

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session CIII

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 10th, 2020
Devon Hall 120

Roll Call

Mission Statement

Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes

Chair's Report -

Vice Chair's Report -

Secretary's Report -

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** All of our major projects are on hold at the moment, but we are still making good progress on the concerns we received from the suggestion box. Filters have been replaced in the Biz, we are making some headway with the various crosswalk concerns.
- **Congressional Administration:** We did not see any legislation. We are still working on projects.
- **External Affairs:** We passed CR-103-06 and CR-103-07 with a recommendation of do pass. March 25th, we are doing an event with OK votes. Our Federal and Budget team are looking at Higher-Ed numbers over the fiscal years. The second Higher-Ed day will either be Monday April 1st or Tuesday 2nd or the 3rd. Campaign job fair is set for early April.
- **Human Diversity:** We saw the BERT Resolution and resolution for International Women's Day and gave them recommendations of Do Pass. We are also talking with the Native community and admin.
- **Sustainability:** We are reaching out to RAs about sustainability measures. We will also be co-programing with international student association about international students affected by climate change. 29th trash walk. They are doing this community gardening class on Sunday. 29th at the earth cafe
- **University Policy:** Projects are continuing. There was someone whose project wrapped up but we assigned her that new student concern.
- **Ways and Means:** We didn't meet. That is on me. So we will see legislation in committee of the whole. My version will go on the agenda.

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

- Campus Activity Council Chair Candidate Introduction
- Executive Branch Progress Review
- Census Presentation
- Oklahoma Student Government Association Presentation
- Committee of the Whole
 - o AB-103-18 Auxiliary Allocation 18 (Patton)

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

CR-103-06 OU Election Day Resolution (Buxton/Broadbent)(External Affairs → Do Pass)

CR-103-07 Election Day Holiday (Buxton/Broadbent)(External Affairs → Do Pass)

CR-103-04 Black Emergency Response Team Support Resolution (Chism/South) (Human Diversity → Do Pass)

CR-103-05 Women's History Month Acknowledgement Resolution of 2020 (Broadbent/Yanez) (Human Diversity → Do Pass)

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Final Roll Call

Adjourn

Chair: Emma DeAngeli

Vice Chair: Mahak Merchant

Secretary: Savanah Patterson

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
March 10th, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF20
March 29th, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-103-08
SENATE BILL NO. GF19-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2019-2020 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 “Auxiliary Allocation 18 Act of 2019-2020”

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

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
Student Veterans Association	200			200
Student Veterans Association	50			50
OU Cycling Club	700			700
Christians on Campus	105			105
Student Consulting Prep	214.51			214.51
Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society and National Weather Association	350			350
Finance Student Association	200			200
Society of Plastic Engineers Student Chapter	400			400
Friday Accounting Meeting	600			600
Miracle Mindset Leadership and Empowerment Conference	1,500			1,500
Sooner Off-Road	595.16			595.16
Society of Undergraduate Philosophers	500			500

TOTAL: 5,414.67

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 8, 2020

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 8, 2020, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

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

Author(s): Lauren Patton, Chair, SGA Budget Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
March 10th, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX
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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-103-06
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution calling on the University of
Oklahoma to make election day a school holiday.

- Whereas: The average voter turnout for the US since 2000 is 54.96%.
- Whereas: The turnout for the 2018 midterm elections was 50.3%.
- Whereas: Youth involvement in American politics is increasing with innovations in media and youth outreach programs from campaigns.
- Whereas: Students should not have to decide between academic success and fulfilling their civic duty to our exceptional democratic process.
- Whereas: Delaware, Hawaii, Kentucky, Montana, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, West Virginia, and the territory of Puerto Rico have declared Election Day a civic holiday. Along with other states giving workers parts of the day off for voting.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, CONCURRING
THEREIN THAT:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “OU Election Day Resolution”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages The University of Oklahoma to make the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November a school holiday.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages students of our University to fulfill their civic obligation to register and vote in their nations State and Local elections.

Section 4: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages residents of Oklahoma, in places of civic engagement, to consider the importance of a highly educated voter base from our country to local community.

Section 5: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Joseph Harroz Jr.
- Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. David Surratt
- OK Votes
- The Norman Transcript
- The OU Daily
- The OU Nightly
- KOCO 5

Author(s): Representative Nathaniel Buxton, Vice-Chair of External Affairs

Co-Author(s): Representative Taylor Broadbent, Chair of External Affairs

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
March 10th, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX
Month DD, YYYY

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-103-07
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution calling on the our respective
levels of Government to make election day a holiday.

- Whereas: The average voter turnout for the US since 2000 is 54.96%.
- Whereas: The turnout for the 2018 midterm elections was 50.3%.
- Whereas: Youth involvement in American Politics is increasing with innovations in media and youth outreach programs from campaigns.
- Whereas: Americans should not have to decide between academic success and fulfilling their civic duty to our exceptional democratic process.
- Whereas: Delaware, Hawaii, Kentucky, Montana, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, West Virginia, and the territory of Puerto Rico have declared Election Day a civic holiday. Along with other states giving workers parts of the day off for voting.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, CONCURRING
THEREIN THAT:

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Election Day Holiday”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages our federal, state and local legislators to make the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November a federal/state holiday.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages students of our University to fulfill their civic duty to register and vote in their nations State and Local elections.
- Section 4:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association encourages all Americans, in places of civic engagement, to consider the importance of a highly populated and highly educated voter base from our country to local community.

Section 5: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Donald J. Trump
- Governor Kevin Stitt
- Majority Leader Mitch McConnell
- Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi
- Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy
- Minority Leader Chuck Schumer
- Representative Tom Cole
- Senator Jim Inhofe
- Senator James Lankford
- Speaker Charles McCall
- President Pro Tempore Greg Treat
- Minority Leader Emily Virgin
- Senator Rob Standridge
- Senator Mary Boren
- Representative Merleyn Bell
- Representative Jacob Rosencrats
- OK Votes
- The Oklahoman
- The Norman Transcript
- The OU Daily
- The OU Nightly
- KOCO 5

Author(s): Representative Nathaniel Buxton, Vice-Chair of External Affairs

Co-Author(s): Representative Taylor Broadbent, Chair of External Affairs

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
March 3rd, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX
Month DD, YYYY

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-103-04
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution supporting the efforts of the Black
Emergency Response Team; and providing for
distribution.

- Whereas: There have been egregious incidents of explicit racism at the University of Oklahoma, both over the years and in the very recent past.
- Whereas: Such incidents include the racist “Little Red” mascot in the 1950’s, incidents of blackface in 2019, and usage of racial pejoratives by professors in 2020.
- Whereas: Substantive change and accountability must occur to facilitate an inclusive environment for all students of color on campus.
- Whereas: The Black Emergency Response Team led a well-publicized multi-day sit-in and hunger strike at Evans Hall with the goal of forcing the University of Oklahoma to take action against racism in the OU community.
- Whereas: The Black Emergency Response Team released a list of demands that the University must meet in order for the sit-in and hunger strike to end.
- Whereas: Lack of consequences in the face of blatant structural and explicit racism enables racist behavior and makes complicit those who stay silent.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE
STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING
THEREIN THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Black Emergency Response Team Support Resolution.”

Section 2: The Student Government Association supports and commends the efforts of the Black Emergency Response Team, as well as the administration, staff, faculty, and students who have given their support.

- Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- University of Oklahoma President Joseph Harroz
 - Provost Kyle Harper
 - Dr. David Surratt, Dean of Students
 - Dr. Belinda Higgs-Hyppolite
 - The Black Emergency Response Team
 - OU Daily
 - OU Nightly

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Hennessey Chism, International Studies Representative

Co-Authors(s): The Executive Committee of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Nate Buxton, Humanities Representative

Co-Sponsor(s): Emily Tucker, Humanities Representative

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
March 9th 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX
Month DD, YYYY

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-103-05
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution Recognizing the Importance
Women's History Month.

Whereas: On August 4th 1981 the 97th United States Congress jointly resolved in Public Law 97-28 to establish the week of March 7th, 1982 as Women's History Week.; and¹

Whereas: President Ronald Reagan issued Presidential Proclamation 4903 on February 26th 1982 which states; "*Now, Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week beginning March 7, 1982, as Women's History Week. Recognizing that the many contributions of American women have at times been overlooked in the annals of American history, I encourage all citizens to observe this important week by participating in appropriate ceremonies and activities planned by individuals, governmental agencies, and private institutions and associations throughout the country;*" and ²

Whereas: In 1987 the National Women's History Project successfully lobbied the 100th United States Congress to issue Public Law 100-9 on March 12th 1987 to declare the month of March Women's History Month; and ³

Whereas: President Ronald Reagan issued Presidential Proclamation 5619 on March 16th 1987 which states; "*Now, Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim March 1987 as Women's History Month. I call upon all Americans to mark this month with appropriate observances to honor the achievements of American women;*" and ⁴

¹ govinfo, § (1981). <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/STATUTE-95/pdf/STATUTE-95-Pg148.pdf>.

² "Proclamation 4903-Women's History Week, 1982." Proclamation 4903-Women's History Week, 1982 | The American Presidency Project, February 26, 1982. <https://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/documents/proclamation-4903-womens-history-week-1982>.

³ govinfo, (1987). <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/STATUTE-101/pdf/STATUTE-101-Pg99.pdf>.

⁴ "Proclamation 5619-Women's History Month, 1987." Proclamation 5619-Women's History Month, 1987 | The American Presidency Project, March 16, 1987.

<https://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/documents/proclamation-5619-womens-history-month-1987>.

- Whereas: Women of every race, class, and culture helped found the Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways as servants, slaves, nuns, homemakers, industrial workers, teachers, reformers, medical professionals, scientists, lawyers, politicians, soldiers, and pioneers; and ¹
- Whereas: Women serve in numerous positions throughout the Nation including service, leadership, STEM, philanthropy, and additional spaces. In doing so, women continue to push barriers and create new marks in American history; and
- Whereas: Women have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of our Nation's life by constituting a significant portion of the labor force; and ¹
- Whereas: Women have played a unique role throughout our history by providing the majority of the Nation's volunteer labor force and have been particularly important in the establishment of early charitable philanthropic and cultural institutions in the country; and ¹
- Whereas: Women of every race, class, and cultural background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement, not only to secure their own right of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor union movement, and the civil rights movement; and ¹
- Whereas: Despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued in the body of American history; and ¹
- Whereas: Women serve in numerous positions throughout the Nation including service, leadership, STEM, philanthropy, and additional spaces. In doing so, women continue to push barriers and create new marks in American history; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Women’s History Month Acknowledgement Resolution of 2020”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association acknowledges the historic work of women as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement, not only to secure their own right of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor union movement, and the civil rights movement
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association seeks to empower

women as leaders both on and off campus and ensure they have access to any and all resources necessary to succeed.

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

- Joeseph Harroz, Interim President of The University of Oklahoma
- Dr. Belinda Higgs Hypolite Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion for The University of Oklahoma
- Dr. David Surratt Vice President of Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- Quy Nguyen, Director of Student Life
- Erin Simpson, Director of the Gender and Equality Center
- Professor Elyssa Faison Interim Chair of Women’s and Gender

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Rebecca Yanez, Member of Executive Cabinet Diversity and Inclusion

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s):

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