# UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

## **GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES**

February 12th, 2016 7:00 P.M. Sarkeys Energy Center, A235

Call to Order: 7:01 p.m.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes: Motion to approve made by Senator 82, seconded by

Senator 5

#### **Officer Reports:**

- Chair: 3 open positions for graduate council. You get to advise graduate college and others
  on issues they are presented with. First Wednesday of every month meetings, low key in
  terms of time commitment, but good way to be involved. Some issues they have dealt with in
  the past include TA Stipends, health insurance, grad specific stuff, etc. Let Carrie know if
  you're interested.
- Vice-Chair: No report.
- Secretary: Please make sure you have the correct number and department on your new placard. If you are here tonight, please make sure your name is on your placard, and keep the same one the remainder of the semester. This is how attendance will be kept. Additionally, if you emailed because you were interested in being on the search committee for the new dean of the graduate college, meet with Jenny briefly after the meeting.

### **Committee Reports:**

- Academic Affairs: Yes madam, thank you Madam chair. Good evening everyone.
   Welcomed new member, Mora, from Finance. Discussed and passed GSS 17-06. Discussing meetings about libraries, discussed improving criteria for Graduate award...
- Development & Philanthropy: External affairs came to them about plans for drives. They reached out to Norman public schools re: supply drive. Plan to have it up and going week after spring break, have it run a few weeks. Excited about that! Will have a flyer out soon.
- External Affairs: We decided that we would like to work on reaching out into community
  and reaching out to schools. Also talked about showing teachers appreciation, looking at
  reaching out to local businesses and looking for an oft-forgotten school to show teaching
  appreciation.
- Human Diversity: No report.
- Internal Affairs: No report.
- Public Relations : No report.
- Sustainability: No report.
- Ways and Means: Grants are due by March 3<sup>rd</sup> by 5:00 p.m. Please notify your departments.

**Special Orders:** Motion to move to new business by Senator 115, seconded by Senator 10.

- GS17-03 An Act Establishing the Campus Climate Board of Advisors :
  - o Motion to move to floor by Senator 95, seconded by Senator 98.
  - o Kaylee Rains presenting, Kaylee is Chair of congress. This establishes SGA board consisting of 25-26 representatives from student organizations across campus, from big student orgs like CAC to smaller like BSA, United World, etc. We think it'll be a good chance to bring communities together and get feedback to be most inclusive and diverse campus. Hope to get it running by March. Yield rest of time for questions.

- O Senator 73: motion to pass by unanimous consent.
- o Motion seconded by Senator 18
- No objections
- Motion passes
- GS17-04 Auxiliary Funding #8:
  - Motion to move to floor by Senator 12, seconded by Senator 34.
  - Celeste Davis residing: Vice chair of Ways and Means committee for Congress.
    - International Advisory Committee: \$2331.94 for prom and food
    - American Indian Student Association: \$3,000.00 for student conference
    - OU Men's Lacrosse Club: \$600 for registration fees
    - Oklahoma International Law Society: \$700 for food for meetings
    - The Roosevelt Institute: \$380 for food and travel
    - OU Cycling Club: \$515 for registration, food, beverages and supplies for competitions
    - Sooner Air Traffic Control Association: \$300 for food at meetings
    - InterVarsity Christian Fellowship: \$1263 for tent, food and rentals for program
    - Institute of Industrial Engineers: \$500 for travel and food
    - Association for Women in Science: \$500 for speaker fees, food and supplies for meetings
    - LaFe Lationa Fellowship: \$180 for travel to conference
    - OU Forum: \$440 for software fees
    - Powerlifting Club: \$350 for registration fees
    - OU Men's Ultimate Frisbee Club: \$650 for tournament fees and travel expenses
    - Informed Citizen's Discussion Group: \$300 for food for meetings
    - Luteran Church Missouri Synod University at OU: \$600 for capital expenses
    - \$108,000 for rest of semester
  - o Senator 60: motion to pass by unanimous consent.
  - o Seconded by Senator 20
  - No objections
  - Motion passes
- GS17-05 Legislative Update Act of 2017: motion to move to floor by Senator 112, seconded by Senator 110
  - o Author is not here.
  - Motion to table. Motion by Senator 89 and seconded by Senator 35
- GS17-06 A Resolution Thanking President David Lyle Boren: motion to move to floor by Senator 107, seconded by Senator 53
  - o Carlos Rubio presenting, congressman
  - O Saying thank you to President for 50 years of service in state of OK. To spend this much time in the state, giving back, deserves some recognition. Academic affairs asked a question, and author said he would love for President to frame this legislation, but he wants everyone to know the purpose of this is just to make a statement as a student government body that we appreciate this 50 years of service.
  - Senator 73 motion to pass by unanimous consent
  - Seconded by Senator 62
  - No objections
  - Motion Passes

#### **Announcements:**

- If you're interested in grad council positions, please see Carrie (Chair)
- If you emailed about search committee see secretary after this meeting.
- Motion to adjourn by Senator 82, seconded by Senator 111

**Adjournment:** 7:11 p.m.