

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session CV

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 30, 2021
Physical Sciences Center Room 201
<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/4769500899?pwd=dC92V25oeUZRUldiYU9xelBvTHhUQT09>
Meeting ID: 476 950 0899
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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
- Congressional Administration:
- External Affairs:
- Human Diversity:
- Sustainability:
- University Policy:
- Ways and Means:

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

- Congressional Administration Presentation

Student Concerns

Old Business

CR-105- Fight On Norman High Resolution of 2021 (Beltz/Yanez)

Items to Be Considered

CR-105-15 Congressional Resolution congratulating Deb Haaland (Griffin) (EA, Do Pass)

CB-105-24 Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus) (ConAd, Do Pass)

CB-105-25 Orders of Business Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus) (ConAd, Do Pass)

CB-105-26 Bylaws Cleanup Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus/Raymundi Pinheiro/De Luna) (ConAd, Do Pass)

CB-105-27 Revising the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus/De Luna) (ConAd, Do Pass)

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments
Final Roll Call
Adjourn

Chair: Crispin South
Vice Chair: Alexis Marvin
Secretary: Emily Tucker

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV
March 23, 2021

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS21
March 28th, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-105-12
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS21-31

AS INTRODUCED

A resolution supporting the first amendment right to protest,
condemning racism by members of the news media,
and congratulating the Norman High Lady Tigers basketball team.

- Whereas: On Thursday, March 11th, as the national anthem played, the Norman High Lady Tigers took a knee during their Midwest City game to stand with victims of police brutality, to which sportscaster Matt Rowan responded by directing racial slurs and other expletives at the Norman High players; and¹
- Whereas: The Norman High Lady Tigers knelt as an act of protest against racism and social injustice as they had been all season; and²
- Whereas: The following day Rowan released a statement blaming his racist remarks on his blood sugar; and³
- Whereas: Eradicating racism in the news media is an ongoing battle that is being spearheaded by colleges of mass communication and media studies; and
- Whereas: It is the responsibility of journalists and broadcasters to hold each other and the institutions they represent accountable when derogatory, racist language is used; therefore

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

- Section 1: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Fight On Norman High Resolution of 2021”

¹https://www.normantranscript.com/sports/high_school_sports/high-school-basketball-announcer-directs-racial-slur-at-norman-high-players-blames-blood-sugar/article_7f75230e-834b-11eb-a524-d7f41ae6649e.html

²<https://www.cbsnews.com/video/norman-high-schools-girls-basketball-players-speak-out-against-racist-remarks-made-by-announcer/#x>

³<https://www.readfrontier.org/stories/announcer-who-made-racist-comments-during-basketball-game-says-he-had-spiking-blood-sugar-when-he-used-racial-slur/>

- Section 2: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association supports the Norman High girls’ basketball team’s evocation of their first amendment right to protest.
- Section 3: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association deeply condemns Matt Rowan’s racist remarks about the Norman High basketball team and recognizes that there is no excuse for racism — not even Type 1 Diabetes.
- Section 4: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association congratulates the Lady Tigers on their back-to-back state championship despite such adversity.⁴
- Section 5: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association calls on Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication to reaffirm and prioritize its commitment to fostering future generations of news media professionals who advocate on behalf of the marginalized and who will always speak up against bigotry if perpetuated by their colleagues.
- Section 6: Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to:
- NPS Superintendent Dr. Nick Migliorino
 - Norman High Girls Basketball Coach Frankie Parks
 - Dean Ed Kelley of Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication
 - The Gaylord Ambassadors
 - National Association for Black Journalists at OU
 - BERT
 - The OU Diversity and Inclusion Center
 - NFHS Network
 - OSPN Streaming Network
 - The OU Daily
 - The OU Nightly

Author(s): Representative Katie Beltz, Communications District
Associate Rebecca Yanez

Co-Sponsor(s): Tavana Farzaneh, OU Student Government Association President
Rafia Mallick, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Crispin South, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Rin Ferraro, Vice Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Alexis Marvin, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Lauren Patton, Ways and Means Committee Chair
Dayten Israel, Secretary of the Graduate Student Senate
Emily Tucker, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Jafet Alfaro Sandi, Business Representative
Taylor Broadbent, Humanities Representative
Maegan Bryant, Interpersonal Studies Representative
Zoe Douglas, Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences Representative
Susan Kerr, Life Sciences Representative
Aida Sertovic, Social Sciences Representative
Emiliano Perez, Associate

⁴<https://www.koco.com/article/norman-high-girls-basketball-team-wins-6a-state-title-days-after-announcer-makes-racist-comments/35829255#>

Senator Jason Alpert
Senator Diana Dawson
Senator Cooper Delafield
Senator Nathan Donahue
Senator Nico Faz
Senator Dani Glidewell
Senator Nafiseh Ghorbani Renani
Senator Emmanuel Hakizimana
Senator Shelley Hunter
Senator Rachel Jarvis
Senator Donovan Linsey
Senator Anthony Machette
Senator Jared Nabhan
Senator Chris Rocha
Senator Theo Rusmore
Senator Vardhan Satalkar
Senator Courtney Tennell
Senator Christine Tomte
Senator David Thomas
Senator Kristen Wheaton
Senator Devon Woods
Senator Alexis Woodward
Senator Bing Xu

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Broadbent seconded by Representative Poupore

Action taken by Congress: 33-0-0

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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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV

March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-105-15

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution congratulating Deb Haaland on her appointment as Secretary of the Interior; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: The Department of the Interior conserves and manages the Nation's natural resources and cultural heritage for the benefit and enjoyment of the American people, and honors the Nation's trust responsibilities or special commitments to American Indians, Alaska Natives, and affiliated island communities to help them prosper⁵; and

Whereas: Policies overseen by the United States Department of Interior have significantly affected Native American Tribes throughout history; and

Whereas: On March 15, 2021 the United States Senate confirmed Deb Haaland as Secretary of the Interior; and

Whereas: Deb Haaland is the first Native American to ever serve as a cabinet secretary;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Congratulations Deb Haaland Resolution"

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress congratulates Secretary Deb Haaland on her historic appointment and thanks her for her continued service to the United States.

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

- Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland

Author(s): Weslie Griffin, University College Representative

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

⁵ "About Interior." U.S. Department of the Interior. January 28, 2021. Accessed March 24, 2021. <https://www.doi.gov/about>.

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV

March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-24

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure adding the Undergraduate Student Congress Standing Rules of Order to the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws; 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 “Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act 2021”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to recognize the existing Standing Rules of Order to the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws.
- Section 3:** AMMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 9.1 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 9.1: LEGISLATIVE SESSION

5. STANDING RULES OF ORDER:

- a. Congress shall adopt Standing Rules of Order to govern procedure of the body
- b. The Congressional Administration Committee with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee shall revise the Standing Rules of Order to fit the needs of the body at the beginning of each even numbered session after Officer Elections
- c. During the revising of the Standing Rules of Order, the Congressional Administration Committee shall restrict all bills until the revised Standing Rules of Order are passed
- d. The Standing Rules of Order may be revised through a special revising period any time throughout a session as deemed necessary. The same procedures shall be used as in a regular revising process.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and at the beginning of the 106th Congressional Session.

Author(s): Abby Halsey-Kraus, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Chairman Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Committee; Natália Raymundi Pinheiro, Engineering District Representative; and Gema De Luna, Associate.

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV

March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-25

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure shall amend the Congress Bylaws to alter how the Order of Business is determined for General Meetings and Committee Meetings 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 “Orders of Business Act of 2021”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Congress Bylaws to allow presiding officers of standing committees to determine the order of business for meetings based off the needs of the committee.

Section 3: AMMENDATORY: Remove all text from Section University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 6.2. is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strike through~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~Section 6.2: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS~~

~~1. Orders of Business in the General Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order:~~

~~a. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~

~~b. Mission Statement~~

~~1. The Mission Statement shall be read, as found in the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws on page 4~~

~~e. Moment of Silence~~

~~1. The Moment of Silence shall be an opportunity for Congress members to reflect. The Moment of Silence shall last no less than ten (10) seconds and no more than one (1) minute.~~

~~d. Approval of the Minutes~~

~~1. These minutes shall contain the voting record of the respective meeting.~~

~~e. Officer Reports~~

~~1. Congress Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary~~

~~f. Committee Reports~~

~~1. Committee Chair or ranking member present~~

~~2. Must include recommendations on all legislation, and summary of any action taken by the committee since its last report and must be limited to the business of the respective committee.~~

~~3. Minority Reports~~

~~1. Should any two (2) members of any standing committee not concur with conclusive action taken on any business considered by the committee and said members submit a written and signed report to the Congress~~

~~Vice Chair before the general meeting in which they wish to present their report.~~

~~2. Minority reports are presented immediately following the respective committee report.~~

~~g. Liaison Reports~~

~~1. Must include a summary of meetings attended and other activity or business performed that reasonably pertains to the Undergraduate Student Congress since the last report.~~

~~2. Students need not be official liaisons for the purpose of relaying information to the Undergraduate Student Congress.~~

~~3. This report is not required if the above necessity does not exist.~~

~~h. Special Orders~~

~~1. Committee of the Whole is in order and shall be led by the Vice Chair as specified in the Bylaws.~~

~~2. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before Congress but within its purview.~~

~~3. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of Congress may be presented at this time.~~

~~4. Special elections within the body will also be held during Special Orders.~~

~~i. Student Concerns~~

~~1. Any student of the University of Oklahoma may freely address Congress with concerns about the university or any matter pertaining to students so long as they maintain decorum.~~

~~2. Remarks are limited to five (5) minutes to members of the SGA or Registered Student Organizations.~~

~~3. Time unused for remarks shall be yielded to questions.~~

~~4. Student concerns shall then be referred by the Chair to committee for further discussion.~~

~~j. Old Business~~

~~1. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the current session of Congress.~~

~~k. Items To Be Considered~~

~~1. All items having received a recommendation other than "Do Fail" through a committee of Congress and which has not been moved at a previous general meeting of the current session.~~

~~2. Items having been discharged from committee by a discharge petition.~~

~~l. Items for Future Agenda~~

~~1. To facilitate the adequate preparation of Congress, the author of a bill to be considered in the future is encouraged to read the title of the bill. This bill shall be assigned to a committee by the presiding officer.~~

~~m. Follow-up Reports~~

~~1. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed.~~

~~n. Announcements and Comments~~

~~1. All matters not addressed elsewhere in the Order of Business.~~

~~o. Final Roll Call~~

Section 4: AMMENDATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association's Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 6.2 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 6.2: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS

Orders of the Business in General Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order

Section 5: AMMENDATORY: Remove all text from University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.3 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~Section 7.3 ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS~~

~~Orders of Business in the Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order. Unless defined differently, definitions are the same as for General Meetings.~~

- ~~1. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~
- ~~2. Approval of the Minutes~~
- ~~3. Officer Reports~~
 - ~~a. Committee Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary~~
- ~~4. Special Orders~~
 - ~~a. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before the committee but within its purview.~~
 - ~~b. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of the committee may be presented at this time.~~
- ~~5. Old Business~~
 - ~~a. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the committee during the current session of Congress.~~
- ~~6. Items To Be Considered~~
 - ~~a. All legislative items assigned to the committee by the chair of Congress or by a motion to commit legislation to the committee during a general meeting.~~
- ~~7. Follow-up Reports~~
 - ~~a. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed.~~
- ~~8. Constituent Service Reports~~
- ~~9. Announcements and Comments~~
- ~~10. Final Roll Call and Adjournment~~

Section 6: AMMENDATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.3 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 7.3: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Orders of the Business in the Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order.

Section 7: AMMEDNATORY: Remove all text from University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.6.4. is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~4. ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE~~

~~Orders of Business in the Executive Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order. Unless defined differently, definitions are the same as for General Meetings:~~

- ~~a. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~
- ~~b. Approval of the Minutes~~
- ~~c. Reports~~
 - ~~i. Congress Chair, Congress Vice Chair, Congress Secretary, Congressional Administration Committee Chair, External Affairs Committee Chair, Human Diversity Committee Chair, Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee Chair, University Policy Committee Chair, and Ways and Means Committee Chair.~~
- ~~d. Special Orders~~
 - ~~i. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before the committee but within its purview~~
 - ~~ii. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of the committee may be presented at this time.~~
- ~~e. Old Business~~
 - ~~i. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the committee during the current session of Congress.~~
- ~~f. Items To Be Considered~~
 - ~~i. All legislative items assigned to the committee by the chair of Congress or by a motion to commit legislation to the committee during a general meeting.~~
- ~~g. Follow-up Reports~~
 - ~~i. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed~~
- ~~h. General Discussion~~
 - ~~i. Time allotted for members to discuss actions taken and considered during the business portion of the meeting~~
- ~~i. Adjourn~~

Section 8: AMMEDNATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association's Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.6.4. is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 7.6.4: ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Orders of Business in the Executive Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order

Section 9: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the "Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021" passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution

Author(s): Abby Halsey-Kraus, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Chairman Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Committee; and
Bailey Ownby, Vice Chair of the Congressional Administration.

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV
March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-26

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure to remove sections of the Congress Bylaws in accordance with the Standing Rules of Order; 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 “Bylaws Cleanup Act of 2021.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to remove certain sections of the Bylaws after revitalizing the Standing Rules of Order and creating a Code of Conduct.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws § Section 3. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 3: STANDING RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Section 3.1: DEFINITIONS

~~For the purpose of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress meetings, the following definitions shall be regarded as the official definitions for the following items:~~

- ~~1.— Amend: Inserting or deleting words or paragraphs or substituting whole paragraphs or resolutions.~~
- ~~2.— Appeal Decision of the Chair: Appeal for the assembly to decide must be made before other business is resumed. This is not debatable if the motion relates to decorum, violation of rules, or order of business.~~
- ~~3.— Commit to Committee: The Chair will state the committee to receive the act or resolution.~~
- ~~4.— Committee of the Whole: The assembly as a whole moves into a committee; this committee may limit number or length of speeches or close debate by other means by a 2/3 vote. Committee of the Whole is often used to see bills that may have been missed in committee but should, for some emergency or specific reason, be seen in that general meeting.~~
- ~~5.— Consent: A motion by the body to adopt a motion by unanimous consent. If an objection is heard by a voting member, consent is withdrawn. Consent shall be out of order for the final passage of legislation during general body meetings.~~
- ~~6.— Dilatory: Tactics used to delay or obstruct business, annoy the deliberative assembly, or delay consideration of a subject. Reasonableness is often used as a criterion deciding whether a motion is dilatory.~~
- ~~7.— Divide the Question: Divides a motion into two or more separate motions (these motions must be able to stand alone as motions).~~

8. ~~Long Title: Description of the legislation's purpose and effects. This may include things such as the short title, providing for an effective date.~~
9. ~~Main Motion: Brings the next item on the agenda before the assembly. Main motions are made while no other motion is pending.~~
10. ~~On information: Generally, a question to the chair which can be redirected to the appropriate person to answer.~~
11. ~~Orders of the Day: A call to adhere to the agenda (deviation from the agenda requires a suspension of the rules).~~
12. ~~Parliamentary Inquiry: Inquire as to the correct motion to accomplish a desired result or raise a point of order.~~
13. ~~Point of Order: Infraction of the rules, or improper decorum in speaking. Must be raised immediately after the error is made.~~
14. ~~Previous Question: Closes debate and moves directly into a roll call vote on the item being debated.~~
15. ~~Providing for codification: A mandatory clause within the long title that authorizes amendments to governing documents to be integrated into the document.~~
16. ~~Providing for distribution: A mandatory clause within the long title allowing for copies of resolutions and acts to be sent beyond the body.~~
17. ~~Providing for an effective date: A mandatory clause within the long title specifying the date at which an act shall be implemented.~~
18. ~~Providing for a short title: A mandatory clause within the long title authorizing a title by which an act shall be known.~~
19. ~~Scrivener's error: Mistake by preparer of a document that results in intent of the parties being thwarted.~~
20. ~~Short title: Formal name by which a piece of primary legislation may be cited.~~
21. ~~Suspend the Rules: Allows a violation of the assembly's own rules (except those guidelines found in the SGA Constitution); the motion must include the reason for the suspension.~~
22. ~~Postpone to a Certain Time: State the time the motion or agenda item will be next seen.~~
23. ~~Postpone Indefinitely: Ends discussion on the question/resolution for the remainder of the current legislative session.~~
24. ~~Lay on the Table: To take an agenda item off of the agenda until a motion to take it off the table has been passed. The legislation will be taken off the table exactly as it was laid on the table.~~

Section 3.2: SPEAKING PRIVILEGES AND RECOGNITION TO SPEAK

1. ~~The Presiding Officer must recognize all motions and speakers before they may speak. Anyone not recognized will be considered out of order. During questions to the author, it remains the Presiding Officer's duty to recognize members for questions and motions.~~
2. ~~The right of recognized speakers to be heard and of members to hear recognized speakers shall not be infringed without just cause. Members have the right and responsibility to rise to call for decorum if unable to hear recognized speakers. The presiding officer has the right and responsibility to effectively address the situation.~~
3. ~~Questions shall be limited to only one question at a time; all other questions pertaining to the initial question shall be postponed to follow-up questions. Follow-up questions shall be limited to two per speaker at the discretion of the presiding officer so long as there are other representatives or associates who are waiting to ask a question.~~

Section 3.3: SPECIFIC MOTIONS

1. ~~Motion to Adjourn~~
 - a. ~~The motion to adjourn is out of order when another has the floor. Only a voting member may move to adjourn.~~
 - b. ~~The presiding officer shall call for a reading of the titles of all bills remaining on the agenda that have yet to be acted upon by Congress. After the reading of these titles, Congress shall hold a roll call vote on adjournment, unless the motion is consented to.~~
 - c. ~~The motion to adjourn is not debatable.~~
 - d. ~~The motion requires a second, and a majority of representatives present and voting to pass.~~
2. ~~Motion to Vote on All Pending Questions~~
 - a. ~~This motion shall be out of order at all times.~~
3. ~~Motion to Enter into Executive Session~~
 - a. ~~The motion to enter executive session shall be in order only for elections, a no confidence vote, or impeachment as specified in the Bylaws and shall be consistent with the most current Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
 - b. ~~Representatives, Associates, and Student Affairs Staff shall be deemed as "Essential Personnel" and should be allowed speaking privileges unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. Speaking privileges to Associates shall be granted by the Chair without objection from any Representative.~~
 - c. ~~The motion to Suspend the Membership Privileges of Associates shall be in order for executive session during elections, no confidence votes, and impeachment as specified in section 3.3 subsection 5 and shall be consistent with the most current Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
4. ~~Motion to Suspend the Rules~~
 - a. ~~A Motion to Suspend the Rules shall only be in order for a specific purpose or instance and shall be used to suspend any of these Bylaws relating to business procedure.~~
 - b. ~~The motion requires a second and an affirmative vote by 2/3 of the total number of voting members, including those not present, to pass.~~
5. ~~Motion to Suspend the Membership Privileges of Associates~~
 - a. ~~A motion to suspend the membership privileges of Associates shall temporarily suspend all membership privileges of associates, including but not limited to motion making, voting on procedural questions, and automatic recognition to speak.~~
 - b. ~~A motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates shall take precedence over all other legislation, motions, business, speeches, or activity of Student Congress. This motion may be made at any time.~~
 - c. ~~The motion requires a second and shall pass upon a majority vote of all Representatives present and voting at a given general body meeting or committee meeting. Associates may not vote on the question during a committee meeting.~~
 - d. ~~Suspended membership privileges of associates shall be restored upon a majority vote of representatives present and voting at a general meeting or committee meeting.~~
 - e. ~~Unless a time is otherwise specified by the motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates or said privileges are restored by a later motion, said privileges shall be restored at the completion of the general meeting or committee meeting in which said motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates was made.~~

6. ~~Motion to Appeal the Ruling of the Chair~~
 - a. ~~A motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair shall reverse any decision the Presiding Officer may from time to time be required to make regarding the interpretation of an ambiguity or inconsistency in the rules governing Congress.~~
 - b. ~~Any Representative shall have the right to appeal the decision of the chair should they consider themselves, or the Congress, aggrieved by such a decision.~~
 - c. ~~The motion must be made at the time of the ruling.~~
 - d. ~~The Presiding Officer must recognize a motion to appeal the ruling of the chair~~
 - e. ~~The motion requires two seconds.~~
 - f. ~~The motion is non-debatable, save for one (1) minute to that member appealing to state the reasons for the appeal, and one (1) minute to the Chair to respond to the reasons as well as his or her reasons for making the ruling.~~
 - g. ~~The question on the passage of the motion shall be phrased by the Presiding Officer as "Shall the decision of the Chair be the decision of the body?". A positive vote by a majority of the members present and voting shall sustain the ruling of the Chair. A negative vote by a majority of the members present and voting shall overturn the ruling of the Chair. A tie shall sustain the ruling of the Chair.~~
7. ~~Motion to conduct a Special Vote of No Confidence in a Congress Officer~~
 - a. ~~Any Representative may move to conduct a special vote of no confidence during Special Orders in the following general body meeting.~~
 - b. ~~The motion requires a second, and a majority of Representatives present and voting may vote to pass it.~~
 - c. ~~If the motion passes, the Special Orders for the following general body meeting shall include the vote of no confidence in the specified Congress officer, as well as an Executive Session during the vote, in accordance with the most recent Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
 - d. ~~The Special Vote of No Confidence shall be conducted as elsewhere provided in these Bylaws.~~
8. ~~Motion to Enter into and Rise from Committee of the Whole~~
 - a. ~~If Committee of the Whole is listed on the agenda for Special Orders during a general body, a motion is necessary to enter into and rise from Committee of the Whole.~~
 - b. ~~Any Representative may move to enter into Committee of the Whole, and any voting member may move to rise from Committee of the Whole.~~
 - c. ~~The motions require a second, and shall pass with a simple majority vote.~~
 - d. ~~The motion is debatable only as to the desirability of entering into or rising from Committee of the Whole.~~
9. ~~Motion to Reconsider Legislation~~
 - a. ~~The purpose of reconsideration is to permit correction of a hasty, ill-advised, or erroneous action, or to take into account added information or a changed situation. The motion to reconsider for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, dilatory use or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - b. ~~This motion may only be made at the general meeting at which the original vote was taken or the immediately following general meeting.~~
 - c. ~~All representatives who voted on the prevailing side may make a motion to reconsider that is in order.~~

- ~~d.—The motion to reconsider is not debatable.~~
- ~~e.—A motion to reconsider requires a vote of a majority of representatives present and voting, regardless of the vote necessary to adopt the motion to be reconsidered.~~
- ~~10. Motion to Commit Legislation to Committee~~
 - ~~a.—The purpose of the motion to commit legislation to committee is to send a pending piece of legislation to a committee so that said legislation may be carefully investigated and put into better condition for Student Congress to consider. The motion to commit for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, dilatory use or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - ~~b.—The motion to commit legislation to committee is debatable only as to the desirability of committing the legislation and to the appropriate details of the motion to commit.~~
 - ~~c.—The motion to commit requires a second and a vote of a majority of representatives voting and present.~~

~~Section 3.4: CONDUCT DURING VOTING~~

- ~~1.—While a vote is in progress and until the completion of a vote and the announcement of the result, no member shall be recognized, and no other business shall be transacted.~~
- ~~2.—No member or other person shall visit or remain by the Secretary's desk while a vote is in progress.~~
- ~~3.—No member may vote for another member, nor may any person cast a vote for a member. A member who votes for another member may be punished in a manner the Congress determines.~~
- ~~4.—Any members making disruptive exclamations during a roll call vote shall be declared out of order and shall be punished at the discretion of the Congress Chair. The only acceptable answers are yes, no, or abstain.~~
- ~~5.—No voting member of Congress shall be barred from voting.~~

~~Section 3.5: MEMBERS AND DECORUM~~

- ~~1.—The Chair shall preserve order and decorum in the Congress and shall prevent the impugning of the motive of any member during debate.~~
- ~~2.—Speakers shall confine remarks to the purpose for which they are recognized to speak, and speeches in debate shall be confined to the question under consideration.~~
- ~~3.—Any and all distracting electronic devices shall be on silent and/or vibrating mode so as not to disturb the proceedings of the Congress while it is in session and while committees are in session. Electronic devices shall include but not be limited to cellular, digital, mobile phones, and wireless; pagers; hand-held video games; and video and audio players and recorders. In case of an emergency, arrangements may be made with the Chair.~~
- ~~4.—Profane, obscene, and indecent language is prohibited in the Congress and in all standing or special committees of the Congress. Blatant and intentional violations of this rule may result in reprimand and suspension of speaking privileges.~~
- ~~5.—The presiding officer may refuse to recognize a member or other individual employing profanity, under the influence of liquor or illegal substances, or otherwise failing to observe decorum.~~

~~6.—Any member who, while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any other substance, appears in Congress or any committee of Congress shall be in contempt and subject to reprimand, suspension, or expulsion.~~

Section 4: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 6.3. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~**Section 6.3: PROCEDURES FOR GENERAL MEETINGS**~~

- ~~1.—QUORUM. Quorum shall be a majority of representatives currently elected or appointed to Student Congress, excluding the Student Congress Chair
 - ~~a.—If at any time during a meeting, a question shall be raised by any member as to the presence of a quorum, the Presiding Officer shall, without debate, forthwith direct the secretary to determine the presence or absence of a quorum, and shall announce the result.~~
 - ~~b.—Whenever it is ascertained that a quorum is not present, the members present may, by motion adopted by a majority of those voting, direct the Vice-Chair to contact absent members and request their presence.~~
 - ~~c.—Until a quorum is present, only debate and procedural motions may be conducted. Main motions are out of order.~~~~
- ~~2.—VOTING. No voting procedure other than a roll call vote is in order on final passage of a main motion or amendment. At the discretion of the presiding officer, a hand vote may be held on procedural questions. On such questions, a roll call vote shall be held at the request of any representative.~~
- ~~3.—CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION. Legislation shall be considered in Old Business, Items to be Considered, or the Committee of the Whole.~~
- ~~4.—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - ~~a.—Student Congress may move into Committee of the Whole to give recommendations to legislation. Said recommendations and their effect shall be identical to those of standing committees. The motion to move into Committee of the Whole for any other purpose, including, but not limited to dilatory use, circumvention of actions made by standing committees, or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - ~~b.—A motion to enter Committee of the Whole is necessary in accordance with Section 3.3.8 of these bylaws.~~
 - ~~c.—The Student Congress Vice-Chair shall be the presiding officer of the Committee of the Whole.~~
 - ~~d.—A motion to close Committee of the Whole is necessary in accordance with Section 3.3.8 of these bylaws.~~~~

Section 5: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 7.5. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~**Section 7.5: PROCEDURES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING**~~

- ~~1.—QUORUM. For the sole purposes of committee meetings, quorum shall be defined as the number of individuals required for a committee to do official business as follows:~~

- a. ~~Quorum shall be set equal to a majority of all representatives appointed to the committee.~~
- b. ~~Individuals counting towards quorum shall be any and all voting members of the committee.~~
- 2. ~~MEETING TIMES. Committees shall hold regularly scheduled meetings at least once a week on a day that falls between regularly scheduled General meetings. Committee meetings shall not occur on Sundays after 6pm, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays before 12pm except for emergency purposes as determined by the Chair of Congress. Committees shall schedule meetings that are accessible and at a reasonable time for most students and members. The Ways & Means Committee shall be exempt from this section during both the primary and subsidiary budgetary processes.~~
- 3. ~~ABSENCES. The Chair of each Committee shall supply the Congress Secretary with a list of any members who failed to attend a Committee meeting.~~
- 4. ~~EXCUSALS. If a member cannot attend a Committee meeting, the member may submit a written request for an excusal to his or her Committee Chair.~~
- 5. ~~RECOMMENDATIONS. Following the consideration of legislation, a committee wishing to make conclusive action on said legislation shall upon majority vote make a motion of recommendation to Student Congress, as discussed elsewhere in these Bylaws.~~

Section 6: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 8.5. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a striketrough. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 8.5: DEBATE

- 1. ~~Debate is in line following the Author's explanation and questioning. Any representative can call for debate in the general meetings, and all members can call for debate in committee meetings.~~
 - 1. ~~No member shall have the right to object to debate, as no member should lose the right to speak, except as a punishment for lack of decorum.~~
- 2. ~~Associates and Representatives, as defined in the Bylaws, may participate in all debate in general meetings and committee meetings.~~
- 3. ~~Any member participating in debate shall refrain from partisan statements during this previous time and shall be out of order and as penalty will forfeit any remaining time to the opposing side if this rule is violated.~~
- 4. ~~Those wishing to be recognized to debate shall indicate whether they wish to speak for or against the measure. Debate shall, whenever possible, alternate between opponents and proponents of the measure.~~
- 5. ~~All speakers recognized in debate are limited to two (2) minutes. There shall be no limits on time for debate or number of speakers, except with a suspension of the rules.~~
- 6. ~~A member who has the floor may yield at any time to any member at their own discretion, on their own terms or waive their time entirely under the guidelines of the Presiding Officer.~~
- 7. ~~A motion for previous question can be heard during debate. Previous Question requires a 2/3 vote of all members present and shall move the body directly into the author's summation.~~
- 8. ~~Speeches in debate shall be confined to the question under consideration.~~

- ~~9. Hostile amendments are in order only during debate, unless accepted as friendly amendments during questions to the author. Amendments shall be considered by the following procedure:~~
- ~~a. The hostile amendment is submitted in writing to the secretary prior to debate on the amendment in question.~~
 - ~~b. A recognized speaker moves the hostile amendment to the floor to be debated. Once seconded without objection, solely the merits of the addition of this hostile amendment are in question and shall be considered.~~
 - ~~c. The secretary reads the hostile amendment.~~
 - ~~d. Three (3) minutes shall be granted for amendment author's explanation.~~
 - ~~e. Following amendment author's explanation, five (5) minutes shall be granted for those present and recognized to ask questions to the author of the amendment.~~
 - ~~f. Debate on the amendment shall follow the same debate procedure outlined above in Sections A-G, except that it shall not exceed ten (10) minutes, unless the rules are suspended.~~
 - ~~g. Following debate, three (3) minutes shall be granted for the amendment author's summation.~~
 - ~~h. A roll call vote shall be held on the amendment following a final reading by the secretary. The chair shall remind the body that the roll call vote will determine whether or not the amendment is to be adopted and will not determine the passage of the bill as a whole.~~
 - ~~i. After the roll call vote determining the adoption of a hostile amendment, debate on the piece of legislation as a whole will be in line, and shall follow the procedure outlined above in Sections A-G.~~
 - ~~j. An author's summation of three (3) minutes shall be granted after a successful motion of Previous Question and is only in line following debate.~~

Section 7: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the "Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021" passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution

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AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure to include a requirement in the Congressional Administration Responsibilities 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 “Revising the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to clarify the specific roles of the Congressional Administration Committee and Executive Committee regarding the revising the of the Undergraduate Student Congress Standing Rules of Order.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws § Section 7.1.A is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

a. COMMITTEE PURPOSE: The Congressional Administration Committee shall address matters concerning the internal affairs of the Student Congress and the SGA, including all proposed changes to the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws, the SGA Code Annotated, and the SGA Constitution. It shall strive to make the Student Congress more effective in fulfilling its role within the SGA. In the fall of even-numbered years, it shall be responsible for reapportioning the seats within the Student Congress, pursuant to the SGA Constitution. The Congressional Administration Committee shall be responsible for filling vacant Representative seats and appointing Associates through the processes outlined within these bylaws. The Congressional Administration Committee shall, also, be responsible for revising the Standing Rules of Order with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee at the beginning of each even numbered session.

Section 4: AMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws § Section 7.6 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of Student Congress and the chairs of the standing committees. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to excuse absences and to make recommendations on legislation. The Executive Committee shall assist the Student Congress Chair in planning and coordinating the business of Student Congress. The Executive Committee shall, also, advice and consent of the revised Standing Rules of

Order passed by the Congressional Administration Committee at the beginning of each even numbered session.

Section 5: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the “Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021” passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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