



# THE STUDENT BODY SUPREME COURT OF BUTLER UNIVERSITY

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Order Number: 2223-001

**Order in the Matter of:**

Open Investigation into Attendance of Senators Brent and Simpson  
Motion filed: October 10, 2022

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Order handed down: October 11, 2022

In the matter of the complaints filed on October 4, 2022, this Court has reviewed the evidence presented and voted to begin an investigation into the matter. Petitions 2223-001 and 2223-002 concern the attendance of Senator Simpson at Senate meetings. Petition 2223-004 concerns the attendance of Senator Brent at Senate meetings and Academic Affairs committee meetings. Under Article III. Section 2 of the Legislative Branch Rules and Procedures, “Absence from one regularly scheduled Senate meeting without a proxy present or a valid excuse shall be grounds for impeachment and removal. For purposes of the absence policy, regularly scheduled committee meetings shall count as Senate meetings.” In addition, there has been a general lack of communication with the Speaker of the Senate in both of these cases. However, it should be noted that these senators deserve the opportunity to present more information to the Court. The Court’s designated conduct chair, Justice Kissel, will meet with the Speaker of the Senate, Reagan Markland, and the individual senators to discuss these attendance issues and how they can be resolved.

All Justices concur.

*It is so ordered.*