Commission on Student Affairs CSA Resolution 2010-11A

Resolution Supporting Recycling Receipts [Reduce Paper Waste] in Dining Halls

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Whereas, Virginia Tech signed the Virginia Tech Climate Action Commitment in Spring 2009, committing to using fewer resources such as paper; and

Whereas, receipts are printed for every meal purchased at a dining hall (excluding D2), totaling at about 24,500 to 31,500 receipts daily when classes are in session; and

Whereas, the receipt paper used in dining facilities at Virginia Tech is verified recyclable by the university's current recycling service, Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority; and

Whereas, the collection of mixed fiber paper recycling, at a price of \$28/ton, is cheaper per ton than the collection of commercial waste, at a price of \$51/ton; and Source: Montgomery Regional Solid Waste Authority

Whereas, the cost of small bins for recycling containers near registers is a one-time cost to the University; and

Whereas, the Environmental Coalition at Virginia Tech and Year 3 Leadership Tech students have taken the initiative as their project and will assist dining administration with the implementation and start-up of the project;

Therefore, be it resolved that the Student Government Association of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University supports the recycling of paper receipts at all university administrated dining halls with the use of small collection bins located at all dining hall registers.