

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XCIV

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 27th, 2015 Devon Hall 120

Session XCIV

Roll Call - 702 Flag Salute Approval of Minutes Reid sec Echols

Chair's Report- Daylight saving is this Sunday so don't show up to committee meetings an hour late. All SGA shirts that were created by exec are available, sent out password with agenda, if you want to buy one do so, closes tomorrow. Elections on going. Elections are 10th and 11th of November. Last meeting of this session 17th, all current reps have to be there, and any projects you're working on must be in committee by Nov 15th. Please do NOT yell motions tonight.

Vice Chair's Report- Check in with liaisons and emailing me and Kaylee you have attended as well as if you got permission with liaison email me their confirmation.

Secretary's Report-

Committee Reports-

- O Academic Affairs- Past weekend discussed how students and professors relate to curriculum and trying to develop survey about curriculum. Coming from the Spanish survey.
- Congressional Administration- We had Taylor and Thompson come discuss elections gave both bills rec of do pass. Also starting to meet every Tuesday at 6 with George to update bylaws
- O External Affairs- saw two pieces of legislation will be seeing those tonight, starting getting stuff ready for higher-ed day
- Human Diversity- Ali Klima, Daniel is talking to PLC, our meeting was about possible amendment to diversity training, also had a member from UWC come speak with us. This Sunday Nov 1st 6pm Dale 128 for Forum
- o Problems and Projects- We saw one piece of legislation that will be seen today.
- o Public Relations- T-shirt designs
- Ways and Means- WE posted subsidiary funding on Sunday should be seeing that on Tuesday, go look so we can go over it fast on Tuesday, if any questions please come speak to me in office hours.

Liaison Reports

Buxton- Rep Crisp talking about meeting with assoc provost, we had that meeting yesterday and was really great to discuss about what she wants to do with academic advising, open to student suggestions and really open about discussing it. Please come speak with me or email her with any problems or concerns you are having, she wants to reach out to students

Benjamin- Meet with LGBTF discussed about feelings with their communities, heard about lot of different groups that faced discrimination and looking into making forms online to send that. Legislation about that might be coming up.

Trinh- Met with AASA currently looking at potentially doing issues with president trophies and how multicultural points are not reflected with respect to our community looking into how to resolve this issue about how organizations coming to our events for them and not for some kind of reward

Special Orders

Watts sec Kelling

Committee of the Whole

940908 OSU Condolence Resolution (Reid/Echols)

Kelling sec Trinh

Reid: As many know this past Saturday, there was tragic incident during homecoming parade in which a car drove into crowd injuring and killing others. Here at OU we view family and connection as values core to our being, so we are hopefully sending a resolution to OSU and Stillwater stating that we stand with them and they have our condolences.

Thompson: Friendly Amendment. Adding UCO and the city of Edmond to this bill.

Echols: No because since they are a different university we don't have jurisdiction to offer for them. Rains: We are not speaking on behalf of UCO, one of victims was student from UCO so we are wanting to also add them to the bill and sending them our condolences as well.

Amendment accepted

Sample move to amend long title to add in portion in the definition of what resolution is.

Passes by 2/3 majority

Kelling: Was there any discussion of sending this to Senate? Was the only reason not doing a joint resolution because of time?

Kelling: Aren't OU OSU UCO under same board of regents, I don't know if adding that somewhere that we are all the same families same university would be good?

Friendly amendment Kelling

Amendment Accepted

Watts: Does it not seem odd to imply the reason we are supporting these schools is because we are governed by same bodies?

Reid: Are you asking why would we add amendment?

Watts: Is it the opinion of authors that we stand with OSU and UCO because bond of Oklahoma and not because of who governs us?

Reid: More of because were Oklahomans

Echols: We are just sending our support and condolences.

Motion to extend time Trinh sec Crisp

Watts: Odd to include that were governed by same regents what implies why we support them? Echols: Depending on language.

Crisp: What is the amendment being asked?

Brown: A portion adding that we are family because governed by same body

Thompson: Submit striking section 2 as hostile amendment

Crisp: With the idea of state board of regents do we share the same with OSU and UCO as our board of regents see Roger state too?

George: There is an OU board of regents which are regents for OU and regents for state of higher education so that is what all this falls under.

Watts: Did not accept that?

Echols: We didn't accept a strike through of section 2.

Crisp: Can that be read?

Move that Thompson can offer this amendment Sample sec Miller Debate Thompson

Thompson: We feel Section 2 is not necessary because the message we send is important and section 2 implies that we as SGA congress are responsible for making bond, significant in how we represent ourselves. Its fair to say we have not made that bond, which is why strange to imply so so why we want to strike it. I do not think we should imply we are responsible for any type of bond.

Watts: Who would be responsible?

Thompson: already exists, wouldn't be writing that if it didn't already exist

Watts: So not we don't have the authority but rather there was no need?

Thompson: It implies creating something already existed.

Miller: It sounds we have problem with word solidify, change to act upon not creating bond or

speak to it. Not with section 2. Still us acting upon this but different wording

Thompson: That would be better wording but doesn't make sense

Echols: Why striking out sec 2 rather than adding simple other wording?

Thompson: Still implying that we are doing something, we should be emphasizing condolences

Echols: I'm sorry; do you understand what solidifies means?

Decorum Representative Echols for rude questioning

Reid: Would you not agree that solidifies is simply word choice that bonds are there,, not agree that solidify the bonds are necessary to show our condolence?

Thompson: I don't think we need to state that we are solidifying the bonds, it's there

Reid: Wouldn't you think binds stating we are solidifying it that that is more showing that we are together in this

Thompson: I think it gives us undue credit.

Reid: Isn't specificity better than implication?

Thompson: No because shouldn't be given credit where not due.

Crisp: I see where you are coming from, would you please restate your original intention?

Thompson: We are striking section 2 I don't believe congress should take role and I think that we are taking credit for the bond that already exists, should be focused on condolences

Trinh: You want to strike out sec 2 do you have replacement?

Thompson: No

Trinh: Do you think it is too short and not as heartfelt without it?

Thompson: It already shows our intent, shouldn't be in there just to add length.

Watts: So you don't think section 2 adds purpose but rather just pats ourselves on the back?

Thompson: I think it could be seen as us doing that.

Buxton: Seeing as this is a resolution from Congress change to the word desire to strengthen rather than completely strikes it out, rather to make us sound like we want to acknowledge and celebrate this bonds, so speaking on behalf of us?

Thompson: I don't think it needs to stay in this part of bill

Crisp: Can we a friendly amendment be added to a hostile amendment?

Sample: Yes

Crisp: Would you be willing to accept a friendly amendment to your amendment instead of striking out the entire section to change to "Furthermore strengthen the bond between OU, OSU, UCO and communities of Stillwater and Edmond as a whole."

Thompson: Restate amendment

Kelling extended 5 more minutes Scott

Crisp: Furthermore the congress strives to strengthen familial bond between body of OU and OSU and Stillwater as a whole. Striking out solidifies and changes to strengthen

Thompson: Assuming would include UCO, and Edmond

Watts: given that purpose is not to strengthen a bond but to act on already existing bond accept an amendment striking that?

Thompson: What does it say?

Kelling request 2 min recess sec Crisp

Crisp: Furthermore the undergraduate student congress strives to strengthen the familial bond between the student body of the university of Oklahoma and that of OSU and UCO; as well as with the community of Stillwater and Edmond as a whole.

Reid: Can we accept that now?

Sample: Express that you want that? Reid: How would I express that?

Thompson: Accept friendly amendment

Kelling: UCO?

Watts: Would you support it if we stroke amendment by crisp?

Watts: Are you supporting Crisps friendly amendment to hostile or original amendment

Reid: As long as keeping a section 2 and we are just changing the language, im perfectly fine with that.

Sample sec Miller

27-0-1 hostile amendment with the friendly amendment passes.

Sample: Previous question is correct to end debate on this portion of whole legislation, will not move to roll call will be a rec

Rec of do pass Nigh sec Crisp

Two thirds for rec of do pass

Consent

Motion to move out of committee of the whole Crisp sec Buxton

Watts: Missed a little bit of that, did we just pass that bill?

Sample: We have given this a rec of do pass, so this will be seen again in items to be considered, where we will vote.

Watts: What did we just consent and clap for?

Sample: For a rec of do pass

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

940303 FIJMA Resolution (Echols/Sundby/Whipkey) (Rec of do Pass)

Crisp sec Miller

Echols: First off, providence research is getting history of works of arts, asks Fred Jones museum of art to make sure their research is thorough, if it wasn't then to redo and if works of arts weren't done properly then to make it right.

Trinh: If resolution to follow through would museum be publishing research to public form?

Sunby: That is correct

Kelling: Is there a belief there are more works than just this one?

Echols: Some people believe there are, main purpose to make sure this is not the case

Sunby: Specifically through third party research red flags on 15 other pieces of art. This is a problem that is might have been in the hands of a SS general in the move, cannot prove completely but we have been trying to do that

Crisp: Introduce yourself and what is providence research?

Sunby: Providence research is the history of an antiquities or artifact, conduction history and history of artifacts that have been such as a frame, if frame taken off you have to conduct history on frame, museum, art, car shipped in

Echols: In depth history on where art has been

Crisp: What is your hope of accomplishment with this resolution?

Echols: Verify works obtained properly

Watts: second whereas clause, could've been in Europe during this time. Given ambiguity of that, is there something we could do to clarify?

Echols: General because there are a lot of works that did disappear during that time

Sunby: When Nazi Germany did have control. 1932-1936 around that time

Reid: I'm empathetic to fight, is it not true that if results of research these did painting where in hands of Nazi Germany, university can do nothing about that, these are state property?

Sunby: Under OK state law, if stolen antiquity from anyone, doesn't say ok citizen, cannot go through a rebate purchase. The law under constitution, states it doesn't matter that any purchases since then are annulled

Kelling sec Miller extend question by 5 minutes

Objection to extend question- Crisp

Crisp: Does the chair feel it would be easier to extend to list than end of list?

Kelling motion to extend to end of list sec Miller

Miller Crisp Buxton Watts Kelling Watts Reid Watts

Miller: What kind of work load would this put on museum of arts and what timeline looking at Echols: this is work we assume they already completed so no extra time

Sunby: Can take 4-5 months per piece, as their code of ethics that they signed onto they are required to conduct this research, they signed countless laws and resolutions agreeing to do. So this should be done before a piece of arts enters museum, so this should've been done in late 1990, so should've conducted this 15-17, still haven't conducted this since haven't publicly produced information. Sunby: Additionally supposed to understand history of the research and have cited not correct info so they would've known specifically different use

Crisp: Given there have been lawsuits going thru federal court suit based on this painting, are we not overstepping our bounds trying to interfere in process of federal court system

Echols: Fred Jones is a part of our campus, so trying to stay out of other court cases not current Sunby: A resolution accepted in state of Oklahoma and this is very similar to that resolution. Not a very common resolution, yet they did pass it so essentially you would be going in line with the government of Oklahoma

Buxton: You discussed how constitution relates to art working, however with this museum, if evidence is found, isn't up to code, what will happen to art work?

Sunby: Art works specifically though a court should go through restitution or given back to original location. Now throughout that there are some things that could happen, artifacts could go back to state Israel, they could use those benefits to help surviving holocaust victims. This specific artwork we know that the families are still looking for them so should be returned by the court, and put on display publically.

Watts: You wouldn't like to clarify the ambiguous language in end of sec whereas clause?

Echols: it is possible, however language you see there specifically after acquired after is same wording as metro museum of art, etc

Kelling: Can you give me some history on this collection? Sunby: Do you want to know about piece or collection?

Kelling: Did university have any reason to believe accepting stolen arts?

Sunby: Yes

Echols: Regardless if they had any indication, it would still have to go through providence research Sunby: A man who had a PhD received all of document before hung in museum. Went to ER project, he had a task for that was under SS that would go around continental Europe collecting art work. Essentially this project today has been a website and database where you would put a piece of artwork that has a red flag, he put every piece of artwork on site, around 14 billion of art work, not all of these pieces of art work were stolen, he thought putting it up there would clear them, he didn't know, people found that there were some stolen.

Watts: To be clear, if it were found through providence research that painting acquired illegally the most likely response to that is for OU to relinquish the painting

Echols: Ultimately would come down to courts

Sunby: If piece exists, they don't ask to pay for it asks for you to return it, normally goes through restitution.

Crisp: Do you know the court ruling on this piece of art work?

Sample: I don't

Court has not made a decision yet, currently requested a dismal. They have been in purgatory of court system, haven't gone to hearings yet. OU requested to dismiss case.

Reid: Would you explain your vested interested and how it influenced passed actions such as plane over stadium?

Sunby: My interest, I didn't have much till learned of subject until late April, I conducted own research, met with historians, discussed restitution and what goes on, reason I feel so heavily because it is currently still happening in the world Today in Syria three men were strapped to a large artifact, and ISIs continues to strap explosives and executing those individuals, that no longer exists, that is a modern day example of what is happening, some of these pieces of art are still missing. Some are seeking into US from Syria, it relates to today just as much as it did when happened so long ago. I have a personal connection, I have family members and people related to me were killed, all stuff taken and property relinquished to Germany and no longer exists, US didn't give back to families, property including art work and jewelry and had been hanging in office. I know not to have something that was taken from, knowing it happened to my own family, allows me to relate to this women, who was adopted, OU has actually criticized that which is unacceptable, never met original family, entire biological line only one who survived by a man who used to be a rich man, which he rebuilt, is now largest mall in Paris, she earned 3 doctorates and ever since has been seeking the art that was stolen from her parents, not for money but she wants it back because he family was murdered, sentimental value.

Watts: I apologize for multiple questions but I want to be clear that in section 2 where we would be recommending est. guidelines by art museums, that would almost certainly involving returning the art, and that is what our rec is for?

Echols: That is for the court

Sunby: We are just suggesting that you support the court's decision. It is whatever they find, could go to Denver court so I don't know.

Consent

Objection

Motion to move to a roll call vote 18-0-9 Crisp sec Nigh

940402 A Resolution Regarding Guns on Campus (Brown) (Rec of do Pass)

Crisp sec Trinh

Brown: This piece of legislation is a resolution publically recognizing that OU is and remains a gun free campus.

Thompson: In consideration of response of Texas passing their bill, they have seen departure of prominent faculty members and many student protests; we think us endorsing against the legislation is a good move for the safety of our students and is good policy.

Brown: And we are reiterating what David Boren and Faculty Senate has stated and said.

Wise: So what kind of protest did UT students do?

Thompson: I don't think important for me to answer, you should Google it

Brown: It was the use of an adult object in some way.

Elwick: A few friendly amendments. 1st whereas clause, you say instead of does not support government Abbott says Texas legislature and government Abbotts decision. 2nd whereas clause adding after staff and staff as interpreted in news article published. Adding a whereas clause after 4th to reiterate disapproval s 11 and any future legislation for those to carry guns without specialized training. Sec 4, specifying sending to the SGA of those universities.

Brown: Yes, accept friendly amendment

Echols: Is that an amendment stating that we are just sending it to universities or just their SGAs? Elwick: Just SGAs

Reid: Is there a scriveners error, is it supposed to be OKState?

Brown: Yes

Echols: Would you accept a friendly amendment to add the actual universities themselves?

Accept friendly amendment also sending it to universities itself

Benjamin; Accept friendly amendment to correct governor's name?

Brown: Already fixed

Trinh: Why were these schools chosen?

Brown: All big 12 schools and we do a lot of conferences and SGA conferences with them so it seems rightful to be sent to them

Scott: Can you please define specialized training?

Brown: Training that goes further than the 8 hours required to carry concealed weapons that goes in line with police and SWAT training

Crisp: Would you add me as a cosponsor?

Reid: PR committee, Kelling, Buxton, Cramm, Nigh

Motion to extend question to end of list Crisp

Objection

Move to extend question to end of list Crisp

Objection -Reid

Motion to extend question time by 10 minutes Crisp sec Kelling

Droege: Accept amendment adding Kansas State since also in Big 12

Thompson: Also any other ones not on here in the big 12.

Brown: Yes

Rash: Given that we as Congress represent the students, do we have any type of polling data that students want us to do with this?

Thompson: We just passed legislation without polling, etc, the Election Bill, the Condolence letter, and so many others that we should also be able to pass this legislation concerning safety things without providing polling.

Trinh: Would you accept a friendly amendment to add the following schools, UCO, OSU, UofA, SWASU, Virginia Tech, and University of Houston?

Brown: Why those schools?

Trinh: UCO OSU SWASU, all in Oklahoma. Virginia Tech has a history of gun violence, Arkansas involved with our organizations in a lot of ways, University of Houston since also a history of gun violence

Scott: So earlier you said training as someone who exceeds the 8 hours, since carriers can take additional hours in tactical training, do you think it is necessary to specify what that special training is?

Brown: Sure

Thompson: Would be willing to consider that.

Echols: Would you explain what the guns off campus website is and what the guns off campus campaign is?

Brown: It is a website that shows petitions that says these universities do not support guns on campus for these reasons, and the campaign is a relationship with the board of regents who stated they do not want guns on campus along with other organizations and it is an educational campaign saying they do not want guns on campus.

Kelling: Would you accept a friendly amendment that in an active shooter situation, individuals with fire arm is likely to endanger themselves and other students?

Brown: Yes

Watts: Would you accept a friendly amendment that the 4th whereas clause, it is important, before that. In order to make it consistent with the styling of rest of bill?

Brown: Yes

Buxton: Because we passed a resolution very similar 2 years ago, why it is important to pass again and to pass right now?

Brown: It is important to reiterate the backing we have and that this is something important to us, in light of senate bill 11 this is important to us. FSS got word from Boren that an update would be helpful in discouraging any other gun legislation from being passed since been seen 3 times Crisp: What is the rest of the list?

Sample: Reid Rash Steward Echols

Reid: Could you explain what steps are taken during this no guns on campus campaign, efforts taken to education campus?

Brown: Similar to the women's outreach with their consent campaign, noted statistics, noting misunderstanding about guns on campus and answering any questions someone might have Rash: In previous statement, and in previous bills discussed we talked about bonds with other schools, why do we see it not fit to ask student body if they want this?

Thompson: I would say that the language about the student bond is not relevant to question. The Election Day legislation was passed without questioning the student body because it's good policy, if we want to endorse it then that's what we as a body should do

Motion to move to postpone bill for a week to give authors time to send out survey, OUMM, to have numbers bring forth info Crisp

Sample: Can only table it

Steward: If we table it can we still ask questions?

Sample: No

Trinh: Considering all this discussion do we need to extend time for question?

Move to extend question for 5 minutes Watts sec Trinh

Objection

Motion to move to postpone and to table bill for two weeks Crisp sec

Objection

YES vote want to finish this tonight.

Echols: If we table can we still ask question in two weeks?

Sample: Yes but will be different list

Kelling: While tabled can it be worked on? Sample: Only if offered as an amendment

Kelling: Can we propose amendments next week?

Brown: We can talk

Crisp: This gives opportunity for authors to do things and add things that won't officially be added till floor

Trinh: Does this allow them to go get data?

Sample: Subject to all of members that vote, they can reach out to constituents, not solely the duty of the authors.

Watts: What is the list?

Rash Steward Echols Reid

Echols: If we see it in two weeks will physical copy have the amended form?

Sample Yes. Motion to table for two weeks, there was an objection. Voting, if you say yes you do NOT WANT TO TABLE. NO WANT TO TABLE.

Not a two thirds so objection does not hold so this is tabled for 2 weeks and will discuss at that time. Questions are now over.

940403 A Concurrent Resolution Regarding Democracy Day (Kovach/Byron/Thompson) (Rec of do Pass)

Echols sec Benjamin

Kovach: Basically trying to remove any road blocks between our students and voting. In 2014 80% of students didn't vote, on that ballot we saw things that directly affect students so want to remove roadblocks from students.

Watts: In second whereas clause, that it cites a year rather than just stating a trend, think it is better to state a trend?

Kovach: 2012 not super related, in 2016 presidential, so we took voting as a whole it is in a downward trend, in most recent set of data this is where we are at.

Echols: Why are we sending this to Bernie Sanders??

Kovach: He wrote something that this would support this, S Bill 1969, that stands there are provision, from companies and states that make it a holiday, and show that we are in support of his bill. If it doesn't pass in time, we want to show that we are in support of that happening now Echols: Where is it now?

Kovach: Committee

Crisp: In co sponsorship is it generally the precedent to put reps first or can they go after the other under SGA congress?

Kovach: We followed the model of sec 4 all others we've sent it to, title being a respect thing Benjamin: How were we increasing voter participation?

Kovach: Excuse students in same way as OU/TX. Faculty are still paid, allowed up to two hours to go vote, but nothing formal protecting students for participating in that, so trying to clarify that position, as a university we want students to be able to go vote. Since is in our control we want to say we want our students to go vote during that time

Kelling: On the Senator Sanders being listed, is it more of your intention to provide voting day for OU Students or support Bernie?

Kovach: To take action now, since previously failed in house and is now in senate, don't want our voting participation to be affected by political move in DC, should that bill pass this is here.

Kelling: We all know political climate, since sending this to Dbo, Oklahoma legislature, would you accept a friendly amendment to strike the line of senator Sanders?

Kovach: Yes accept amendment

Trinh: In the second whereas clause it says 80% of college voters don't vote, what intention since not all college students are of age or are able to go vote?

Kovach: Intent there is not that an amount of students aren't voting or unrepresented aren't voting, but that by far the mass majority are not participating and it is affecting students and non students a like

Motion to move to extend question time to end of list Watts sec Reid

Elwick Watts

Elwick: Request amendment adding myself as a cosponsor?

Reid Echols Cramm Buxton Trinh Kelling Park Scott Maier Rash Steward Rains

Watts: Would you accept amendment striking section 2 whereas clause in regarding connections in interest of this resolution focusing on our campus day and then maybe regarding a future resolutions for S1689 and sending to Bernie sanders?

Kovach: Yes accept friendly amendment

Lewis: Why so keen on sending to Bernie?

Thompson: If we want to send an endorsement to senate bill 1969 then we can do that later, not saying will happen but that is what it will look like.

Consent

940802 Polling Locations (Taylor/Pavlowsky/Sample) (Rec of Do Pass)

Crisps sec Trinh

Taylor: Hi guys, my bill is simple, all were doing is setting up polling sites for elections. One in union when you walk in on main east entrance, in the bookmark lower level of library by Starbucks, we did one last year targeting freshman year, last year in caf which was awful because of the difficult hours, was very unsuccessful the staff wasn't very receptive, kind of doing it near the Cate Rock Garden away from Walker, we are going to get a tent, and that is all.

Kelling: Are we restricted to only three?

Taylor: No

Kelling: I understanding wanting to cater to freshman, any discussion to putting one in south oval since that is where a vast majority of students pass every day?

Taylor: I would like to do more but finding people to staff them is hard and we extended hours this year from 9am-9pm so I would be nervous about finding people to staff them since we barely found people with three. And these ones were successful last year so want to keep those.

Crisp: There is most definitely already going to be a presence on this south oval correct

Taylor: Yes candidates are normally on the south oval

Reid: Is it possible for members of congress if not involved in an elections to staff those, would that be a conflict of interest?

Taylor: Not sure.

Sample: Resident student organizations must be the ones

Taylor: Or individuals

George: I know RSOs normally but I know individuals can do it also

Crisp: Is the point to use RSO to increase the amount of money they receive, rather than the fees going to pockets of individuals?

Sample: More about finding man power

Watts: Recent election rules and recent changes made, regarding crisp, about adequate rep on south oval, am I correct in understanding that most reps on south oval can't support voting

Taylor: If they are not representing a campaign, if they have a laptop they can promote voting but not any sort of campaign.

Crisp: If we ended up putting poling site on south oval would that no based on code those candidates would not be able to go on the south oval?

Taylor: Yes but not doing that.

Echols: What happens when you can't find people?

Taylor: Get stressed out, it hasn't happened before; there was a day of thing we called a lot of people it worked out.

Consent

940803 Election Act of 2015 (Sample/Byron/Thompson) (Rec of Do Pass)

Reid sec Trinh

Sample: This comes out of necessity and thought, first is that we changed voting software from last year, now using OrgSync; we can no longer preference ranking our congressional seats, so we reflect changing the code to reflect this change. People vote for number of people running, so people can vote for the number of people running in that election. If for some reason of ultimate determination is unable to be determined because of tie, if 3 seats and 3 ties the third will enter a runoff vote just as procedure in other elections. If a seat becomes vacant after filing period, so long as students had opportunity to file for it than those seats can be filled.

Watts: Would you accept a friendly amendment modifying title 7 sec 14 bullet, due to technological limitation of new software, striking the names of candidates that the names of candidates would be randomized from each time opening a page, to they will be determined by the election chair randomization?

Sample: due to time, GSS has already seen this and they won't be able to see this till later so no we won't accept it at this time

Crisp: Can we have a brief explanation on how the election chair plans to randomize it?

Taylor: Wondering if alphabetical would be a biased, I am planning on asking who inputting homecoming ballots and how they did it, I know there weren't in alphabetical so not a much bias.

Probably going to do completely random order

Crisp: Picking out of a hand random drawing?

Taylor: Yes **Consent**

940908 Condolences for OSU/UCO

Miller sec Nigh

Reid: I yield my time

Consent

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Kelling: Both Veterans bills passed senate with consent. Funding bill already signed with Alex, still debating signing ceremony. Expect to hear about that.

Items for Future Agenda

Maier: Website Modification Act of 2015. 940107 ConAd

Reid: A resolution supporting passage of Bernie bill EA 940404

Watts: an act amending ballots 940108 ConAd

Thompson: An act clarifying appointment procedure in code ConAd 940109.

Announcements and Comments

Trinh: Again if want to join Integrity Council, go to integrity.ou.edu

Echols: rocky horror show opens this weekend; I've heard it's good. Also have a safe and fun

Halloween

Reid: Follow us!

Rains: Pre-Law Society at 7pm Gaylord 2020

Trinh: Can I take a photo of everyone since we passed so much legislation? Final Roll Call

Motion to suspend the rules and skip final roll call Echols sec Lewis

Chair: Emily Sample

Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown Secretary: Kaylee Rains

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV October 27th, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940908

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution sending condolences to Oklahoma State University and the City of Stillwater

Whereas: On the morning of Saturday, October 24th, 2015, a tragedy befell the Homecoming

Parade of Oklahoma State University resulting in multiple injuries and resulted in the

loss of life; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and its students hold great value in, and commitment

to, the concept of family and standing together in times of tragedy and loss; and

Whereas: Oklahoma State University and its students are considered by The University of

Oklahoma and its students to be family due to our close ties within the state;

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

Section 1: The families affected by this sudden and unforeseen tragedy have the deepest and

most sincere heartfelt condolences of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the

student body of the University of Oklahoma.

Section 2: Furthermore, the Undergraduate Student Congress solidifies the bond of family

between the student body of the University of Oklahoma and that of Oklahoma

State University; as well as with the community of Stillwater as a whole.

Section 3: Furthermore, the Undergraduate Student Congress pledges to stand with Oklahoma

State University through this terrible period of loss and hurt.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to: David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma V. Burns Hargis, President of Oklahoma State University	
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☐ Gina Noble, Mayor of Stillwater, OK	
☐ Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University	
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□ Norman Transcript	
□ Stillwater News Press	
□ Tulsa World	
☐ The Oklahoman	
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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV October 27th, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940303

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting a review, and potential renewal, of previous provenance research; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Provenance research, which is the history of an artwork's ownership, is an important

part of work completed by modern museums; and

Whereas: A number of prominent museums, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, have

recently given special attention to provenance research on paintings that were acquired after 1932, created before 1946, and were known to be or could have been

in Europe during this time; and

Whereas: The Association of Art Museums issued guidelines in June of 1998 stating the

appropriate manner and extent of research that must be conducted upon paintings

that may have been acquired through Nazi-Era looting; and

Whereas: The Association of Art Museum Directors issued guidelines in June of 1998 stating

the appropriate manner of mutual restitution that must be undertaken in the event that an artwork is found to have been acquired through Nazi-Era looting; and

Whereas: The case against the University of Oklahoma regarding the Pissarro painting La

bergère rentrant des moutons, which centers around the question of provenance, is still

pending; and

Whereas: The question of provenance has also extended to other works within and outside the

Weitzenhoffer collection;

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

Section 1: The Undergraduate Student Congress formally requests that the Fred Jones Jr.

Museum of Art verify that sufficient provenance research has been conducted on all paintings that may have changed ownership between 1932 and 1946, and in the event that the museum finds insufficient provenance research has been conducted, it is hereby requested to commence further research to establish a complete record of

ownership for the works from the aforementioned period.

Section 2: Furthermore, in the event the museum finds that works were indeed acquired through Nazi-Era looting, it is requested that the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art follow the established guidelines set forward by the Association of Art Museums to resolve the matter with the claimant in an equitable, appropriate, and mutually agreeable manner.

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

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Jon R. Stuart, Chairman of the Board of Regents
- A. Max Weitzenhoffer, Vice Chairman of the Board of Regents
- Clayton I. Bennett, Board of Regents Member
- Kirk D. Humphreys, Board of Regents Member
- Leslie J. Rainbolt-Forbes, Board of Regents Member
- Bill W. Burgess Jr., Board of Regents Member
- C. Renzi Stone, Board of Regents Member
- Mark White, Director of the Fred Jones Jr. Museum of Art
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly
- KGOU

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV Sunday, October 25th

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940402

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting the University of Oklahoma's public recognition in support of remaining a gun free campus for the safety of all students, faculty, and staff; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: In light of Texas Senate Bill 11, that will allow "license holders [to] carry a concealed

handgun throughout university campuses starting Aug. 1, 2016" (1) it is important that the University of Oklahoma states that it does not support Governor Abbott's decision.

Whereas: President Boren does not agree with allowing guns on campus because of the threat it could

impose on students, faculty, and staff;

Whereas: The majority of Oklahoma State Representatives voted against House Bill 1143, Senate Bill

718, and Senate Bill 557 that would allow guns to be carried on campus in some capacity;

and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma's Police Department Chief Elizabeth Woollen states that "[HB

2513] unreasonably and dangerously adds challenges to campus and municipal law

enforcement"(3).

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

Section 1: The University of Oklahoma officially joins the "No Guns On Campus" Campaign by signing the written petition and allowing the "The University of Oklahoma" to be displayed

on the "Guns Off Campus" website.

Section 2: We stand with President Boren's statement given on January 23rd of 2014 stating that "[he]

can't say how strongly [he] is opposed to arming people and putting guns in the hands of

people who don't have specialized training"(2).

Section 3: A campus wide "No Guns On Campus" campaign to be created in efforts to educate the

student body on the dangers of allowing guns on campus.

Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David L Boren
- Chief Elizabeth Woollen, OUPD
- Governor Fallon
- Governor Abbott
- Representative Kern
- OU Daily

- OU Nightly
- The Daily Texan
- Baylor University
- Iowa State University
- University of Kansas
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Texas at Austin
- Texas Christian University
- Texas Tech University
- West Virginia University

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV October 27th, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-14 October 25th, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940403 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF14-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution requesting the official recognition of election days as holidays; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and its students recognize the importance of voting;

and

Whereas: In the 2014 general election, 80% of college aged voters did not participate in the

election; and

Whereas: Voting is the mechanism for representation and change in a properly functioning

democracy; and

Whereas: Adequate student representation by way of voting is the best way to ensure students'

needs are represented nationally; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has seen repeated tuition increases as a result of

decreased state funding which imposes direct cost on students, an action which

could be countered by increased student presence at the polls; and

Whereas: The responsibilities students encounter on a typical weekday vary greatly, but often

include obligations such as work or class attendance, that may hinder directly or

indirectly the student's ability to vote; and

Whereas: Senate Bill S1969 is one of several pieces of legislation put forth that advocates for

increased voter participation through the designation of Election Day as a federal

holiday,

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

Section 1: The University of Oklahoma students support designating the next Tuesday after the first Monday in the November of even-numbered years as 'Democracy Day'. The University of Oklahoma students support SB 1969 of the 114th United States Section 2: Congress. Section 3: The University of Oklahoma students further support any action or effort made by the Oklahoma State legislature, and the University of Oklahoma administration to designate this day as a state or university holiday to encourage higher participation in local, state, and national civic responsibilities. Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to: President David Boren, The University of Oklahoma President Senator Bernard Sanders, United States Senator for Vermont Senator Jim Inhofe, United States Senator for Oklahoma Senator James Lankford, United States Senator for Oklahoma Representative Tom Cole, United States Representative for Oklahoma Senator David Holt, Oklahoma State Senator Bryan Dean, Oklahoma State Election Board Stephen Holman, Norman City Council Ward 7 Representative The Norman Transcript • The Oklahoman The OU Daily Tulsa World Representative Chase Kovach, Undergraduate Student Congress Authors: Co-Author: Alex Byron, SGA President Nathan Thompson, Legislative Assistant Chelsea Brown, Vice-chair for the Undergraduate Student Congress Co-Sponsor: Representative Timothy Crisp, Undergraduate Student Congress Submitted on a Motion by: Action taken by Congress: 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:

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV October 27, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF15 October 25, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940802 SENATE BILL NO. GF15-

AS INTRODUCED

An Act designating poll locations for the Fall 2015 General Elections; providing for codification; providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act may be known and shall be cited as the "Polling Location Act of Fall 2015."

Section 2: PURPOSE. To designate polling locations for the Fall 2015 General Elections.

Section 3: In accordance with Title VII, Chapter 1, Section 12 of the SGACA, "The number and location of polling places shall be established by an Act of the Legislative Branch," the following polling locations are established for the Fall 2015 SGA General Elections (November 10 and 11):

- Oklahoma Memorial Union
- South of Cate Rock Garden, off of 1st Street.
- Bizzell Memorial Library

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

Author(s): Abbey Taylor, Election Board Chair

Co-Authors: Carrie Pavlowsky, Graduate Student Senate Chair, Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIV October 27, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-15 October 25, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 940803 SENATE BILL NO. GF15-

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 "Election Act of 2015"
- **Section 2:** The purpose of this act is to allow specific Congressional Representative vacancies be added to the election ballot.
- **Section 3:** For the purposes of this legislation, deletions shall be marked with a Strikethrough. Additions shall be marked with an Underline.
- **Section 4:** AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 2, Section 12 of the SGACA:

6. Vacancies

The SGA President shall be notified in writing of any vacancy that occurs in the positions listed in sections 4 and 5, above. If the SGA President resigns, he or she shall notify the Chairs of both Houses of the Legislative Branch. The number of seats available for election shall not change after the filing period begins, excluding certain Congressional Districts as outlined below.

a. Election to Fill Vacancy

Any vacancy in the positions listed in sections 4 and 5, above, other than SGA President and Vice President that occurs before the first day of filing shall be filled in made open for election in the next possible general election. Should a Congressional Seat become vacant after filing has opened, so long as a vacancy in that district was already made public and was included on the filing form during filing for candidates to apply, that new vacant seat may be filled at the time of election using the point tabulation system. If the district was never included initially on the filing form, then that seat shall not be filled during the active general election.

b. Appointment to Fill Vacancy

For each position listed in sections 4 and 5 above, other than SGA President, Vice President, CAC Chair, and Representative, the organization of which said officer is a member shall include in said organizations own rules a method of filling a vacancy in said officer position. In the event of a vacancy in such a position, the SGA President shall fill the vacancy by appointing, with and through the advice and consent of the Legislature, the members elected according to that organization's rules. Said position shall be made open for election in the next possible general election, and if said election is not at the time specified in sections 4 and 5, above, the position shall again be made open for election at said specified time.

Section 5: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 3, Section 21 of the SGACA:

21. Procedure for Run-off in Presidential and CAC Elections

The Presidential, HCSA, SBA, and CAC race shall be popularly elected by a 50% majority vote of the ballots cast for that purpose. There shall be an instant electronic run-off between the top two candidates to determine the 50% majority if no candidates received a 50% majority of the ballots cast in the original election. For ties in Congressional Elections, all candidates that received equal votes that prevent the final determination of elected representatives as outlined below shall be instantly placed on a run-off ballot to break the tie.

Section 6: AMENDATORY. The following parts are to be amended to Title VII, Chapter 3, Section 22 of the SGACA:

22. Election of Undergraduate Student Congressional Positions

To determine which Undergraduate Student Congress Representative seats are eligible for election, the election Chair shall request a list of open seats from the Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress before filing begins. Candidates in each district shall be elected based on preference-ranking point tabulation of the number of votes for each candidate for the seats available. Candidates in the order of those with the most votes will fill each open seat in the election. Should there be a tie in the number of votes that would prevent the final determination of elected representatives, only those in the tie will enter a run-off vote as described in the section above. Because of the nature of this method, software shall be used to calculate the elections.

Section 7:	This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGACA and SGA Constitution.
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Crisp, Timothy	AA	х	У	У
Droege, Dylan	PR	Х	у	У
Echols, Ryan	WAM	Х	у	У
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James, Madison	P&P	abs		
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Kelling, Taylor	P&P	х	У	У
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Lewis, Danielle	ConAd	х	У	а
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Maier, Jay	ConAd	х	У	а
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Nguyen, Maxell	PR	ex		
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Rains, Kaylee	ConAd	х	У	у
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Riley, Kendall	AA	х	У	a
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