WHEREAS, Article II, Section 2.02(a)(i) of the Constitution of the Student Association at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (hereafter SA) states:

In order to hold an official position with the SA, members must be at least part-time, degree-seeking, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee fee-paying students, in good standing with the university through their respective academic and non-academic misconduct processes, and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.

WHEREAS, failure to meet eligibility criteria may be grounds for investigation and removal by the Oversight and Appeals Commission (hereafter OAC), per Article XI, Section 11.02 of the SA Senate Bylaws.

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Student Association Professional Staff (hereafter SAPS) to verify eligibility of all SA officials, per Article VII, Section 7.01(b)(iii) of the SA Constitution.

WHEREAS, information disclosed on August 27, 2019, by SAPS in a meeting of the Executive Committee suggests that President Sydney Lee may have failed to meet eligibility criteria.

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the SA Senate to “refer officials of the Executive or Legislative Branches to the OAC for investigation and removal,” when such action is deemed necessary, per Article IV, Section 4.08(a)(viii) of the SA Constitution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED; that the SA Senate formally refers to the OAC an investigation of President Sydney Lee regarding her alleged failure to meet eligibility criteria.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the SA Senate requests the results of the OAC’s investigation be conveyed within 24 hours of a decision being reached.
THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; that this legislation be communicated to the OAC, SAPS, Chief Student Affairs Officer Kelly Haag, Dean of Students Adam Jussel, and Chancellor Mark Mone.

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Legislative History

September 8, 2019 — Considered by the SA Senate. Sponsored by Senator Kinnard.