

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
April 10th, 2016 7:00 P.M.
Sarkeys Energy Center, A235**

Call to Order

Reading and Approval of the Minutes:

Officer Reports:

- Chair –
- Vice-Chair –
- Secretary –

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs –
- Development & Philanthropy –
- External Affairs –
- Human Diversity -
- Internal Affairs-
- Problems & Projects –
- Public Relations -
- Ways and Means –
- Sustainability –

Special Orders:

- GS16-15 A resolution Regarding Mental Health Issues
- GS16-16 An Act amending the Code Annotated
- GS16-17 Emergency Allocation #11
- GS16-18 Emergency Allocation #12
- GS16-19 State of the SGA Update Act 2016
- GS16-20 Actually Communicating Bill of 2016
- GS16-21 Director Appointment Clarification Act
- GS16-22 An act Confirming CORE Executives Staff
- GS-16-23 A Resolution Concerning Penny Sales Tax
- GS16-24 An Act Establishing a Multicultural Survey.

Old Business:

New Business:

Announcements:

- Our next meeting will be April 24th!

Adjournment

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV
March 22, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS16
April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 950406
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS16-15

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution requesting improvement of
mental health services on campus, in the state of
Oklahoma, and across the United States; and providing for
distribution.

- Whereas: Mental health issues are prevalent in every environment, including the University of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: Despite the continued commitment by the University of Oklahoma to improving mental health care, for students, faculty, and staff on campus, it has only had available funding to hire one new staff member due to chronic under-funding and budget cuts from the State and Federal Government; and
- Whereas: Mental health issues currently affect one in five Americans as well as many Oklahomans which constitutes a nationwide crisis, vital to public health and safety, which requires immediate attention and action; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma, and the nation as a whole, has a large Armed Services veteran population, thousands of whom are affected by mental health issues, causing 22 veterans to commit suicide per day nationally; and
- Whereas: Mental health is a multifaceted issue that requires attention at all governmental levels in order to be addressed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
AND GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

Section 1: The Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate on behalf of the student body of the University of Oklahoma urge the University of Oklahoma Board of

Regents and President David Boren to increase funding for mental health programs at the University and to investigate ways to improve mental health on campus.

Section 2: The above fore mentioned bodies of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association, and on behalf of the student body respectfully request Governor Fallin and the Oklahoma Legislature increase funding for the University of Oklahoma's mental health programs and for other statewide mental health initiatives and programs, as well as to take action on the mental health crisis facing Oklahomans every day.

Section 3: The governing bodies of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body of the University of Oklahoma urge President Barack Obama and the United States Congress to take action to immediately improve mental health funding for mental health programs across the country, as well as revise the Affordable Care Act to include mental health care under required coverage within insurance plans.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Barack Obama
- Speaker Paul Ryan, Speaker of the House
- Senator Orrin Hatch, President Pro Tempore of the US Senate
- Senator Mitch McConnell, Senate Majority Leader
- Representative Nancy Pelosi, House Minority Leader
- Senator Jim Inhofe
- Senator James Lankford
- United States Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
- Representative Jim Bridenstine
- Representative Markwayne Mullin
- Representative Frank Lucas
- Representative Tom Cole
- Representative Steve Russell
- United States House Energy Subcommittee on Health
- Governor Mary Fallin
- Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives
- President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma Senate
- Oklahoma State Senator John Sparks
- Oklahoma State Senator Rob Standridge
- Oklahoma Senate Health and Human Services Committee
- Oklahoma State Representative Emily Virgin
- Oklahoma State Representative Scott Martin
- Oklahoma State Representative Josh Cockroft
- Oklahoma State Representative Jon Echols
- Oklahoma State Representative Claudia Griffith
- Oklahoma State Representative Chris Kannady

- Oklahoma State Representative Mark McBride
- Oklahoma State Representative Paul Wesselhoft
- Oklahoma State Representative Bob Cleveland
- Oklahoma House Committee on Public Health
- President David Boren, University of Oklahoma
- University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Dr. Scott Miller, Director of the University Counseling Center
- *The OU Daily*
- *The OU Nightly*
- *The Oklahoman*
- *The Tulsa World*
- *The Norman Transcript*
- *ABC News, KOCO*
- *Fox News, KFOR*
- *CBS News, KOKH & KOKI*
- *NBC News, KWTW & KOTV*
- *KGOU*

Authors: Brian Owings, Humanities Representative

Co-Author: Taylor Kelling, Chair, Problems and Projects Committee, Life Science Representative
 Abbey Crutchmer, Associate

Co-Sponsor:

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Reid, second by Representative Elliott

Action taken by Congress: Passed by roll call vote 24-7-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV

March 22, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS16

April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950114

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-16

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act amending the Code Annotated to remove language no longer needed, providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known as the "Code Annotated Revision Act #1".
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to revise the Code Annotated to remove part of a section that is no longer used or applicable.
- Section 3:** For the purposes of this legislation, deletions shall be marked with a Strikethrough. Additions shall be marked with an underline.
- Section 4;** AMENDATORY: The following parts are to be amended to Title 3, Chapter 7, and Section 39 of the SGA Code Annotated.

39. Director

There shall be a Director of Student Organizations, responsible for executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, ~~administering the Mandatory Registered Student Organization Training~~, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.^{.252}

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA constitution.

Author(s): Conor Park, Business Representative

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Mazeitis, second by Representative Elliott

Action taken by Congress: Passed by consent

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV
March 29, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS16
April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950505
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-17

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2015-2016 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Emergency Allocation #11” Act of 2016.

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to:

Oklahoma Precision Dance Team

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$1,045.00
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total:	\$1,045.00

Hispanic American Student Association

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$600.00</u>
Total:	\$600.00

Student Veterans Association

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$815.00</u>
Total:	\$815.00

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in the Comprehensive SGA Financial Responsibilities Act shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 4, 2016

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 4, 2016, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Matthew Cramm, Chair of SGA Budget

Co-Author (s): Budget Committee

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Capehart seconded by Representative Ryana

Action taken by Student Congress: Passed by a roll call vote 29-0-0

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV

April 5, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS16

April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950506

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-18

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2015-2016 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Emergency Allocation #12” Act of 2016.

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to:

Kappa Delta Chi

Office and General Expenses:	\$0
Capital Investments:	\$0
<u>Programs/Events/Activities:</u>	<u>\$555.00</u>
Total:	\$555.00

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in the Comprehensive SGA Financial Responsibilities Act shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 4, 2016

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 4, 2016, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Matthew Cramm, Chair of SGA Budget

Co-Author (s): Budget Committee

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Elliott seconded by Representative Owings

Action taken by Student Congress: Passed by a roll call vote 27-0-0

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV
April 5, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS-16
April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950116
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-19

AS INTRODUCED

An SGA Code Annotated amendment amending the
procedure for State of the SGA;
providing for codification; providing for a short title;
and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** TITLE: This Amendment shall be known and may be cited as the “Making the State of the SGA More Public Act.”
- Section 2:** PURPOSE: Amendatory. This Act shall amend the Code Annotated to move the time and location of the State of the SGA Address.
- Section 3:** Title III, Chapter 2, Section 8a of the SGACA shall be amended to read as follows:
- a. State of the SGA Address**
The State of the SGA Address shall be organized by the Executive Branch and be held after the Spring Election but before Pre-finals week of the Spring Semester held at the final meeting of the Undergraduate Student Congress before finals week each spring semester to deliver an address concerning the current state of Association. The address shall include, but is not limited to, an outline of the current administration’s accomplishments up to that point. The chairs shall speak on the accomplishments of their branch and the upcoming goals of their respective branches. An official copy of the State of the SGA will be delivered to the Chairs of the Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress within three business days of the address. At this meeting the SGA President shall administer the Oath of Office to the CAC Chair.
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.
- Author(s): Emily Sample, Chair of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress
Chloe Tadlock, Chair of the SGA Campus Activities Council
- Co-Author(s): Carrie Pavlowsky, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Nguyen seconded by Representative Chun

Action taken by Congress: Passed by Roll Call Vote 24-0-2

Verified by Chair of Congress _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV
April 5, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS-16
April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950117
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-20

AS INTRODUCED

An SGA Code Annotated amendment amending Title III;
providing for codification; providing for a short title;
and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** TITLE: This Amendment shall be known and may be cited as the “Actually Communicating Bill of 2016.”
- Section 2:** PURPOSE: Amendatory. This Act shall amend the Code Annotated to create an interdepartmental Public Relations effort on behalf of the Student Government Association as a whole.
- Section 3:** Title III, Chapter 10 of the SGACA shall be amended to read as follows:

**Title III – The Executive
Chapter 10 – The Department of Communications¹**

1. Departmental Purpose

The Department of Communications shall promote the programs and positions of the SGA.

2. Director

- a. There shall be a Director of Communications, responsible for overseeing and coordinating the efforts of the Executive Branch pertaining to media relations, web communications, graphic design, photography, and other outreach initiatives.
- b. The Director shall have an automatic position in the SGA multi-branch Joint Communications Department alongside the Public Relations Chairs

¹ Added Chapter 10 on 10/22/14: Smarter Departments Act of 2014 CBN 920304. SBN GF14-02 Title III Chapter 6.

of both the Congress and the Senate in order to coordinate with the other branches to facilitate communications on behalf of all of the SGA.

- i. The Joint Communications Department shall meet every week of the academic semester where every member's position is filled, excluding the final two weeks of the semester.
- ii. In the event of a long-term vacancy in one of these aforementioned positions, the Vice President shall assume the role.
- iii. The Joint Communications Department shall oversee only the communication media associated with the whole SGA and each member would be responsible over their own respective branches as determined by each branch.
- iv. The CAC Public Relations Chair may choose to be a member of the Joint Communications Department and shall have a vote. In the event of a tie vote, the Vice President of SGA shall have the tie-breaking vote.

Section 4: This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.

Author(s): Austin Reid, Public Relations Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Jordan Wetherbee, Public Relations Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
E.B. McCready, Director of Communications

Co-Author(s): Emily Sample, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Carrie Pavlowsky, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Owings seconded by Representative Zahra

Action taken by Congress: Passed by Roll Call Vote 18-6-2

Verified by Chair of Congress _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV

March 29, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS16

April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950118

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-21

AS INTRODUCED

An Act Amending the Code Annotated to Clarify the
Ability of the SGA President to Exercise Discretion in
Establishing the Cabinet Directors

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Director Appointment Clarification Act”
- Section 2:** The purpose of this act shall be to reconcile two conflicting standards established for the SGA President regarding their ability to autonomously appoint cabinet directors in accordance with Title III, Chapter 2, Section 7, Sub-Section a, which states that “The Student President shall have the power to establish Executive Staff Positions, to assist him or her in fulfilling his or her presidential duties, with the consent of the Legislative Branch. The Student President shall have the sole power to appoint personnel to fill these positions.”
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a ~~strike through~~ and additions indicated with a **bold underline**
- Section 4:** Title III, Chapter VI shall be amended as follow:

~~There shall be a Director of the Interior~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of the Interior, this individual will be** responsible for overseeing and coordinating the Office of Student Rights, the Council of Student Delegates, the Student Graduation and Retention Task Force, the Office of Commuter Networking, the Office of Green Initiatives, the Office of Parking and Transit, and overall academic advancement of the student body and the value of the University of Oklahoma’s degrees.
- Section 5:** Title III, Chapter VII shall be amended as follows:

~~There shall be a Director of Student Organizations~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Student Organizations, this individual will be** responsible for

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executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, administering the Mandatory Registered Student Organization Training, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.

Section 6: Title III, Chapter VIII shall be amended as follows:

~~The Director shall supervise and direct the administration of the Department and its constituent organs.~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Development, this individual will be responsible for supervising and directing the administration of the Department and its various subsidiaries.**

Section 7: Title III, Chapter IX shall be amended as follows:

~~There shall be a Director of Diversity~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Diversity, this individual will be** responsible for executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.

Section 8: Title III, Chapter X shall be amended as follows:

~~There shall be a Director of Communications~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Communications, this individual will be** responsible for overseeing and coordinating the efforts of the Executive Branch pertaining to media relations, web communications, graphic design, photography, and other outreach initiatives.

Section 9: Title III, Chapter XI shall be amended as follows:

~~There shall be a Director of the Exterior~~ **Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of the Exterior, this individual will be** responsible for overseeing and coordinating the Office of City, State, and Federal Legislative Relations, as well as overseeing the higher education advocacy efforts of the SGA

Section 10: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jake Mazeitis, University College Representative

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Nigh seconded by Representative Williams

Action taken by Congress: Passed by roll call vote 28-1-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV
March 29, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS16
April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950702
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-22

AS INTRODUCED

An Act confirming CORE Executive Team, providing for codification, and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “CORE Executive Team Confirmation Act”
- Section 2:** Purpose: To confirm the Executive Team of CORE.
- Section 3:** In accordance with Title III, chapter 13, section 78, subsection d of the SGACA, “*The CORE Executive membership appointed for one academic year beginning with their legislative confirmation,*” the following students shall be confirmed as members of the CORE Executive Team:
- John Pham | President
 - William Hugon | Vice President
 - Jonathan Rogers | Director of Communications
 - Anthony Mayberry | Director of Special Operations
 - Alexandra Cochran | Director of Consultants
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.
- Author(s):** Daniel Pae, SGA President
John Pham, CORE President
Alex Byron, International Studies District Representative

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Reid seconded by Representative Nguyen

Action taken by Congress: Passed by unanimous consent

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate:

_____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President:

_____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVI

April 12th, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS-15

April 10th, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 960XXX

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS16-23

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution expressing support for the Education Penny Sales Tax Initiative; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Oklahoma currently ranks 49th in the United States for public support of common education; and
- Whereas: Oklahoma fails to attract the quantity of teachers it needs to properly instruct students, as teachers are lured to other states with the promise of substantially higher pay; and
- Whereas: Oklahoma's Public Colleges and Universities have been forced to drastically raise tuition and fees in order to cover the most basic personnel and operating expenses in light of unrelenting cuts in state support; and
- Whereas: The Constitution of the State of Oklahoma makes it extraordinarily difficult to increase state revenue without broad popular support; and
- Whereas: President Boren, in his role as a private citizen, has demonstrated tremendous leadership by organizing a campaign to increase state revenues through a vote of the people; and
- Whereas: Thanks to President Boren's leadership, The University of Oklahoma has made enormous academic progress, and has become a first tier public research university, recognized for excellence in teaching, research, and service; and
- Whereas: Continued cuts to the state budget threaten the University's ability to continue to improve its programs, attract world class faculty and researchers, and maintain its position as a prominent national research university; and
- Whereas: The Education Penny Sales Tax Initiative is the only proposal that raises teacher pay, provides money to higher education to stop tuition increases, and will provide additional funding for career and technical education, and early childhood programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT:

- Section 1: The Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress wholeheartedly support the Education Penny Sales Tax Initiative to improve teacher pay and increase funding to higher and vocational education.
- Section 2: The Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress encourage all eligible students to support the Education Penny Sales Tax Initiative with their signature during the petition drive.
- Section 3: The Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress encourage all students to register to vote, and to support the Education Penny Sales Tax Initiative with their vote on November 8th, 2016.
- Section 4: The Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress believe that the future prosperity of the State of Oklahoma depends on the state's ability to adequately educate and retain its population.
- Section 5: The Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress encourage other student government associations at all of Oklahoma's Public Colleges and Universities to support similar resolutions.

Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of The University of Oklahoma
- Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma
- Senator Brian Bingman, President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate
- Representative Jeffrey Hickman, Speaker of the Oklahoma State House
- Joy Hofmeister, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- President Burns Hargis, President of Oklahoma State University
- Kyle Hilbert, President of the Oklahoma State University Student Government Association
- The Student Government Associations of Oklahoma State University, and the universities governed by the Oklahoma A&M Regents, the constituent universities of the Regional University System of Oklahoma, Cameron University, Rogers State University, Oklahoma Panhandle State University, and the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma.
- *The Norman Transcript*
- *The Oklahoman*
- *The Oklahoma Gazette*
- *The Tulsa World*
- *The OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*

Author: Andrew Kierig, Graduate Student Senate Senator

Co-Author: Kara Elwick, Chair of the External Affairs Committee

Co-Sponsors: Kimberley Bishop, Director of the Department of Exterior
Vanessa Meraz, Assistant Director of the Department of Exterior
Stefanie Neumeier, Graduate Student Senate Senator

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV

March 20, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS-16

April 10, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950101

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-24

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act establishing the Multicultural Student Organization Survey providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Multicultural Student Organization Survey”.
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to establish and distribute this survey to the student body to collect data on multicultural student organizations.
- Section 3:** This survey is to be distributed through OrgSync, OUMM, SGA Executive Branch social media, Undergraduate Student Congress social media, Graduate Student Senate social media, and large classroom white boards.
- Section 4:** The Multicultural Student Organization Survey shall read as follows:

The following questions will give you an opportunity to tell us more about your experience with Multicultural Student Organizations on OU's campus.

Please answer openly and truthfully.

What is your race/ethnicity?

- White or Caucasian
- Black/African American or African
- Hispanic or Latin American
- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian or Asian American
- Hawaiian Native or Pacific Islander
- Biracial/Multiracial (Please list all races/ethnicities that you identify with)
- I'd prefer not to answer

What is your academic classification?

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior
- Graduate or PhD Student


How many years have you been on OU's campus?

- less than 1 year
- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- 5 or more years

Page Break

On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you?

- Not at all 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Very

 If 0 is Selected, Then Skip To **How do you prefer to be informed of M...** Skip Logic ▾

How do you gain knowledge of Multicultural Student Organization events that happen on campus?
(Please select all that apply)

- Twitter
- Facebook
- Instagram
- OrgSync
- Friends or word of mouth
- Information tables around campus
- Email
- Text

Display This Question: x

If On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **0** Is
Selected [Edit](#)



How do you prefer to be informed of Multicultural Student Organization events?

If How do you prefer to be Inf... is Displayed, Then Skip To What do you think the purpose of Mult... Skip Logic ▾ x

I feel welcomed when attending Multicultural Student Organization events.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Display This Question: x

If On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **1** Is
Selected [Edit](#)

Or On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **2** Is
Selected [Edit](#)

Or On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **3** Is
Selected [Edit](#)

Or On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **4** Is
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Or On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **5** Is
Selected [Edit](#)

Or On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **6** Is
Selected [Edit](#)

What do you think Multicultural Student Organizations can do to better inform you of their events?

How many Multicultural Student Organizations are you involved in?
(Involvement includes membership, Executive member, member at large or event attendee.)

- None
- 1 - 3
- 4 or more

Display This Question:

If How many Multicultural Student Organizations are you involved in? (Involvement includes membershi...
1 - 3 is **Selected** [Edit](#)

Or How many Multicultural Student Organizations are you involved in? (Involvement includes
membershi... **4 or more** is **Selected** [Edit](#)


Please list the Multicultural Student Organization(s) you are involved in?
(Please do not use abbreviations)

4:

When I attend Multicultural Student Organization events, I am often approached by members hosting the event.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

Display This Question: x

 **If** How many Multicultural Student Organizations are you involved in? (Involvement includes membershi...)

None **Is Selected** [Edit](#)

Why are you not involved in any Multicultural Student Organizations on campus?
 (Please select all that apply)

- I am too busy.
- I don't know how to get involved.
- I am uninterested in getting involved.
- I don't feel like I would be accepted or welcomed.
- Other



What do you think the purpose of Multicultural Student Organizations is?
 (Please drag each response into the box and rank your answers from most to least important. If you would like to add a purpose you can do so in the "other" box below.)


Items	Purpose of Multicultural Student Organizations
To promote inclusivity	
To promote diversity	
To educate the student body about their culture	
To be a safe place for people who identify with that multicultural student organization	
Other	
Other	
Other	
Other	

Display This Question: x

 **If** On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **0** is **Not**
Selected [Edit](#)

Any other comments?

Display This Question: x

 **If** On a scale from 0 to 10, how aware of Multicultural Student Organization events are you? **0** is
Selected [Edit](#)

And How do you prefer to be Informed of Multicultural Student Organization events? **Text**
Response is **Displayed** [Edit](#)

Any other comments?

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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