

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES
October 9th, 2016 7:00 P.M.
Sarkeys Energy Center, A235**

Call to Order: 6:59 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: Motion by Senator 61, seconded by Senator 76

Officer Reports:

- Chair : Please attend your committee meetings
- Vice-Chair: if you have something you want on the agenda, get it to Jonathan Merlini the Wednesday before the meeting.
- Secretary: No report.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs : No report
- Development & Philanthropy: We have a new member joining our team and the committee have discussed what they're going to do this semester.
- External Affairs: We are continuing to look through survey about fees and hoping to make an argument to cap or cut fees
- Human Diversity : Elected committee officers: (Applause)
- Internal Affairs: We are starting process of looking through by-laws. Any suggestions, let them know.
- Public Relations : No report
- Sustainability: No report.
- Ways and Means: Grants were due last Friday, they are in process to find time to look through those.

Chair called for motion to move legislation as a block to new business. Motion by senator 100, seconded by Senator 77.

- GF16-13 Student Parking Appeals Court Appointment Act of 2016-2017:
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 89, seconded by 72
 - Daniel Pae presenting:
 - This is the last appointment legislation he will present to us as SGA president. He's sad. Fantastic list of nominees for Parking appeals court. 8 nominees, selected from 70 applications, 16 interviews. Only 2 available, rest are on the road back from Texas. Both parking appeals court appointment nominees told their names, major, year in school, and a fun fact about themselves. Yield rest of time for questions.
 - Question from Senator 59, President Pae, is it true that by appointing parking board will decrease turnaround time for parking ticket appeals from 2 weeks to 1 week?
 - Pae: Yes hopefully it will expedite process
 - Question from Senator 77: This group of students will evaluate parking ticket appeals?
 - Pae: This group decides whether parking appeal will be sustained or denied.
 - Follow up question from Senator 77: SO what does the court do?

- Pae: The court decides if there is a valid explanation why the person should not pay parking ticket.
 - Secretary: Court and Appeals Nominees are the same.
 - Senator 11, motion to pass by unanimous consent. Seconded by Senator 90. No objections. Motion passes.

- GF16-14 Auxiliary Funding #3: motion to move to floor by Senator 41, seconded by Senator 11.
 - Ryan Echols, Chair of SGA Budget Committee presents:
 - Japanese Student Association received \$350.00 for a cultural event.
 - Student Film Production Club received \$500.00 to help host 16 mm film workshop.
 - Vietnamese Student Association received \$350.00 for lunar moon festival
 - Student Mobilization received \$700.00 for rentals for weekend retreat
 - Sooner Curling Club received \$1010.00 for tournament registration fees
 - International Advisory Committee received \$3000.00 to help with Eve of nations event.
 - This leaves \$42420.71 in Auxillary account for year.
 - Yield rest of time for questions.
 - Senator 11 asks: These amounts have been more in each block than in years past, is this rate sustainable?
 - Echols, Yes, because we have combined allocations they are larger than emergency requests.
 - Senator 11 motion to pass by unanimous consent. Seconded by Senator 86. No objections, motion passes.

- GF16-15 A Resolution Addressing Sexual Assault
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 65, seconded by Senator 100.
 - Introduction by Carrie Pavlowsky and Jonathan Merlini, authors:
 - Purpose of resolution is to raise awareness of the culture of sexual assault around campus, work with counseling center, gender & equality center and other entities on campus
 - Senator 11 asks: Can the bill be emailed out?
 - Bill was read to the senate by Secretary Jenny Russell
 - Senator 85 asked for statistics of sexual assault on OU campus
 - Pavlowsky responses, there are statistics, part of this bill is to analyze them
 - Senator 85 asks follow up question, What stigma is addressed in the bill?
 - Pavlowsky responds, stigmas include blaming the victim, making them less likely to come forward
 - Senator 48 proposes Friendly amendment about including 'red zone' in the resolution.
 - Pavlowsky denies friendly amendment to resolution, stating that the red zone would likely be added in later bill.
 - Senator 11 proposes friendly amendment to include campus police contact on persons who the resolution will be sent to. Authors accept friendly amendment.
 - Senator 85 proposes friendly amendment to include counseling center director on persons who the resolution will be sent to. Authors accept friendly amendment.
 - Motion to pass by unanimous consent by Senator 11. Seconded by 48. No objections. Motion passes.

Announcements: Meeting in 2 weeks. Any other announcements? No.

Motion to adjourn by Senator 59, seconded by Senator 52. No objections.

Adjournment 7:14 p.m.