THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XCV

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 9th, 2016 Devon Hall 120

Session XCV

Roll Call – 7:01 Flag Salute- Trevor Watts Approval of Minutes Elliott sec Reid

Chair's Report- We have another resignation, Paulius Velesko has resigned another engineering seat is available. Applications are out please let everyone know so we can fill our seats! Pretty short meeting tonight. 104 is actually 105.

Vice Chair's Report- Orientation is on the 21st not this weekend but next. It is mandatory!!! If you cannot make it please email Kaylee ASAP. Liaisons that you want to keep from last semester email me and show documentation of you contacting them. I know a lot of you have emailed me I haven't had time to get back from all of you. Have had some trouble with the switch. So coming soon.

Secretary's Report- Hi guys, welcome back to another week. Office hours are due by February 14th, with the exception of WAM and ConAd. Also, you have one hour of constituent service due by the end of the month. There are flyers down here next to the agendas with all of the dates due for office hours and constituent service. Office hours can be completed by spending an hour in the Conoco just hanging out, discussing Congress, working on projects or legislation or chatting with exec. Constituent Service is whenever you go out and talk and interact with your constituents. There are multiple things you can do to complete constituent service one of the big ones is completing your liaison duties by going to your liaison meeting and reporting to them what we are doing and reporting back to us what they need. Each of you will be assigned a liaison position by Vice Chair Brown. Once you have been to your liaison group ether send me a picture of yourself at the event or CC me on your email correspondence after the event.

Committee Reports-

- Academic Affairs- Hi, its my birthday!!!!! And mardigras. No legislation this week, working with exec on one piece of legislation which will go through soon. No meeting this Sunday meeting Friday at 3:00
- O Congressional Administration- Productive meeting saw both of bill for today recs of do pass for both. Talked about how we are beginning grading applications we only have 12 we need to get the word out there so tell everyone. We will be meeting at 5:00 on Sunday subject to change dependent on number of applications
- External Affairs- Thank you for all of you who applied for Higher Ed Day! A week from today. Info session Thursday at 7pm to prepare you for higher ed day. Wrapping up with making appointments.
 By the end of week have your assigned members

- O Human Diversity- Talked about our projects also spoke about how keeping contact with exec counterparts, still meeting Sunday at 3
- Problems and Projects- Still working on projects, also looking at blue light polls, a text system to text OUPD, more benches on campus, got a student concern about recycling people dump it into trash. Meeting Thursday at 5:30
- O Public Relations- First thing tonight is the LAST NIGHT to order your shirts, together for one of each is 32. One is comfort colors long sleeve other soft material. Link is on the minutes with link and password. ENDS TONIGHT AT 11:59. Talked about paper campaigns, committee members working on getting those designs together. Writing a bill putting serving yOU slogan into officiality, for the PR people we will meet ether Thursday evening or on Saturday at 12. Figuring it out.
- Ways and Means- No meeting Sunday. Tell all RSOs primary funding applications are due February 25th at 11:59pm.

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

950105 An Act Changing the Office Space Application Date (Sample) (Rec of do pass)

Kelling sec Elliott

Sample: This piece is to change when the application deadline for office space deadlines are. We actually pass legislation for those rooms, those currently have deadline same day as primary since more worried about funding than offices. Want to move that to the week before spring break

Echols: Any RSO leadership brought to our attention?

Sample: Comes to our attention every year, with RSOs saying I missed the deadline and then they lose their space, this is to change it to have more time to advertise and not coincide with an important deadline Echols: Any number of how many RSOs miss that opportunity?

George: I can't tell you how many missed, two years national pan and BSA both missed which are larger organizations on campus. Talked with someone from Multicultural Greek council who had also missed it. Kelling: Friendly Amendment to purpose of this act to shall be to amend code to extend the deadline for office space allocations?

Sample: Yes

Nguyen: How many organizations do we have spaces available for?

Sample: Roughly 30 between second and third. 15 on each. There are 10 basement spaces, which are storage spaces.

Consent

950106 An Act Amending the Bylaws (Rains) (Rec of do pass)

Echols sec Nguyen

Rains: Ok so this is just an act that amends the bylaws to let exec officers meet quorum for meetings only if vice chair is unavailable, that's it.

Byron: language, by adding responsibilities, does that mean both can fill in?

Rains: it could, we could change that language, the idea was for only one of us to meet quorum.

Byron: Could we change that language to more specifically get one or the other to go? All three need to be in one committee? If we set it up as one, then the next, then the next? Would you prefer Chair, vice, sec?

Rains: I don't have a preference on the order

Cramm: Does this bill reflect that we need to rely on the VC to make quorum?

Rains: no, more about too many people in one place, sometimes they need the vice chair to meet quorum and she's occupied.

Brown: I support this because there may be days when I need to fill in for quorum and another committee needs me to present, or 4 to 5 meetings could be happening at the same time. This is why it would be helpful for Chair and VC to come in and help out.

Watts: You're already ex officio on Con Ad?

Rains: correct

Sample: She adds to quorum, but does not make it more difficult to meet quorum. She adds to the quorum for con ad, but can only help fulfill in other committees

Watts: Is that distinction present in our docs?

Sample: It's present, that the VC does not count against quorum, and the sec not against

Reid: Would you define ex officio?

Sample: It's a person higher above other members but still serves on the committee, meaning she's not normally there due to higher rank

George: membership based on higher position

Reid: So making each an ex officio, would that mean they add in to our members?

Sample: No

Reid: I don't understand

Echols sec Elliott

Reid: if she's on con ad counting against quorum, would that not be the same for you all?

Sample: no, she's an ex officio of every meeting, and she does not count against quorum, secretary is supposed to be in con ad as they need a member of the exec at all times

Byron: I have the amendment

Rains: Ill accept it

Cramm: Do you think this could lead to abuse of power?

Rains: I hope not, but I don't see that happening, this is just to help committees be productive and allow business to get seen.

Brown: I try to take a back seat in committees, I don't want to infringe, I'm only there to observe. Hopefully that will be the role of future VC's.

Echols: Is there a potential for multiple member of exec to sit in?

Rains: no the amendment prevents that

Echols: Is it possible if Chelsea is unavailable, and quorum is not filled, is that a problem?

Rains: Would you like to make an amendment? This instance rarely occurs.

Williams sec Kelling

Reid: Would you accept amendment, making the language.... The chair is ex officio so long as VC and secretary are unavailable, and shall yield to ranking officers?

Rains: The point of this bill is not to take power, only to meet quorum

Watts: In standing rules it specifies presiding officer, only presiding officer can recognize, ex officio cannot take control

Rains: No amendment

Park: can secretary VC, or chair, vote in a committee that has quorum?

Rains: No, only VC shows up to meet quorum or see the committee

Watts: Has there been instances of committees failing to meet quorum?

Rains: yeah, we have a lot of them, and often they happen simultaneously, this is meant to make the whole body and all committee meetings more productive

Brown: My concern was that everyone should be able to make meetings, my purpose is not to make quorum, I am much more for all committees to observe as they meet quorum on their own. That has not been the case; this is the compromise with life that I support. I would often be informed of absences right before and these meetings would push up against exec.

Watts: This would make it easier on VC?

Rains: this isn't the goal to make the VC job's easier, the goal is for the committees to meet when they're most available, and have them all be productive and meet quorum so we can be an active body and see legislation.

Cramm: Do you think the committees have a problem meeting quorum and do you think this is the solution? Rains: they are functional, but sometimes instances arise, when we have an important piece of legislation and accidents can happen, this is supposed to help with those times.

Byron: People are concerned with what could happen, would you be open to removing voting capabilities of these people?

Rains: I would need to think about it, and maybe table, but right now it's important, so no

Brown: removing voting would remove the point, we need a vote to break the tie should one arise. This is fundamental to getting legislation passed and voted on.

Reid: Would you accept a friendly amendment making it so that ex officio would only vote to break ties? Rains: Not at this time, maybe when we have the exact wording.

Sample: I think that infringes on officer's right to break tie on their own

Echols: Would you like to table?

Rains: yes, and we can work on it and take it back to ConAd. I would make a motion to refer it back to committee:

Motion to refer back to committee Kelling sec Long

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Reid: Syria bill is going back to HD committee with a lot of changes and this is of the Senate adding an author of the HD chair of the senate to work closely and reword the bill to put different message on it.

Items for Future Agenda

Watts: Another Act Amending the Standing Rules ConAd 950107 Nigh: An Act Appointing new members to congress ConAd 950108

Sample: 950109 An Act Amending Committee membership

Cramm: Emergency Allocation 8 950502 WAM Reid: An Act Establishing a Slogan 950110 PR

Announcements and Comments

Echols: Trojan Women is opening this Friday going to be fantastic go see it!

George: Max, there are actually 19 spaces SGA allocates, not 30.

Rains:

Nguyen: Was wondering how do new members who are curious to joining congress who do they contact? Sample: Contact me at congress@ou.edu me, any questions, time commitment I can answer all of those questions.

Nguyen: does that involve signing up?

Sample: if they email me I can answer before or after they apply

Kelling: If you dint hear me, OU SVA is having a bake sale on ground floor of Buchanan hall this Thursday 11-2. Also OIL is awesome check it out!

Williams: Major and minors fair is happening in the union

Reid: Tshirt links close tonight at 11:59 pm! LAST CHANCE TO GET THEM GET THEM BUY THEM 16 FOR EACH 32 FOR BOTH. Follow us on social media!

Final Roll Call

Motion to skip final roll call and adjoun Elliott sec Steward

Chair: Emily Sample Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown Secretary: Kaylee Rains

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV February 9, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GS-16 February 14, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950105 SENATE BILL NO. GS16-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act amending the SGA Code Annotated, providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as "Office Space Application Adjustment Act."

Section 2: The purpose of this act shall be to remove all sections within the SGA Code Annotated requiring Student Organizations to complete online training prior to submission of a budget.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions indicated with an <u>underline</u>.

Section 4: Title X Chapter 3 shall be amended as follows:

Title X – Student Organizations

Chapter 3 - Conoco Space Allocation

1. Applications

Application for space shall be made available and accepted by the SGA Department of Student Organizations, and shall be due during the academic week before Spring Break. have the same deadline for submission as the Primary Budgetary Application.⁴

2. Eligibility

Only those organizations on the Norman Campus that will have been registered with the Center for Student life for no less than one calendar year at the time of the Fall General Elections shall be eligible to apply for and receive office, cubicle, or storage space.²

3. Conoco Space Allocation Committee

¹ The Use the Conoco Center Act 2004, CBN 720336, SBN GF04-12, § 4; Stidham Efficient Space Allocations Act of 2010, CBN 830305, SBN GS10-10, § 2.

² The Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocation Procedure Act, CBN 680307, SBN GF02-12, § 4.

The Conoco Space Allocation Committee, consisting of the SGA Vice President, Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, Chair of Graduate Student Senate, and Campus Activities Council Chair shall consider all valid applications received and present recommendations to the SGA President.³

4. Procedure for Assignment of Space

The SGA President shall submit legislation to the legislative branch prior to the Fall General Elections. The space allocations shall be established through an advice and consent act of the SGA, as specified in the SGA Constitution.⁴

5. Term of Occupancy

The term of occupancy in the Conoco Student Leadership Center shall begin one week after the last day of classes in the spring semester, and shall end one week before the last day of classes in the spring semester of the following year.⁵

6. Failure to Renew Registration

Organizations failing to renew their registration with the Center for Student Life are considered inactive, and inactive student organizations are not entitled to office space in the Conoco Center. Any inactive student organization occupying office space in the Conoco Center shall promptly vacate so that the space may be reassigned to a registered student organization in accordance with the University policy and SGA Legislation.⁶

7. Use of Space

a. Monitoring

The usage of allocated office space shall be monitored. A report shall be presented to the SGA President every month_of the academic year evaluating the usage of allocated office space by student organizations. Said reports may be amended by and shall be signed and published by the SGA President. Unless otherwise defined by the legislative branch, the SGA President shall set evaluative criteria and define what constitutes unsatisfactory use. Any such criteria and definitions shall be published. Unsatisfactory use shall include but not be limited to storage only, personal or academic uses, and any use in violation of University policy or higher law. Student organizations shall consent in writing to monitoring prior to occupation of allocated space.⁷

b. Notification

Any student organization reported to be making unsatisfactory use of its allocated office space shall be notified within 5 business days. Such a student organization shall be in bad standing for the purposes of the SGA budgetary process and shall continue in bad standing until said student organization is no longer reported to be making unsatisfactory use of its

³ <u>The Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocation Procedure Act, CBN 680307, SBN GF02-12,</u> & 6

The Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocation Procedure Act, CBN 680307, SBN GF02-12, § 7, 8.

⁵ The Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocation Procedure Act, CBN 680307, SBN GF02-12, § 9; Stidham Efficient Space Allocations Act of 2010, CBN 830305, SBN GS10-10, § 3.

General Counsel Opinion, OP-2002-003; Code Annotated Update Act, CBN 880313, SBN GF12-06, § 3.
 The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 4; Code Annotated Update Act, CBN 880313, SBN GF12-06, § 3.

allocated office space. Any student organization reported to be making unsatisfactory use of its allocated office space in two consecutive reports shall receive a second notification.⁸

c. Vacation

At any point prior to a third consecutive report of unsatisfactory use, a student organization may voluntarily vacate its allocated office space. Upon notification of the SGA President of a decision to voluntarily vacate said student organization shall no longer be in bad standing due to unsatisfactory use of office space.⁹

d. Eviction

A third consecutive report or a fifth report within one semester of unsatisfactory use shall cause the office space allocated to an organization to be vacated by the order of the SGA President. Said organization shall not be eligible for the allocation by SGA of office space for the remainder of the academic year, but said executive eviction shall be considered by the SGA Budgetary Committee in any subsequent secondary or emergency allocations occurring in said academic year.¹⁰

e. Filling Vacancies

Vacant offices shall be filled according to an order established at the time of allocation. Any such office spaces so filled shall again become vacant at the time when the allocation to the previously occupying student organization would have otherwise expired.

f. Appeal

All executive decisions are subject to appeal to the SGA Superior Court.¹²

g. Enforcement

The SGA President shall be responsible for the enactment of the provisions of Sec. 7 and may appoint whatever agents he or she deems necessary for this purpose with the advice and consent of the legislative branch.¹³

Section 5:	This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution
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Submitted on a Motion by:	
Action taken by Senate:	
Verified by Chair of Senate:	Date:
Approved by SGA President:	Date:

⁸ The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, §§ 5-6.

⁹ The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 7.

The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 7.

The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 8.

The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 9.

The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 10.
The Realizing the Potential Act, CBN 700907, SBN GF03-16, § 3.

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV 9th February, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950106

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act amending the Student Congress Bylaws, 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 "An Act Amending the Bylaws"

Section 2: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions indicated with an underline.

Section 3: Sections 4.1 of the Bylaws shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 4.1: STUDENT CONGRESS OFFICERS

1) RESPONSIBILITIES OF OFFICERS

a) STUDENT CONGRESS CHAIR

- i) The Chair is the highest ranking officer of Student Congress. The Chair shall strive to facilitate the execution of Student Congress' mission.
- ii) The Chair shall preside over general meetings and Executive Committee meetings.
- iii) The Chair shall not vote, except as necessary to break a tie.
- iv) The Chair shall interview Committee Chair candidates. Committee Chairs shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Student Congress Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary, with the advice and consent of Student Congress.
- v) The Chair shall appoint voting members of committees with the advice and consent of Student Congress.
- vi) The Chair shall be an ex-officio voting member of all committees solely if the Vice Chair is unavailable.
- vii) The Chair shall appoint other positions with the advice and consent of Student Congress as directed by these Bylaws.
- viii) The Chair shall report to Student Congress all pertinent communication addressed to Student Congress.

- ix) The Chair shall guide members in the preparation and research of legislation.
- x) The Chair shall make the initial referral to committee of legislation and shall file and catalog legislation as specified elsewhere in these Bylaws.
- xi) The Chair shall ensure that accurate copies of these Bylaws and all Standing Rules are available.
- xii) The Chair shall register meetings with the Cleveland County Clerk pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.
- xiii) The Chair shall strive to ensure each election for a representative seat has more candidates than vacancies.
- xiv) The Chair shall be required to complete no less than 10 hours of "office hours" per week in accordance with the monthly stipend awarded to the position. Should the stipend change, this section shall be amended to reflect the new stipend.

b) STUDENT CONGRESS VICE-CHAIR

- i) The Vice-Chair is the second-highest ranking officer of Student Congress. The Vice-Chair shall strive to facilitate the execution of Student Congress' mission.
- ii) The Vice-Chair shall preside over general meetings and Executive Committee meetings in the absence of the Student Congress Chair and shall preside over the Committee of the Whole.
- iii) The Vice-Chair shall organize and direct the orientation, as specified elsewhere in these Bylaws.
- iv) The Vice Chair shall serve as the Associate Coordinator, and shall work towards the successful integration of newly-appointed associates into Student Congress.

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- v) The Vice-Chair shall be a voting ex-officio member of all committees. The Vice-Chair shall oversee the performance and guidance of committees. The Vice-Chair shall report on committees as necessary to the Student Congress Chair.
- vi) The Vice-Chair shall be present at as many committee meetings as possible for no less than two hours on Sundays and shall assist in the collection of attendance records for purpose of recording committee attendance on the master attendance sheet.
- vii) The Vice-Chair shall monitor and serve as administrator for the legislative forum by ensuring the civility of all member discourse, removing anonymous posts, addressing members whose posts may not be reflective of the purpose, mission, and governing documents of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Student Government Association.
- viii) The Vice-Chair shall be responsible for updating and maintaining an updated version of the Student Congress Bylaws, as well as forwarding updated versions to the Student Congress Secretary to be posted on the Congress website.
- ix) The Vice-Chair shall be required to complete no less than 8 hours of "office hours" per week in accordance with the monthly stipend awarded to the position. Should the stipend change, this section shall be amended to reflect the new stipend.

c) STUDENT CONGRESS SECRETARY

- i) The Secretary is the third-highest ranking officer of Student Congress. The Secretary shall strive to facilitate the execution of Student Congress' mission.
- ii) The Secretary shall preside over general meetings and Executive Committee meetings in the absence of the Student Congress Chair and Student Congress Vice-Chair.
- iii) The Secretary shall be an ex-officio voting member of all committees solely if the Vice Chair is unavailable.
- iv) The Secretary shall be responsible for all records of Student Congress not otherwise specified in these Bylaws.
- v) The Secretary shall be responsible for conspicuously posting, in the SGA offices as well as on the SGA Congress website, a printed agenda for each general meeting and each meeting of the Executive Committee.
- vi) The Secretary shall take minutes at general meetings and be responsible for recording, via electronic media, the audio of all general Congress meetings, excluding executive session.
- vii) The Secretary shall be responsible for recording and reading all submitted amendments to legislation pending before Student Congress.
- viii) The Secretary shall be responsible for roll calls of Student Congress and for taking roll call votes.
- ix) The Secretary shall be a voting member of the Congressional Administration standing committee.
- x) The Secretary shall keep a record of the terms of districts and offices held by all members.
- xi) The Secretary shall keep a record of all attendance, including general meetings and constituent service. The Secretary shall weekly post this record conspicuously in the SGA offices as well as on the SGA Congress website.
- xii) The Secretary shall keep a record of all votes cast in general meetings by all representatives. The Secretary shall weekly post conspicuously in the SGA offices as well as on the SGA Congress website a record of all votes cast in general meetings on legislation, amendments to legislation, or elections and on any other questions deemed appropriate by the Secretary or higher-ranking officer of Student Congress.
- xiii) The Secretary shall be ultimately responsible for maintaining and updating all records and documents which are required to be posted on the website of Student Congress.
- xiv) The Student Congress Secretary may choose to either post all documents which are required to be posted on the SGA Student Congress website, or forward all said documents to the Student Congress Webmaster, which will in turn, post all said documents on the SGA Student Congress website.
- xv) The Secretary shall have the sole right to author any acts of procedure expelling a member for excessive absences. The Secretary shall do so in a timely manner upon the accrual of excessive absences by a member, as specified elsewhere in these Bylaws.

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Section 4:	This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.
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Abney, Jordan	AA	х
Benjamin, Morgan	PR	х
Bhojwani, Akash	AA	abs
Brown, Chelsea	VC	х
Browning, Chris	P&P	abs
Byron, Alex	WAM	х
Capehart, Tanner	ConAd	х
Chun, Bum Ki	PR	х
Cox, Reece	P&P	abs
DeSanto, Jaclyn	EA	abs
Echols, Ryan	WAM	х
Elliott, Shelby	ConAd	х
Elwick, Kara	EA	х
Grunewald, John	EA	Х
Henderson, Jenna	AA	Х
Israel, Dayten	HD	х
James, Madison	P&P	х
Kelling, Taylor	P&P	х
Klima, Ali	HD	х
Kovach, Chase	EA	х
Lewis, Danielle	ConAd	х
Long, Lauren	WAM	х
Mee, Emily	HD	х
Meyer, Kyle	AA	abs
Morris, Nick	AA	abs
Mullins, Matthew	WAM	abs
Nguyen, Maxell	PR	х
Nigh, Ryan	ConAd	х
Park, Conor	AA	Х
Pham, Daniel	ConAd	х
Rains, Kaylee	ConAd	Х
Reid, Austin	PR	х
Ryana, Naomee	HD	Х
Scott, Cassie	P&P	Х
Sparks, Molly	PR	abs
Steward, Sarah	ConAd	Х
Trinh, Lillian	PR	abs
Thompson, Maddy	ConAd	х

Williams, Dan	P&P	x
Williams, Morgan	HD	Х
Zahra, Andi	HD	Х
Attending		31
Absent		9
Excused		0