

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCIII

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 3, 2015
Devon Hall 120

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Vice Chair's Report-

Secretary's Report-

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930302 A Resolution Requesting Emergency Protocols on the OU Website (Sample) (Do Pass-P&P)

930303 A Resolution Requesting an Impeachment Inquiry (Echols/Bourland) (No Rec-ConAd)

930304 A Resolution Censuring the SGA President (Cramm/Sample) (No Rec-ConAd)

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Chair: Lauren Aragon
Vice-Chair: Connor Bourland
Secretary: Emily Sample

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS-15

February 8, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930102
SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act amending Title VII of the SGACA, providing for a short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Campaign Reform Act”

Section 2: The purpose of this act is to update the campaign spending limits.

Section 3: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII Chapter 3 the SGACA:

c. Campaign Spending

i. There shall be an upper limit placed on all campaign spending. The spending limit shall be established at ~~\$2000~~ **\$500** for each SGA Presidential, CAC Chair, HCSA Presidential, and SBA Presidential ticket, and **\$250** for each Student Congress Representative candidate.

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

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Co-Author(s): Alex Byron, Vice President of the Student Government Association
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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930103
SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act amending Title IX of the SGACA, providing for a short title; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Department of Diversity Act of 2015”

Section 2: The purpose of this act is to update the Department of Special Communities title and responsibilities within the SGA Executive Branch

Section 3: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title III Chapter 9 the SGACA:

Title III – The Executive

Chapter 9 – The Department of ~~Special Communities~~ Diversity

50. Purpose

The Department of ~~Special Communities~~ Diversity shall provide assistance, services, and advocacy within the SGA executive branch for underrepresented students on campus. The Department shall address issues that affect international students, students with disabilities, as well as gender and sexual minority issues and multicultural issues. This list is not intended to be restrictive, and more offices may be appointed within the Department at the discretion of the President.

51. Director

There shall be a Director of ~~Special Communities~~ Diversity, responsible for executing the provisions of this act, overseeing and coordinating the Offices in the Department, and managing and ensuring the execution of the Departmental Purpose.

52. Office of International Students

a. Purpose

The office of International Students shall ~~communicate and interact with the International Student Services Office, International Advisory Committee and International Students to ensure that SGA is addressing their concerns.~~

b. Coordinator

The Coordinator of Exchange Programs shall be responsible for ~~managing and ensuring the execution of the purpose of the Office of International Students~~

53. Other Offices

The President shall ~~appoint other offices to advocate for underrepresented groups at OU. These offices shall coordinate with appropriate student organizations and university offices to ensure that SGA is addressing the concerns of each community.~~

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

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930302

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting distribution of emergency protocols by building on the OU website; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma strives to create a safe environment; and
- Whereas: Emergencies can occur with little warning; and as such time is critical during an emergency; and
- Whereas: Students and faculty cycle through buildings and therefore may be unaware of the protocols for the building they are in; and
- Whereas: Knowing and having access to safety protocol information can provide peace of mind for students and parents;

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

Section 1: The Emergency Preparedness team at the University of Oklahoma shall add to their webpage on the OU website the emergency protocols for each building listed by building. These protocols would provide information in the event of fires, severe weather, earthquakes, hostile situations, and any other events the Emergency Preparedness team deems appropriate.

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Lisa Teel, Emergency Preparedness Manager
- OU Daily

Authors: Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author: Jacqueline Barbee, former Business District Representative
Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930303

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting the initiation of the impeachment process; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Congressional Bill No. 6903XX.2 states that “impeachment is the formal accusation issued by a legislature against a public official charged with crime or other serious misconduct,” and

Whereas: Kunal Naik is the Student Government Association President; and

Whereas: On December 27th 2014, while underage, President Naik was arrested on Public Intoxication charges in the city of Norman; and

Whereas: Title I Chapter 6 Section 24 of the Code Annotated states the SGA president must “to the best of [their] ability, preserve, protect, and uphold the Constitution of the Student Government Association;” and

Whereas: Article IV Section 5 of the constitution states: “The Student President shall represent the SGA on all official occasions.”

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

Section 1: The Congressional Administration committee shall begin the process of an Impeachment Inquiry in accordance with The Impeachment Act set forth in Congressional Bill 6903XX.2 on the grounds that President Naik:

- A) Was arrested for Public Intoxication while serving as SGA President
- B) Was underage at the time of his arrest while serving as SGA President
- C) Has provided a negative representation to the office of President and SGA as a whole

Section 2: Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to:
David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
Clarke Stroud, Vice President of Student Affairs of the University of Oklahoma
Kunal Naik, Student Government Association President
Alex Byron, Student Government Association Vice President
The Oklaboma Daily
OU Nightly

Authors: Ryan Echols, Fine Arts District Representative
Connor R. Bourland, Student Congress Vice Chair

Co-Author: Timothy Crisp, Humanities District Representative

Co-Sponsor: Daniel Pae, Chair of Academic Affairs
Robert Bellafiore, University College District Representative
Trevor Watts, Social Science District Representative
Carl Berry, Architecture District Representative
Conor Park, Business District Representative

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930304

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution delivering a formal admonition to SGA President Kunal Naik for his inappropriate actions over the Winter Break; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Student Government Association President Kunal Naik was arrested for Public Intoxication on the December 27th, 2014; and
- Whereas: There is no evidence that Naik has violated the capacities of his office, nor has he abused the powers of his office; and
- Whereas: Due to the lack of this evidence, this would be an impeachment without grounds; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma student body when polled by the *OU Daily* expressed that the majority opinion was entirely his business and secondly that a statement of censure would seem more appropriate than impeachment; and
- Whereas: The Undergraduate Student Congress does not support the actions of Kunal Naik during Winter Break and does not believe it is appropriate behavior from an elected official;

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

Section 1: The Undergraduate Student Congress does censure and condemn the actions of Kunal Naik that resulted in his arrest and brought into question the actions of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association and the integrity of all elected representatives.

Section 2: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David L. Boren, University of Oklahoma President
- Clarke Stroud, Director of Student Affairs
- SGA President Kunal Naik
- SGA Vice President Alex Byron
- *OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*

Authors: Matthew Cramm, Ways and Means Committee Chair
Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Sponsor: Carrie Pavlowsky, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Hunter Brunwald, Vice Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Chelsea Brown, Problems and Projects Committee Chair
Emery Skelton, Public Relations Committee Chair
Eihab Khan, Business District Representative
Kaylee Rains, Associate Member of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Luis Molina, Humanities District Representative
Cooper Delafield, Associate Member of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Dylan Droege, Academic Affairs District Representative
Bryan Kirby, Academic Affairs District Representative
Patrick Searcey, Engineering District Representative
Tave Wise, Associate Member of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Morgan Benjamin, Social Sciences District Representative
Garett Hueffed, District Representative
Nathan Thompson, Associate Member of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Alyssa Witt, Communications District Representative
Travis Alford, Life Sciences District Representative

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930401

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution responding to HB 1598; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: House Bill 1598 would allow parents to obtain conversion therapy for those under 18 for “unwanted sexual attraction” without state interference; and
- Whereas: Conversion therapy, or sexual orientation change efforts (SOCE) include any practices by mental health providers seeking to change an individual’s sexual orientation or gender identity; and
- Whereas: A 2009 report from the American Psychological Association found that conversion therapy techniques can include inducing nausea, vomiting or paralysis while showing the patient homoerotic images; providing electric shocks; using shame to create aversion to same-sex interactions; orgasmic reconditioning; and satiation therapy; and
- Whereas: There has been no proof that conversion therapy is effective. The American Academy of Pediatrics has stated: “Therapy directed at specifically changing sexual orientation is contraindicated, since it can provoke guilt and anxiety while having little or no potential for achieving changes in orientation;” and
- Whereas: California, New Jersey, and Washington D.C. have approved laws banning conversion therapy due to the harmful effects on children; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

- Section 1:** The student body of the University of Oklahoma opposes Oklahoma House Bill 1598, as it violates the human right to choose one’s own therapy.
- Section 2:** Additionally, we believe it to violate the intent and integrity of multiple sections of Oklahoma Statute 43a, regarding Mental Health Statutes, particularly infringing upon the rights of minors.
- Section 3: Hence, we urge the Oklahoma State Legislature not to consider HB1598.
- Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Representative Sally Kern

- Representative Pam Peterson
- Representative John Paul Jordan
- Representative Jason Nelson
- Representative Tom Newell
- Representative Pat Ownbey
- Representative Ben Sherrer
- Representative George Young
- Representative Mike Ritze
- Representative Elise Hall
- Representative Doug Cox
- Representative David Derby
- Representative Jon Echols
- Representative William Fourkiller
- Representative Claudia Griffith
- Representative Jeannie McDaniel
- Representative Glen Mulready
- Representative Sean Roberts
- Representative Bennett
- *OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*
- KOCO News Station
- *Tulsa World* Newspaper

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930701
SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act appointing SGA Directors; providing for codification; providing for short title; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** TITLE. This act shall be known and may be cited as the “SGA Directors Appointment Act.”
- Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the directors of Executive committees so that they may officially serve in the positions that they have been selected for.
- Section 3:** In accordance with Title III, chapter 1, section 5, subsection a of the SGACA, “The President shall appoint Directors with the advice and consent of the Legislative branch,” the following students shall be appointed as Directors to their respective departments:
 Department of Communications: Tori Looney
 Department of Development: Michael Lutter
 Department of the Exterior: Aspen Real
 Department of the Interior: Kendall Burchard
 Department of the Special Communities: Bert Bailey
 Department of Student Organizations: Tyler Smith

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

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