# THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XC

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 1, 2013 Adams Hall 150

#### **Session XC**

Roll Call -Flag Salute Approval of Minutes Chair's Report-Vice Chair's Report-Secretary's Report-Committee Reports-

- AA
- CA
- EA
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Liaison Reports

**Special Orders** 

-Ernest Ezeugo (10 minutes)

**Student Concerns** 

-Andrew Carlough (2 minutes)

**Old Business** 

Items to Be Considered

900307 A Resolution Concerning Student Activity Fee Spending (Pascoe) (Do Pass – Exec)

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

**Announcements and Comments** 

Final Roll Call

Chair: John Montgomery Vice-Chair: Kristin Pascoe Secretary: Lauren Aragon

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### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC October 1, 2013

#### CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 900307

#### AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution expressing the disapproval of the Student Body towards the use of Student Activity Fees for the Sooner Heritage Scholarship; and providing distribution

Whereas: Every single student at the University of Oklahoma pays a Student Activity Fee; and

Whereas: Each year, 2% of the Student Activity Fee goes to the Student Activity Fee Reserve Account;

and

Whereas: "The Student Activity Fee is that portion of the University's budget which is set aside to be

utilized for nonacademic programs and services for students"; and

Whereas: The stated purpose of this Student Activity Fee Reserve Account is to fund "student

activities which have substantial campus-wide effects"; and

Whereas: The highest expense in the past five years was a \$99,860 expenditure in 2010 to add more

treadmills in the Huston Huffman Fitness Center; and

Whereas: The Student Activity Fee Reserve Committee voted to reallocate \$500,000 from the Student

Activity Reserve Account to the Sooner Heritage Scholarship to benefit a maximum of 1,000

students; and

Whereas: The Sooner Heritage Scholarship is only for "middle-income students whose families don't

qualify for federal assistance but still need a helping hand with college expenses. Sooner Heritage also helps families who have more than one child attending college"; and

Whereas: The Sooner Heritage Scholarship requires applicants to be enrolled in at least six hours to

qualify; and

Whereas: This reallocation directly conflicts with the use of the Student Activity Fee Reserve to

provide "substantial campus-wide effects"; and

Whereas: The majority of constituents have not been asked their opinion on the use of the Student

Activity Fee Reserve Fund for scholarships; and

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

**Section 1:** The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress does not condone the use of

the Student Activity Fee Reserve Account funds for scholarships without the express

consent of the student body.

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress does not condone raising the Student Activity Fee to support scholarships since it is against the original purpose of the Student Activity Fee. Section 3: Copies of this resolution will be sent to: David Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students Brynn Daves, Director for Student Affairs Operations and Student Programs Susan Sasso, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs George Ahmadi, Assistant Director for Student Programs and SGA Adviser Linda Patison, Director of Financial Services Ernest Ezuego, President of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Madeline Grunewald, Vice President of the Student Government Association Sam Kiehl, Chairman of Campus Activities Counsel Jerry Overton, Chairman of Graduate Student Senate KatieBeth Gardner, Public Relations Chair for the Campus Activities Council Colby Brown, Representative in the Undergraduate Student Congress Jacob Vidourek, Senator in Graduate Student Senate Thomas Owens, Treasurer for the Campus Activities Council Patrick McSweeney, Director of Exterior for the Executive Branch Aspen Real, member of the Department of the Exterior in the Executive Branch Rachel Montgomery, reporter from the OU Daily Alyssa Loveless, a Senator in Graduate Student Senate The Oklahoma Daily Authors: Kristin Pascoe, Vice Chair, Student Congress Andrew Carlough, Chair, Student Congress Congressional Administration Committee Co-Sponsor: Ozair Naqvi, Chair, Student Congress Ways and Means Committee Mitchell Bryant, Chair, Student Congress External Affairs Committee Lindsey Weiss, Chair, Student Congress Academic Affairs Committee Submitted on a motion by: Action taken by Congress: Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_