

**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCII

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 7, 2014
Devon Hall 120

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Roll Call -
Flag Salute
Approval of Minutes
Chair's Report-
Vice Chair's Report-
Secretary's Report-
Committee Reports-

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- **CA**
- **EA**
- **P&P**
- **PR**
- **WAM**

Liaison Reports
Special Orders
Oklahoma Blood Institute
Student Concerns
Old Business

Items to Be Considered

920102 Congressional Resolution Supporting Right of Free Speech(Pae)(AA-Do Pass)

920103 A Congressional Resolution About Sample Papers (Pae)(AA-Do Pass)

920508 A Resolution recommending the addition of the Spicy Chicken Sandwich (Bourland)(P&P- Do Pass)

920809 An Act Appointing Members To The SGA Election Board (Petersen)(Exec-Do Pass)

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Final Roll Call

Chair: Lauren Aragon
Vice-Chair: Alex Byron
Secretary: Alma Sandoval

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCII

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CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 920102

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional resolution strongly supporting an individual's right to free speech on OU's campus but not condoning anyone who engages in verbal harassment or rudeness towards students, and providing for distribution.

Whereas: It is the purpose of OU Student Government Association, and therefore including the Undergraduate Student Congress, to be a government of the students, by the students, and for the students; and

Whereas: The Mission Statement of OU is "to provide the best possible educational experience for students through excellence in teaching, research and creative activity, and service to the state and society."

Whereas: The First Amendment of the Bill of Rights to the Constitution of the United States prohibits abridging the freedom of speech; and

Whereas: A number of individuals and groups, most of whom are religious-based, have been exercising their right to free speech on OU's campus; and

Whereas: The inflammatory rhetoric of previously mentioned religious-based individuals and groups have offended many OU students, both undergraduate and graduate; and

Whereas: OU students should not be afraid to walk past these religious-based individuals and groups to attend classes nor should their academic experience, in terms of listening to speakers on the South Oval, be associated with anger, frustration, or vindictiveness; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: It unequivocally supports the freedom of speech, which the First Amendment guarantees to every American citizen.

Section 2: It also robustly sides with the OU student body and does not condone any individual or group who is disrespectful towards students walking down the South Oval.

Section 3: It urges the OU Administration to do its best in making sure every Sooner's academic experience is positive and rewarding.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
David Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
Undergraduate Student Congress Public Relations Committee
The Oklahoma Daily
The Norman Transcript
KFOR-TV NewsChannel 4

Author: Kayli Warmker, Academic Affairs Committee Associate Member

Co-Author(s): Representative Daniel Pae, Academic Affairs Committee Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Representative Emily Sample, Problems and Projects Committee Chair
Representative Alissa Rice, External Affairs Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 920103

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional resolution encouraging professors who teach freshman-level courses, especially writing-intensive courses, to provide and distribute a sample paper for each writing assignment, and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The Academic Affairs Committee is responsible for addressing any concerns that can help improve the academic experience for students; and
- Whereas: A plethora of freshman students enter college with different backgrounds on how to write an essay, so having a sample paper will help them transition to college-level academic work; and
- Whereas: Professors do not even need to give the sample paper about the same topic, just a general guide to see what type of writing they want; and
- Whereas: OU students should know the expectations for each professor on the grading of writing assignments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

- Section 1: It urges the OU Department of English to encourage professors to upload a sample paper on either Desire2Learn or hand one out in class.
- Section 2: It enhances the student body's understanding of how different professors grade papers and about the standards of academic writing.
- Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
Kyle Harper, Senior Vice Provost of the University of Oklahoma
Dr. Daniela Garofalo, Interim Chair of Department of English
Dr. Keith Gaddie, Chair of Department of Political Science
Dr. James S. Hart, Jr., Chair of Department of History
Dr. David Ray, Dean of the Honors College
Dr. Jorge L. Mendoza, Chair of Department of Psychology

Dr. Joe Foote, Dean of the Gaylord College
Undergraduate Student Congress Public Relations Committee
The Oklahoma Daily

Author: Sehrish Shahabuddin, Academic Affairs Committee Associate Member

Co-Sponsor(s): Daniel Pae, Academic Affairs Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 920508

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution recommending the addition of the Spicy Chicken Sandwich to the Chick-fil-a in the Oklahoma Memorial Union Food Court, and providing distribution

Whereas: Chick-fil-a is a staple of the Oklahoma Memorial Union Food Court; and

Whereas: The aforementioned Chick-fil-a could arguably benefit from slightly extending its menu offerings; and

Whereas: The aforementioned Chick-fil-a does not currently offer the Spicy Chicken sandwich.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: The Undergraduate Student Congress recommends the addition of the Spicy Chicken Sandwich to the Chick-fil-a in the Oklahoma Memorial Union Food Court at its earliest convenience.

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
David Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
Laura Tontz, Director of the Oklahoma Memorial Union
General Manager of the Chick-fil-a in the Oklahoma Memorial Union Food Court
The Oklahoma Daily

Authors: Connor R. Bourland, Public Relations Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT
SENATE SESSION GF-14

October 5, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 920809

SENATE BILL NO. GF14-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act appointing members to the SGA Election Board; providing for codification;
providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act may be known and shall be cited as the Election Board Appointment Act of 2014

Section 2: PURPOSE. To appoint members to the SGA Election Board

Section 3: In accordance with Title VII, chapter 2, section a, subsection ii of the SGACA, "*The Election Chair shall appoint the Election Board with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch,*" the following students shall be appointed to serve on the SGA Election Board:

- Ramon Torres
- Abbey Taylor
- Brent Janss

Section 4: This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.

Author(s): Taylor Petersen, Election Board

Co-Author(s): Connor Bourland, Public Relations Committee Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Matt Epting, SGA President

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____