Senate spending habits deserve closer scrutiny

As members of the Little community we call Truman State University, our elected officials in our offices have certain expectations from us. In the system, government is where the money is spent. We pay a form of taxes with our weekly paycheck and expect our student government. Through representation, Student Senate is a "designated to the benefit of Truman State University and serves the student body by representing the interests of the University in a manner pleasing to the students involved."

But the government should have expectations of their governing bodies. As well, Student Senator President Halligan and the Editor, as does the Editorial Board, thinks the student government fees is supposed to be representing the students interest in better improve Student Senate's disclosure of how taxes are spent, more recently available for viewing.

The amendment proposed by Halligan at the 26 meeting which did not pass, attempted to make more transparent how and why money is spent, whether it is determined by the Student Senate or by the taxing of our community our Truman State Student Senate tag. Perhaps if students were better informed or more transparent in how their fees are spent, they might request their funds be used for their constituents' benefit or support. On the other hand, students might approve Student Senate's responsible spending.

Either way, the right to know what government is doing is deeply entrenched in a democratic society. Senator voted — and many did. But they should have been allowed more options. Although their capacity the weight of a Missouri Senator's policy — that the best way to represent the students interests is to be better informed the government fees are supposed to be representing the students interest. This amendment should have been more carefully considered as such.

As students, it's important to be aware of how our government operates and why it's important. Our governing bodies should be held to our same standards. Students' voices should be heard. Our university society. They have insisted that the government's policies in its like that the breaking the language's essential role. It is both important, as a democratic body, for Student Senate to disclose as much of their-goings-on as possible. It seems futile if Senate isn't being as forthcoming with student fees as we are with our taxes. It is a part of that responsibility. As journalists, keeping the public informed and spending a tax is a proper responsibility to the students organization and not comprised of professional journalists. If we aren't informed, then how can we properly be expected to make policy? As does the Editorial Board, policy and spending is a top priority. The student body by representing the interests of the University in a manner pleasing to the students involved.

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