

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
February 1st, 2024 7:00 P.M.
Zoom Conference Call**

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/99964949655?pwd=MVZMSTJwRnNrYmNNTVpMQTVMc0pzUT09>

Call to Order: 7:05 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/minutes/2023/GSS-Minutes-11-30-2023.pdf>)

- Senator Smith (10), seconded by Senator Gupta (67)

Officer Reports:

- Chair:
 - Welcome back and welcome to the new senators. You have one absence per semester allotted and one floating absence per semester. If you are not sure about where you stand attendance-wise, check in with Jordan (secretary – GSSSEC@ou.edu)
 - Make sure you are fielding questions for your department to limit the burden on the WAM committee.
- Vice-Chair:
 - Nothing new to report.
- Secretary:
 - Please submit your committee reports, if you have not already. If you did not have a committee meeting this week, please submit a report documenting this.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs:
 - Senator Aboukelia (15): Nothing new to report.
- Development & Philanthropy:
 - Senator Morrison (122): Thanks to all who attended the graduate student happy hour at Equity last Friday. We hope to build on it and improve for future happy hour events at Equity.
 - Next happy hour at Equity is on February 23rd from 5-7.
 - Thinking about having WAM provide a grant information session.
- External Affairs:
 - Senator Beaty (21): Nothing new to report
- Internal Affairs:
 - Senator Delafield (111): Working on a legislation calendar. Will be reaching out to Chair Burtch and other senators to begin initiating conversations about graduate student issues at the level of legislation.
- 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): WAM is hoping to have grants open starting on Monday, February 5th with a tentative due date of March 1st.

Student Concerns:

Special Orders:

Old Business:

New Business:

- GS24-01 The Chief of Staff Appointment Act of 2024 (DO PASS)

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- Motion to move GS24-01 to floor by Senator Triemstra (9), seconded by Senator Dodd (73)
- Author, Caden Glasscock, SGA President: The administration is here to nominate Ellie Wolthuis as chief of staff.
- No questions.
- Senator Young (61): Motion to pass via unanimous consent.
- No objections.
- Motion passes.

Announcements:

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Beck (93), seconded by Senator DeBoard (109).

Adjournment:

Time: 7:13 PM