

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

February 27th, 2022 6:30 P.M.

Zoom Conference Call

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/91765696385?pwd=eElpVVMxUUF4NGYyeGZLcHFpOGhNZz09>

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Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Approval of the Minutes: (minutes from previous meeting:

<https://www.ou.edu/content/dam/sga/common/GSS/minutes/2022/GSSFeb13Minutes2022.pdf>)

- Senator Norris (112), seconded by Senator Walton (85)

Officer Reports:

- Chair:
 - Rin and I had our meeting with the GC deans. We discussed the concerns with lack of contracts/information regarding summer TA/RA positions, and concerns about clarity of the pay. The deans were receptive and have been in talks with GC liaisons about templates for applications for these jobs, however they agreed that they will discuss the summer positions concerns at their next meeting. We also discussed ways to streamline the process for students that are transferring programs and need to understand the different benchmarks towards completing their degrees. We also plan to add a student concerns section to the agenda where you all can bring up things that students in your department have brought up to you. We will have a month between now and our next meeting. We will also open the nomination portal for the GSS executive positions.
- Vice-Chair:
 - Nothing new to report.
- Secretary:
 - Remember you get one absence per semester plus a single floating absence to be used in either semester. If you are running out of absences and need to miss you can find a person in your department to serve as a proxy, then fill out a proxy form on Engage in order to not receive an absence.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs:
 - Senator Nabhan (123): putting together and formalizing applications for Outstanding TA, RA, and Overall Graduate Student awards. Nominations can be submitted by anybody! The deadline is March 24th for the applications to be in.
- Development & Philanthropy:
 - Senator Matney (60): We are planning a new philanthropy event TBA soon.
- External Affairs:
 - Senator Beyer (89): Nothing new to report
- Human Diversity:
 - Senator Beyer (89): Nothing new to report
- Internal Affairs:
 - Senator Norris (112): Nothing new to report
- International Student Affairs:
 - Senator Alo (58): Nothing new to report

- Public Relations:
 - Senator Hutchinson (86): We will be sending an email with a flyer for senators to forward to their department.
- Sustainability:
 - Senator Tinney (91): We will have a change of bylaws soon. We are also brainstorming ideas to get grad students more involved with green week.
- Ways and Means:
 - Senator Walton (85): We determined the next fall and spring deadlines which we will put on the website soon!

Special Orders:

- Institutional Equity Officer & Title IX Coordinator Introduction (Christine Taylor)
 - <https://www.ou.edu/eoo>
 - christine.taylor@ou.edu
 - <https://www.ou.edu/eoo/training/faculty-staff>

Old Business:

New Business:

- GS22-11 Auxiliary Allocation 12 Act of 2021-2022
- GS22-12 Auxiliary Allocation 13 Act of 2021-2022
- GS22-13 Spring 2022 Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Awards

- GS22-11 Auxiliary Allocation 12 Act of 2021-2022 **&** GS22-12 Auxiliary Allocation 13 Act of 2021-2022
 - Motion to move GS22-11 and GS22-12 to the floor as a block by Senator Walton (85), seconded by Senator Crider (43)
 - Author Lauren Patton, Chair, SGA Budget Committee; Demetri Papahronis, Vice Chair, SGA Budget Committee: The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Norris (112): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

- GS22-13 Spring 2022 Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Awards
 - Motion to move GS22-13 to floor by Senator Chiareli (119), seconded by Senator Norris (112)
 - Author 2021-2022 GSS Ways and Means Committee: The purpose of this legislation is to approve Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant awards for the 2022 Spring Semester.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Hamilton (82): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

Announcements:

- Auxiliary funding closes March 11th

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Norris (112), seconded by Senator Craig (110).

Adjournment:

Time: 7:31 PM