

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
Session XCIV

General Body Meeting  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 27th, 2015  
Devon Hall 120

Session XCIV

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Chair: Emily Sample  
Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown  
Secretary: Kaylee Rains

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV

October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940908

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution sending condolences to Oklahoma State  
University and the City of Stillwater

Whereas: On the morning of Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015, a tragedy befell the Homecoming Parade of Oklahoma State University resulting in multiple injuries and resulted in the loss of life; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and its students hold great value in, and commitment to, the concept of family and standing together in times of tragedy and loss; and

Whereas: Oklahoma State University and its students are considered by The University of Oklahoma and its students to be family due to our close ties within the state;

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

**Section 1:** The families affected by this sudden and unforeseen tragedy have the deepest and most sincere heartfelt condolences of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the student body of the University of Oklahoma.

**Section 2:** Furthermore, the Undergraduate Student Congress solidifies the bond of family between the student body of the University of Oklahoma and that of Oklahoma State University; as well as with the community of Stillwater as a whole.

**Section 3:** Furthermore, the Undergraduate Student Congress pledges to stand with Oklahoma State University through this terrible period of loss and hurt.

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- V. Burns Hargis, President of Oklahoma State University
- Gina Noble, Mayor of Stillwater, OK
- Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University
- OU Daily*
- The Daily O'Collegian*
- OU Nightly*
- O State TV*
- Norman Transcript*
- Stillwater News Press*
- Tulsa World*
- The Oklahoman*

Authors:

- Austin Reid, Chair of the Congress Public Relations Committee
- Ryan Echols, Fine Arts District Representative

Co-Author:

- Dylan Droege, University College District Representative
- Maxell Nguyen, Business District Representative
- Morgan Benjamin, Social Science District Representative
- Karlee Marshall, Associate Member of Congress

Co-Sponsor:

- Emily Sample, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
- Chelsea Brown, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
- Kaylee Rains, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress
- Kara Elwick, Chair of the Congress External Affairs Committee
- Daniel Pae, Chair of the Congress Human Diversity Committee
- Matthew Cramm, Chair of the Congress Ways and Means Committee
- Nathan Thompson, Legislative Assistant to the Executive Branch and Congress Problems and Projects Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940303

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting a review, and potential renewal, of previous provenance research; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Provenance research, which is the history of an artwork's ownership, is an important part of work completed by modern museums; and

Whereas: A number of prominent museums, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, have recently given special attention to provenance research on paintings that were acquired after 1932, created before 1946, and were known to be or could have been in Europe during this time; and

Whereas: The Association of Art Museums issued guidelines in June of 1998 stating the appropriate manner and extent of research that must be conducted upon paintings that may have been acquired through Nazi-Era looting; and

Whereas: The Association of Art Museum Directors issued guidelines in June of 1998 stating the appropriate manner of mutual restitution that must be undertaken in the event that an artwork is found to have been acquired through Nazi-Era looting; and

Whereas: The case against the University of Oklahoma regarding the Pissarro painting *La bergère rentrant des moutons*, which centers around the question of provenance, is still pending; and

Whereas: The question of provenance has also extended to other works within and outside the Weitzenhoffer collection;

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

**Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress formally requests that the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art verify that sufficient provenance research has been conducted on all paintings that may have changed ownership between 1932 and 1946, and in the event that the museum finds insufficient provenance research has been conducted, it is hereby requested to commence further research to establish a complete record of ownership for the works from the aforementioned period.

**Section 2:** Furthermore, in the event the museum finds that works were indeed acquired through Nazi-Era looting, it is requested that the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art follow the established guidelines set forward by the Association of Art Museums to resolve the matter with the claimant in an equitable, appropriate, and mutually agreeable manner.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Jon R. Stuart, Chairman of the Board of Regents
- A. Max Weitzenhoffer, Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents
- Clayton I. Bennett, Board of Regents Member
- Kirk D. Humphreys, Board of Regents Member
- Leslie J. Rainbolt-Forbes, Board of Regents Member
- Bill W. Burgess Jr., Board of Regents Member
- C. Renzi Stone, Board of Regents Member
- Mark White, Director of the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly
- KGOU

Authors: Ryan Echols, Fine Arts District Representative  
Eric Sundby, President of the Holocaust Remembrance and Restitution Society  
Ben Whipkey, Vice-President of the Holocaust Remembrance and Restitution Society

Co-Author: Austin Reid, Chairman of the Public Relations Committee  
Alexander Harbauch, Holocaust Remembrance and Restitution Society Member  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940402

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting the University of Oklahoma's public recognition in support of remaining a gun free campus for the safety of all students, faculty, and staff; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: In light of Texas Senate Bill 11, that will allow "license holders [to] carry a concealed handgun throughout university campuses starting Aug. 1, 2016" (1) it is important that the University of Oklahoma states that it does not support Governor Abbott's decision.

Whereas: President Boren does not agree with allowing guns on campus because of the threat it could impose on students, faculty, and staff;

Whereas: The majority of Oklahoma State Representatives voted against House Bill 1143, Senate Bill 718, and Senate Bill 557 that would allow guns to be carried on campus in some capacity; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma's Police Department Chief Elizabeth Woollen states that "[HB 2513] unreasonably and dangerously adds challenges to campus and municipal law enforcement"(3).

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

**Section 1:** The University of Oklahoma officially joins the "No Guns On Campus" Campaign by signing the written petition and allowing the "The University of Oklahoma" to be displayed on the "Guns Off Campus" website.

**Section 2:** We stand with President Boren's statement given on January 23<sup>rd</sup> of 2014 stating that "[he] can't say how strongly [he] is opposed to arming people and putting guns in the hands of people who don't have specialized training"(2).

**Section 3:** A campus wide "No Guns On Campus" campaign to be created in efforts to educate the student body on the dangers of allowing guns on campus.

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David L Boren
- Chief Elizabeth Woollen, OUPD
- Governor Fallon
- Governor Abbott
- Representative Kern
- OU Daily

- OU Nightly
- The Daily Texan
- Baylor University
- Iowa State University
- University of Kansas
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Texas at Austin
- Texas Christian University
- Texas Tech University
- West Virginia University
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Authors: Representative Chelsea Brown, Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author: Alex Byron, Student Government President  
Associate Nathan Thompson, Executive Legislative Assistant  
Associate Nicholas Pappas

Co-Sponsor: Carrie Pavlowsky, Graduate Student Senate Chair  
Representative Kaylee Rains, Secretary of Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF-14  
October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940403  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF14-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting the official recognition of  
election days as holidays; and providing for  
distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and its students recognize the importance of voting; and
- Whereas: In the 2014 general election, 80% of college aged voters did not participate in the election; and
- Whereas: Voting is the mechanism for representation and change in a properly functioning democracy; and
- Whereas: Adequate student representation by way of voting is the best way to ensure students' needs are represented nationally; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has seen repeated tuition increases as a result of decreased state funding which imposes direct cost on students, an action which could be countered by increased student presence at the polls; and
- Whereas: The responsibilities students encounter on a typical weekday vary greatly, but often include obligations such as work or class attendance, that may hinder directly or indirectly the student's ability to vote; and
- Whereas: Senate Bill S1969 is one of several pieces of legislation put forth that advocates for increased voter participation through the designation of Election Day as a federal holiday,

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

**Section 1:** The University of Oklahoma students support designating the next Tuesday after the first Monday in the November of even-numbered years as ‘Democracy Day’.

**Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma students support SB 1969 of the 114<sup>th</sup> United States Congress.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma students further support any action or effort made by the Oklahoma State legislature, and the University of Oklahoma administration to designate this day as a state or university holiday to encourage higher participation in local, state, and national civic responsibilities.

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David Boren, The University of Oklahoma President
- Senator Bernard Sanders, United States Senator for Vermont
- Senator Jim Inhofe, United States Senator for Oklahoma
- Senator James Lankford, United States Senator for Oklahoma
- Representative Tom Cole, United States Representative for Oklahoma
- Senator David Holt, Oklahoma State Senator
- Bryan Dean, Oklahoma State Election Board
- Stephen Holman, Norman City Council Ward 7 Representative
- *The Norman Transcript*
- *The Oklaboman*
- *The OU Daily*
- *Tulsa World*

Authors: Representative Chase Kovach, Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author: Alex Byron, SGA President  
Nathan Thompson, Legislative Assistant

Co-Sponsor: Chelsea Brown, Vice-chair for the Undergraduate Student Congress  
Representative Timothy Crisp, Undergraduate Student Congress

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:

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF15  
October 25, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940802  
SENATE BILL NO. GF15-

AS INTRODUCED

An Act designating poll locations for the Fall  
2015 General Elections; 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 “Polling Location Act of Fall 2015.”

**Section 2:** PURPOSE. To designate polling locations for the Fall 2015 General Elections.

**Section 3:** In accordance with Title VII, Chapter 1, Section 12 of the SGACA, “*The number and location of polling places shall be established by an Act of the Legislative Branch,*” the following polling locations are established for the Fall 2015 SGA General Elections (November 10 and 11):

- Oklahoma Memorial Union
- South of Cate Rock Garden, off of 1<sup>st</sup> Street.
- Bizzell Memorial Library

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

Author(s): Abbey Taylor, Election Board Chair

Co-Authors: Carrie Pavlowsky, Graduate Student Senate Chair,  
Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF-15

October 25, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940803

SENATE BILL NO. GF15-

AS INTRODUCED

An Act amending Title VII of the SGACA, providing for a short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION

- Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Election Act of 2015”
- Section 2:** The purpose of this act is to allow specific Congressional Representative vacancies be added to the election ballot.
- Section 3:** For the purposes of this legislation, deletions shall be marked with a ~~Strikethrough~~. Additions shall be marked with an Underline.
- Section 4:** AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 2, Section 12 of the SGACA:

**6. Vacancies**

The SGA President shall be notified in writing of any vacancy that occurs in the positions listed in sections 4 and 5, above. If the SGA President resigns, he or she shall notify the Chairs of both Houses of the Legislative Branch. The number of seats available for election shall not change after the filing period begins, excluding certain Congressional Districts as outlined below.

**a. Election to Fill Vacancy**

Any vacancy in the positions listed in sections 4 and 5, above, other than SGA President and Vice President that occurs before the first day of filing shall be filled in made open for election in the next possible general election. Should a Congressional Seat become vacant after filing has opened, so long as a vacancy in that district was already made public and was included on the filing form during filing for candidates to apply, that new vacant seat may be filled at the time of election using the point tabulation system. If the district was never included initially on the filing form, then that seat shall not be filled during the active general election.

**b. Appointment to Fill Vacancy**

For each position listed in sections 4 and 5 above, other than SGA President, Vice President, CAC Chair, and Representative, the organization of which said officer is a member shall include in said organizations own rules a method of filling a vacancy in said officer position. In the event of a vacancy in such a position, the SGA President shall fill the vacancy by appointing, with and through the advice and consent of the Legislature, the members elected according to that organization's rules. Said position shall be made open for election in the next possible general election, and if said election is not at the time specified in sections 4 and 5, above, the position shall again be made open for election at said specified time.

**Section 5:** AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 3, Section 21 of the SGACA:

**21. Procedure for Run-off in Presidential and CAC Elections**

The Presidential, HCSA, SBA, and CAC race shall be popularly elected by a 50% majority vote of the ballots cast for that purpose. There shall be an instant electronic run-off between the top two candidates to determine the 50% majority if no candidates received a 50% majority of the ballots cast in the original election. For ties in Congressional Elections, all candidates that received equal votes that prevent the final determination of elected representatives as outlined below shall be instantly placed on a run-off ballot to break the tie.

**Section 6:** AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 3, Section 22 of the SGACA:

**22. Election of Undergraduate Student Congressional Positions**

To determine which Undergraduate Student Congress Representative seats are eligible for election, the election Chair shall request a list of open seats from the Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress before filing begins. Candidates in each district shall be elected based on ~~preference-ranking point tabulation of~~ the number of votes for each candidate for the seats available. Candidates in the order of those with the most votes will fill each open seat in the election. Should there be a tie in the number of votes that would prevent the final determination of elected representatives, only those in the tie will enter a run-off vote as described in the section above. Because of the nature of this method, software shall be used to calculate the elections.

**Section 7:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGACA and SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Emily Sample, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress  
Abbey Taylor, Election Chair  
Nathan Thompson, Problems and Projects Committee Chair

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