

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
January 31st, 2016 7:00 P.M.
SEC A235**

Call to Order

Reading and Approval of the Minutes:

Officer Reports:

- Chair –
- Vice-Chair –
- Secretary –
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Committee Reports:

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

Special Orders:

Old Business:

New Business:

- GS16-01 A Resolution Regarding Syrian Refugees Humanitarian Crisis
- GS16-02 An Act Appointing SGA Directors
- GS16-03 An Act Amending the Act of Procedure Approving Travel/Conference/Creative Exhibition Grant

Announcements:

Adjournment

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV

1/26/2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GF-16

1/31/2016

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 950401

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS16-01

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution Regarding the Syrian Refugee
Humanitarian Crisis; and Providing for Distribution

- Whereas: Various governors throughout the country, including Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin, have taken a political stance to not admit any Syrian refugees into their respective states; and
- Whereas: The stances taken by Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin and various other governors around the country have been deemed unconstitutional by a variety of sources; most notably Supreme Court decision *Hines v. Davidowitz* which states “The supremacy of the national power in the general field of foreign affairs, including power over immigration, naturalization and deportation, is made clear by the constitution; and
- Whereas: Refugees are protected by the Refugee Act of 1980 which states that the president may admit refugees who face “persecution or a well-founded fear of persecution on account of race, religion, nationality, membership in a particular social group, or political opinion” into the United States; and
- Whereas: The United States is an upholder of the belief of freedom and safety for all and especially those in dire need; and
- Whereas: The political stances and statements of the various aforementioned governors, including Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin, are not only unconstitutional, but unwarranted and harmful to many people within the United States, Americans, immigrants, and refugees alike;

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

- Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress, the Graduate Student Senate, on behalf of the student body of the University of Oklahoma do not stand nor agree with Governor Mary Fallin’s position not to accept Syrian refugees into the state of Oklahoma.

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Barack Obama
- Secretary of State John Kerry
- Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson
- Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Sarah Saldana
- Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin
- Texas Governor Greg Abbott
- Georgia Governor Nathan Deal
- Alabama Governor Robert Bentley
- Arizona Governor Doug Ducey
- Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson
- Florida Governor Rick Scott
- Idaho Governor Butch Otter
- Illinois Governor Bruce Rauner
- Indiana Governor Mike Pence
- Iowa Governor Terry Branstad
- Kansas Governor Sam Brownback
- Louisiana Governor John Edwards
- Maine Governor Paul LePage
- Maryland Governor Larry Hogan
- Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker
- Michigan Governor Rick Snyder
- Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant
- Nebraska Governor Pete Ricketts
- Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval
- New Hampshire Governor Maggie Hassan
- New Jersey Governor Chris Christie
- New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez
- North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory
- North Dakota Governor Jack Dalrymple
- Ohio Governor John Kasich
- South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley
- South Dakota Governor Dennis Daugaard
- Tennessee Governor Bill Haslam
- Wyoming Governor Matt Mead
- Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker
- *CNN News (Dallas Affiliate)*
- *NBC News (Dallas Affiliate: KXAS-TV)*
- *Fox News (Oklahoma affiliates: KOKH & KOKI)*
- *CBS News (Oklahoma affiliates: KWTV & KOTV)*
- *NBL News (Dallas affiliate: KXAS-TV, Oklahoma city, affiliate: KFOR-TV)*

- *The Oklahoman*
- *The Tulsa World*
- *The Norman Transcript*
- *The OU Daily*
- *The OU Nightly*

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Co-Sponsor: Daniel Pae, President of the Student Government Association
 Kaylee Rains, Secretary of the Undergraduate Congress
 Matthew Cramm, Ways and Means Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Capehart, second by Secretary Rains

Action taken by Congress: Passed by roll call vote 27-1-1

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

January 26, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS16

January 31, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950701

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-02

AS INTRODUCED

An act appointing SGA Directors; providing for codification; providing for short title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: TITLE. This act may be known and shall be cited as the “SGA Directors Appointment Act”

Section 2: PURPOSE. To appoint Directors to their respected SGA departments.

Section 3: In accordance with Title III, chapter 1, section 5, subsection a of the SGACA, “*The President shall appoint Directors with the advice and consent of the Legislative branch,*” the following students shall be appointed as Directors to their respective departments:

- Jack Schaefer | Department of Interior
- Kimberly Bishop | Department of Exterior
- Elizabeth McCready | Department of Communications
- Angie Tran | Department of Inclusivity

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
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Co-Author(s): Tim Crisp, Chief of Staff

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative M. Williams, second by Representative Nguyen

Action taken by Congress: Passed by roll call vote 35-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS16
January 31, 2016

SENATE BILL NO. GS16-03

AS INTRODUCED

An act amending the act of procedure approving
Travel/Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant
awards for the 2015 Fall Semester.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

Section 1: The act shall be known and may be cited as AN ACT OF PROCEDURE APPROVING TRAVEL/CONFERENCE/RESEARCH & CREATIVE EXHIBITION GRANT AWARDS FOR THE 2015 FALL SEMESTER.

Section 2: The purpose of this act is inherent in the title.

Section 3: The Graduate Student Senate shall allot Travel/Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant awards for the 2015 Fall semester in the following manner:

Conference grants

	Name	Department	Funding awarded
1.	Acosta Espinosa, Francisco, J.	Biology	\$645.00
2.	Aghapour, Behnoud	Landscape Architecture	\$187.50
3.	Bertsche, Carolyn, M.	Physics and Astronomy	\$500.00
4.	Bingham, Christopher, M.	Communication	\$750.00
5.	Bruscella, Jacqueline, S.	Communication	\$750.00
6.	Cao, Wenbin	Business	\$500.00
7.	Chrisostomo, Marisa, E.	Psychology	\$473.49
8.	Crawford, Brandon, L.	Sociology	\$750.00
9.	Duan, Xiaoman	Business	\$562.50
10.	Fernald, Caroline, J.	Art & Art History	\$571.00
11.	Foster, Aaron, M.	Physics and Astronomy	\$545.20
12.	Guo, Yijia	Communication	\$562.50
13.	Harris, LaNita, W.	Health & Exercise Science	\$750.00
14.	Hoelscher, Carrisa, S.	Communication	\$562.50
15.	Kamali, Amiine	Industrial & Systems Engineering	\$750.00
16.	Kapoor, Nathan, N.	History of Science	\$401.96
17.	Kistenmacher, Michael	Botany & Microbiology	\$750.00
18.	Kusnierz, Nicole, E.	Anthropology	\$750.00
19.	Laytner, Miriam	Anthropology	\$664.20
20.	Lookadoo, Kathryn, L.	Communication	\$750.00

21.	Miller, Timothy, R.	Physics and Astronomy	\$523.07
22.	Nordby, Stephanie, N.	Philosophy	\$562.50
23.	Nunez, Juan, I.	Chemistry & Biochemistry	\$562.50
24.	Ojeda, Ann	Geology & Geophysics	\$562.50
25.	Pugachev, Leonid	Business	\$750.00
26.	Quakenbush, Daniel, L.	Landscape Architecture	\$250.00
27.	Rezapour Behnagh, Shabnam	Industrial & Systems Engineering	\$750.00
28.	Rifki, Othmane	Physics and Astronomy	\$750.00
29.	Smith, Joshua, M.	Chemistry & Biochemistry	\$562.50
30.	Steiger, Derek, E.	Political Science	\$750.00
31.	Terui, Sachiko	Communication	\$750.00
32.	Van Gilder, Bobbi, J.	Communication	\$562.50
33.	Varjas, Christopher, J.	Chemistry & Biochemistry	\$750.00
34.	Wang, Guoyu	Communication	\$750.00
35.	Williams, Cortes	Biomedical Engineering	\$750.00
36.	Wilson Mumpower, Stacie, V.	Communication	\$750.00
37.	Wu, Shelly, C.	Biology	\$187.50
38.	You, Sula	Educational Leadership & Policy Studies	\$678.00
39.	Zhang, Qimin	Physics and Astronomy	\$375.00
	Total		23189.42

Research grants

	Name	Department	Funding awarded
1.	Baird, Erin, E.	Communication	\$562.50
2.	Bujan, Jelena	Biology	\$750.00
3.	Dragseth, Meghann, R.	Political Science	\$562.50
4.	Du, Junyi	Civil Engineering and Environmental Science	\$750.00
5.	Fernald, Caroline, J.	Art & Art History	\$750.00
6.	Guruacharya, Anuj	Biology	\$480.00
7.	Huron, Nicholas, A.	Biology	\$562.50
8.	Jackson, Roni, K.	Communication	\$562.50
9.	Maner, James L. IV	Geology & Geophysics	\$750.00
10.	Ojeda, Ann	Geology & Geophysics	\$562.50
11.	Roeder, Karl, A.	Biology	\$336.60
12.	Taylor, Rose, E.	Dance	\$562.50
13.	Terui, Sachiko	Communication	\$750.00
14.	Zhao, Kangmei	Botany & Microbiology	\$562.50
15.	Zhang, Ying	Geoinformatics	\$750.00
	Total		\$9254.10

Total funds awarded = \$32,443.52

Section 4: The final date by which these grant monies may be claimed from the SGA Accounting Office is 11 December 2015.

Authors: 2015 GSS Ways and Means Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____