

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session CIV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 1, 2020

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CB-104-09 Fall 2020 Special Election for CAC Chair Act of 2020 (ConAd, Hillis) (Do Pass)

CR-104-08 "Mask Up OU Resolution" (Upol, South) (Do Pass)

Follow-Up Reports

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Final Roll Call

Adjourn

Chair: Savannah Patterson

Vice-Chair: Malachi Bouch

Secretary: Emily Tucker

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIII
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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-09
SENATE BILL NO. CB-XXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Legislation
establishing a special election for the Spring 2020
CAC Chair election; suspending certain Code
Annotated provisions; providing temporary
election rules; providing for distribution;
providing short title; and providing an effective
date.

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

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Fall 2020 Special Election for CAC
Chair Act of 2020.”

Section 2: Purpose: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s (UOSGA) Superior
Court heard the case of Lee v. SGA Election Board (SC 2020-001) on April 29, 2020; the election
of the Campus Activities Council (CAC) Chair in the Spring 2020 General Election was
invalidated by the Spring 2020 General Election Validation Order on May 1, 2020; the UOSGA
General Council delivered an Opinion to Congressional Administration Chairman Foster Hillis
on August 16, 2020, regarding a special election for the CAC Chair position; and all Members of
the OUSGA are in an ongoing global pandemic and don’t have the same access to campus and
on campus resources as they might in a year’s past.

Section 3: An election for the Chair of the Campus Activities Council shall be established to occur on three
(3) academic weeks after the passing and signing of this bill. Voting for this election shall occur
exclusively over Engage.

Section 4: Only candidates that correctly filed and were listed on the ballot in the Spring 2020
General Election for the CAC Chair position may be candidates on the ballot. The
correctly filed candidates need not refile.

Section 5: This section shall allow the temporary nullification of the UOSGA Code Annotated § Title VI,
Chapter 1, Section 30 (“Spring General Election”), only for the purposes of conducting the
aforementioned special election. This shall cease to apply after the validation of the special election
by the UOSGA Superior Court.

Section 6: For the purposes of such an election the spending limit shall be two hundred dollars (\$ 200) per candidate on the ballot in addition to what each candidate claimed on their last campaign expense report filled during the Spring 2020 General Election.

Section 7: The Election Chair shall have authority to adjust the timelines in the Code Annotated for this special election in order to execute the election by the established dates in section three (3) of this resolution. They shall not have the power to forgo any provisions regarding the timelines of grievances or the appeal processes.

Section 8: For the purpose of this special election alone, “Unsolicited” in the UOSGA Code Annotated § Chapter VI, Chapter 3, Section 47, Subsection D, Paragraph IV, shall mean the following:
“Any unrequested electronic message sent through an OU -maintained service (e.g. OU email, Canvas, etc), for the purpose of explicitly requesting a vote or support.”

Section 9: This act shall be effective when passed when in accordance with the UOSGA Constitution.

Section 10: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Peyton Nees, Election Chair Appointee
- Matthew Smith, Interim Chair & Executive Vice Chair of CAC
- Lafonzo Spinger, SGA Member & Candidate for CAC Chair
- Louisa Lee, SGA Member & Candidate for CAC Chair

Author(s): Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Chair & University College Representative

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-104-08
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution encouraging the wear of face coverings to combat the COVID-19 pandemic; providing a short title; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The COVID-19 Pandemic has adversely affected life for students at the University of Oklahoma;
- Whereas: Research regarding the use of face masks in a community setting has shown them to be effective in preventing the spread of COVID-19;¹
- Whereas: CDC mitigation recommendations call for healthy hygiene practices such as washing hands frequently, avoiding close contact with other people, covering coughs and sneezes, wearing cloth face coverings, cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces, and monitoring personal health daily;²
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and the City of Norman have both implemented masking policies intended to mitigate community spread of the virus;³
- Whereas: OU Masking Policy requires fabric or disposable surgical style masks while inside university facilities, or while outside when unable to physically distance at six (6) feet;⁴
- Whereas: OU Masking Policy requires that masks cover both the nose and mouth, have no exhalation valve, and not be a bandana, scarf, neck gaiter, or buff;⁴

¹ D Sleator, R., Darby, S., Giltinan, A., & Smith, N. (2020). COVID-19: in the absence of vaccination - 'mask-the-nation'. *Future microbiology*, 10.2217/fmb-2020-0112. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.2217/fmb-2020-0112>

² How to Protect Yourself & Others. (2020, July 31). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

³ Norman City Council passes ordinance requiring facial coverings when in public. (2020, July 08). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.normanok.gov/news/norman-city-council-passes-ordinance-requiring-facial-coverings-when-public>

⁴ University Mandatory Masking Policy. (n.d.). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.ou.edu/coronavirus/masking-policy>

Whereas: It is plainly evident that large gatherings of people not observing health policies and guidelines have occurred in the City of Norman and on the campus of the University of Oklahoma;

Whereas: Large gatherings where people do not observe social distancing or masking recommendations and policies are counterproductive to mitigation efforts and pose an active threat to the safety of the OU community;⁵

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 “Mask Up OU Resolution.”

Section 2: Every member of the OU Community is encouraged in the strongest possible terms to follow guidance from the CDC, local laws of the City of Norman, and the policies of the University of Oklahoma.

Section 3: The University of Oklahoma is strongly encouraged to vigorously enforce COVID-19 Policies designed to protect the OU Community.

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

- President Joseph Harroz, Jr.
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly
- All OU Norman Campus Students

Author(s): Crispin South, University Policy Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

⁵ Considerations for Events and Gatherings. (2020, July 7). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/considerations-for-events-gatherings.html>