

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
Session XCIV

General Body Meeting  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 6th, 2015  
Devon Hall 120

Session XCIV

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Vice Chair's Report-

Secretary's Report-

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Chair: Emily Sample

Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown

Secretary: Kaylee Rains

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV

October 6, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940907

AS INTRODUCED

A resolution thanking the leaders of Indigenize OU for presenting a resolution regarding Indigenous People's Day to SGA's legislative branch; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: On September 22, 2015, Indigenize OU wrote a resolution regarding Indigenous Peoples' Day with a joint committee, which gave it a recommendation of do pass; and

Whereas: On September 27, 2015, Indigenize OU presented this resolution to the Graduate Student Senate, which passed it with unanimous consent; and

Whereas: On September 29, 2015, Indigenize OU presented this resolution to the Undergraduate Student Congress, which passed it a roll call vote of 28-3-5.

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

Section 1: The Undergraduate Student Congress would like to thank Ashley McCray, Sydne Gray, Jesse Robbins, and Joshua Murphy for presenting a resolution regarding Indigenous People's Day to the elected representatives and senators of the Undergraduate Student Congress and Graduate Student Senate.

Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Ashley McCray, (Absentee Shawnee, Oglala/Sicangu Lakota) Indigenize OU Leader
- Sydne Gray (Mvskoke Creek) Indigenize OU Leader
- Jesse Robbins (Chahta) Indigenize OU Leader
- Joshua Murphy (Chahta) Indigenize OU Leader

Author: Daniel Pae, Academic Affairs Committee Chair

Co-Author: Timothy Crisp, Humanities District Representative

Co-Sponsors: Ryan Echols, Fine Arts District Representative

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV  
September 29, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF-14  
September 27, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940801  
SENATE BILL NO. GF15-08

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 Reform Act”

**Section 2:** The purpose of this act is to amend the SGA Code Annotated to improve campus election procedures.

**Section 3:** AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 2 Section 13 of the SGACA:

**1. Polling**

The number and location of polling places shall be established by an Act of the Legislative Branch at least three (3) academic weeks before each election. Students of any district may vote at any poll. The number of poll operators, polling machines, and computers at each poll shall be established by the Election Chair with regard to the number of voters expected at each polling location. Students may vote on any computer with internet access to the election website, which shall be administered by the University of Oklahoma Information Technology (OU IT) and the SGA Election Staff. Neither OU IT nor the SGA shall be responsible for ensuring that non-OU IT or SGA computers have access to the election website.

There shall be at least one (1) poll operator at each poll at all times during voting hours. For any general election, polling shall take place from 9:00 a.m. to **9:00 p.m.** on at least one day of the election. Additional polling times may be established by an act of the Legislative Branch. Every student voter must provide their OU 4x4 and Password identification on the election site to verify his or her identity to the Election Board.<sup>1</sup> The names of the candidates on the ballot shall be listed in randomized<sup>2</sup> order for each ballot each time the poll is opened or refreshed.

**Section 4:** The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 3 Section 20 subsection c of the SGACA:

**c. Campaign ~~Budget~~ Finance**

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<sup>1</sup> Polling Fairness Act of 2015, CBN 930126, SBN GS15-29. Revised on: April 20, 2015.

<sup>2</sup> Polling Fairness Act of 2015, CBN 930126, SBN GS15-29. Revised on: April 20, 2015.

- i. There shall be an upper limit placed on all campaign spending. The spending limit shall be established at **\$500**<sup>3</sup> for each SGA Presidential, CAC Chair, HCSA Presidential, and SBA Presidential ticket, and **\$250** for each Student Congress Representative candidate.
- ii. All campaign spending shall be accounted for. The Elections Chair shall provide standardized forms for this purpose.
- iii. At least seven (7) days before the election, Candidates shall file an Expense Report. Each report shall list and briefly describe the expenses incurred by or on behalf of the reporting candidate up to the reporting deadline and a detailed projected budget of expenditures they will make between the reporting deadline and the time the polls close the last day of the elections. Reports shall also include the sources of all incoming funds.
- iv. By 4pm the day after the General Election, candidates shall file a Final Expense Statement. The candidates, due to extraordinary circumstances, may request in writing an additional 24 hours, given the request must be made by 4pm of the primary Final Expense Statement deadline. The Election Board shall then vote upon receipt of written request, whether to grant the candidate's request. The Final Expense Statement shall contain the following information:
  - a) An itemized listing of all campaign expenses, with appropriate original receipts or copies thereof;
  - b) The total amount of all campaign expenses;
  - c) An itemized listing of all donations made to the campaign, including materials carried over from previous campaigns and utilized during the current campaign;
  - d) The total amount of all campaign contributions, and;
  - e) A statement attesting to the validity of the reported information, signed by the candidate or his/her designated agent
- v. The Election Board shall review each Final Expense Statement to verify that the information provided is complete and accurate. The Election Board shall also determine whether any spending limits have been violated. In making this determination, the Election Board shall have full authority to resolve any questions concerning the retail value of goods and services not evidenced by receipts or other verified documentation.
- vi. Incorrect/incomplete reports may not be accepted and may subject the candidate to a fine as provided for in chapter four of this title.
- vii. Budgets from two or more candidates may not be combined in any way. Any campaign material promoting more than one candidate must be expensed at actual cost or fair market value, depending on the appropriate circumstance, by each candidate named.
- viii. Candidates must list the entire cost of each individual expense that results in campaign material that in any way suggests support for their candidacy. There shall be no prorating of costs to account for unused campaign items which were purchased.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Campaign Reform Act, CBN 930102, SBN GS15-02 Title VII Chapter 3. Revision on February 17, 2015.

<sup>4</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.2.

**ix. Campaign contributions are limited to \$100 per organization. This \$100 limit includes the purchase of promotional materials from a campaign or candidate by an organization.**

**Section 5:** The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 3 Section 20 subsection d of the SGACA:

**d. General Campaign Rules**

Candidates shall take reasonable measures to ensure that every individual campaigning on behalf of the candidate or volunteering for the candidate is aware of campaign rules and guidelines. Candidates shall be liable for the campaign infractions of their campaigners and volunteers even if the candidate did not specifically direct the offending action. Candidates may be assessed fines if their campaigners or volunteers are found to be guilty of breaking campaign regulations. Some of these rules are university policies. Thus, candidates are advised that they may be subject to University disciplinary proceedings, as well as SGA campaign infractions proceedings.<sup>5</sup>

- i. All campaign material shall be accredited to the sponsoring candidate, organization or entity. Said material shall include the following phrase: “Funded by [said sponsoring candidate, organization or entity].”
- ii. Candidates shall not use any outdoor loudspeaker or public address system.
- iii. Candidates shall not send any unsolicited electronic messages. **What messages are unsolicited is at the discretion of the Election Chair and will be disclosed at the candidates’ meeting.**
- iv. Candidates shall not campaign or display in any manner campaign material within fifty (50) feet of polling locations or University computer labs during the day(s) of election, and chalking is prohibited in these areas for the length of the campaign.
- v. Unless explicitly allowed by the Election Chair, candidates shall not campaign or post candidate information or advertising on any website hosted or operated by OU IT other than the official candidates’ statements.
- vi. No campaign shall remove, alter, cover, obscure, chalk within, or otherwise tamper with another candidate’s campaign materials.
- vii. Candidates shall not attach campaign materials to lampposts, trash bins, or benches.
- viii. Only dry chalking is allowed on sidewalks. Paint, tape, and wet chalk are prohibited on sidewalks, as is chalking on any vertical surface (buildings, steps, sides of ramps, etc.) or under overhangs.
- ix. In races other than the SGA Presidential race and the CAC Chair, only yellow and/or white dry chalking is permitted on campus sidewalks.

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<sup>5</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.3.

- x. Candidates shall not use the letterhead, logo, or any symbol that represents the University of Oklahoma or University entities.
- xi. Candidates shall assume responsibility for the accuracy and truthfulness of their statements and campaign materials.
- xii. Candidates shall not unduly disrupt the normal activities of the University.
- xiii. Candidates shall not post campaign materials in a University elevator.
- xiv. Candidates shall not post campaign materials in or on a CART vehicle.
- xv. Candidates shall not use or distribute campaign stickers.
- xvi. Candidates shall not damage any University property and shall be responsible for any damage caused by that said candidates' campaign materials.
- xvii. Employees of the University shall not campaign for candidates while on duty as an employee.
- xviii. Candidates may campaign only in ways consistent with this Title.
- xix.** Violators shall be prosecuted before the Superior Court.<sup>6</sup>
- xx.** **Candidates shall abide by all University policy and University policy supersedes Election Board mandate.**
- xxi.** **On the day of voting, if an individual affiliated with a campaign approaches a student with a voting device, the individual cannot give any indication of the campaign that the individual is affiliated with and cannot encourage the student to vote in a particular way or wear promotional material of a particular campaign team.**
- xxii.** **The Election Chair and Election Board members have the right to solicit the names of all members of a campaign from the affiliated candidate.**

**Section 6:** The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 3 Section 20 subsection e of the SGACA:

**e. Additional Campaign Rules for Specific Areas**

Unless explicitly stated otherwise within this Title, all campaigning or campaign material in private or public areas must have the expressed written consent of the property owner or authorized agent. Said areas include, but are not limited to: Greek property and Campus Housing

**i. Campus Housing**

Subject to the General Campaign Rules and other exceptions herein, all campaigning or campaign material in or on Campus Housing requires the expressed consent of the local Center Coordinator, whose decisions shall be uniform for all candidates. Campaign materials may be posted inside a resident's window with the expressed consent of that resident. Subject to Section 4 of the SGA Campaign Activity Policy, distribution of printed literature under doors and door-to-door campaigning is permitted from

<sup>6</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.3.

12:00 noon to 9:00 P.M. Subject to Section 4 of the SGA Campaign Activity Policy, candidates may campaign in lounges during visitation hours unless prohibited or otherwise regulated by a house or floor majority vote.<sup>7</sup>

**ii. Academic Buildings**

No campaign materials may be posted or displayed inside academic buildings **with the exception of the Law School**. Subject to the General Campaign Rules, campaign materials may be posted outside academic buildings. However, these materials shall be limited to two (2) signs no larger than 11" by 17" each per each entrance and must be posted within 50 feet of that entrance. Campaigning in classrooms shall not be allowed during instructional times.<sup>8</sup>

**a) Instructional Times**

Campaigning in classrooms shall not be allowed during instructional times. Instructional time is that measurable period during which the action, practice, or profession of teaching is occurring. Campaign material cannot remain posted in the classroom during instructional times. A candidate may, with proper permission, use classrooms for campaigning during non-instructional times. Candidates may campaign in the classroom before and after instructional time. If the instructor voluntarily gives up instructional time to provide candidates with the opportunity to campaign, the candidate may do so.

**iii. Oklahoma Memorial Union and University Libraries**

No campaign materials may be posted in or on the Oklahoma Memorial Union or any University library.<sup>9</sup>

**iv. Outdoor Campus Areas**

Only candidates running for SGA President or CAC Chair are allowed to place stake signs (maximum dimensions of each sign are 16" by 18") on campus. Said signs may be displayed at the edges of ground cover beds, shrub beds and/or turf areas (not in flower beds). Installation must be accomplished without damaging or disturbing landscaping. Before staked signs may be installed, the Election Board shall mark staked signs with a differentiating mark, stamp, or tag. All staked signs not containing this mark, stamp, or tag are prohibited. Candidates for the SGA Presidential race and CAC Chair may dry chalk only in areas designated by the Election Chair. All chalk colors are allowed for the SGA Presidential race and CAC Chair.<sup>10</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.4; Code Annotated Update Act, CBN 880313, SBN GF12-06, § 3.

<sup>8</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.4.

<sup>9</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.4.

<sup>10</sup> The Election Procedures Act, CBN 680602, SBN GF02-10, § 9.4.



**Section 7:** The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 4 Section 27 of the SGACA:

**1. Campaign Rules Infractions**

All complaints regarding violations of SGA campaign rules shall be submitted in writing to the Election Board within five (5) business days of the incident which generated the complaint or within one (1) business days of the close of the polls – whichever is sooner. The Election Board shall make a ruling within one (1) business day after the complaint has been submitted. **The name of the individual that files a complaint against a campaign or candidate will remain confidential until after the election is validated.** Weighing the gravity and intent of each incident, the Election Board may impose fines of no more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each campaign infraction, unless said fine is otherwise provided for in this title. The Election Board may also impose a fine of no more than one hundred **fifty** dollars (\$150) for failing to remove campaign materials after an election.

**Section 8:** This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage and approval.

Author(s): Abbey Taylor, Election Chair  
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Laura Keith, CAC Director of the Department of Student Associations  
Nathan Thompson, Associate, Legislative Assistant to the Executive Branch

Co-Author(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

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

Submitted on a Motion by: Senator Butron, second by Senator Bill

Action taken by Senate: Passed by unanimous consent

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

Approved by UOSA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV

September 28, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940605

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure appointing a Representatives  
to Session 94; providing a short title;  
and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS:

**Section 1:** This act shall be known as the “An Act Appointing Congress Members to Session 94.”

**Section 2:** APPOINTMENT In accordance with Student Congress By-laws §3.2 ¶3.A.5(1), the following Representative member is hereby appointed:

Rep. Taylor Kelling Life Sciences

**Section 3:** This act shall become effective immediately upon passage in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Congressional Administration Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION **GF-14**

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940503  
SENATE BILL NO. **GF14-XX**

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2015-2016 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Emergency Allocation #4” Act of 2015.

**Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

**Section 3:** APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to:

**Honors Student Association**

Office and General Expenses: \$0  
Capital Investments: \$0  
Programs/Events/Activities: \$100  
**Total: \$100**

**Latin Dance Club**

Office and General Expenses: \$0  
Capital Investments: \$0  
Programs/Events/Activities: \$300  
**Total: \$300**

**Latinos Without Borders**

Office and General Expenses: \$0  
Capital Investments: \$0  
Programs/Events/Activities: \$300  
**Total: \$300**

**Sooner Off Road**

Office and General Expenses: \$0  
Capital Investments: \$0  
Programs/Events/Activities: \$500  
**Total: \$500**

**Student Environmental Council**

Office and General Expenses: \$0  
Capital Investments: \$0  
Programs/Events/Activities: \$150  
**Total: \$150**

- Section 4:** All guidelines and provisions in the Comprehensive SGA Financial Responsibilities Act shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.
- Section 5:** This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 4, 2016
- Section 6:** All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 4, 2016, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.
- Section 7:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Matthew Cramm, Chair of SGA Budget  
 Co-Author (s): Budget Committee  
 Submitted on a Motion by:  
 Action taken by Student Congress:  
 Verified by Chair of Student Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Submitted on a motion by:  
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 Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_