

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

September 22nd, 2022 7:00 P.M.

Zoom Conference Call

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/97996963479?pwd=MDRPTWIDY2NuRksrTFIkYVBFZjJxQT09>

Passcode: 80298305

Call to Order: 7:02 pm

Approval of the Minutes: Senator Hamilton (82), seconded by Senator Walton (85)

Officer Reports:

- Chair: nothing to reporta
- Vice-Chair: nothing to report
- Secretary: nothing to report

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs: Nothing new to report as we are yet to meet. We will be discussing our potential projects and elect graduate council representatives in our Committee meeting.
- Development & Philanthropy: Discussed food drive possibilities
- External Affairs/Human Diversity: Grad council nomination: Alex Eschbach nominates himself. Deciding what we should tackle as a committee:- Human diversity subcommittee is an option- 40 Brian: asks about topics and goals for the committee- 63 Cecilia: asks about survey Claire mentioned, suggests wages as topic of conversation- 11 Sam: looking to Monday exec meeting to get more clarification about goals and topics to cover as a committee - 3 Philani: need to figure out where last year's committee left off - did they submit a report of what last year's committee did?- 40 Brian: wonders if we have access to what wages different departments have, should be public info because it's a state school
- Internal Affairs: Exec Committee has not had a meeting yet with the chair, but expect to see the changes to by-laws, etc. coming soon. Discussed figuring out our committee meeting to avoid confusion going forward. Asked about volunteers for the Graduate Council. Chair gave a quick description of the position and solicited for a volunteer from the committee. Volunteers are : 4 - Anirban Mondal and 112 – Jordan Norris. Committee meeting adjourned until general meeting start time.
- International Student Affairs: We are planning on finding ways to help international students with access to driving lessons and help with employment/ job placement
- Public Relations: Sharing of Google Drive with members for our meetings, graphics, and forms. Discussed way to divvy up the assignments among members. Discussed how different depts and offices can contact us. Looked over the drafted form for departments to submit requests and are starting on revisions. Discussed our access to social media accounts for GSS. Decided to create a graphic for the media accounts about the Grants for this semester
- Sustainability: Nothing new to report.
- Ways and Means: Discussion topics are listed below:- Grading date for GSS applications will be decided by conducting a poll. WAM committee will meet in person either October 8/9 or October 15/16. - Short-term/long-term strategies are discussed.

Special Orders:

- GF22-08 SGA Superior Court Appointment Act of Fall 2022
- GF22-09 Act Appointing the 2022-2023 SGA Election Commissioner
- Senator Walton (85) move to move 08-09 to new business
 - Second by Senator Maryada (24)

Old Business:

New Business:

- GF22-04 Academic Appeals Board Appointment Act of 2022-2023
 - Motion to move GF22-04 to floor by Senator Norris (112), seconded by Senator Karami (7)
 - Authors Claire Burch (GSS Chair), Rin Ferraro (GSS Vice Chair), and Cooper Delafield (GSS Secretary): To approve the nominations for the 2022-2023 Academic Appeals Panelists
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Norris (112): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF22-05 Fall 2022 Departmental Status Act
 - Motion to move GF22-05 to floor by Senator Karami (7), seconded by Senator Chiareli (119)
 - Authors Claire Burch (GSS Chair), Rin Ferraro (GSS Vice Chair), and Cooper Delafield (GSS Secretary): To update Graduate Student Senate Department status for the full academic year 2020-2021.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Monaghan (94): What do the asterisks indicate?
 - Author: Those indicate that a department's status has changed since the last academic year.
 - Senator Hamilton (82): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF22-06 Honoring the 2022 OU Women's Gymnastics Team Resolution
 - Motion to move GF22-06 to floor by Senator Mentzer (11), seconded by Senator Gibson (110)
 - Author Shrey Kathuria (University College Rep): to congratulate the 2022 OU Women's Gymnastics teams for winning the national championship and demonstrating excellence.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Norris (112): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF22-07 Auxiliary Allocation 2 Act of 2022-2023
 - Motion to move GF22-07 to floor by Senator Fogg (81), seconded by Senator Gupta (67)
 - Author Demetri Papahronis (SGA Budget Chair): 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 Maryada (24): Is there any method we are using to engage inactive RSO's?

- Author: We do send a lot of reminders about registration deadlines and often will work with RSO's to try and get funding even if they miss deadlines.
 - Senator Uppaluri (29): Why is the Iranian student association getting so much more than the next highest group? Is it due to recent world events?
 - Author: No, we only look at the fiscal history of each RSO as well as their current fiscal situation, such as with the Iranian Student Association. They did not receive primary funding, and spent an amount last year that we felt necessitated this sum, however it seems high because they did not receive any primary funding, therefore it is all in this auxiliary request.
 - Senator Norris (112): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF22-08 SGA Superior Court Appointment Act of Fall 2022
 - Motion to move GF22-08 to floor by Senator Norris (112), seconded by Senator Hamilton (82)
 - Authors Zack Lissau (SGA President), Lacey Lewis (Congress Chair), and Nick Hazelrigg (SGA General Counsel): The purpose of this act shall be to fill vacancy and appoint student body members to the SGA Superior Court.
 - Zach Lissau introduces candidates, candidates introduce themselves.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Norris (112): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF22-09 Act Appointing the 2022 - 2023 SGA Election Commissioner
 - Motion to move GF22-09 to floor by Senator Walton (85), seconded by Senator Karami (7)
 - Authors Zack Lissau (SGA President), Denzel Akuffo (SGA Vice President), and Lauren Roberts (SGA Chief of Staff): The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the 2022 - 2023 Election Commissioner
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Fogg (81): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

Announcements:

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Reichert-Blume (60), seconded by Senator Tessmer (120).

Adjournment:

Time: 7:34 PM