

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINUTES
02/10/2019, 7:00 P.M.
Sarkeys Energy Center, A235**

Call to Order: 7:02 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes: Senator 64, seconded by Senator 35

Officer Reports:

- Chair: If you want to learn how to fill out the GSS funding application, stay back after meeting. Ways and means are conducting a short tutorial and will be answering your questions.
- Vice-Chair: Rafia and I went through the roster to make sure the senator list on the GSS website is correct. The webmaster has already made corrections per my request. We also updated the membership on the Orgsync page. If you were accidentally removed, please let me know and we'll get you added back to the site. The committee preference sheet is updated and available on Orgsync.
- Secretary: Don't forget to sign your name on the committee forms. This is how I keep attendance records. If you have not signed up for any committee yet, please do so on orgsync. Also, join our orgsync page to stay updated on our news and meetings. I would also appreciate it if you raise your placard before you speak, for any motions, questions or any other purposes.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs: We are all fired up for the Outstanding Graduate Student Awards. We will have the forms up in next couple of weeks.
- Development & Philanthropy: No report
- External Affairs: No report
- Human Diversity: No report
- Internal Affairs: No report
- Public Relations: We are trying to get the bios for the committees. Committee chairs, please expect an email from us. If you don't have your emails updated, please come talk to me so, we have the correct ones.
- Sustainability: No report
- Ways and Means: We are fired up like academic affairs committee too. First of all, the website is all updated and the forms are up. That is very exciting. Secondly, the applications for GSS funding are due March 1st. Finally, if you want to learn how to effectively fill out the application, you should stay directly after the meeting. We will give a whole tutorial on that. On, it will help you if you are filling out the application. Two, if your constitute asked me a question, I will say, please ask your senator about that. So, its on you now.

Special Orders: Motion to move to new business by Senator 125, seconded by Senator 94

- GS19-08 Auxiliary Allocation 15 Act of 2018-2019
- GS19-09 Auxiliary Allocation 16 Act of 2018-2019
 - Motion to move GS19-01 and GS19-02 as block to floor by Senator 109, seconded by Senator 18

- Author, Samuel Quick, SGA Budgetary Chairman: Student organizations were awarded for a total of \$ \$3,145 in Auxiliary Allocation 15 and for a total of \$4,968 in Auxiliary Allocation 16.
Yields time for questions.
- Senator 10: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
- Seconded by Senator 109
- No objections
- Motion passes

- GS19-11 Student Legal Services Funding Bill of 2019
 - Motion to move to floor by Senator 38, seconded by Senator 62
 - Author, Samuel Quick, SGA Budgetary Chairman: The purpose of this act shall be to provide funds (\$54,375.00) for Student Legal Services program for FY20. Yields time for questions.
 - Senator 21: Why are you asking double the amount of fund for FY20 compared to FY18 and FY19
 - Author: We acquire these funds from SAF and we encumbered this amount of money just in case we want to extend the program one year.
 - Follow up question by Senator 21: So, why is it double the amount?
 - Author: Every year SLS asks for an approximate amount and this year they thought this is the amount to hold back.
 - Follow up question by Senator 21: So, it is for this year and not 2020?
 - Author: Correct.
 - Senator 9: What does the SLS program do?
 - Author: SLS has a part-time attorney. She can provide a limited scope on legal services to students. She can advise on legal matters but cannot file in court for you and also point you towards the right direction and community resources.
 - Senator 120: I know it has been on the temporary basis, more like year to year basis. Will this make it permanent?
 - Author: This won't make it permanent yet. It is more like a band-aid. It is just a way to institutionalize the funding process. It is a band-aid for next year and then we will institutionalize the funding.
 - Senator 06: Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - Seconded by Senator 17
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

- GS19-10 SGA Interior Cabinet Director Appointment Act of 2019
 - Motion to move table GS19-10 by Senator 93, seconded by Senator 64
 - Motion tabled

Announcements:

Motion to adjourn by Senator 34, seconded by Senator 35.

Adjournment: 7:11 p.m.