic Affairs
Melissa Chapa, University Registrar
Ben Soto, President of the Staff Council