

Student Government Association

Resolution 31-23

A Resolution to Establish an Equal Point System in Intramural Sports

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WHEREAS, Intramural sports exist to "our goal is to create an inclusive environment for all participants to feel welcome participating in the Competitive Sports program;¹" and,

WHEREAS, the current point system in co-ed intramural sports grants two (2) points to a team when a female player while only awarding one (1) point to a team when a male player scores; and.

WHEREAS, the athletic programs are: Badminton, Basketball, Battleship, Cornhole Tournament, Dodgeball, Flag Football, Outdoor Soccer, Pickleball, Pick'em College, Pick'em Pro, Table Tennis, Team Golf, Team Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Volleyball, Team Handball, Indoor Soccer, Racquetball, Softball, and Water Polo;² and,

WHEREAS, the co-ed athletic programs with this policy currently in place are: Basketball, Flag Football, Outdoor Soccer, and Indoor Soccer;³ and,

WHEREAS, in a survey of 125 students, 75% of students reported not being in favor of this policy; and,

WHEREAS, 73% of students responded that they would like to see this policy changed; and,

WHEREAS, 88% of students responded that this policy does impact their decision to play intramural sports.

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, the 31st Administration of the Student

¹ University of Georgia, Recreational Sports, https://recsports.uga.edu/content_page/intramural-sports

² University of Georgia, Intramural Sports Rules, https://recsports.uga.edu/content page/intramural-sports-rules

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Government Association, on behalf of the student body, recommends that the Recreational Sports Department take steps to establish a more uniform policy regardless of gender.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Student Government Association recommends that the Recreational Sports department implement a trial period for co-ed intramural sports where the scoring system would be equal among male and female participants; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, if the trial period is successful the Recreational Sports department will make strides to implement this policy throughout the co-ed intramural sports program.

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