

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES
9/24/17, 7:00 P.M.
Sarkeys Energy Center, A235**

Call to Order: 7:04 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: Senator 112, seconded by Senator 38

Officer Reports:

- Chair: Nothing new to report. Thank you for being here.
- Vice-Chair: Please read the legislation, so you have a good idea of what we will be voting for during the meeting.
- Secretary: Please sign your name on Graduate Student Senate Form to record your attendance. If you are a proxy, please sign your name and write proxy for the name of the senator you are representing. If you are not on a committee yet, please make sure you sign up for one at the end of the meeting to make sure your attendance is recorded for tonight. Chairs, please make sure you double check the accuracy of your meeting form.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs: No report
- Development & Philanthropy: Vice-chair- food drive for the OU food break. In the next week we will look for restaurants to host fundraisers.
- External Affairs: No business
- Human Diversity: We are looking to collaborate with an OU event on November 2nd. We want to set up a table on that day and encourage people to contact their GSS senators. The chair shared that she is doing a research project on gender ideology. A flier will be sent out. We are going to have discussion with OU Title IX representative. We are thinking about writing a symbolic legislation.
- Internal Affairs: We found some items on the GSS Bylaws that could be clearer. Specifically, we want to add proxy and its definition to the Bylaws. And adding the number of absences before a student is put on probation. If a student is expelled or on probation, having a formal contact procedure would be clearer.
- Public Relations: No report
- Sustainability: Brainstormed initiatives and researched.
- Ways and Means: The deadline is October 6th at 5pm for travel and research. Minor changes needed to the form. Make sure you have it updated and inform your departments of the deadline.
 - POI by Senator 17-Is this for spring travel? Answer: It is for fall travel.

Special Orders: Motion to move to new business by Senator 10, seconded by Senator 110

Motion to GF17-10, GF17-11, and GF17-12 as block to the floor by Senator 43, seconded by Senator 95

- GF17-10 Auxiliary Allocation 4
 - Engineer's Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$2000
 - Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math: Programs/Events/Activities: \$900
 - World Literature Today: Programs/Events/Activities: \$500

- OU Men’s Ultimate Frisbee: Programs/Events/Activities: \$750
 - Engineering Entrepreneurs Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$700
 - Student Veterans Association: Capital Investments: \$700
 - Arab Student Association” Programs/Events/Activities: \$125
 - Aviation Law Society: Programs/Events/Activities: \$750
 - Total Allocation: \$6,425.00
- GF17-11 Auxiliary Allocation 5
 - Students for Justice in Palestine: Programs/Events/Activities: \$700
 - Association of Airport Executives: Programs/Events/Activities: \$800
 - American Association of Petroleum Geologists: Programs/Events/Activities: \$410
 - OU Fishing: Programs/Events/Activities: \$450
 - Sociology/Criminology Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$168
 - National Organization of Minority Architecture Students: Programs/Events/Activities: \$480
 - OBI Outreach: Programs/Events/Activities: \$495
 - Economics Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$300
 - Rocket Team: Programs/Events/Activities: \$700
 - Tierra Tinta: Programs/Events/Activities: \$605
 - OU Climbing Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$40
 - Total Allocation: \$5,148.00.
- GF17-12 Auxiliary Allocation 6
 - Author asks for friendly amendment to add the numbers. Senator 110 motions to add friendly amendment, seconded by Senator 109
 - OK Sailing Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$400
 - Precision Dance Team: Office and General Expenses: \$80 and Programs/Events/Activities: \$180 for a Total: \$260
 - Game Developers Association: Office and General Expenses: \$75; Programs/Events/Activities: \$150. Total: \$225
 - Alpha Epsilon Delta: Office and General Expenses: \$400
 - Gamma Beta Phi: Programs/Events/Activities: \$650
 - American Society of Civil Engineers: Programs/Events/Activities: \$1000
 - Student Council for Exceptional Children: Programs/Events/Activities: \$1480
 - Chess Club: Programs/Events/Activities: \$2250
 - LCMS-U (Lutheran Church Missouri Synod—University): Office and General Expenses: \$280; Programs/Events/Activities: \$220 Total: \$500
 - Sooner Air Traffic Control: Capital Investments: \$540
 - American Society of Chemical Engineers: Programs/Events/Activities: \$900
 - Organic Chemistry Club: Office and General Expenses: \$50
 - Psychology Club: Office and General Expenses: \$363.63; Programs/Events/Activities: \$100; Total: \$463.63
 - Queer Student Association: Programs/Events/Activities: \$341
 - PRSSA” Programs/Events/Activities: \$500
 - Generation Citizen: Programs/Events/Activities: \$550
 - Student Healthcare Outreach: Programs/Events/Activities: \$602.46
 - Total Allocation: 11,112.09

Motion to pass GF17-10, GF17-11, and GF17-12 by unanimous consent by Senator 112, seconded by Senator 5

- GF17-13 Election Board Appointment Act of 2017
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 43, seconded by Senator 110
 - Description of legislation, usually by author. Corey Abernathy—I selected an election board. 30 people applied. 15 interviewed. These five are the best candidates for the job.
 - Senator 112: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - Seconded by Senator 4
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

- GF17-14 SGA Statements Act of 2017
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 44, seconded by Senator 120
 - Austin Reid, Author and Brandon Swearengen, Co-Author: If there is a statement, that it needs to be seen by both houses and signed by the president. Provide if the logo is needed for publicity, needs to be approved. Friendly amendment to add wording to section D and Section E: Senator 110 motions to approve friendly amendment.
 - Senator 110 Does SGA includes both congress and GSS? Answer: Two of the branches were never consulted with the unauthorized use of the SGA logo.
 - Senator 98—who made this literature? It was printed with other funds and printed at corner copy.
 - Senator 4: asked for an elaboration of section E
 - Senator 61-Asked if the chairs consulted?
 - Senator 61-Asked if at the present, is there approval process for using the SGA.
 - If we release funds, we approve and they must use the logo on advertisements. Approval is attached with funding.
 - Senator 61-Asked why the entire body is consulted. Austin: If the chairs are making the decisions, it dismisses the role of the body. They are not allowed to say congress believes. They don't have that power.
 - Senator 21-POI-what are the teeth, for violating? Austin: There is not a form of punishment. But we have votes of no confidence, impeachment, and expulsion. It's not explicitly in this, but it is expected for the chairs to keep the trust of the bodies.
 - Senator 112 motioned to pass with unanimous consent
 - Senator 90 objected
 - Senator 90 motioned for a vote by placard, seconded by 14
 - All in favor of motion from Senators: 1, 4, 5, 6, 9, 13, 14, 17, 21, 28, 29, 30, 34, 35, 38, 43, 44, 69, 70, 74, 79, 80, 93, 95, 98, 102, 104, 105, 107, 109, 110, 112, 115, 119, 122
 - Opposing Senators: 61, 62, 22, 90
 - Abstaining Senators: 87, 111
 - Motion passes

- GF17-15 Even Starting Line Act of 2017
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 112, seconded by Senator 35
 - Description of legislation, usually by author. Austin
 - Questions/Answers/Misc. conversation
 - Senator 17: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - Seconded by Senator 74
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

Old Business: Motion to move to old business by Senator 110, seconded by Senator 4

- GF17-06 A Resolution Affirming Support for the DACA Program and its Recipients
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 112, seconded by Senator 35
 - Ali Klima, Author. Affirming support for our DACA students (89 DACA OU students)
 - Senator 112: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - Seconded by Senator 67
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

- GF17-09 Spring Election Act of 2018
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 43, seconded by Senator 60
 - JD Baker, Author: It allows for another week to campaign and debate in the spring.
 - Senator 119: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - Seconded by Senator 61
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

Motion to adjourn by Senator 112, seconded by Senator 115.

Adjournment: 7:47 p.m.