# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XC

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 22, 2013 Adams Hall 150

Session XC

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Final Roll Call

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

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC 22 October 2013

# CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 900309

## AS INTRODUCED

|                     |   | ation authorizing a survey of the student body on behalf<br>graduate Student Congress; providing for specific questions;<br>and providing for distribution. |  |  |
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| Whereas:            | It is the duty of the Undergraduate Student Congress to represent the views of the students of the University of Oklahoma; and,   |   |  |  |
| Whereas:            | The Undergraduate Student Congress represents said students to both the University and local, state, and federal governments on issues that affect them; and,                                   |   |  |  |
| Whereas:            | To effectively fulfill our duty to represent the students, it is necessary to understand their views on issues being decided both at the University and at the local, state, and federal level. |   |  |  |
| NOW, THERE<br>THAT: | FORE, BE IT   | RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  |  |  |
| Section 1:          | The External Affairs committee shall attempt to survey the student body to find their opinions on issues affecting them.  |   |  |  |
| Section 2:          | The questions in said survey shall read as follows unless the External Affairs chair determines changes are necessary to ensure the survey's success:   |   |  |  |
|                     | Demographics:   |   |  |  |
|                     | Please enter the last four digits of your Student Identification Number:  |   |  |  |
|                     | What is your age?   |   |  |  |
|                     | Are you a full-time student?  |   |  |  |
|                     | 1)  | Yes   |  |  |
|                     | 2)<br>999)  | No<br>DK/Refuse   |  |  |
|                     | I am a:   |   |  |  |
|                     | 1)  | Freshman  |  |  |
|                     | 2)  | Sophomore   |  |  |
|                     | 3)  | Junior  |  |  |
|                     | 4)  | Senior  |  |  |
|                     | 5)  | Graduate Student  |  |  |
|                     | 6)<br>999)  | Other<br>DK/Refuse  |  |  |
|                     | Please list your major(s):  |   |  |  |
|                     |   |   |  |  |

I identify as a(n):

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- 1) Democrat
- 2) Independent
- 3) Republican
- 4) Other (please specify)
- 999) DK/Refuse

On social issues, I identify myself as:

- 1) Liberal
- 2) Liberal-leaning Moderate
- 3) Moderate
- 4) Conservative-leaning Moderate
- 5) Conservative
- 999) DK/Refuse

On fiscal issues, I identify myself as:

- 1) Liberal
- 2) Liberal-leaning Moderate
- 3) Moderate
- 4) Conservative-leaning Moderate
- 5) Conservative
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### Academics and Attendance Costs

I am receiving a high-quality education at OU:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

The general education requirements at OU are beneficial to my education:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

OU is adequately preparing me for my career:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

My tuition & fees are:

- 1) Far too high
- 2) Too high
- 3) Neither too high nor too low
- 4) Too low
- 5) Far too low
- 999) DK/Refuse

I support the decision to move to a flat-rate tuition system:

- 1) Far too high
- 2) Too high
- 3) Neither too high nor too low
- 4) Too low

- 5) Far too low
- 999) DK/Refuse

I would support higher fees in order to provide scholarships to more students:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### University Life

Are you a working student? If so, how many hours per week do you work (on average)?

- 1) Yes, I work 1-10 hours per week
- 2) Yes, I work 11-20 hours per week
- 3) Yes, I work 21-30 hours per week
- 4) Yes, I work 31+ hours per week
- 5) I am not currently working, but am looking for work
- 6) I am not currently working and am not looking for work
- 999) DK/Refuse

How many campus organizations are you a part of? \_\_\_\_\_

On average, how much time per week do you devote to homework? \_\_\_\_\_

On average, how much time per week do you devote to campus organizations?

I am aware of the Student Government Association and its role on campus:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### I feel that I am well represented by the Student Government Association:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### State of Oklahoma

#### [IF FROM OKLAHOMA] High School adequately prepared me for college:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 888) I did not attend high school in Oklahoma
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### I support building storm shelters in public schools using public funds:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree

- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Oklahoma spends an adequate amount of money on common (K-12) education:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Oklahoma spends an adequate amount of money on higher education:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Income tax rates in the State of Oklahoma are:

- 1) Far too high
- 2) Too high
- 3) Neither too high nor too low
- 4) Too low
- 5) Far too low
- 999) DK/Refuse

The State of Oklahoma passed a proposal cutting the tax rate for the top tax bracket (those making over \$8,700 per year) from 5.25% to 5%, with the possibility of another cut to 4.85%. Do you agree with this decision?

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

I would support an increase in the State of Oklahoma's income tax rates to fund more state programs/agencies and/or fund existing programs/agencies at higher levels:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

I would support an increase in the State of Oklahoma's income tax rates to fund common education (K-12) and higher education at higher levels:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

I feel I am well represented in the government of the State of Oklahoma:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### Federal Government

The amount of money the Federal government spends each year is:

- 1) Far too high
- 2) Too high
- 3) Neither too high nor too low
- 4) Too low
- 5) Far too low
- 999) DK/Refuse

Federal income tax rates are:

- 1) Far too high
- 2) Too high
- 3) Neither too high nor too low
- 4) Too low
- 5) Far too low
- 999) DK/Refuse

I support the Affordable Care Act ("Obamacare"):

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Sequestration is an appropriate way to cut federal spending:

- 6) Strongly Agree
- 7) Agree
- 8) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 9) Disagree
- 10) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Not raising the debt ceiling is an appropriate way to curtail federal spending:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

In order to address its fiscal issues, the federal government should:

- 1) Raise taxes
- 2) Cut spending
- 3) Both raise taxes and cut spending
- 999) DK/Refuse

The government shutdown was an appropriate measure to attempt to oppose the Affordable Care Act ("Obamacare"):

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

The partisan polarization and gridlock at the federal level are detrimental to the future of the United States:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree

- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

I feel that I am well represented in the Federal government:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### **Specific Issues:**

Gun Control:

Carrying concealed weapons on campus should be legal:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

Openly carrying weapons on campus should be legal:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### I support a law requiring background checks prior to purchasing firearms:

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

I support a law banning "assault weapons":

- 1) Strongly Agree
- 2) Agree
- 3) Neither Agree nor Disagree
- 4) Disagree
- 5) Strongly Disagree
- 999) DK/Refuse

#### Policy concerning firearms should be determined at the:

- 1) Federal level
- 2) State level
- 3) Local level
- 999) DK/Refuse
- Section 3: Copies of this resolution shall be sent to: Undergraduate Student Congress External Affairs Committee

Author(s): Mitchell Bryant, External Affairs Committee Chair

Co-Author(s): External Affairs Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action Taken by Congress

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC October 22, 2013

# CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 900313

# <u>As Introduced</u> An act of procedure Expelling Members of Congressional Session 90 for excessive absences; providing for a short title; stating purpose; and providing an effective date.

- **Section 1:** Title. This act shall be known as an act expelling some Representatives.
- **Section 2:** Purpose. The purpose of this act shall be to expel members for excessive absences. Because Morgan Anderson and Ukemeobong Anthony have accrued excessive unexcused absences and have failed to petition the Executive Committee for an attendance waiver, the memberships of the aforementioned are pending expulsion.
- **Section 3:** In accordance with the Section 3.3 subsection 2 of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws, "Upon accruing a fourth absence, the Student Congress Secretary shall prepare an act of procedure to expel any member or committee officer who has accrued excessive unexcused absences."

Expulsion. Mitchell Holliman and Sonya Narula

**Section 4:** This act is hereby enacted.

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution

Author: Lauren Aragon, Secretary of Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

Verified by Chair of Student Congress:\_\_\_\_\_Date:\_\_\_\_\_

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC October 22, 2013

# GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-13 October X, 2013

## CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 900314 SENATE BILL NO. GF13-XX

### AS INTRODUCED

An act amending the SGA Code Annotated to enact Administrative contingency account constraints; providing for codification; providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date

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

- Section 1: TITLE. This amendment shall be cited and known as the Contingency Fund Act of 2013
- **Section 2:** PURPOSE. To amend the SGACA to enact contingency account restraints on administrative student organization
- **Section 3:** Title XII, Chapter 2 of the SGACA shall be amended to read as follows:

### Title XII – Finance Chapter 2 – Financial Responsibilities

#### 6. Release of Funds

The signed approvals of the individuals listed are required for the release of funds from the accounts indicated:

| Account Name                     | Authorization to Sign              |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| SGA Undergraduate Student        | Chair, Student Congress            |
| Congress                         |                                    |
| Housing Center Student           | President, Housing Center Student  |
| Association                      | Association                        |
| SGA Appropriations               | Act of Legislation                 |
| SGA Executive Branch             | SGA President                      |
| SGA Executive Branch             | SGA President and                  |
| Contingency Fund                 | SGA Vice-President                 |
| SGA General Operations           | SGA President                      |
| SGA Special Projects Bureau Line | SGA President and                  |
| Item                             | Chair, Student Congress and        |
|                                  | Chair, Graduate Student Senate and |

|   | Chair, Congress Ways & Means and Chair, Senate Ways & Means |
|---|---|
| Student Bar Association   | President, Student Bar Association                          |
| Campus Activities Council   | Chair, Campus Activities Council                            |
| SGA Advertising & Publications  | SGA President   |
| Soff Havertising & Fublications   | Chair, Student Congress                                     |
|   | Chair, Graduate Student Senate                              |
| SGA Greek Affairs   | President, Panhellenic or                                   |
| Soft Glock Filluns  | President, Interfraternity Council or                       |
|   | President, Multicultural Greek Council or                   |
|   | President, National Panhellenic                             |
| SGA Budget Process  | Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee                              |
| SGA Graduate Student Senate   | Chair, Graduate Student Senate                              |
| Grants  |   |
| SGA Graduate Student Senate   | Chair, Graduate Student Senate                              |
| Grants Contingency  |   |
| <b>e</b> .  | Chair, Graduate Student Senate and                          |
|   |   |
| SGA Graduate Student Senate   | -   |
| SGA Undergraduate Student   |   |
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| SGA Elections   | <b>.</b>  |
| SGA Salaries & Stipends   |   |
| SGA Judicial Affairs  | SGA General Counsel   |
|   | Chief Justice, SGA Superior Court                           |
| SGA Graduate Student Senate<br>Contingency Fund<br>SGA Graduate Student Senate<br><u>SGA Undergraduate Student</u><br>Congress Contingency Fund<br>SGA Elections<br>SGA Salaries & Stipends |   |

All other groups, agencies, or organizations shall have, as the person(s) designated financially responsible, those listed on the signature card with the SGA Accounting office. These include, but are not limited to, the President, Vice-President, Secretary, or Treasurer.<sup>1</sup>

# 8. Reversion of Funds

At the end of each fiscal year, all unspent SGA funds in every SGA account appropriated for that year shall revert to the SGA Appropriations Account, and any remaining appropriations shall be cancelled. Unspent money appropriated to SGA Accounts named SGA Executive Branch Contingency Fund, SGA General Operations, SGA Subsidiary, SGA Budget Process, SGA Graduate Student Senate Contingency Fund, SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Contingency Fund, SGA Election, SGA Advertising, SGA Special Projects, and SGA Graduate Student Senate Grants Contingency Fund shall not revert to the SGA Appropriations Account, but shall remain in each respective account. All remaining funds in the following SGA Accounts shall be transferred to the appropriate contingency accounts: SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Congressional Development shall be transferred to SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Contingency Fund; SGA Executive Branch shall be transferred to SGA Executive Branch President's Contingency Fund; SGA Graduate Student Senate shall be transferred to SGA Graduate Student Senate Contingency Fund; SGA Graduate Student Senate Grants shall be transferred to SGA Graduate Student<sup>2</sup>Senate Grants Contingency; General Counsel shall be transferred to General Counsel Contingency Fund. The SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Contingency Fund, SGA Executive Branch Contingency Fund, SGA Graduate Student Senate Contingency Fund, and

<u>SGA Graduate Student Senate Grants Contingency Fund each shall never have a balance</u> <u>exceeding (\$8,000) eight thousand dollars. Any funds in excess of this amount shall revert to the</u> <u>SGA Appropriations account.</u> Any remaining funds in SGA Account named Campus Activities Council shall revert to the SGA Appropriations Account unless it is requested by the CAC Chair and approved by the Chair of the SGA Budgetary Committee that the balance of said account not be reverted but instead remain in SGA Account named Campus Activities Council.<sup>3</sup>

**Section 4:** This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, immediately following passage.

- Author(s): Representative Taylor Petersen, Business District
- Co-Author(s): Representative Andrew Carlough, Business District Representative Ozair Naqvi, Chair of SGA Budget
- Co-Sponsor(s): Representative John Montgomery, Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress SGA Budgetary Committee

| Verified by Chair of Congress | Date: |
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| Verified by Chair of Senate   | Date: |
| Approved by SGA President:    | Date: |

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC October 22, 2013

# GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-13 October X, 2013

## CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 900315 SENATE BILL NO. GF13-XX

### AS INTRODUCED

An act amending the SGA Code Annotated to prohibit the spending of student fees on University of Oklahoma parking permits; providing for codification; providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date

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

- Section 1: TITLE. This amendment shall be cited and known as the Parking Funding Act of 2013
- **Section 2:** PURPOSE. To amend the SGACA to prohibit the use of student fees on University of Oklahoma sanctioned parking permits.
- Section 3: Title XII, Chapter 2, Section 5 of the SGACA shall be amended to read as follows:

### **Chapter 2 – Financial Responsibilities**

# 5. Definitions

### c. Non-Allowable Items

The following expenditures may not be made with SGA funds, and shall be considered Misuse of Funds (**Note:** this list is not intended to be restrictive):

- i. Scholarships
- ii. The purchase of tickets for Sooner Scandals, University Sing, or any donations to charitable causes or activities
- iii. Endorsement of political candidates or causes (i.e. campus, local, state, national, or worldwide).
- iv. Travel, except with prior approval of the SGA Budgetary Committee.
- v. Lodging, except with prior approval of the SGA Budgetary Committee
- vi. Telephone expenditures for rental, installation, or long distance service, except with prior approval of the SGA Budgetary Committee.
- vii. Plants, flowers (including artificial), centerpieces or greenery.
- viii. Gifts, cards, prizes, gift certificates, personal items of any nature, including Tshirts, mugs, lamps, personal pad holders, personal folio planners, personal calendars or organizers, day planners, pen/pencil sets, appliances, give-aways, specialty items, plaques, trophies, awards, certificates, monetary awards, or membership pins for any organization, etc.

| ix. | Clothing of any kind, including costumes, athletic uniforms, shoes, etc.           |
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|     | However, rental of costume, clothing or regalia for multicultural or international |
|     | events is permissible.   |

- x. Alcoholic beverages or medications.
- xi. Knives, guns, firearms, ammunition, and any components thereof.
- xii. All University of Oklahoma sanctioned parking permits
- xiii. Reimbursement for postage charges which were not processed through O.U. Central Mail Service.
- xiv. Holiday decorations of any kind (Christmas, Easter, Patriotic, etc.).
- xv. <sup>4</sup>Any expenditure, by any student organization, of SGA funds for purpose or uses prohibited by the Regents Policy Statement of December 1992.
- xvi. Requests for Salaries and Stipends not in accordance with Title XIII, Chapter 5 of this Code and the most current Salaries and Stipends Act.<sup>5</sup>

Section 4: This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGACA, July 1st 2014.

Author(s): Representative Taylor Petersen, Business District

Co-Author(s): Representative Ozair Naqvi, Chair of SGA Budget Representative Brock Shetley, Vice Chair of SGA Budget

Co-Sponsor(s): Representative John Montgomery, Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress

| Verified by Chair of Congress | Date: |
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| Verified by Chair of Senate   | Date: |
| Approved by SGA President:    | Date: |

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XC October 22, 2013

# GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-13

### CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 900704 SENATE BILL NO. GXXX-XX

## AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2013-2014 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 "Emergency Allocation #4" Act of 2013.
- **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:

| Name of<br>Organization        | Total<br>Allocation | P/E/A    | Capital<br>Investments | Office and<br>General<br>Expenses |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Women's<br>Ultimate<br>Frisbee | \$350.00            | \$350.00 | \$0.00                 | \$0.00                            |

**Section 4:** All guidelines and provisions in the Comprehensive SGA Financial Responsibilities Act shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 2, 2014

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 2, 2014, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Ozair Naqvi, Chair of SGA Budget

Co-Author (s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:

| Action taken by Student Congress:      |       |
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| Verified by Chair of Student Congress: | Date: |
| Submitted on a motion by:              |       |
| Action taken by Senate:                |       |
| Verified by Chair of Senate:           | Date: |
| Approved by SGA President:             | Date: |