

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

**March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 7:00 P.M.**

**Zoom Conference Call**

**<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/93638222663?pwd=dFpKQUZOK2Q1U1oxV0lMUy9FUkRZUT09>**

**Call to Order: 7:02 pm**

**Mission Statement:** Graduate Students at the University of Oklahoma have a number of unique concerns and interests requiring a voice separate from the usual instruments that express the will of the faculty and of undergraduates. For this reason, the Graduate Student Senate of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association was established in 1987 to represent all Graduate Students and to serve their needs.

**Reading and the Approval of the Minutes:** (minutes from previous meeting:

<https://www.ou.edu/content/dam/sga/common/GSS/agendas/2023/3-14-24AgendaGSS.pdf>)

- Senator Young (61), seconded by Senator Kaiser (97)

**Officer Reports:**

- Chair:
  - Reminder that nominations for executive officer positions closes this evening.
- Vice-Chair:
  - Nothing new to report.
- Secretary:
  - Please submit your committee reports, if you have not already.

**Committee Reports:**

- Academic Affairs:
  - Senator Aboukelia (15): Outstanding Graduate Student awards nominations are due on April 5<sup>th</sup>. Please send another notification out to your departments.
- Development & Philanthropy:
  - Senator Morrison (122): Tomorrow we have our monthly happy hour at Equity brewing company. Please invite everyone, happy hour is open to anyone.
- External Affairs:
  - Senator Beaty (21): Nothing new to report.
- Internal Affairs:
  - Senator Delafield (111): Nothing new to report.
- International Student Affairs:
  - Senator Gupta (67): Nothing new to report.
- Public Relations:
  - Senator Kirkpatrick (89): Nothing new to report.
- Sustainability:
  - Senator Taylor (99): Nothing new to report.
- Ways and Means:
  - Senator Chiareli (119): We completed our grant process for the semester, as we will be seeing the grant bill this evening. Quick reminder, once the bill is passed please do not share the information. WAM will send out official emails and we want to ensure that we have a chance to share the news with individuals first.

**Student Concerns:**

Senator Cabot (108): I have two questions for the WAM chair.

Do you know when you will be notifying people? Second, will people get any feedback?

- Senator Chiareli (119): Yes we will start sending out emails next week, if not tomorrow. We took extra time this semester to be more detailed with the feedback from reviewers. Our goal is to be as transparent as possible. As a reminder, all the money has to be processed through SBSC which will take some additional time.

**Special Orders:**

- GS24-17 An Act of Procedure Approving Spring 2024 Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Awards
  - Motion to move to new business by Senator Young (61), seconded by senator Dyke (13)

**Old Business:****New Business:**

- GS24-16 UCOL Regulation Removal Amendment

**GS24-16 Regulation Removal Amendment**

- Motion to move GS24-16 to floor by Senator Ramakrishnan (90), seconded by Senator Young (61)
- Author, Caleb Robinson, University Policy Committee Chair: Referendum to update the constitution for SGA for the purpose of removing the representative status for the University College, which is being dissolved. By removing this, we can start the process of redistricting over the summer. The senate has to see the bill because it affects the election process.
- Author yields time for questions.
- No questions.
- Senator Young (61): Motion to pass via unanimous consent.
- No objections.
- Motion passes.

**GS24-17 An Act of Procedure Approving Spring 2024 Conference/Research & Creative Exhibition Grant Awards**

- Motion to move GS24-17 to floor by Senator Triemstra (9), seconded by Senator Kaiser (97)
- Author, Senator Chiareli (119): The GSS Grant Award bill for the allocation of funding for the Spring 2024 grant period. We did go slightly over budget but we were able to add an additional 7,324 dollars to allocate. We were a bit more stringent with what we were able to fund but were happy with the overall quality of all grants submitted.
- No questions
- Senator Kaiser (97): Motion to pass via unanimous consent.
- No objections.
- Motion passes.

**Announcements:****Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Senator Young (61), seconded by Senator Hertensteiner (27).

**Adjournment:**

Time: 7:19 PM