

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCIV

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, April 14, 2015
Devon Hall 120

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Roll Call – 7:02

Flag Salute

Approval of Minutes Pae, sec Crisp

Chair's Report- No report

Vice Chair's Report- I'm Connor Bourland, and I am acting chair. Emily and I are both your point of contact. My email is congressvc@ou.edu. The Congress chair email congress@ou.edu is forwarding to me. Town Hall meeting in Beaird Lounge is ongoing now about Diversity and is being held by the Executive Branch. Election Chair applications are out, encourage your friends to apply. You cannot be elected and be the Election Chair. If you have an idea for the food for next week, please let me know what you want. Local is closed, and no Cane's this time. If you want to talk about Mock Congress, please talk to me. If you have any thoughts about the chains around the seal, please come talk to me about it. We have seen legislation three times, please give us your actual opinion, so we can defend or drop the issue.

Secretary's Report- Bios are due by the 21st, everyone is required to complete one. If you need to get a hold of me, please email me at Congresssec@ou.edu.

Committee Reports-

- Academic Affairs
- Congressional Administration
- External Affairs
- Problems and Projects
- Public Relations
- Ways and Means

Liaison Reports

Crisp: PACA fought with the advising stuff. PACA will be reviewing those issues again in the next week. We may have to see it again next fall.

Move to suspend the rules and enter Items to be considered Sample, sec Crisp

Special Orders

Move to suspend the rules and return to Liaison Reports, Crisp, sec Pae

Move to open Officer Nominations, Echols, sec Crisp

Officer Nominations

Pae: Nominate Secretary Sample for Position of Chair

Sample: I accept

Khan: Nominate Matthew Cramm for Chair

Cramm: Accept

Bellafiore: Crisp for Vice
Crisp: Accept
Pae: Watts for Vice
Watts: Accept
Khan: Nominate Rains for Secretary
Email to see if she accepts
Khan: On behalf of Rains, nominate Echols for Vice
Echols Accept (based on her in writing)
Franzese: Nominate Thompson for Vice
Thompson: Accept
Elwick: Brown for Vice
Brown: Accept
Nigh: Nominate Hughes for Position of Secretary
Email for acceptance -24 hrs
Pae: Nominate Bellafiore for Secretary
Bellafiore: Accept
Reid: Nominate Nguyen for Secretary
Nguyen: Accept

Move to Close officer Nominations Crisp, sec Reid.

Awards:

Bourland: We have had super productive sessions, our last meeting was 3hrs, 10 minutes, which was the longest meeting on record. Your exec got together, and we want to recognize a few members

Emery Skelton-Outstanding Committee Member PR
Michael Balangue-Outstanding Committee Member AA
Luis Molina-Outstanding Committee Member ConAd
Daniel Holland-Outstanding Committee Member EA
Kaylee Rains-Outstanding Committee Member WAM
Conor Park-Outstanding Committee Member P&P
Matthew Cramm-Outstanding Committee Chairman
Alyass Hasan-Most Outreaching Legislation Writer
Nathan Thompson-Most frequent Legislation Writer
Timothy Crisp-Most "informed" Member

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

940401 A Resolution Regarding Repairing Timberdell Road (Bourland/Echols) (Exec-Do Pass)

Crisp, sec Benjamin

Echols: The Regent's have decided to redo Timberdell Road, the street just North of the Law School. The road is falling apart. The Regent's are funding, it will be completed over the summer

Bourland: It will start this summer and be ready by the Fall semester

Consent without objection

940901 A Resolution Thanking Page Jones for her Service (Bourland/Sample/Echols) (Exec-Do Pass)

Crisp, sec Hasan

Echols: Page Jones is our reporter. She has done a great job reporting on everything we do. It is our job to represent our students, and because of Page, the students actually know what we are doing, and they can reach out to us

Consent without objection

940902 A Resolution Thanking SGA Office Staff for their Service (Bourland/Sample) (Exec-Do Pass)

Nguyen, sec Crisp

Cramm: This resolution thanks Debbie, George, and Curt for all they do. Go visit them, they are cool.

Crisp: Is it true Curt is actually cool because he skateboards

Cramm: Didn't know that, but he has chops.

Consent without Objection

940903 A Resolution Thanking CAC Chair Layne Ferguson For His Service (Bourland/Sample) (Exec-Do Pass)

Reid, sec Park

Cramm: This resolution thanks Layne Ferguson for chairing CAC. We are all affected by what they do.

Consent without Objection

940904 A Resolution Thanking SGA Webmaster Shane Steiner for His Service (Bourland/Sample) (Exec-DoPass)

Reid, sec Park

Sample: For those of you who don't know who Shane is, he is our Webmaster. Makes graphics, meet the reps page, all of our minutes and agendas so we are in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Consent without objection

Move to suspend the rules and reenter special orders Crisp, sec Reid

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Sample: Emergency Preparedness will be going on the website really soon

Watts: Senate Passed barely (24-23-12) Blue Book Accessibility Act, so we may have those

Crisp: Any questions about the PACA forms, please see me

Park: Library has ordered the laptop chargers

Move to suspend the rules and reenter special orders Sample, sec Crisp

Items for Future Agenda

Thompson: An Act appointing the Parking Appeals Board (Exec)

Sample: An Act Appointing a New Election Chair (Exec)

Announcements and Comments

Cramm: Usually during campaign, we hunt down via Facebook, do we all agree for allowance for emails,

Bourland: No unsolicited electronic messages, no texts, email, Facebook message to anyone, however you can Facebook friend and then message someone that way. Email needs consent on basis from Taylor, we usually don't email. Accept friend requests if you wish, so you can ask questions and such.

Crisp: Please reach out to those who are running for positions, they are representing you, don't do it based on friends, but on what is best for Congress.

Trinh: Showcase April 23rd, for local Asian performers, about creativity, guest speaker, Nguyen is performing, it's free!

Marhanka: Dad's Day for next year, we want it to be more than just Greek, if you have any ideas, please hit me up.

Watts: Sooner Ally training is in four days-register!

Bourland: If you have a food idea, please talk, thoughts on Mock congress, thoughts on Chains. If you are a nominee or nominator, please talk to me. Next week is really long, our officer elections, State of the SGA Address. Wear business casual, it is a bigger, more important meeting.

Move to suspend the rules, skip final roll call, and adjourn Reid, sec Sample

Final Roll Call

Chair:

Vice-Chair: Connor Bourland

Secretary: Emily Sample

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Alford, Travis	abs

Arlan, Jordan	abs
Balangue, Michael	x
Bellafiore, Robert	x
Benjamin, Morgan	x
Berry, Carl	x
Bhojwani, Akash	x
Brown, Chelsea	x
Carter II, Christopher	x
Cramm, Matthew	x
Crisp, Timothy	x
Droege, Dylan	x
Echols, Ryan	x
Elwick, Kara	x
Franzese, Jamie	x
Hasan, Alyass	x
Henderson, Jenna	x
James, Madison	x
Johnson, Nathaniel	x
Kebede, Hawi Burka	x
Khan, Eihab	x
Kirby, Bryan	x
Long, Lauren	x
Marhanka, Liza	x
Mills, Sydney	abs
Molina, Luis	x
Naberhaus, Bryce	x
Nguyen, Maxell	x
Nigh, Ryan	x
Owens, Alexandra	abs
Pae, Daniel	x
Park, Conor	x
Pearse, Jordan	x
Rains, Kaylee	ex
Reid, Austin	x
Riley, Kendall	x
Rowell, Anna Marie	ex
Sample, Emily	x
Scott, Cassie	x
Steward, Sarah	x
Trinh, Lillian	x
Velesko, Paulius	x

Watts, Trevor	x
Witt, Alyssa	ex
Wise, Tave	ex
Attending	37
Absent	4
Excused	4

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940401

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution Concerning the Repairing of Timberdell
Road; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents discussed repairing Timberdell Road during their most recent meeting; and

Whereas: Timberdell Road between Asp and Chautauqua has numerous pot holes, divots, and patches; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Facilities Management plans to undertake the task following the conclusion of the 2015 spring semester.

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

Section 1: We whole-heartedly support this decision by the Regents and thank Facilities Management for undertaking the task.

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

- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Brian Ellis, Director of Facilities Management
- *The OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940901

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution thanking Page Jones for her service; and
providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Page Jones has served as the SGA reporter for the 2014-2015 Academic year; and
- Whereas: While reporting on SGA, Page strived to attend every meeting of the Undergraduate Student Congress; and
- Whereas: Page has done a great service to the student body of the University of Oklahoma by reporting to them on the actions of their Student Government.

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

Section 1: We thank Page for her willingness to attend our meetings and inform the student body of everything that happens in Congress so that we may be more accountable to our constituents.

Section 2: The Undergraduate Congress would like to congratulate Page on her success and supports her future endeavors knowing she will serve her post and the student body well.

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

- Nick Jungman, Director of Student Media
- Judy Gibbs Robinson, Editorial Advisor *OU Daily*
- Blayklee Buchanan, Editor in Chief *OU Daily*
- Page Jones, Assistant News Editor
- *OU Daily*

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940902

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution thanking the SGA Office Staff for their service; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Debbie Strong, George Ahmadi, and Curt Swanson have served and continue to serve in the SGA Office in various capacities; and

Whereas: Very little, if anything, would be accomplished without the daily support and assistance from the SGA Office staff members; and

Whereas: Debbie, George, and Curt deserve and are owed the thanks and gratitude of the entire SGA, including the Undergraduate Student Congress.

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

Section 1: We profusely thank Debbie, George, and Curt for their countless hours worked in the service and assistance of all members of SGA and are looking forward to continued collaboration.

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

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs
- George Ahmadi, SGA Advisor
- Curt Swanson, SGA Account and Budget Representatives
- Debbie Strong, SGA Staff Assistant

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940903

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution thanking Layne Ferguson for his service; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Layne Ferguson has served as the CAC chair this school year; and

Whereas: The CAC and its Chair are vital to SGA, as CAC is the programming arm for SGA, responsible for all campus wide events and activities ranging from Homecoming and Sooner Scandals to Howdy Week and Mom's Weekend ; and

Whereas: Layne has paved the way for further development of CAC into a more inclusive, diverse, and accessible organization .

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

Section 1: We congratulate Layne and his entire CAC General Council on a very successful year for CAC events, and thank Layne for his persistent dedication to the work of CAC and SGA.

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

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs
- Kristen Partridge, Director of Student Life
- Layne Ferguson, CAC Chair Emeritus

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 940904

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution thanking Shane Steiner for his service; and
providing for distribution.

Whereas: Shane Steiner has served as the SGA Webmaster and Graphic Designer for this school year;
and

Whereas: Shane's services are vital to the Public Relations effort of SGA and of the Undergraduate
Student Congress.

Whereas: Without Shane's experience, we would not be able to hold our meetings in accordance with
the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act, even working on holidays to make sure we meet that
goal.

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

Section 1: We thank Shane for his service and work ethic this school year while he performed his duties
and obligations, including the design of the Undergraduate Student Congress Logo and Meet
Your Reps page and posting our agendas and minutes on the website.

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

- Kunal Naik, SGA President
- Shane Steiner, SGA Webmaster

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