

# OUTSGA General Meeting Minutes

- **Date:** Wednesday, September 24, 2025  
**Meeting Called By:** President Gracee Pierson  
**Time:** 5:34 PM  
**Location:** Room 1D28

- **I. Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order by President Gracee Pierson at 5:34 PM.

## II. Roll Call

### Voting Members Present:

1. Alexandra Robert-Hu
2. Sarah Shaar
3. Kate Bradley
4. Lauren K Elias
5. Diana King
6. Bert Manieson
7. Evan Taylor
8. Ana Moazami
10. Betsy Martin
11. Samantha McBride
13. Tiffani Huffman
14. Dawn Kelly
15. Kyle Smith
16. Lexie Young
19. Ambrianna Freeze
20. Katie Ashton
21. Darshani Abeyrathna Herath Mudiyanselag
26. Norine Elfar

27. Victoria Shepherd

30. Jasmine Karlebach

36. Raney Shelbie

39. Jayse Nicholas

40. Hana Carriger

41. Sam Larsen

42. Alex Obermark

43. Evan Stubblefield

**Voting Members Not Present:**

- Colin Leonard
- Tabish Saeed
- Shomade, Juwon A.
- Kirby Sumner M.
- Lucy Camacho

### **III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

- **Motioned by:** #4
- **Seconded by:** #7
- **In Favor:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 30, 36, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43
- **Opposed:** None
- **Outcome:** Motion passed unanimously.
- **Time:** 5:38 PM

### **IV. President's Welcome / Officers' Report**

- Introduction of officers and brief welcome message by President Pierson.

## V. Guest Speaker

- **Speaker:** Stacy Harris, Director of Student Aid
- **Time:** 5:41 PM
- **Topic:** *One Big Beautiful Bill*
- **Summary:**
  - Signed into law this summer, effective July 1, 2026.
  - FAFSA for 2026–2027 will open Oct. 1.
  - Pell Grants: slight changes beginning July 1.
  - Merit scholarships: if full tuition is covered, additional funds will not be awarded.
  - Graduate PLUS Loans: being eliminated—students needing them must apply before removal.
  - Loan eligibility for part-time students reduced to half of the standard amount.
  - By 2028, all federal loan borrowers will be placed into one of two repayment plans, each requiring a minimum monthly payment.
  - OU Norman will launch an informational campaign; updates will be sent via email.
  - MidFirst Bank program recommended for financial literacy.
  - NASFAA will provide updated guidance on changes.

## VI. Treasurer's Report

- **Presented by:** Jasmine Karlebach
- **Summary:**
  - Outlined budget process for Fall 2025 and the 2025–2026 fiscal year.
  - Emphasis on documenting how funds are used: details on membership, activities, and expenses must be provided in reapplications.
  - Groups should demonstrate that funds are fully spent as allocated.

### Motion: Approval of OUTSGA 2025–2026 Yearly Funding

- **Motioned by:** #20
- **Seconded by:** #19

- **In Favor:** 21, 42, 13, 2, 26, 41, 3, 39, 37, 36, 40, 4, 19, 5, 7, 30, 16, 20, 14, 6, 11, 15, 1, 13
- **Opposed:** None
- **Outcome:** Motion passes.
- **Time:** 5:56 PM
- **Notes:** \$10,000 budget approved for FY 2025–2026.

## VII. Old Business

### Vote: Approval of Fall 2025 Budget

- **Time:** 5:58 PM
- **Motioned by:** #19
- **Seconded by:** #7
- **In Favor:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 30, 36, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43
- **Opposed:** None
- **Outcome:** Motion passes unanimously.

## VIII. New Business

- Topic: OUTSGA Subcommittee restructuring and participation.
- Item to be continued at next meeting.

## IX. Subcommittee Updates

- Budget Subcommittee: [No updates]
- Professional Development Subcommittee: [No updates]
- Student Engagement Committee: [No updates]
- Access and Opportunity Subcommittee: [No updates]
- Student Organization Subcommittee: [No updates]

## X. Announcements

- Hispanic Heritage Month Trivia: Oct. 1 meeting (free food).
- Flu Shot Clinic: Oct. 2, no appointment necessary.
- “Happy Hour” student event in October.
- RSO Updates/Events: None.

## XI. Questions / Open Forum

- Discussion: Subcommittees receive funding for one meeting per semester.

## XII. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned by President Pierson at 6:37 PM.
- **Motioned by:** #7
- **Seconded by:** #21
- **In Favor:** All
- **Opposed:** None

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, November 19, 2025 | 5:30–6:30 PM | Room 1D28