

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCIX

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, November 14, 2017
Devon Hall 120

Session XCIX

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Vice Chair's Report:

Secretary's Report:

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Chair: Kaylee Rains-Saucedo
Vice-Chair: Sanah Lalani
Secretary: Mackenzie Cordova

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF-17

November 19, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 990102

SENATE BILL NO. GF17-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act updating Title III of the Code Annotated,
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:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Title III Reorganization Act of 2017”.
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be update and streamline Title III of the Code Annotated.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: All additions are marked with an underline and all deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapters 1-3 of the Code Annotated are hereby amended to read:

Title III – The Executive
Chapter 1 – General Provisions

1. Power
The executive power of the SGA shall be vested in the ~~Student~~SGA President.
2. Members
The ~~SGA Student~~ President, ~~SGA Student~~ Vice President, ~~SGA General Counsel~~, and any SGA officer that is elected in a SGA sponsored election and/or receives a SGA stipend and is not otherwise designated as a member of the Legislative, Programming, or Judicial Branch, shall be considered a member of the Executive Branch.
3. Succession of Offices
In case of the removal or impeachment of the ~~SGA Student~~ President from office, resignation from office, or ~~his or her~~their inability to discharge the powers and duties of the office, those powers and duties shall devolve to the Vice President.
4. Vacancy in Office of Vice President
In the case of the removal or impeachment of the ~~Student~~SGA Vice President from office, resignation from office, or ~~his or her~~their inability to discharge the powers and duties of the office, the office shall be filled by ~~Student~~SGA Presidential appointment with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch. ~~Upon the vacancy of the office of Student Vice President, applications for the office shall be made available by the Student President. The application period shall extend for no less than five (5) school days and shall be advertised in the student newspaper for the duration of the application period. Should the vacancy of the office of Student Vice President occur before the fall general election, the Vice President appointee shall be placed on the fall ballot for approval by the student electorate.~~
5. Inauguration
 - a. Oath of President and Vice President

The Chief Justice of the SGA Superior Court will administer the oath of office (referenced in Title I, Chapter 6, section 24) to the incoming SGA President and Vice-President. If the Chief Justice is unavailable to administer the oath, the Chief Justice shall select another person to do so. After the oath has been administered the President will give an inaugural address.

~~b. New Executive Officers~~

~~At the election of the Undergraduate Student Congress Chair and Graduate Student Service Chair, the outgoing Chair shall administer the oath for the newly elected Chair. The SGA President shall administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Campus Activities Council Chair at the State of the SGA Address. The oath for these officers shall read as follows: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office for which I have been elected, and will uphold the rules and represent the members of the organization to which I belong to the best of my ability".~~

6. Structure of Executive Branch

~~PRESIDENT:~~

a. President

The President is the chief officer of the Executive Branch.

~~VICE PRESIDENT:~~

b. Vice President

~~The Vice President shall be the executive director of the Executive Branch, subject to the direction of President. The Vice President may perform any Presidential duty with the express consent of the President. The Vice President shall be the student advisor for the Sooner Freshman Council.~~

~~DEPARTMENTS:~~

c. Departments

i. Purpose

The Executive Branch shall be comprised of Departments, each headed by a Director. Departments shall be responsible for broad functions and issue areas.

ii. Appointment

The President shall appoint Directors with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch.

iii. High Office

Directors and equivalently high or higher officers of the Executive Branch shall be considered High Officers for Separation of Powers purposes.

~~OFFICES. Departments shall comprise Offices, each headed by a Coordinator.~~

~~FURTHER DELEGATION:~~

d. Further Delegation

Any properly appointed or established member or unit of the Executive Branch may perform any Presidential duty with the express consent of the President, provided said duty is consistent with said member's or unit's underlying purpose.

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~~b. Offices~~

~~PURPOSE. Each office shall perform a specific set of legislated functions.~~

~~COORDINATOR APPOINTMENT. The relevant Director and the President shall jointly appoint Coordinators in a manner decided by the President.~~

~~OFFICE MEMBERS. Coordinators shall select office members with the advice and consent of the relevant Director.~~

~~e. Cabinet~~

~~MEMBERSHIP. The Cabinet shall comprise the President, Vice President, and all Directors.~~

~~PURPOSE. The Cabinet shall assist the President in making and executing Executive policy.~~

~~PRESIDING OFFICER. The President is the presiding officer of the Cabinet.~~

~~MEETINGS. The Cabinet shall meet regularly in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act. Time and frequency of said meetings shall be determined by the President.~~

~~d. Rulemaking~~

~~PRESIDENTIAL.~~

~~i. Presidential~~

~~The President may make rules enforceable within the Executive Branch.~~

~~DEPARTMENTAL.~~

~~ii. Departmental~~

~~A Director may make rules enforceable within that Director's Department.~~

~~PUBLICATION.~~

~~iii. Publication~~

~~The Chief of Staff shall publish, maintain a record of, and make available for public viewing any such rules.~~

~~e. Funding~~

~~OFFICES. Coordinators may submit budgetary requests for their Offices to Directors.~~

~~DEPARTMENTS.~~

~~i. Departments~~

~~Directors may submit budgetary requests to the President.~~

~~PRESIDENT.~~

~~ii. President~~

~~Incorporating said requests but based upon his or her their own discretion, the President shall make a budget for the Executive Branch for submission to the Legislature.~~

~~SPENDING.~~

~~iii. Spending~~

~~Directors and Coordinators shall take disbursement forms to the President who may sign them.~~

~~f. Removal~~

~~i. Directors and Cabinet Members~~

~~The President may remove any Department Director or cabinet member at will.~~

~~PRESIDENTIAL REJECTION. The President may reject remove at will any appointment within the Executive Branch, unless otherwise provided for in the Code Annotated.~~

~~DIRECTORS AND COORDINATORS AND CABINET MEMBERS. The President may remove any Director or Coordinator or cabinet member at will.~~

~~OFFICE MEMBERS. The President may remove any Office member upon showing of good cause. Before any final determination of removal is made, the President shall give notice to said Office member of said cause and said Office member shall have the opportunity to be heard regarding the pending removal.~~

~~RECOMMENDATION. Directors may recommend to the President any of the above actions.~~

~~g. Enabling Legislation~~

~~Legislation establishing a Department or Office shall include, but not be limited to:~~

~~The name of the Department or Office.~~

~~The purpose of the Department or Office.~~

~~Duties and responsibilities of the Director or Coordinator, including limitations, if any.~~

~~In the case of an Office, the Department of which it is a member.~~

~~h. Repeal~~

~~All conflicting legislation is hereby repealed.~~

~~7. Student Organization Resource Office a.~~

~~Purpose~~

~~SORO shall provide resources and advice to RSOs. The functions of the office shall include:~~

~~Provision of free organizational use of SGA owned equipment,~~

~~Provision of information and assistance as appropriate concerning additional financial and other resources available to RSOs.~~

~~Directing RSOs to the Office of the General Counsel for assistance with RSO Constitutions.~~

~~b. Student Officers~~

~~The Student Organization Resource Officers, whose positions are accounted for through the HR website and Title XII, Chapter 5 Salaries and Stipends, shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office.~~

~~e. Equipment~~

~~PROCUREMENT. SORO shall seek to procure equipment for use by Student Organizations.~~

~~AVAILABILITY. Any such equipment shall be made equally, fairly, and consistently available to all RSOs.~~

~~CHECK OUT POLICY. The Student Organization Resource Officers shall be responsible for establishing and maintaining check out and check in policies with the advice and consent of the President.~~

~~FINES. The SORO Officers, with the advice and consent of the President, may establish a system of uniform fines to RSOs for failure to comply with the check in and check out policies. Any such system of fines shall be made publicly available. RSOs shall be informed of any such system of fines at the time of check out.~~

~~OFFICE. The SORO office shall be housed in the Conoco Leadership Center of the Oklahoma Memorial Union.~~

Title III – The Executive

Chapter 2 – The President

8. Power

The executive power of the SGA shall be vested in the ~~Student~~SGA President.

a. Power to Make Appointments

The ~~Student~~SGA President shall have the power, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch, to nominate and appoint all officers of the SGA not otherwise provided for. The ~~Student~~SGA President shall have the power to establish Executive Staff Positions, to assist ~~him or her~~them in fulfilling ~~his or her~~their presidential duties, with the consent of

the Legislative Branch. The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall have the sole power to appoint personnel to fill these positions.

i. Appointment of the General Counsel

General counsel shall be appointed by the SGA President, with the advice and consent of the SGA Legislative Branch. General counsel shall be recommended to the SGA President by a committee composed of: the outgoing general counsel; a representative named by each house of the SGA Legislative Branch; and a representative named by the Vice President for Student Affairs. If the SGA President chose some other candidate, such candidate would not be recommended by the selection committee, as required. An Interim General Counsel, whose appointment has been initiated, may remain in office until confirmed or rejected.

b. Interim Vacancies

The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall have the power to fill all vacancies that may happen during the recess of the Legislative Branch. The interim appointment shall expire at the end of the Legislative Branch recess. ~~Interim executive appointments made during periods of legislative recess do not require the advice and consent of the Summer Legislative Council.~~ An Interim General Counsel, whose appointment has been initiated, may remain in office until confirmed or rejected.

9. Duties

The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall take care that all acts of the Legislative Branch are faithfully executed. The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall represent the SGA on all official occasions and coordinate all student activities and services. ~~He or she~~ They may address the Legislative Branch, recommend to their consideration such measures as ~~he or she~~ they shall judge necessary and expedient; ~~he or she~~ they may convene the Legislative Branch in extraordinary, joint session.

a. State of the SGA Address

The State of the SGA Address shall be organized by the Executive Branch and be held after the Spring Election but before Pre-finals week of the Spring Semester to deliver an address concerning the current state of Association. The address shall include, but is not limited to, an outline of the current administration's accomplishments up to that point. The chairs shall speak on the accomplishments of their branch and the upcoming goals of their respective branches. An official copy of the State of the SGA will be delivered to the Chairs of the Graduate Student Senate and Undergraduate Student Congress within three business days of the address. At this meeting the SGA President shall administer the Oath of Office to the CAC Chair.

b. Delegation of Duties

The President may delegate any duties, including representational functions, to the Executive Staff that he/she deems necessary.

c. Addressing the Legislature

The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall address the Legislature and/or the Houses of the Legislature. Said addresses shall include, but not be limited to, a report on the official activity, policy, and agenda of the ~~Student SGA~~ President. At the time of such addresses, the ~~Student SGA~~ President shall answer questions relating to the SGA and/or the Executive Branch from members of the Legislature and any members of the SGA present. Such addresses may be further regulated by an Act of Legislation and shall be according to the procedures of the relevant House, but in no case shall there be fewer than three in each of the fall and spring semesters. This duty shall not be delegated.

d. Monitoring Use of Allocated Office Space

The SGA President shall be responsible for the enactment of the provisions of Title I, Chapter 3 and Title I, Chapter 3 (regarding the monitoring of allocated office space) and

may appoint whatever agents ~~he or she~~ they deems necessary for this purpose with the advice and consent of the legislative branch.

e. Budget Submission

The SGA President shall be responsible for submitting budget requests to the SGA Budgetary Committee during the primary budget process on behalf of the Executive Branch, including all boards, committees, and commissions found in Title X of the Code Annotated. The President shall also be responsible for submitting the SGA Operations budget request during the primary budget process.

f. Chair Weekly SGA Leadership Meetings

The SGA President shall serve as the Chair of weekly SGA Leadership Meetings. SGA Leadership Meetings shall include the SGA President, the CAC Chair, the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, the Chair of the Graduate Student Senate, the SGA Advisor, the University Vice President for Student Affairs, the University Assistant Vice Presidents for Student Affairs, the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, and the Senior Associate Director of Student Life.

10. General Meetings

Upon petition by ten percent (10%) of the SGA, the ~~Student SGA~~ President shall call and preside over a general meeting of the SGA.

11. Presidential Veto

Acts of Legislation, Concurring Resolutions, and Joint Resolutions passed by Each House must be sent to the ~~Student SGA~~ President for approval and may be vetoed by the ~~Student SGA~~ President. If the ~~Student SGA~~ President vetoes any Acts of Legislation, Concurring Resolution, or Joint Resolution, then it will be returned to both Houses for reconsideration and will be enacted if two-thirds (2/3) of the present and voting membership of each House votes to pass it. If any Act of Legislation, Concurring Resolution or Joint Resolution is neither signed nor vetoed by the ~~Student SGA~~ President within ten (10) days (Sundays excepted) of being presented to him or her, the same shall be enacted in like manner as if ~~he or she~~ they had signed it.

a. Differing Versions

If a different version of an Act of Legislation is signed by the Chair and/or President than was passed, technically the bill has not been signed. This would make the bill invalid.

12. Term

The term of the President shall begin one week after the validation of election.

13. Salary

The ~~Student SGA~~ President shall receive for ~~his or her~~ their services a salary. Said salary shall neither be increased nor decreased during the period for which ~~he/she~~ they shall have been elected. ~~He or she~~ They shall also not receive, within that period, any other stipend from the University of Oklahoma, except for loans or other financial aids. The SGA Constitution forbids the President from receiving University stipends from any University position other than the stipends received from ~~his/her~~ their respective office.

a. Exceptions

The SGA Constitution does not forbid the President from receiving University stipends from any University position other than the stipends received from ~~his/her~~ their respective office where the individual circumstances demonstrate that it would be inequitable or in the case of financial aid, etc.

b. The SGA President must submit to the SGA General Counsel notification of other employment by the University in order to determine if a conflict of interest exists.

Title III – The Executive
Chapter 3 – The Vice President

14. Power

The executive power of the SGA shall be vested in the ~~Student~~ SGA President. There shall also be a ~~Student~~ SGA Vice President.

15. Term

The term of the Vice President shall begin one week after the validation of election.

16. Salary

The ~~Student~~ SGA Vice President shall receive for ~~his or her~~ their services a salary. Said salary shall neither be increased nor decreased during the period for which ~~he/she~~ they shall have been elected. ~~He or she~~ They shall also not receive, within that period, any other stipend from the University of Oklahoma, except for loans or other financial aids. The SGA Constitution forbids the Vice President from receiving University stipends from any University position other than the stipends received from ~~his/her~~ their respective office.

c. Exceptions

The SGA Constitution does not forbid the Vice President from receiving University stipends from any University position other than the stipends received from ~~his/her~~ their respective office where the individual circumstances demonstrate that it would be inequitable or in the case of financial aid, etc.

d. The SGA Vice President must submit to the SGA General Counsel notification of other employment by the University in order to determine if a conflict of interest exists.

17. Duties

The SGA Vice President shall be responsible for advising the Sooner Freshman Council Co-Chairs as well as any other duties delegated to them by the SGA President. The SGA Vice President may create Vice Presidential Task Forces with permission of the SGA President, as outlined in Chapter 4 of this Title.

Section 4: REPEAL: All deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapter 4 of the Code Annotated is hereby repealed:

~~Title III — The Executive
Chapter 4 — The General Counsel~~

18. Role

~~The SGA General Counsel is the chief legal counsel of the Student Government Association, and is responsible for enforcing the provisions of the SGA Constitution, and enactments of the Legislative Branch. The General Counsel shall represent the interest of the SGA in any matter pending in any forum of the University in which the interests of the Student Government Association are concerned.~~

19. Power

~~The General Counsel has the powers and duties of both legal counsel for SGA and Attorney General for SGA.~~

20. Duties

~~The functions and duties of the General Counsel shall be those outlined in the University of Oklahoma Student Code, Title 12 and the SGACA. The Student Code shall control the nomination, function, and essential character of the office. The Office of General Counsel is "otherwise provided for" by Title 12 of the Student Code, and thus does not fall under the regulations of Article 4, Sec. 4 of the SGA Constitution. The Open Appointments Act does not apply to the office of the General Counsel.~~

a. Allegiance

~~The General Counsel's allegiance is to SGA, not any one entity (e.g., Congress). There is no conflict of interest when General Counsel is on one side of a SGA judicial action and either, for example, Undergraduate Student Congress or another organization is on the other.~~

b. Opinions

~~The General Counsel may issue binding advisory opinions regarding all SGA internal matters. These opinions extend to the internal affairs of all SGA Student Organizations and are binding on SGA internal branches, including student organizations. These opinions shall be binding at all levels until overturned on appeal. This authority does not extend to the issuance of opinions which are binding on the judicial branch as the Superior Court is the final appeal route for these opinions.~~

~~i. Writing Opinions~~

~~General Counsel should use reasonable means to investigate and thoroughly research all matters before writing its opinion. General Counsel should endeavor to hear both sides of the issue before publishing an opinion that would be binding on the internal affairs of a student organization.~~

~~ii. Review of Opinions~~

~~Judicial appeal and subsequent review shall be an avenue for relief from unsatisfactory General Counsel opinions.~~

~~c. Review of Other Employment~~

~~No employee in a SGA Stipend position shall be employed by the University of Oklahoma in a position that could be considered a conflict of interest. Neither shall he/she accept any special favors or privileges from any University employee or student or outside source which might in any way compromise his/her position and responsibilities while in office. This does not intend to include traditional and recognized academic and athletic compensation in the form of scholarships, fellowships, grants of other similar aid, or employment, which clearly does not represent a conflict of interest. Notification of other employment must be submitted to the office of the SGA General Counsel prior to elections for the purpose of determining a conflict of interest.~~

~~d. Update SGACA~~

~~The SGA General Counsel shall, at all times keep an updated hard copy of the SGACA in the General Counsel's office. The General Counsel shall also make sure all electric versions of the SGACA (e.g., K-drive, Internet links, PDF files, etc.) are updated. Normally, the General Counsel shall make all necessary changes to the SGACA within two weeks of receiving the legislation from the Staff Assistant. Every August, the General Counsel shall be responsible for the publication of the SGACA and ensuring that copies are available to those persons who are in a position to reference the SGACA regularly. The General Counsel shall fulfill this duty in accordance with Title I, Chapter 7 of the SGACA.~~

~~c. Enforcement of the SGACA i.-~~

~~Form~~

~~The Office of the General Counsel shall create a standard form for recommending actions to officers of each branch of the SGA towards compliance with the SGACA. This form shall include:~~

- ~~-A citation and explanation of the relevant portion of the SGACA;~~
- ~~-A description of the actions or situation which the General Counsel finds to be not in compliance with the SGACA, and why the General Counsel so finds;~~
- ~~-A recommendation for how to come into compliance with the SGACA. ii.-~~

~~First Notice~~

~~Upon having knowledge of an action or situation which the General Counsel finds to not be in compliance with the SGACA, the General Counsel shall complete a form as per §3 and send said form to the relevant officer of the SGA.~~

~~iii. Second Notice~~

~~If said officer has not, in the determination of the General Counsel, demonstrated sufficient action towards compliance with the SGACA within one (1) week after first notice, said officer shall receive a second notice consisting of both (a) a copy~~

~~of the first notice, and (b) any additional information that the General Counsel wishes to include describing why actions taken since first notice are insufficient. A copy of the second notice shall be sent to the Chair of the Congressional Administration Standing Committee of the Undergraduate Student Congress and of the Internal Affairs Committee of the Graduate Student Senate.~~

~~iv. Third Notice~~

~~If said officer has not, in the determination of the General Counsel, demonstrated sufficient action towards compliance with the SGACA within one (1) week after second notice, said officer shall receive a third notice consisting of both (a) a copy of the second notice, and (b) any additional information that the General Counsel wishes to include describing why actions taken since first notice are insufficient. A copy of the third notice shall be conspicuously posted in the office of the SGA.~~

~~v. Records~~

~~The General Counsel shall keep a copy of all forms for a period of no less than one (1) year.~~

~~f. Student Organization Constitutions~~

~~During the student organization registration process (as outlined by the Student Activities Policy) each organization shall submit three copies of the organization's constitution. As provided in the Student Activities Policy, the SGA General Counsel shall review each organization's constitution for compliance with the Student Activities Policy and other University and SGA policies. As provided in the Student Activities Policy, organizations whose constitutions do not achieve compliance status or organizations that fail to submit a constitution when required by the General Counsel are not considered registered student organizations. As provided in the Student Activities Policy, registered student organizations may be entitled to funds appropriated by the SGA. Upon a showing by the SGA General Counsel that an organization is not a registered student organization because the organization has not submitted a constitution when required by the General Counsel or the organization's constitution is not in compliance, the SGA Budgetary Committee may take the violation into consideration during the budgetary allocation process.~~

~~g. Correcting Scrivener's Errors in the Constitution~~

~~Scrivener's errors in the SGA Constitution may be amended without referendum. The General Counsel shall correct such errors prior to the Constitution's annual publication. A scrivener's error is defined as "An error resulting from a minor mistake or inadvertence, esp. in writing or copying something on the record, and not from judicial reasoning or determination. Among the boundless examples of scrivener's errors are omitting an appendix from a document; typing an incorrect number or mistranscribing a word.~~

~~21. Professional Responsibility~~

~~The General Counsel shall be bound by the Oklahoma Rules of Professional Responsibility, including the Rules of Professional Conduct unless the Rules directly conflict with the SGA Constitution or University Policy. Violations of the Oklahoma Rules of Professional Responsibility, including the Rules of Professional Conduct may be grounds impeachment.~~

~~22. Qualification~~

~~General Counsel shall be at least a second year law student, with preference given by the selection committee in its deliberations to past legal counsel experience.~~

~~23. Here to Help~~

~~The General Counsel shall write a uniform letter to be sent to all students charged with a University violation or academic misconduct by the office of the Campus Judicial Coordinator. This letter shall explain that the General Counsel knows nothing of the individual student charged and the services offered by the office of the General Counsel, briefly explain options any such student has, and encourage said student to seek the services of the office of the General Counsel. The General Counsel shall ensure that at all times the Campus Judicial Coordinator has a sufficient number of copies of said letter, each signed, sealed each in an envelope~~

~~without a return address, and each bearing sufficient postage. The SGA Budgetary Committee shall allocate to the General Counsel sufficient additional funds to carry out the duties established in this Act.~~

Section 5: AMENDATORY: All additions are marked with an underline and all deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapters 5 of the Code Annotated are hereby amended to read:

Title III – The Executive

Chapter ~~5-4~~ – The Executive Office of the President

24. Departmental Purpose

The Executive Office of the President is a Department of the Executive Branch. The Executive Office of the President (EOP) shall support the President and Vice President.

25. Director

The Director of the EOP shall be known as the Chief of Staff. The Chief of Staff is the third-highest-ranking member of the Executive Branch. The Chief of Staff shall work with the General Counsel to ensure the compliance of the Executive Branch with the SGACA.

26. EOP Staff

The EOP staff shall consist of the President, the Chief of Staff, a Legislative Assistant, an Executive Assistant, and any other directors, officers, and coordinators deemed necessary by the President. The Legislative Assistant and Executive Assistant shall have the rank of Coordinator. The Legislative Assistant will be responsible for drafting and analyzing legislation from the Executive Branch. ~~He or she~~ They will also be responsible for being familiar with the SGA Code Annotated. The Executive Assistant shall be responsible for helping coordinate duties of the President. The duties of the EOP staff should reflect the needs of the President and the administration, including but not limited to: special projects, constituent relations, media/press relations, legislative affairs.

27. Administrative Policy For Task Forces

a. Authorization

The President may establish Presidential Task Forces. The Vice President may, with the consent of the President, establish Vice Presidential Task Forces.

b. Purpose

Each Task Force shall investigate a specific issue on campus or in student life and shall, at the conclusion of said investigation and at any additional point, submit to the Legislature a ~~Concurring proposals for Legislation or Resolutions, or a written report~~ with findings, conclusions, and recommendations.

c. Officers

The establishing Executive officer shall be the Chair of each Task Force.

d. Membership

Each Task Force shall be composed of members of the SGA appointed at the sole discretion of the Chair.

e. Open Meetings Act

Each task force shall post agendas and take minutes, in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act. Upon dissolution of the Task Force, all written records shall be maintained by the Executive Branch.

f. Dissolution

Each Task Force shall be dissolved upon the submission of its final Concurring Resolution to the Legislature. Each Task Force shall be dissolved upon the conclusion of the term of the establishing Executive officer, unless explicitly continued by the incoming President.

g. Organization

For organizational purposes, Task Forces shall be considered independent divisions of the Executive Office of the President.

Section 6: REPEAL: All deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapters 6-11 of the Code Annotated are hereby repealed:

Title III—The Executive
Chapter 6—The Department of the Interior

28. ~~Departmental Purpose~~

~~The Department of the Interior shall advocate for the position of the SGA as it pertains to internal university affairs, as determined according to the Constitution. It may do so by a Joint or Concurring Resolution, and/or by the SGA President in the absence of such a resolution.~~

29. ~~Director~~

~~Interior Director~~

~~Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of the Interior, this individual will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating the Office of Student Rights, the Council of Student Delegates, the Student Graduation and Retention Task Force, the Office of Commuter Networking, the Office of Green Initiatives, the Office of Parking and Transit, and overall academic advancement of the student body and the value of the University of Oklahoma's degrees.~~

30. ~~Student Rights Office~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall advocate for the fulfillment of and publicize students' rights on campus, including, but not limited to: Preparation Week implementation; Student Rights and Responsibilities Code; Housing—Community Living Guide; and student academic rights, such as grading policies, final exam policies, and instructor language policies.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the office.~~

31. ~~Council of Student Delegates~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Council shall meet regularly to coordinate and support members' advocacy as appointees and to ensure that said advocacy conforms with the position of the SGA as a whole.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Council. The Coordinator shall work closely with the Director and Office of Resolution Advocacy to ensure passed resolutions inform appointee advocacy.~~

~~c. Membership~~

~~SGA appointees to University Boards and Committees and other institutions shall be members of the Council of Student Delegates in their role as appointees.~~

32. ~~Presidential Appointments~~

~~At least one presidential appointee to Speakers Bureau shall additionally be a Student Events Advocate. Any other appointees to Speakers Bureau shall not be Student Events Advocates. Presidential appointments to Speakers Bureau shall be made directly by the President and the CAC-appointed Chair of Speakers Bureau, in a manner jointly determined. Said appointment shall occur during each Fall Semester. Applications to Speakers Bureau shall be made separately from applications to other positions.~~

~~In the event of a Dispute between the President and Speakers Bureau Chair, the President may appoint at his or her discretion two (2) members of the Speakers Bureau and shall appoint one (1) member selected by the Speakers Bureau Chair.~~

~~Speakers Bureau allocations shall be made through an open, uniform, competitive application process. Applications for funding shall be made publicly available by the fourth (4th) week of classes. At the beginning of the application period, applications shall be made publicly available in the Conoco Student Leadership Center and sent to the Student Organization Resource Office. The application period shall have a predetermined deadline printed on the applications and shall remain open for a period of no less than one (1) month.~~

33. ~~Meetings~~

~~The Department shall meet regularly in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act. Each Office shall meet regularly in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~

34. ~~Repeal~~

~~All conflicting Legislation, including SGACA 13.16 SGA Student Lobbying Force, is hereby repealed.~~

35. ~~Administrative Policy~~

a. ~~Senate Resolutions~~

~~The Department shall advocate for the position determined by a Senate Resolution as the position of the SGA as it pertains to internal university affairs, in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(1) on matters determined in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(8.2), to pertain only to graduate students.~~

b. ~~Congressional Resolutions~~

~~The Department shall advocate for the position determined by a Congressional Resolution as the position of the SGA as it pertains to internal university affairs, in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(1) on matters determined in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(8.2), to pertain only to undergraduate students.~~

c. ~~Determinations~~

~~The Director or President may make said determination. In the case of conflicting determinations, the determination of the President shall prevail.~~

36. ~~Office of Health Advocacy~~

a. ~~Purpose~~

~~The Office of Health shall be responsible for, but is not limited to, gathering and distributing information to the University of Oklahoma community regarding various health related issues and to advocate on behalf of health resources offered by the University.~~

b. ~~Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator of the Department of Health is responsible for overseeing and executing all functions of the Office of Health, including, if necessary, but not limited to the appointment of officers to advance the initiatives of this department in areas of campus relations, community relations, special events, and an annual Health Fair. It shall also be responsible for programming special events in which students are engaged in education regarding relevant health-related topics. This includes but is not limited to soliciting speakers, fundraising for departmental events, and publicity pertinent to special events.~~

37. ~~Office of Commuter Networking~~

a. ~~Purpose~~

~~The Office of Commuter Networking shall advocate for commuter issues that are relevant to commuter students.~~

b. ~~Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator of Commuter Networking shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the Office of Commuter Networking.~~

38. ~~Office of Green Initiatives~~

a. ~~Purpose~~

~~The Office of Green Initiatives shall advocate for sustainable energy projects for the University of Oklahoma.~~

b. ~~Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator of Green Initiatives shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office of Green Initiatives.~~

39. ~~Office of Parking and Transit~~

a. ~~Purpose~~

~~The Office of Parking and Transit shall advocate for improved parking and transit conditions at the University of Oklahoma.~~

~~b.—Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator of Parking and Transit shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office of Parking and Transit.~~

~~Title III—The Executive~~

~~Chapter 7—The Department of Student Organizations~~

~~40.—Departmental Purpose~~

~~Department of Student Resources shall provide support and assistance to Registered Student Organizations (RSOs).~~

~~41.—Director~~

~~Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Student Organizations, this individual will be responsible for executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.~~

~~42.—Conoco Student Leadership Center Office~~

~~COORDINATOR.—The Coordinator of the Conoco Student Leadership Center Office shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office.~~

~~REALIZING THE POTENTIAL.—The Office shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of the Realizing the Potential Act.~~

~~PROMOTION.—The Office shall seek to promote student use of the Conoco Student Leadership Center.~~

~~43.—Department of Student Organizations Administrative Policy~~

~~a.—Meeting Space~~

~~Registered Student Organizations may meet in meeting space (two (2) couch areas and one (1) conference room) in the first floor or the meeting space (two (2) couch areas and two (2) conference tables) in the third floor of the Conoco Student Leadership Center. The SGA first floor office shall operate a reservation system. To properly reserve one of the aforementioned areas, an organization may contact the SGA Staff Assistant II via phone or email. The organization will be held responsible for leaving area as clean as possible while using this area. Branches of SGA consisting of the executive office, Graduate Student Senate, Undergraduate Student Congress, and Campus Activities Council shall have priority in reservations.~~

~~b.—Card Access~~

~~The Conoco Student Leadership Center Office shall collect ID numbers from organizations allocated space during the first two weeks of each semester. The Office shall provide these numbers to the Union Business Office, which will use said numbers to allow access to the Center with the ID card reader. This service shall be equally available to all RSOs allocated space. Any RSO submitting numbers that do not correspond to club members, or otherwise abusing this service, shall be subject to fines and ineligibility to apply for office space the following year.~~

~~c.—Information and Assistance~~

~~This Section governs The Department of Student Organizations Act of 2004, SGACA Title III Chapter 9 Sec. 4.1. The Office shall not accept any form not generated by the SGA. The Office shall direct students seeking to turn in a form distributed by the Office to the source of said form. The Office shall maintain files of the original of each form distributed, in order to replenish copies for distributions. Any form printed on a standard color of paper shall be copied by the Office only on paper of said standard color. The Office shall contact the source of each form and all information distributed no less frequently than at the beginning of each semester to verify the accuracy and currency of said forms and information. The Office shall verify information from the following sources at additional times as follows:~~

~~Center for Student Life _____ each month
SGA Budgetary Committee _____ each budgetary process~~

~~Title III — The Executive
Chapter 8 — The Department of Development~~

~~44. Purpose~~

~~The Department shall maintain a historical record of the SGA, create an annual directory of SGA's members within each of its branches, maintain an alumni database as well as draft a semesterly newsletter to be sent to alumni, raise funds to offset the cost of executive expenditures, and document executive expenditures.~~

~~45. Director~~

~~Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Development, this individual will be responsible for supervising and directing the administration of the Department and its various subsidiaries.~~

~~46. Office of Finance~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall assist the President, Vice President, Sooner Freshman Council Coordinator, Chief of Staff and Directors with the costs association with any programs, initiatives, or events held by the Executive Branch or Sooner Freshman Council.~~

~~47. Office of Strategic Funds~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall be responsible for raising any funds the Executive Branch may need to offset the cost of any initiatives, programs, or events.~~

~~48. Office of Historical Records~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall maintain the official records of the SGA, documenting all changes and developments. This may include but is not limited to successful and unsuccessful initiatives accompanied by an unbiased explanation, cultural campus shifts with respect to attitudes toward SGA, and any physical modification such as property location and internal augmentation.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office.~~

~~49. Office of SGA Student and Alumni Relations~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall be responsible for keeping a directory of SGA members in the Executive branch and General Counsel, Legislative branch, and the CAC's General Counsel. It shall also be tasked with drafting and disseminating a semesterly newsletter to all members and alumni of SGA.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall maintain the aforementioned directory of SGA members and alumni with such information as names, corresponding titles along with dates of service, email addresses, and the like.~~

~~50. Office of Budget Assistance~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall compile and make available information to assist the President, Chair of Student Congress, and Chair of Graduate Student Senate in the Student Activity Fee budgeting process. Such information may include but shall not be limited to: institutional use of funding; institutional sources of funding; student fees, costs, and charges; and student opinion data. The Office shall attempt to answer questions from said officers.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the office.~~

~~c. Allegiance~~

~~While a part of the Executive bureaucracy, the Office's allegiance shall be to the SGA as a whole.~~

~~51. Student Activity Fee Allocation~~

~~a. Restriction~~

~~The President, Chair of Student Congress, and Chair of Graduate Student Senate shall not vote to accept and propose to the Regents a Student Activity Fee budget ("Budget") until said budget has been approved.~~

~~b. Definition of Approval~~

~~A budget shall be approved by any of the following means:~~

~~27. Resolution~~

~~Upon receiving an affirmative vote by a majority of the SAF committee, a Budget shall be written as a concurring resolution and proposed to the Legislature. The Legislature may not amend said resolution. Said resolution shall be placed on the general agenda of each house at said house's next meeting and shall not be sent to committee. Upon passage of said concurring resolution, the budget shall be approved.~~

~~28. Override~~

~~If said concurring resolution fails or the SAF committee finds consideration of said resolution irrevocably deadlocked, the SAF committee may approve the Budget with a unanimous vote.~~

~~29. Second Resolution~~

~~If said concurring resolution fails, the SAF committee may, upon a majority vote, send to the Legislature a second concurring resolution, containing a modified or unmodified budget. The Legislature may not amend said resolution. Said resolution shall be placed on the agenda of each house at said house's next meeting and shall not be sent to committee. Upon passage of said second concurring resolution, the budget shall be approved.~~

~~30. Second Override~~

~~If said second concurring resolution fails or the SAF committee finds consideration of said resolution irrevocably deadlocked, the SAF committee may approve the Budget with a majority vote.~~

~~Title III — The Executive~~

~~Chapter 9 — The Department of Diversity~~

~~52. Purpose~~

~~The Department of Diversity shall provide assistance, services, and advocacy within the SGA executive branch for underrepresented students on campus. The Department shall address issues that affect international students, students with disabilities, as well as gender and sexual minority issues and multicultural issues. This list is not intended to be restrictive, and more offices may be appointed within the Department at the discretion of the President.~~

~~53. Director~~

~~Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Diversity, this individual will be responsible for executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.~~

~~Title III — The Executive~~

~~Chapter 10 — The Department of Communications~~

~~54. Departmental Purpose~~

~~The Department of Communications shall promote the programs and positions of the SGA.~~

~~55. Director~~

- ~~a. Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of Communications, this individual will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating the efforts of the Executive Branch~~

~~pertaining to media relations, web communications, graphic design, photography, and other outreach initiatives.~~

- ~~b. The Director shall have an automatic position in the SGA multi-branch Joint Communications Department alongside the Public Relations Chairs of both the Congress and the Senate in order to coordinate with the other branches to facilitate communications on behalf of all of the SGA:~~
- ~~i. The Joint Communications Department shall meet every week of the academic semester where every member's position is filled, excluding the final two weeks of the semester.~~
 - ~~ii. In the event of a long-term vacancy in one of these aforementioned positions, the Vice President shall assume the role.~~
 - ~~iii. The Joint Communications Department shall oversee only the communication-media associated with the whole SGA and each member would be responsible over their own respective branches as determined by each branch.~~
 - ~~iv. The CAC Public Relations Chair may choose to be a member of the Joint Communications Department and shall have a vote. In the event of a tie vote, the Vice President of SGA shall have the tie breaking vote.~~

~~Title III — The Executive~~

~~Chapter 11 — The Department of the Exterior~~

~~56. Departmental Purpose~~

~~The Department of the Exterior shall advocate for the position of the SGA as it pertains to external affairs, as determined according to the Constitution. It may do so by a Joint or Concurring Resolution, and/or by the SGA President in the absence of such a resolution.~~

~~57. Director~~

~~Should the SGA President decide to appoint a Director of the Exterior, this individual will be responsible for overseeing and coordinating the Office of City, State, and Federal Legislative Relations, as well as overseeing the higher education advocacy efforts of the SGA.~~

~~58. Office of City, State, and Federal Legislative Relations and Research~~

~~a. Purpose~~

~~The Office shall be a source of information for the membership of the SGA regarding local, city, and state government issues affecting students, by researching, educating, and mobilizing students.~~

~~b. Coordinator~~

~~The Coordinator shall be responsible for managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the office.~~

~~59. Administrative Policy~~

~~a. Senate Resolutions~~

~~The Department shall advocate for the position determined by a Senate Resolution as the position of the SGA as it pertains to external affairs, in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(1) on matters determined in accordance with 3 SGACA b(8.2), to pertain only to undergraduate students.~~

~~b. Congressional Resolutions~~

~~The Department shall advocate for the position determined by a Congressional Resolution as the position of the SGA as it pertains to external affairs, in accordance with 3 SGACA 6(1) on matters determined in accordance with 3 SGA 6(8.2), to pertain only to undergraduate students.~~

~~c. Determinations~~

~~The Director or President may make said determination. In the case of conflicting determinations, the determination of the President shall prevail.~~

Section 7: NEW LAW: Title III of the Code Annotated is hereby updated to include:

Title III – The Executive
Chapter 5 – The Cabinet

27. Membership

The Cabinet shall be comprised of the President, Vice President, and all Department Directors and members.

28. Purpose

The Cabinet shall assist the President in making and executing Executive policy.

29. Presiding Officer

The President is the presiding officer of the Cabinet. The Department Director is the presiding officer of each Department.

30. Meetings

The Cabinet and all individual Departments shall meet regularly and shall post agendas and minutes in accordance with the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act. The time and frequency of said meetings shall be determined by the President or the Department Director.

31. Departments

The several Departments that shall compose the Cabinet are as follows:

a. The Department of the Interior

i. Department Purpose

The Department of the Interior shall advocate for the position of the SGA as it pertains to internal university affairs. SGA policy shall be defined by a Joint or Concurring Resolution passed by the Legislative Branch, or by the SGA President in the absence of such a resolution. The Department shall advocate for and publicize students' rights on campus. The Department shall address on campus issues including, but not limited to, student parking, student health and wellness, and on-campus sustainability issues.

ii. Department Director

The Department Director shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Director shall be responsible for ensuring that the purpose of the Department of the Interior is carried out.

b. The Department of Inclusivity

i. Department Purpose

The Department of Inclusivity shall provide assistance, services, and advocacy within the SGA executive branch for underrepresented students on campus. The Department shall address issues that affect international students, students with disabilities, as well as gender and sexual minority issues and multicultural issues. This list is not intended to be restrictive, and more duties may be delegated to the Department at the discretion of the President.

ii. Department Director

The Department Director shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Director shall be responsible for ensuring that the purpose of the Department of Inclusivity is carried out.

c. The Department of Communications

i. Department Purpose

The Department of Communications shall promote the programs and positions of the SGA.

ii. Department Director

The Department Director shall be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Director shall be responsible for overseeing and

coordinating the efforts of the Executive Branch pertaining to media relations, social media, graphic design, photography, and other outreach initiatives.

d. The Department of the Exterior

i. Department Purpose

The Department of the Exterior shall advocate for the position of the SGA as it pertains to city, state, or federal affairs, as defined by a Joint or Concurring Resolution passed by the Legislature, or by the SGA President in the absence of such a resolution.

ii. Department Director

The Department Director shall be appointed by the SGA President with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Director shall be responsible for ensuring that the purpose of the Department of the Exterior is carried out and for overseeing the higher education advocacy efforts of the SGA.

e. The Department of Academic Affairs

i. Department Purpose

The Department of Academic Affairs shall advocate for the positions of SGA as they pertain to academic matters including, but not limited to: the expansion of classes offered, the promotion of the highest standards of teaching, addressing academic misconduct procedure, and supporting programming and events that pertain to students and their academics. The Department shall also advocate for and promote student academic rights, such as grading policies, final exam policies, and instructor language policies.

ii. Department Director

The Department Director shall be appointed by the SGA President with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The Director shall be responsible for ensuring that the purpose of the Department of Academic Affairs is carried out.

Section 8: AMENDATORY: All additions are marked with an underline and all deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapter 12 of the Code Annotated is hereby amended to read:

Title III – The Executive

Chapter ~~12-6~~ – Sooner Freshman Council

60. Delegation Purpose

The SGA Sooner Freshman Council “~~SCF~~” “SFC” shall prepare its members for future involvement within the various branches of the SGA. The SFC will also promote the programs and positions of, raise awareness and understanding of, and advocate for first year student involvement within the SGA as a whole.

61. Membership Requirements and Responsibilities

Full time, first year students in good academic standing with the University shall be eligible to submit applications for membership. These applications shall be reviewed and interviews shall be held by the Co-Chairs leaving member acceptance and application process at the Co-Chair’s discretion. Members must remain in good academic standing with the University.

62. Officers

There shall be two Co-Chairs of the council charged with overseeing the delegation and reporting to the SGA Vice President.

a. Eligibility

Sooner Freshman Council members from the previous year, who have remained in good academic standing with the university, are eligible for nomination to a Co-Chair position.

b. Selection

The Co-Chair position shall be appointed by a board comprised of the SGA President, SGA Vice President, and previous year's Co-Chairs, with advice and consent of the Legislative Branch.

c. Term Length and Limit

The Co-Chair are appointed for one academic year beginning with their legislative confirmation. Officers may serve no more than one academic year. Officers appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve to the end of the academic year in which they were confirmed by the Legislature.

d. Responsibilities

i. The Co-Chairs will work closely with the Departments of the Executive Branch as well as the Legislative and Programming Branches ~~and the HSCA, as necessary~~, to ensure the purpose of the SFC is carried out.

ii. ~~It is the responsibility of the Co-Chairs to appoint delegates to the HSCA ensuring that every HSCA general meeting has at least one SFC member present~~

iii. Co-Chairs will share all responsibilities and must report to each other.

e. Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy the responsibilities of the vacated seat shall fall upon the remaining officer, with the support of the SGA Vice President, until a suitable replacement has been appointed and confirmed by the legislature. In the event of both positions being vacated the SGA Vice President will serve as sole Chair of delegation until suitable replacement has been appointed and confirmed by the legislature.

f. Officer Removal

The SGA Vice President shall have the authority to remove Co-Chairs with ~~2/3 approval with~~ the advice and consent of the legislature.

63. Internal Proceedings

The SGA Sooner Freshman Council shall establish rules of procedure for the internal operations for the organization. These rules shall be published and available to students upon request. Any proposed and adopted rule changes must be sent to the SGA Vice President and appropriately distributed.

64. Meetings

a. Meeting Times

Co-Chairs shall establish meeting times for the full academic year by the third academic week of the fall semester.

b. Attendance

Each member is allowed two unexcused absences per semester, after which they will need to meet with the Co-Chairs to discuss whether or not they will continue on as an SFC member. A request for an excused absence must be submitted to the Co-Chairs in writing 24 hours before a meeting in order to be considered. Excused events might include family emergencies, Provost-sponsored events, etc. What qualifies as "excused" is at the discretion of the Co-Chairs.

~~65. Power and Authority~~

~~The SFC shall be empowered to create any such committees, boards, commissions, or other such entities that it deems are necessary in order to further its purpose.~~

66. Funding

The SGA Sooner Freshman Council shall be provided financial support through the Executive Branch.

~~67. Student Advisement~~

~~The student advisor to the SFC shall be the SGA Vice President.~~

68. Report

At least one of the Co-Chairs shall present a report of the SFC's progress and goals to a minimum of one meeting of the Undergraduate Student Congress per month.

Section 9: REPEAL: All deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title III, Chapters 13-14 of the Code Annotated are hereby repealed:

~~Title III — The Executive
Chapter 13 — CORE Consulting~~

~~69. Delegation Purpose~~

~~The SGA Campus Organization Resource & Education “CORE Consulting” shall work with student organizations on campus to benchmark, improve, and enhance the organization. CORE Consulting will also work with student organizations on a short term basis to improve their marketing, funding, membership and programming aspects of their organization.~~

~~70. Membership Requirements and Responsibilities~~

~~Full time, knowledgeable students in good academic standing with the University shall be eligible to submit applications for membership. These applications shall be reviewed, and interviews shall be held by the CORE Executive team, leaving membership selection at the discretion of the Executive team. Members must remain in good academic standing with the University.~~

~~71. Officers~~

~~a. The President, Vice President, Director of Communication, Director of Special Operations, and Director of Consultants of CORE Consulting will be elected by current directors and by nominated members of the committee. Roles are as follows:~~

- ~~i. The President will be responsible for guiding the overall direction of CORE, chairing CORE meetings, and providing executive oversight for CORE Consulting. Concurrently, the President will also regularly update the Cabinet at Cabinet meetings.~~
- ~~ii. The Vice President will be responsible for assisting the President and will fill in for the President when he/she is not present.~~
- ~~iii. The Director of Communication will be responsible for internal and external communication, ensuring cohesion among everyone.~~
- ~~iv. The Director of Special Operations will be responsible for community development events, the boot camp, and logistics tasks such as booking rooms.~~
- ~~v. The Director of Consultants will be responsible for leading the consultants and making sure that consulting projects are proceeding effectively.~~

~~b. Eligibility~~

~~CORE members from the previous year, who have remained in good academic standing with the university, are eligible to apply for a CORE Executive position~~

~~c. Selection~~

~~The Executive positions shall be appointed by a board comprised of the previous CORE Executive officers.~~

~~d. Term Length and Limit~~

~~The CORE Executive membership appointed for one academic year beginning with their legislative confirmation. Officers appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve to the end of the academic year in which they were selected by the current CORE Executive officers.~~

~~e. Vacancies~~

~~In the event of a vacancy the responsibilities of the vacated seat shall fall upon the remaining officers, and a new officer will be elected by the executive committee with the support of the SGA Vice President and confirmed by the legislature.~~

~~f. Officer Removal~~

~~The SGA Vice President shall have the authority to remove the president with 2/3 approval by the executive committee of CORE.~~

~~72. Internal Proceedings~~

~~CORE Consulting shall establish rules of procedure for the internal operations for the organization. These rules shall be published and available to students upon request. Any proposed and adopted rule changes must be sent to the SGA Vice President or President and appropriately distributed.~~

~~73. Meetings~~

~~The President of CORE Consulting shall establish meeting times for the full academic year by the third academic week of the fall semester. The meetings shall be open to the public and are subject to the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~

~~74. Power and Authority~~

~~CORE Consulting shall be empowered to create any such committees, boards, commissions, or other such entities that it deems are necessary in order to further its purpose.~~

~~75. Funding~~

~~CORE Consulting shall be provided financial support through the Executive Branch. The SGA President will request a budget proposal from the CORE President and Vice President at least three weeks prior to the Primary Funding deadline. The CORE President and Vice President will submit this budget proposal to the SGA President and Vice President at least ten days prior to the Primary Funding deadline. The CORE President and Vice President will then meet with the SGA President and Vice President after this budget proposal is submitted and at least one week prior to the Primary Funding deadline to discuss the budget proposal. The SGA President will incorporate the budgetary needs of CORE Consulting into the SGA Executive Branch's budget request.~~

~~76. Student Advisement~~

~~The student advisor to CORE Consulting shall be the SGA President and Vice President.~~

~~77. Report~~

~~The SGA Vice President shall present a report of the CORE Consulting's progress and goals to a minimum of one meeting of the Undergraduate Student Congress per month.~~

~~Title III — The Executive~~

~~Chapter 14 — The Department of Academic Affairs~~

~~78. Name~~

- ~~a. This Department shall be known and may be cited as the "Department of Academic Affairs".~~

~~79. Department Purpose~~

- ~~a. The Department of Academic Affairs shall deal with different academia orientated concerns related to students including, but not limited to; the expansion of classes offered, promotion of the highest standards of teaching, addressing academic misconduct procedure, and or supporting programming and events that pertain to students and their academics.~~
- ~~b. The Department will work closely with the student body the Undergraduate Student Body as well as working with the corresponding Academic Affair committees in the Legislative Branch of SGA.~~

~~80. Department Membership~~

- ~~a. The department shall be comprised of Cabinet member as appointed by the SGA President. The appointment of department members shall last until the end of the Administration's term.~~

Section 10: The SGA Staff Assistant shall be empowered to correct all clerical issues associated with renumbering Title III based on the above changes.

Section 11: This act shall become effective on January 1, 2018 if passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIX
November 14, 2017

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF-17
November 19, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 990103
SENATE BILL NO. GF17-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act Repealing Title IX of the Code Annotated, providing for the renumbering of the Code Annotated, 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:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Title IX Repeal Act of 2017”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to remove outdated provisions of the Code Annotated and ensure the proper numbering of the Code Annotated.
- Section 3:** REPEAL: All deletions are marked with a ~~strike through~~. Title IX of the Code Annotated is hereby amended to read:

~~Title IX – Student Rules and Regulations
Chapter 1 – Parking~~

~~1. Access to Faculty/Staff Parking Lots~~

~~All faculty/staff parking facilities, except for the designated 24 hour faculty/staff parking facilities, shall be accessible to any OU parking permit owner, after 3:00 P.M. All gates at faculty/staff parking facilities, except for the designated 24 hour faculty/staff parking facilities, shall be raised at 3:00 P.M.~~

~~2. SGA Approval of Parking Fee Increases~~

~~Prior to the establishment of any student parking fee increase, the office of Parking and Transit Services must present a proposal to the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate. The parking fee increase shall be approved only upon the consent of both houses of the SGA legislative branch and upon the consent of the SGA President. The legislative branch may override a veto by the SGA President. If any house of the legislative branch votes against the fee increase or if the SGA President sustains a veto of the increase, the Office of Parking and Transit Services may appeal the decision to the OU Board of Regents. No student parking fee increase shall be adopted by the Office of Parking and Transit Services without approval as outlined in this section, either by SGA or by the Board of Regents.~~

- Section 4:** Following the passage of this act, the titles of the SGA Code Annotated shall be numbered as follows and the SGA General Counsel shall be empowered to make all necessary clerical changes to ensure that this be the order:

Title I – General Provisions
Title II – The Legislature
Title III – The Executive
Title IV – The Judiciary

Title V – The Programming Branch
Title VI – Elections
Title VII – Petition, Referendum, and Recall
Title VIII – Student Organizations
Title IX – SGA Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Title X - Finance

Section 5: This act shall become effective on January 1, 2018 if passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIX

November 14, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 990301

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution announcing OU Loves Norman Day, and
providing for distribution.

Whereas: SGA focuses to promote civic and community engagement between the university's students and the Norman community; and

Whereas: Most students attending the University of Oklahoma live in the city of Norman.

Whereas: Local merchants care about, and invest in, our community. They donate part of our dollars back to local groups and charities.

Whereas: More than 10 local businesses have agreed to visit OU's Oklahoma Memorial Union Courtyard from 11 – 1 PM, and

Whereas: OU Sponsors include university departments such as, Live OU, the Office of the President, and the Office of Student Affairs; and

Whereas: 400 Tee-shirts and 500 Decals have been purchased to support the event; and

Whereas: OU Loves Norman Day will take place Thursday, November 16, 2017

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

Section 1: OU SGA Congress encourages students to show appreciation for the city of Norman and the community on OU Loves Norman Day.

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
David L. Boren, University of Oklahoma President
The Norman Transcript
The OU Daily

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Co-Sponsor(s):

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 XCIX

November 14, 2017

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 990303

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution to assist in bringing suicide prevention and mental health awareness to members of the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Sooner or Cowboy, toxic mental health does not discriminate and can cause distress to individuals of any religion, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, or economic classification; and
- Whereas: Mental health distress at both University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University has increased significantly over the past several years; and
- Whereas: Both the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University Counseling Services have reported increased use of their services and increased stress on campus; and
- Whereas: Suicide in the state of Oklahoma is the 2nd leading cause of death for students between the ages of 10 and 34; and
- Whereas: The state of Oklahoma is ranked 8th in the nation for suicide in deaths; and
- Whereas: On average, one individual dies from suicide every eleven hours in the state of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: Regardless of the town, city, state, or country students come from to attend University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma State University, they are a member of the Sooner, Cowboy, and Oklahoma Family.
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University are the only two Big XII universities that reside in Oklahoma and should address the ever-growing issue together; and
- Whereas: On game day, the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University are typically a house divided...

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE STUDENTS OF THE OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT:

- Section 1:** The University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University, on the issue of toxic mental health and the heightened stress on their campuses, stand as a house united for the well-being of all members of the Oklahoma Family and stand against non-inclusive environments and false stigmatism to seeking counseling.

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University work together on creating a public service announcement that include resilient representatives of their universities to broadcast to the students of both the Sooner and Cowboy family for the purpose of encouraging both an inclusive environment and encouraging counseling when needed.

Section 3: The University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University Student Government Associations recognize how they are alike, and not how they are different, and intend to collaborate in the future to come together and create meaningful college experiences for all.

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

- J.D. Baker, OU SGA President
- Erica Stephens, OSU SGA President
- Brayden Farrell, OSU SGA Vice President
- Cameron Burleson, OU SGA Vice President
- Scott Miller, OU University Counseling Center
- Brynn Daves, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Assistant Dean of Students
- Dr. Lee Bird, Vice President of Student Affairs
- The OU Daily
- The O'Colly

Authors: Kaylee Rains-Saucedo, OU SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Holland Gray, OSU SGA Senate Internal Affairs Committee Chair
Ali Klima, Human Diversity Committee Chair
Hailey Thomas, Human Diversity Committee Member
Dib Quab Lee, Human Diversity Committee Member
Julio Rojas, Human Diversity Committee Member
Kanjana Manohar, Human Diversity Committee Member
Julie Chen, Human Diversity Committee Member
Tyler Rivera, Human Diversity Committee Member

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