#### THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session C

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 2, 2018 Devon Hall 120

Session C

Roll Call – 7:02pm Flag Salute Associate Peoples Approval of Minutes

## Representative Blank seconded by Representative Mohamoud

Chair's Report – I have a few things to remind you about. Filing opened yesterday and it is open until 5:00pm on Thursday. If you were appointed in the fall or ran for your seat last fall, you must run in this new election. Encourage all of your friends and the people that you're in clubs with to file for elections as well. If you are a liaison, please encourage the club that you're a liaison for to run as well. This is an important time of year for us, so we want to get as many candidates as possible to get a great body of members. The elections are October 30th and 31st. This week is the Hooked On OUr Safety Week for the OU/TX Game in Dallas. We have seen statistical increases in sexual assault in the cities of Austin, Norman, and Dallas during these times, so we want to make more students aware of that. I encourage you all to follow the It's On Us social media to make sure that we are spreading the awareness about this campaign and these resources. We have two weeks until the deadline to register to vote in Oklahoma. Until then, External Affairs is going to be doing a lot of events and partnering with other groups and make sure as many people vote as possible. These events will count as Constituent Service; which Richard will talk about.

Vice Chair's Report – Shoutout to the External Affairs Committee for running the first voter registration table. They broke our record for voter registration in just one day! Thanks to all who volunteered. If you want to be a liaison, come talk to me and make sure you reach out to your organizations and their members. If any of you are having problems with parliamentary procedure, I can help you out. No embarrassment, I know it's hard. Talk to me if you need help!

Secretary's Report – Hey everyone! Thank you all who completed all of your attendance requirements for September! Let's keep that up for October as well. Again, everyone has to complete a constituent service hour and an office hour for the month. This is associates and representatives! Constituent service can be completed by speaking to a class or another organization about Congress or by working at one of our events this month. These events are fun to work at and a fantastic way to interact with your constituents. My recommendation is to get these out of the way as soon as possible during the month. Write yourselves reminders right now to come in sometime this week and do your office hour. Sign up for the first event that we have and get it done. These are very small requirements on a monthly basis, but they ensure that you are active within our body and on campus. Representatives, you need to go to all committee and general body meetings, and you've been very good about that. Associates, you must go to all committee meetings and one

general body meeting. You were good about this in September, but it means that I see you on an irregular basis during the month, so make sure you are paying attention to emails, staying up to date in committees, and maybe coming around more often than you're required to ②. Again, let me know if you are having attendance problems and I will happily work with you on them.

### Committee Reports-

- O Communications: I finally have assistants and we had our first meeting on Sunday. My assistants are: Caroline Sparks, Josh Peoples, Sabrina Vivar, and Gabi Thompson. Caroline will be working on events, Sabrina will be taking on social media, Josh will be doing the newsletter, and Gabi is doing content creation and merchandise. We are most likely going to have an election promotional event before the election's opening day. It won't get students to vote necessarily, but it will let them know that an election is coming up. Sabrina is excited to start on social media, and we'll be promoting filing soon on our profiles.
- O Congressional Administration: We saw three bills today and they all got a recommendation of no recommendation. We saw three candidates for appointment to Superior Court: Bailey Betz, Dylan Shirallie, and Zach Williams. The names on the Election Board appointment bill are already on there for you to see. Polling locations for elections were edited and it will be seen on the floor. On redistricting, Dan, myself, Malachi, and Tom have been working on that. We'll present that next week to ConAd, but it will go into effect after elections. We'll also be working on the Code cheat sheets, so that new members can become more familiar with it.
- External Affairs: This week we reassigned state guides to people, so those will be out soon. We are starting tabling for voter registration on Monday and Thursday this week. At Big XII there was an idea for a golf cart PR event for voting, so we saw a bill about funding that out of the Congressional Initiative Funding. We'll be tabling Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next week, and we'll want a lot of people to volunteer for that from all of Congress. We also have students who are going to speak at classes that have 200+ students in them. Lastly, we saw a bill about the importance of voter registration that we gave a recommendation of do pass.
- O Human Diversity: We are going to be working on the LGBTQ+ Ally training, reviewing the Campus Climate Board information package, diverse faculty retention, and accessibility on campus. Sephra has been working within the College of Architecture about the diverse faculty retention. Elaina is working on menstrual hygiene product issues on campus. She is looking into how we will tackle the issue and who to work with to get the supplies and locations. She is also working on the Campus Climate Board information package. Adam is working on a diversity packet for Congress.
- Problems and Projects: We had a light walk last week with John Hiltonen and myself, which was a success! We did north of Lindsey, mostly. We also found a stretch of lights out by the Union fountain, which we'll be contacting Facilities Management about. Last week, Karla and I got the joint housing committee up and going with Josh Peoples and Kiran Hajat as the P&P members. Kiran is meeting with the housing center people, and they are getting reports together for next week. Problems, Projects, and Puppies is being worked on by Caroline Sparks. Shannah is looking into the Lindsey/Elm intersection traffic. We're looking to see what we can do about recalibrating light cycles, or at the least putting a no right on red sign. I'll be working to PR the suggestion box, and I'll also be meeting with Parking Services to plan Turn up for Transit. I've mentioned before that Parking Services was really open to the idea of parking fees being paid off by donating food to the OU Food Pantry.
- O Sustainability: We met with Sarah Ballew, a sustainability officer at OU. She talked about what she does here and how we can help her with her projects. Sarah Hobson will meet with Curt and Sam next week regarding green funding for RSOs, and how we could work to incentive using green materials. We've done lots of bothering the athletics department about recycling in the stadium and the stadium lighting. This is the week Matt Bray may go in-person to talk to someone there. We are also going to tour the recycling facility at OU in 2 weeks. Also, we're trying to get sustainability survey questions together. Lastly, we have an event on the 24th for making t-shirt bags, which is headed by Gina. We'll have a day of making the bags before, and they'll be out on the 24th, with people also able to make their own bags on the day of the event.

- O University Policy: Our housing committee people are Tyler Driskill and Uzeir Hodzić. We have research updates going on currently, and Tom gave a "how to write a bill" presentation in committee. Hopefully we will be writing some of our bills soon. Also, the food donation project is now going to get registered with the food recovery network, most likely.
- Ways and Means: We saw two bills this weekend. Auxiliary Allocation 5 which funded 12 organizations and the Congressional Initiatives Act which we will see tonight.

# **Liaison Reports**

Bouch: HCSA has been reporting that the Crimson Cruisers are not working, so a lot of people are having trouble using the Crimson Cruisers around campus.

Chair: I'll have Problems and Projects look into that.

Rojas: The International Bazaar by the IAC is on the South Oval from 10:00am to 4:00pm. Also, the Peruvian Student Association is putting on a movie about terrorism in Peru and the Shining Path movement. This is an intense film with an introduction by a film professor. Afterwards, we will be debating with free popcorn and soda. It's on October 16th at the Blackbox Theater in Cross Neighborhood.

DeAngeli: Green Week is a weeklong event full of different ways to make the campus more sustainable. Applications close on Friday. If you're interested, please apply!

Hobson: Alliance of Southeast Asian Nations will also be at the International Bazaar. It's 10:00am – 4:00pm on Thursday.

# **Special Orders**

## **Student Concerns**

Swearengin: Regarding the Crimson Cruisers, they have been constantly marked as reserved even if there is no reservation being made.

Thompson: I've had bikes where they say that the bike is reserved but then I use my passcode again and it works.

Chair: I'll refer that to Problems and Projects.

#### **Old Business**

#### Items to Be Considered

AB-100-07 Auxiliary Allocation 5 Act of 2018-2019 (Quick) (WAM → rec of do pass)

## Representative Quick seconded by Representative Bell

Quick: We spent about \$9,000 dollars this week and funded 15 organizations.

Manuel: Did you deny any organizations?

Quick: Yes, Jurrasic Journeyers were rejected due to the lack of clarity about what they were going to spend their money on.

Williams: Did Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature request only \$80?

Quick: No

Williams: How much did they request?

Quick: \$800

Begovic: Is the Indian Student Association a scrivener's error?

Quick: No

Swearengin: You said that around \$76,000 remains in the account. What was our standing to this time last year?

Quick: I don't know, but I will get back to you on that

Williams: Why did you not fund OIL?

Quick: They received a large amount of money in primary funding, and we didn't feel that they had standing for such a large auxiliary request.

# Motion to go to a roll call vote

Representative Thompson seconded by Representative Schneider

Passed by a roll call vote of 35-0-0

# AB-100-08 Congressional Initiative Funding Bill (Cassidy/Blank) (WAM → rec of do pass) (EA → rec of do pass)

## Representative Williams seconded by Representative Mohamoud

Cassidy: This is our first congressional initiative funding bill of the year. In Congress, we have a congressional initiative fund for us to use whenever we have small projects come up which need funding. We have the power to use this fund whenever necessary, so whenever we need just a little bit of money to do something like this, we can use this fund. In the past, we've used this fund to buy the blue books and scantrons that we give out for free in the Conoco. The only thing that we needed to be able to fix the lack of these materials was to spend a little money, so that's what we did. For the voter registration drives, we want to be able to rent a golf cart and dress up as famous politicians to get other students to vote. With the polling booths, we only reach a certain amount of students, but this way we can go wherever we want.

Swearengin: The Voter Registration deadline is next Friday. Will this take effect in time?

Cassidy: Yes. There are several events planned for the next few weeks, and we are coordinating our efforts to make this successful.

Williams: How much do the blue books cost when we request initiative funding?

Cassidy: Last year I believe it was around \$250.

McClintic: If there are four people able to sit in the golf cart, and someone from Congress wanted to, could there be some way to select an additional person to add to the golf cart?

Cassidy: I would defer to the External Affairs Committee on that as they have been doing an excellent job engaging students.

Blank: I think that's a great Idea. I think to be eligible to do this you need to be working for at least an hour on the tables.

Patton: What will the costumes be?

Cassidy: We're thinking that Vice President Hardin will be George Washington, I'll be Abraham Lincoln, and President Shurbaji wants to be John Fitzgerald Kennedy. If anyone else wants to be on the golf cart, be creative. Susan B. Anthony anyone?

# Motion to go to a roll call vote Representative Felkner seconded by Representative Thompson Passed by a roll call vote of 33-0-0

# <u>CB-100-18 Election Board Appointments Act of 2018 (Williams/Pavlowsky/Shurbaji) (ConAd → rec of no rec)</u>

# Representative Williams seconded by Representative Kuketz

Swearengin: These are my candidates for the Election Board. There are four names on the bill, but two of the individuals have withdrawn. Andrew Daniel and Kayla Ward no longer wish to be considered. I have spoken to General Counsel, and the Code Annotated stipulates that you must have three(3) or five(5) members on the Board. I am not considered to be one of the members of the Board. That is the working opinion of the General Counsel. That would put us out of line with the Code Annotated. General Counsel has said that they would be okay with this being passed in an emergency situation. I will let the candidates talk about themselves.

Baker: I'm a Political Science senior here. I presently serve as the Secretary of the Libertarian Party of Oklahoma. I have a lot of experience with elections on the state level.

# Motion to extend time for author's explanation by three minutes Representative Blank seconded by Representative Powers

Baker: Voter engagement is very important to me, so this position is something I am excited about. Takyar: I am specially qualified for this because I have a great understanding of Title VI and I have a lot of good ideas from my past experiences.

Swearengin: If you pass this bill today, it will be adopted. We will leave the names on the legislation for now, and then I will accept their official resignations. Afterwards, we will accept new applications and we will appoint the correct amount of people.

Bouch: How many people applied to be on the Election Board?

Swearengin: We had 13 applicants. 9 were disqualified. 7 freshmen were invalidated from serving on the Board because of their hours status. We also had two people disqualified from being on the board because they also served on Parking Appeals and they would hold simultaneous high offices. I would invite some of you to change this rule, as it seems unnecessary.

Bouch: What is the Election Board policy on fliers on cars or bikes?

Baker: Fliers are not allowed on cars and bikes of others, but I am unclear on personal vehicles.

Takyar: Currently it is unclear to me whether it is allowed or is not allowed.

Williams: We are able to appoint additional members to the Election Board in the future, so will you be writing legislation to do that?

Swearengin: We have to do that, so we will have to do that in the near future. You may add one or three more. This is up to the Executive Branch.

Bouch: Can it not be a four-person board?

Swearengin: No, it must be three or five and that is not my decision. This is stipulated in the Code Annotated. The Election Board Chair serves the purpose of tiebreaking a tied vote in the case of a member being absent. I am working with the General Counsel on this and potentially changing these rules in the future so that we don't run into these problems. There is a list of things that the two of us have issues with that we will leave it up to you to determine whether to change or not.

# Passed by unanimous consent

<u>CB-100-19 The Second SGA Superior Court Appointment Act of 2018 (Williams/Shurbaji) (ConAd → recof no rec)</u>

Motion to table bill for one week

Representative Quick seconded by Representative Blank

# <u>CB-100-23 Polling Location Act of Fall 2018 (Swearengin) (ConAd → rec of no rec)</u>

# Representative Begović seconded by Representative Biškup

Swearengin: This is the polling locations bill that we do every semester when we do elections. Graduate Student Senate tabled this bill because they had some objections to the bill. I made these objections clear to the Congressional Administration Committee and we passed this revised version of the bill. GSS wanted a research campus location. They felt that the locations I originally had would be too expensive. I don't agree that it would be good to have a polling location on the research campus because I think that the logistics would be bad. Congressional Administration suggested the Campus Depot location which often has more people than just undergraduates. I would have to figure out what a polling location there would look like. You are welcome to offer amendments to this bill if you think there are better locations. Something the Chair and I considered was to remove Campus Depot or some other location and leave a blank space and let GSS decide where they want that location to be. GSS has indicated that they would oppose a bill without the research campus location.

Bouch: Would the Couch Restaurant location be in the Caf or in Couch Tower?

Swearengin: This would be in the Caf right next to the reception desk.

Quick: What is the Campus Depot?

Swearengin: This is what CART calls the location where the busses stop outside the football stadium.

Blank: Historically, have there ever been polling locations for graduate students on South Campus? Swearengin: That would be new, and it's something that GSS said that they want. It used to be just the

Bookmark, IT Store, and Dale Hall, but I've increased the number of locations.

Begović: Do you have backup locations because these are outdoors?

Swearengin: No, we do not. I have the discretion to relocate them in the cases of weather, so that shouldn't be an issue.

Kuketz: Do Dale Hall and Couch Restaurants seem too close together since they are both near the freshmen part of campus?

Swearengin: No, I think more people than freshmen use Dale and that area. So we are catering to freshmen but also not just freshmen. As for Couch, I think this is a great location as the primary dining source for freshmen.

Thompson: What elections do graduate students vote in?

Swearengin: Presidential and Vice Presidential elections as well as the IFC elections. GSS do not have an electoral process for their senators.

Begović: Is the part of South Oval that has polling locations close enough to the rest of South Oval that the candidates couldn't campaign there?

Swearengin: I am going to be applying the 50-foot rule accordingly. I will use a tape measure and mark those banned areas out.

Blank: How does working at the polling locations work?

Swearengin: If you are an individual, it is \$20 for the whole day. For RSO's it is \$100 per day. This is a way that RSO's try to make some money for their organizations.

Powers: Are you worried that this expansion will result in a lack of people to work at them?

Swearengin: That is a concern. I don't think that RSO's will turn down an opportunity to make money for these opportunities. GSS was concerned about the amount of money being spent on this, so I don't want to go beyond five organizations working and the four booths.

Bouch: Which of the polling locations would you prefer the least.

Swearengin: If I had to remove one it would be Dale. Because of the other locations that we have, I don't think it would be the end of the world. I would also be open to someone submitting a hostile amendment to remove Campus Depot and leave it blank.

Rojas: When do the applications for these RSO's running the booths open and what are the requirements? Swearengin: I haven't thought about that yet because I haven't had time to look over that. George may know the answer.

Kasra: Sign up and show up. That's it as far as I know.

Swearengin: I will create some type of OrgSync form for this.

Rojas: Would you consider the Physical Sciences Center as a location?

Swearengin: I did not, but you are welcome to submit a hostile amendment.

Nadolski: What would happen if this bill didn't pass our chamber or GSS?

Swearengin: Bad things would happen. We would have to create new legislation and potentially lose the ability to make the reservations for the spaces.

Blank: Are you aware that on Monday there was a voter registration drive and there was great access to the student body at the Dale Hall location.

Swearengin: I am now. I am open to the suggestions of the body as to what we strike or do not strike Blank: Why a hostile amendment and not a friendly amendment?

Swearengin: I am a member of the judiciary, and I do not want to give opinions about my own legislation. I want to make sure that the body gets to decide on these things and that you can all voice your opinions.

Rojas: Would you accept a friendly adding the Physical Sciences Center polling location?

Swearengin: No, submit it as a hostile.

OI Blank: Are hostile amendments done in time for questions?

Chair: No, they get submitted and then discussed during debate.

Bouch: Are the graduate students aware that they can vote online?

Swearengin: I educated them about this. You can vote from 9:00am-9:00pm at elections.ou.edu.

Begović: How to you plan on promoting these applications to RSO's and what will they need to know? Swearengin: I would want to make sure that there are at least two people there to ensure Voter Security. I would leave it up to the RSO's how to coordinate their workers, but if individuals want to do this, they must coordinate with me.

Begović: How exactly do you plan on promoting these applications?

Swearengin: I will probably coordinate with the Communications Chair of Congress and the Communications Department in the Executive Branch to make sure that we take care of that.

Schneider: The Couch Restaurants polling location is inside the Caf? So, they have to use a meal swipe to vote?

Swearengin: I guess that's true. This would be the first time that the Election Board would have a booth here, but you are welcome to propose a hostile amendment to change this.

Begović: Have you had more votes from the polling locations or from online voters?

Swearengin: I have no data about voting in the past. I don't believe there has been a record kept in the past. It's something that GSS brought up, and it's something I want to change. I want to see who is voting in those places and a separate list for those who stop to inquire about the elections. These inquiries still serve the purpose of educating people about elections. It remains to be seen about what polling locations work the best, but this is the situation that we're in. As representatives of the student body, I leave it to you where the polling locations would work best.

#### **Debate**

Representative Felkner

# Motion to consider Representative Felkner's Hostile Amendment Representative Felkner seconded by Representative Del Rio

Felkner: My job is to represent my colleagues in the College of Engineering. My constituents don't leave the Engineering Quad often. We have struggled in the past engaging Engineering students in the past, so we want to be sure that we have a location there. This location gets you engagement from Engineering students as well as Earth and Energy students. We're also talking about graduate student voting and this building has graduate student offices all over the place. This would be a good way to get the North Campus graduate students involved in the election process as well. Most engineers don't leave the Engineering Quad, and we want to engage engineers and Earth and Energy and graduate students.

Rojas: The point of this is to engage the two schools, so what would be the ideal locations at Devon Hall? Felkner: We chose the Devon Atrium because it's the biggest communal space that people pass through on the Engineering Quad. I think Devon Hall is a better location than Sarkeys because people have to pass Devon to get to Sarkeys, whereas the reverse is not true.

Del Rio: There are also some freshmen classes here which would engage freshmen.

Hobson: Isn't the Union sufficiently close to the Engineering Quad?

Felkner: No. Those upperclassmen who go to these buildings park behind Sarkeys, eat at Campus Corner, and never go south of Felgar Hall. We want to engage people who don't spend time in the Bizz and the Union.

Bouch: The Election Board's resources are already stretched. Would Engineering students be willing to work the locations?

Felkner: Yes, Paulina and I are very involved in Engineering organizations, and we have connections to those communities, and they will have no problem working these polls.

Thompson: Do you think this targeting of specific groups of students is a good use of our resources as opposed to targeting high-traffic areas?

Felkner: I would say that this area is very high-traffic. There are always students around who would be able to vote in these areas. I think something like the Caf is group-targeting, and I don't think that this would be any different. As for people knowing about online voting, I think that this reminds people about the opportunity to vote.

Del Rio: There are also a lot of non-Engineering classes which would make this not targeted only at engineers Felkner: There are also foreign language classes in Carson and Sarkeys.

Swearengin: Do you have an estimate of the number of students that would be directly impacted?

Motion to extend time for questions to the end of the list and close the list Representative Rojas seconded by Representative Quick Felkner: We assume roughly 4,750 upperclassmen engineers, about two-thirds not having classes in the area at the times, maybe 200-300 students would be impacted.

Cassidy: Do you want a sixth polling place, or were you looking to remove another location?

Felkner: I wanted to add a sixth. I think it is better used than other polling locations, but the intent was to add one.

# Passed by a roll call vote of 33-2-0

# Motion to see Representative Blank's Hostile Amendment Representative Blank seconded by Representative Williams

Blank: I believe that this location doubles up on locations. With this new engineering location, I don't think we need six polling locations. My intent was to leave a blank for GSS, but I would be fine removing the section as well. I know that when I get on and off the bus, I'm not looking to do much else at Campus Depot.

Thompson: I suggested this location in committee because I rode the Lloyd Noble Center CART when I didn't have a car, and there is typically a long line which gathers on this location. Are you aware of this? Blank: My experience is that the line is so crowded that you would have to make it away from the line. I also know that people get anxious about leaving line and losing their spot.

Begović: GSS has complained about their students not having a polling location, and the Election Chair indicated that this was the closest thing to helping graduate students. Do you think that they are losing a spot here?

Blank: As far as I knew, this was not an ideal spot for GSS, and I am leaving it blank for them to pick a better spot.

Bouch: If we did put a booth somewhere else for graduate students, would this stretch the Election Board even more?

Motion to extend time for questions to the end of the list and close the list Representative Kuketz seconded by Representative Rojas Objection Representative McClintic

## Motion Passes by a hand vote 18-15

Blank: I have heard that the Election Board is very stretched, but I am not sure that we can answer that question until they send out the applications for working the locations.

Schneider: This location can also get people walking from the Residential Colleges, so how would you address the voters in those locations?

Blank: That's a good point. In an ideal world, we have locations everywhere. My main point was to give GSS a way to add their own location. Every student from the Residential Colleges may not go that way, so my hope would be that through online voting and they could be able to vote. I am also not sure that a ton of students live in the Residential Colleges currently. It was my opinion that this would be the least effective of the group, so it made sense to remove this location and leave it open to GSS.

Thompson: Is the author aware that we've only had 2-3 locations in the past, and this would be a huge leap in the number of locations?

Blank: Yes

Bouch: Is the author aware that Election Board members have to travel between the locations and that a distant location would be more difficult?

Blank: Yes, but I think that the Election Board should be staffed enough to accommodate graduate students even if they are distant.

Del Rio: Would you have any other suggestions for where graduate students frequent on campus that could replace those locations?

Blank: I would rather leave that open to the graduate students and GSS.

Motion to go to a roll call vote Objection Secretary Holt Passed by vote of acclamation

Passed by a roll call vote of 32-2-1

# Motion to see Representative Rojas's Hostile Amendment Representative Rojas seconded by Representative Del Rio

Rojas: The Physical Sciences Center is an enormous place where almost everyone has classes and where even graduate students go. This is a location which is not close to any of the other locations and is a midpoint between several frequented locations. We want to be able to get the freshmen which use the Blender as well. Blank: Compared to the location in the Bookmark, this feels close. How do you justify this?

Rojas: The majority of students go to their class in the Blender and they immediately leave. They don't enter the library.

Blank: We added a new booth at the Engineering Quad, and we've heard there will be people to staff these. What groups will staff this new booth?

Rojas: I don't know of any that are near the Blender, but I know of many organizations who would be willing to work.

Felkner: I know that there isn't a ton of space in the lobby of the Physical Sciences Center, where would this go?

OI Chair: Are there restrictions about being inside of academic buildings?

Swearengin: This just pends approval of proper authorities. I cannot guarantee locations at any of these places.

Rojas: I've thought about two places. The first would be the very large outdoor ramp. The second would be where the tables are at the flat surface of the ramp.

Bouch: How do you expect the Election Board to manage these locations?

Rojas: There is always Auxiliary funding. There are also always people willing to work at these.

OI McClintic: Does there have to be a physical Election Board presence at these locations?

Chair: They must cycle between locations, but not always be present.

OI Rojas: Do they have to walk?

Chair: They are looking into getting a vehicle.

## Failed by a roll call vote of 15-19-1

# Motion to see Representative Schneider's Hostile Amendment Representative Schneider seconded by Representative Begović

Schneider: People would have to use a meal swipe to be able to vote at this location currently, so this moves the location to inside of Couch Tower. Personally, as a freshman, I did not use many of my meal swipes at the Caf. However, I would have entered the Tower to vote.

Patterson: Would you accept a friendly amendment moving the polling location outside of the tower? Schneider: Yes

OI Thompson: Are you aware that severe weather contingency plans must be submitted with reservations? Chair: Yes

Chair: Yes
Patton: Since Cate Center is closed and the Caf is the main eating location, why move it from there?

Schneider: I just want to be sure that the location is accessible to everyone.

Powers: If we put one outside of the one tower, why not put one in front of all towers?

Schneider: There isn't the budget for that as far as I can tell.

Blank: Tables in the Caf are typically in the zone where you can go in and vote and leave without swiping in, so are you sure about this?

Schneider: Personally, I've had this happen to me, so I don't want to risk it with any voters.

Manuel: Isn't the group going into the Caf more diverse than the group going to the Couch Tower?

Schneider: Yes, which is why I accepted the friendly.

Cassidy: Wherever this location is, it seems very obviously dedicated to freshmen living on campus in the towers. Do you not think that this same demographic is met by some of the academic building locations? Schneider: I have friends at Cross Neighborhood who eat at Couch. I also never had classes at Dale my freshman year. We want people to vote early and often.

Patterson: Would you accept my revised friendly to move the table in front of Couch Restaurants?

Schneider: Yes

## Passed by a roll call vote of 29-6-1

Motion to table CB-100-23 and refer it to Joint Committee Representative Thompson seconded by Representative Powers Objection Secretary Holt

## Passed by a roll call vote of 24-11-0

<u>CR-100-10 A Resolution About the Importance of Voter Registration (Cassidy/Blank/Ball) (EA → rec of do pass)</u>

# Representative Williams seconded by Representative Mohamoud

Cassidy: This was written by myself, Faith Blank, and Carson Ball, a fellow at the Carl Alberts Center. In the past we've expressed our support for the Big XII Voter Registration Contest. Encouraging student civic engagement is one of the main missions of Congress at OU. Young voter participation has been abysmal, so we want to encourage everyone to vote and teach them about why it's important to vote. We also want to encourage people to vote in November. I will also accept two friendly amendments changing the "Student Government Association" to "Undergraduate Student Congress" and specifying that this bill is on behalf of undergraduate students. I would also accept a friendly adding the OU Daily and Nightly to section four. Thompson: Would you accept the friendly amendments you mentioned?

Cassidy: Yes

Williams: Why is this not concurrent?

Cassidy: I thought we should speak on behalf of the undergraduate students.

Swearengin: Is the Chair aware that I approve of this bill?

Cassidy: I am now.

Swearengin: Are you accepting co-sponsors?

Cassidy: Yes

Cordova: Would you be open to a friendly amendment adding citations for these numbers?

Cassidy: Yes

# Passed by unanimous consent

## Follow-Up Reports

# Items for Future Agenda

CB-100-25 Campus Climate Board Amendments Act of 2018 (Fees) → ConAd

CR-100-11 Resolution Regarding Sexual Harassment (HD) → HD

AB-100-09 Auxiliary Allocation 06 Act of 2018-2019 (Ouick) → WAM

# **Announcements and Comments**

Cordova: Look in the GroupMe for card access to the Conoco. This is so you can get to your committee meetings on Sundays. Get that to me before Thursday please.

Swearengin: If you are in Congress and like to be in Congress and your seat is up, you should file for the election. Filing is available on OrgSync and closes at 5:00pm on Thursday. Reach out to any of us with questions. Encourage your friends to run as well.

Thompson: Please make sure you talk to someone in the GroupMe to get added to it. You can also add your SoonerCard to your Apple Wallet and use that. I will be in the office on Thursday to help.

Fees: Members of my committee will be meeting to discuss issues on sexual violence at 8:00pm tomorrow. Williams: I am the Oklahoma Student Government Association President. We just announced the dates for Fall Congress. November 9th-10th, Friday and Saturday I think. This is at the TCC Metro campus. If you are interested, please come talk to me.

George: The Sooner Mobile Card is now available on your phone in your Apple Wallet. Only a few schools get this opportunity. From the October 16<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup> Apple is taking over the campus and they are looking for student ambassadors. This has been a quick and quiet experience, and we have a beta version of this out and running. There will be hour long shifts at different locations on campus. October 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm-7:00pm is the event on the Walker-Adams Mall. We will have a band, my band!! Apple will be asking you to help other students to install. Go to ou.edu/soonercard to get instructions. My email is <a href="mailto:kga@ou.edu">kga@ou.edu</a>. Only six universities can do this.

Holt: The International Bazaar is being put on this Thursday, October 4th by IAC on the South Oval. This is a very cool event where many international groups will be showing off their unique cultures and showcasing the different opportunities for engagement that exist with OU's international community. Please stop by this if you can, as we are very excited to work more closely with IAC and OU's international students in the future, and this is a great way to get to know many of them. I will send out a flier with the minutes!

Motion to skip final roll call and adjourn Representative Powers seconded by Representative Thompson

#### Final Roll Call

Chair: Thomas Cassidy Vice Chair: Mackenzie Cordova Secretary: Richard Holt

Session 100	General
Begović, Amer	X
Bell, Aspen	X
Biškup, Emma	X
Blank, Faith	X
Bonić, Karla	X
Bray, Matthew	ex
Bridwell, Trey	X
Cordova, Mackenzie	X
DeAngeli, Emma	X
Del Rio, Paulina	X
Douglas, Zoe	X
Duechting, Donald	abs
Fees, Elaina	X
Felkner, Katy	X
Guido, Trinity	ex
Hart, Harrison	X
Haugland, Sara	X
Hodžić, Uzeir	X
Hobson, Sarah	X
Holt, Richard	X
Khan, Adam	X
Kolker, Sephra	X
Kuketz, Tim	X
Lee, Alan	X
Manuel, Pedro	X
McClintic, Alex	X
Merchant, Mahak	X
Mohamoud, Abdifatah	X
Nadolski, Karley	X
Patterson, Savanah	X

Powers, Shayla	X
Quick, Samuel	X
Rojas, Julio	X
Schneider, Caitlin	X
Thompson, Gabi	X
Vanderford, Elliott	X
Wegrzynski, Abbey	X
Werdel, Gina	X
Williams, Dan	X
Wilson, Taylor	X
Present	37
Absent	1
Excused	2

Session 100	AB- 100- 07	AB- 100- 08	CB- 100- 18	CB- 100- 19	CB- 100- 23	Hostile Felkner	Hostile Blank	Hostile Rojas	Hostile Schneider	CR- 100- 10
Begović, Amer	у					у	у	n	у	
Bell, Aspen	у	у				у	у	n	у	
Biškup, Emma	y	у				у	у	n	у	
Blank, Faith	y	у				y	у	n	n	
Bonić, Karla	y	у				у	у	у	n	
Bray, Matthew										
Bridwell, Trey	у	у				у	у	n	у	
Cordova, Mackenzie	у	у				у	у	n	у	
DeAngeli, Emma	у	у				у	у	у	n	
Del Rio, Paulina	y	у				у	у		у	
Douglas, Zoe	y	у				у	у	у	y	
Duechting, Donald										
Fees, Elaina		у								
Felkner, Katy	у	у				у	у	n	у	
Guido, Trinity										
Hart, Harrison	у	у				у	у	n	у	
Haugland, Sara	у	у				у	у	у	у	
Hodžić, Uzeir	у					у	у	у	у	
Hobson, Sarah	у	у				у	у	у	у	
Holt, Richard	у	у				у	у	n	у	
Khan, Adam								у	у	
Kolker, Sephra	у	у				у	у	n	y	
Kuketz, Tim	у	у				у	у	n	y	
Lee, Alan	у	у				у	у	n	y	
Manuel, Pedro	у	у				y	a	у	y	
McClintic, Alex	у	у				y	у	у	y	
Merchant, Mahak	у	у				y	y	n	y	

Mohamoud, Abdifatah	у	у				y	y	y	у	
Nadolski, Karley	y	y				у	у	n	у	
Patterson, Savanah	y	y				у	у	n	y	
Powers, Shayla	y	y				n	n	n	n	
Quick, Samuel	у					y	у	a	a	
Rojas, Julio	у	у				у	у	у	у	
Schneider, Caitlin	y	y				y	y	n	y	
Thompson, Gabi	y	y				n	n	n	n	
Vanderford, Elliott	y	y				y	у	n	у	
Wegrzynski, Abbey	y	y				y	у	у	у	
Werdel, Gina	y	у				y	y	y	n	
Williams, Dan	у	у				y	у	у	y	
Wilson, Taylor	у	у				y	y	y	y	
Yes	35	33	0	0	0	33	32	15	29	0
No	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	19	6	0
Abstain	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0