

### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XCV

General Body Meeting 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 1st, 2016 Devon Hall 120

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Roll Call - 7:02 Flag Salute- Rep Grunewald Approval of Minutes Elliott sec Owings

**Chair's Report-** Be quiet and respectful, if lots of giggling could lose speaking privleges. Discussion about congress keep it quiet. Spring break is coming up, we will not have committee meetings on the 13<sup>th</sup> but we will on the 20<sup>th</sup>, which is the Sunday right before we get back. Keep that in mind, let your chairs know in advanced. Enjoy your 13<sup>th</sup>! Elections coming up on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of march. Question of timeline for **Vice Chair's Report-** If you did not know there is a basketball game vs Baylor tonight, so you might be two minutes late to a meeting. Liaisons, I decided not to send it out before meeting since I was still getting emails, if you haven't, I have 13 people who have not sent me their request, list is going out right after so if you want to do it now that would be great. Mock Congress was supposed to happen today but a lot of people could not make it today so moved it to next Tuesday at 6:00 pm in Devon Hall 120 this room. Mandatory. **Secretary's Report-** Send me your constituent service and do your office hours.

#### Committee Reports-

- Academic Affairs- We met this Sunday and talked about business school advising, looking into modifying standard advising forms to include veteran information on there because that causes complications some times
- **Congressional Administration-** We had an interesting meeting, doing good at meeting quorum so thank you for coming. We had four bills on agenda but only saw 2 because we only got those 2 legislation, so if you are putting an item on the items for future agenda it is important to get into contact with chair so they know what's going on. Saw CORE bill and Kelling's survey bill and both received a rec of do pass
- **External Affairs-** Happy Super Tuesday! I hope you voted today, in stead of meeting, we passed out flyers on south oval and sharing graphics on facebook, going to have improvements for awareness for the November election season by planning more events.
- **Human Diversity-** Morgan's not here now so I am giving the report, I'm Vice Chair Israel, we talked about the athletic contracts and how they are are vague with discrimination. Representative Mee is meeting next week with the althetic department to discuss that. Also working on a template for the Anti-Semitism form, meeting with Sooner for Israel, Muslim Student Association and Hillel. So we will get their perspective on that legislation. Gender housing policy, we are meeting this week with director of housing and food to discuss options.

- **Problems and Projects-** We had eventful meeting. Some projects we are dropping, specifically the drainage project, but the community garden is merging with the healthy sooners garden so that's awesome.
- **Public Relations** A lot of what has been happening leading up to super Tuesday, we've been promoting the graphics EA sent us, talked a lot about the usage of social media I got in some of our graphics from our web designer and it is a much cleaner look. Paper campaigns moving along, talking to printing this week.
- **Ways and Means-** Primary interviews started Sunday for admin organizations so we saw, CAC, Congress, Exec. If any RSO's coming to you asking about the where the email for interview times is, tell them I have not sent it out yet, sending it out Wednesday or Thursday once we have all budgets in from Curt. We pushed interviews back by a week so those interviews will happen next week and week after spring break.

# Liaison Reports

**Kelling-** You've heard me discuss the Veteran Center many times in discussion. Well, it happened! Boren and Facilities management walked us through it last week so we are getting basement of SAE house and will have that by next Fall.

# Special Orders

Sean Christensen- Don't want to take anymore of your time. In case any of you don't know SFC is the SGA leadership program for freshman students, our job is to introduce freshman to SGA. So since I've last updated you, we meet with HCSA, we heard from Austin Stauffer who from camp crimson to encourage them to apply to be SGL. Talked with representatives from the gender equality center. Heard from Kendall Burchard chair of Crimson Club, and heard from the representative from TOG exec and did a mock case study and encouraged them to go to open house PLUG consider going to that if you are interested. Had 6 of our SFC members get an interview for the outstanding freshman award!

# **Committee of the whole**

Echols sec Elwick

950801 Polling Location Act of Spring 2016 (Taylor/Sample)

Elwick sec Mazeitis

Sample: Give rec of no rec. We will see this in literally two minutes.

Motion to give a rec of no rec Reid sec Nigh

Motion to exit committee of the whole Echols sec Nigh

Student Concerns

Old Business

#### Motion to suspend the rules and move to Items to be considered Kelling sec Chun Motion to suspend the rules and move back to old business Elliott sec Kelling 950401 A Resolution Regarding Syrian Refugees (Reid)

#### Kelling sec Williams

Reid: This bill has been through various members of the senate many are now co-authors, it has changed dramatically since we originally saw it on the floor. Hopefully we have all read it and familiarized ourselves with it. So the big changes, we took it in a more positive direction, moved it away from what some perceived as negative to our governor and our state government, so we moved it in a much more positive direction. We changed the two sections, we are now doing a request that the governor continue accepting Syrian refugees and making them more comfortable with state government. Last big change is that there is now no more national recipients of this bill, all local recipients. Added all the various new co authors and co sponsors. Including Jon who is sitting back with committee members

Israel: Considering the last part of the bill was altered before the senate, you effectively said she was wrong and unconstitutional, why is this bill still necessary and important?

Reid: Because it is still a relevant issue, Miriam made a good point about the issue that the statement made by governor and representatives are very important and we should take notice to what they are doing and that is what we are doing here in this bill.

Watts: There seems to be confusion, the bill we passed before did not go through senate?

Sample: The bill did go to senate but when it got to senate, they referred it to their Human Diversity committee, reworked it and heavily amended it, this is still technically the same bill and with that we are seeing it to approve their amendments.

Watts: Scriveners that Congress, Senate, urge the student body?

Reid: Commas as if an extra party involved it would be "and the graduate student senate on behalf of"

Sample: Scriveners: GSS and the Undergraduate Congress on behalf of student body of Oklahoma...

Brown: Why the need for such a drastic change?

Reid: In show of cooperation, they heavily worked with Human Diversity committee and we thought these changes would make it more positive, people enjoy it more.

Elliott: so you've explained the relevance, but what is the relevance it has towards us?

Reid: Because of our constituents and I believe it is relevant to our student body has an opinion and we are their representatives.

Mazietus: Can we add scriveners a comma after the University of Oklahoma after in Section 1 and 2? "Graduate Student Senate and the Undergraduate Student Congress,"

Sample: Not going to adopt that at the moment.

Owings: Proof majority of students believe this, wouldn't you want a poll or something?

Reid: This is the opinion of my constituents, if you do not think so you may vote no. I would like a poll but not brought forward.

Brown: What did the senate find so important to change in this bill?

#### Motion to extend question by ten minutes Echols sec Chun

Brown: What did the senate find so important to change in this bill?

Reid: Jon want to address this issue as senators?

Miriam: So there were a few things we thought important to change, the overall tone we thought was more likely to get dismissed if antagonistic, it was very attacking governor Fallin when there were some positive things we thought that it would not get brushed aside if we reworded it. The list of people we were sending it too, more likely to be noticed by local mayors, specifically the district which refugees have already gone and we thought they would like to hear from us. To get the bill noticed by people and make it more effective. Jon: One other thing that came up was the original bill the way it was worded and addressed the constitutionality of Mary Fallin we thought that freedom of speech protected her, what she was proposing

constitutionality of Mary Fallin we thought that freedom of speech protected her, what she was proposing may not have been constitutional but her wording was.

Echols: Is Oklahoma currently accepting refugees?

Reid: yes

Owings: Would you be wiling to table this bill until we can write a poll?

Reid: No

Owing: if so would you accept a friendly amendment to remove the student body of Oklahoma? Reid: No

Williams: Could we table this?

Sample: You are free to table this, any amendment wanted to make to the thing, this would be frozen for you all to mull over and talk about. Have to see it at some point though.

Israel: If one of us motions to table this bill, does that have to be consented?

Sample: Motion to table requires a deadline one week two week there has to be a second and as long as no objection it carries, if someone objects

#### Motion to table this bill indefinitely Israel

#### Objection

Brown: Was governor Mary Fallin, incorrectly stated in the original bill?

Reid: Yes she was, we searched out other quotes and found this quote and backed it up and reshape the bill Watts: Concerning what we brought up a bit ago, regarding constitutionality of admitting the Syrian refugees, since this body already said it was constitutional. Is section 1 kind of contradicting?

Reid: Even though we are encouraging something constitutional we are actually in section 2 encouraging something separate from the issue, centers more around the governor and locals statement which are important and worth addressing

Benjamin: I love it and want it to pass, what do you think is the effect of this at the capitol?

Reid: My most optimistic hope that this will influence senators to take greater measures to welcome Syrian refugees into the state, such as we did with the Vietnamese refugees years ago

Benjamin: Do you think this bill is just like the others we have done in response to policy agendas that we have previously passed?

Reid: Yes only difference is that this is a local and national issue. We are only commenting on local state issue. Israel: How does this directly impact our constituents?

Reid: Opinion of our constituents and we are there reps

Brown: Would you accept amendment adding footnote to cite the places you have gotten your sources from? Byron: If you accept amendments does it go back to GSS?

Sample: If we amend it, I will be asking GC about what to do since it is not specifically outlined in our bylaws Brown: In the bill you say you have gotten them from news sources since we had a blurry line in the first one can you add those in the bill?

Reid: I can state the sources so they are in minutes

Watts: Concerning this body what committee saw this?

Reid: EA

Israel: Why did EA see it and not HD who saw it in the senate?

Sample: Chair of Senate refers it and I refer it up to individual disgression. We have a committee for issues outside of the university and so I referred it there. GSS and Congress are different so chair sent it to HD

#### Motion to move to end of list Kelling sec Elliott

17-3 we are moving to end of list

Reid: Can authors ask questions?

Sample: No but since not presenting yes.

Echols: Am I down for 3?

Sample: Yes

Owings: Is there risk in accepting Syrian refugees?

Reid: I don't believe risk worth taking into consideration

Brown: Why opposed to citing sources in actual legislation?

Reid: so it doesn't have to go to joint committee

Sample: not certain will be a joint committee

Echols: Given confusing language of 3rd whereas clause, can you explain that a bit more?

Reid: I believe that was actually ... representative Kelling's amendment where we kept his whereas clause in. Kelling: Mine is in the next one

Echols: 3rd

Mee: Mee's whereas clause. So expanding to say that the people we are letting in, the demographic description is very strict, cannot be a certain age, mainly woman and children.

Kelling: Can you maybe tell us about other refugees allow in this history?

Miriam: I didn't prepare stats, but from other countries, Nigeria and some may not even be in wartime, if

suffering discrimination, we take them in as refugees. Vietnam, Cambodia, I volunteer with a refugee

company. Some from Germany, all of western Europe, accepted them for over 120 years, Russia, etc.

Echols: Given the fact a demographic description is not necessarily a justifiable, would strike out that whereas clause?

Reid: No it includes an in-depth report by government about the safety of admitting them.

Owing: Amendment striking united states in 5th whereas clause and replacing with Oklahoma?

Reid: No I believe it applies more effectively since the next one is our own governor stating Oklahoma is a safe place for those

Brown: Are you opposed to citing your sources for times sake?

Reid: No not explicitly

Reid: Is the response ask and answered for anytime your question has been asked or answered or remembered.

Echols: the 3rd whereas clause background on admission doesn't state practices or proof that the process is thorough, so would you consider striking it?

Reid: No because I believe it is relevant

Mee: Can I clarify something? On top of what I said that was just a portion, the demographic description discussing the screening system and who were are letting in and that's what I was citing?

Brown: If not time, what is the reason to not adding sources, since there has been misconceptions and misunderstanding, you have here?

Reid: All quotes here are covered by various news outlet and that will be the primary quote you find, I believe it easy to find the cited documents and quotes.

Monolux: Section 2 last part, says in local governor of Oklahoma take greater steps, consider how our state is in budget state fall, how do you think this will be perceived by our government and do you think it will be put on back burner due to funding concerns?

Reid: I believe that the section states we would like them to begin to take greater steps, up to them to say what steps they are taking, if put on back burner, that's their choice.

Benjamin: Can you make a case why it is important to vote yes to pass?

Reid: This is the statement by our government by our representatives by our Oklahoma officials, the argument has been made it doesn't affect our students, but these are the people we vote for who run our states, I believe their statements are important to address, I believe voting yes makes our vote heard.

# Motion to move to a roll call vote Elliott sec Kelling

Objection

# Debate

# Motion to move to make a hostile amendment to the bill by removing the third whereas clause Echols sec Rash

Brown: If amending the citations wouldn't it go back to whatever we decide it to go back to? Sample: What happens next is decided by GC and both houses will reach final versions as to how we want to see this bill. If it is amended and GC says it has to go back to senate, then GSS just has to approve that. Williams: Who is General Counsel?

Sample: portion of exec branch who goes and gives a verdict on what they think our actions should be, if appealed goes to court

Israel: if someone submits a hostile amendment to cite material would you have to explicitly know the citations to submit that?

Sample: Author would be compelled to give that information. It could be tabled till we have that information In past has been hostile amendment without exact wording, and we did allow that.

Hostile amendment to strike the entire 3rd whereas clause

Echols: Based on the description given, what we are looking at is the demographic description found on refugee admission, there is no information in that whereas clause, it is unnecessary, the fourth whereas clause is doing the same thing and going more in-depth, that does more work than the third whereas clause and would appreciate you striking it.

Kelling: If the next hostile amendment is to pass and you add citations to the bill, do you think it would bring the clause back to relevance since the reader could find that information?

Echols: Potentially, but with the info we have now that needs to be struck

Kelling: is there a way we can move to the next amendment??

Sample: Someone could make a friendly amendment to the hostile amendment to the third whereas clause which would allow that in?

# Motion for a two minute recess Kelling sec Reid

Sample: Finish questions since during time right now.

Watts: If we finish questions then recess won't we not be able to submit amendments?

Sample: He can still do it

Owings: Do you also agree that third and fourth whereas clause are passing judgment without proper knowledge?

Williams: Is that not a leading question?

Owings: Do you think that the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> clause passing judgment on information congress does not have? Echols: Wouldn't say judgment I would say that with the evidence alluded in the whereas clause it is an opinion more than a fact

Reid: Can a hostile author comment on anything on the bill ?

Sample: They can answer anything even if not what is in their amendment, the hostile amendment author can choose to say outside of scope.

Kelling: Would accept friendly amendment to add footnotes and citation to the hostile amendment? Kelling: Keep the third and then just add citation?

Echols: more than happy to accept but with the current language important to strike out, so no. Kelling: Withdraw amendment

Owings: Instead of striking entire 3<sup>rd</sup> instead only found to be subtly to believed to be important? Echols: No I believe it is an issue in the clause but with the lack of evidence in the bill.

Israel: So for clarification purposes you want to strike the third whereas clause because it does not have citations?

Echols: Partially, the citations do not strengthen it, it is still a messy statement and given fourth whereas clause I found it to be unnecessary.

#### Motion to move to Debate Kelling sec Reid

Williams: Are we debating the hostile amendment?

#### Kelling-opposition to hostile amendment

Debate on hostile amendment cannot exceed 10 minutes unless you move to suspend the rules

Israel: This amendment takes forever then we cannot add anymore?

No this debate on this amendment only last 10 minutes.

#### Motion to move to previous questions Elliott sec Israel

Sample: at this point in time you want to vote YES to end debate this hostile amendment.

#### 18 to 6 Passes to roll call vote

Echols: Reading the fourth whereas clause. Correlation does not equal causation. Because lack of factual evidence it is essential same thing, I appreciate support in striking the fourth whereas clause.

# 10-13-3 this hostile amendment does not pass and bill is not so moved

# Motion to previous question Reid sec Kelling

### Objection

Can a hostile amendment be offered after moved to previous questions? No

Voting on previous questions, no more hostile amendments will be allowed.

#### Yes- want to be done don't see the need to further discuss

#### No- needs amendment and discussion

Objection moves to vote on previous questions

24 people who voted  $2/3^{rd}$  of 24 is 16 only 15 on previous questions. Previous question does not pass.

Kelling: How many is quorum?

Sample: we are missing 4 so we have to keep 20 to maintain quorum

# Motion to move a hostile amendment Israel sec Park

#### **Objection- Reid**

Voting on the objection to whether or not we should hear this objection, will vote on whether or not we will hear this.

Yes- I WANT TO HEAR THIS

No- GO AWAY

8 want to hear this

14 do not want to hear hostile amendment

Hostile amendment will not be heard at this time

Still in line for debate- if you leave so we cannot meet quorum I will call you back in this room.

# Debating for the bill.

#### Rash- opponency

Chun: This debate against bill as a whole correct?

Sample: Yes

Israel: Is it possible to offer a hostile amendment?

Sample: Yes up to body to hear it

### Motion to see hostile amendment to include the citations Israel sec Echols

Kelling: On information, body has already spoken on this amendment Sample: He did not say what this amendment was at time. Hand vote: 5 to see 16 to not see

Hostile amendment will not be heard at this time Sample: please keep in mind this is making it take longer

Wishing to speak in support please raise your hand

# Kelling: pro

# Sample- opponency

# Mee- proponency

Williams: are authors allowed to debate?

Sample: yes as long as they did not help to present it.

# Motion to previous question Sample sec Elliott

**Objection-Owings** 

# In line to vote on previous question

Yes- want to end debate

# No- want to continue debate

Sample: The author will receive rebuttal after

16- end debate

5- want to continue

We will now end to debate and move into the authors rebuttal

Reid: Although Chair Sample is a hard act to follow, in a time when political statements are not being made by constituents and by student on campus, it is our duty to represent them, it is our responsibility, we are going off of objection for citations not being on bill, there is precedent for that to be added after a bill has been passed. Vice Chair Browns bill has yet to have add citations to bill.... This is an important bill, it is an important issue, our constituents are not going to write letters because we didn't, why cant we do it for them? Why cant we do our jobs as elected officials? To make statements on our behalf? What is our job if not that? I am in passion about this issue because what we are talking about is mom and dad, little brother and little sister this is about families

# Decorum- cannot directly address others in your closing statement.

Sample: Can you refresh our memory Vice Chair Brown? Did you accept friendly amendment during the guns resolution for the citation in the meeting?

Brown: Yes accepted in meeting

Sample: I will sign gun bill this week and then going out with the citations, the citations were made during the meeting

12-1-12 this bill does fail.

Chair Sample voted as the vote was a tie and vote no on the bill.

Decorum

Items to Be Considered

# 950111 An Act Initiating a Student Safety Survey (Kelling) (Rec of do pass)

Elliott sec Ryana

Kelling: This bill is to initiate a survey about safety on campus. Specifically blue polls and how students feel walking around at night and then feelings about size of bike lane.

Israel: Can associates ask questions?

Sample: Yes they can ask whatever they want and as long as no objections from general body

Watts: On question 5, if worded differently to be less leading?

Kelling: I would entertain friendly amendment if you think better way to word it.

Elwick: Add a question asking whether students think blue lights polls effective as stand now?

Kelling: OU Daily covered a lot about how much blue polls are used but got my data through that company

and OUPD talked about it so I do not think we need to do another one.

Mishket: Surveys online or in class or how will they be distributed?

Kelling: Should go through OrgSync like you would vote.

Thompson: So this project has been around for a long time, what do you think we found out about viability about this yet given the amount of research?

Kelling: We know OUPD is resistant in adding more blue polls, students come up to our committee and tell us their concerns, OUPD says blue polls inside building but buildings are locked so they cant get to them. So we want data about how student body feels to sway them to help us out more.

Echols: Reasoning of asking what current classification added?

Kelling: Basic demographics.

Echols: Given fact the longer people are on campus the more familiar they are to location on campus. Could we ask how many people have been on campus to understand how long they have been here?

Kelling: Open to that

Zahra: The classification should state how long they have been on campus..

Sample: At this time we cannot interject information. Saved for debate, if you can find a way to ask that as a question to the author,

Kelling: For example, this is my second year here at OU But I am a senior, we have transfer students, AP credit, it varies.

Watts: Would prefer question 5 to resemble question 8 in an open questions, like too few too many or other or add question after saying "you feel there are too many?"

Kelling: I feel like it would make more sense do you feel there are too many or any area?

Watts: "Do you believe too many on campus? Yes no not sure?

Kelling: Yes

Byron: Would you add another question, asking if they have any suggestions how they could feel safer in dark beyond blue polls?

Yes

Echols: Amendment to add question what is current classification? "How many years you have attend OU?" Kelling: Would accept if make it open ended question

Byron: Friendly amendment to adding another question about how they could feel safer in the dark beyond blue lights

# Reid sec Elliott roll call

# 34-0-0 passes

#### 950113 An Act Incorporating CORE Into Code Annotated (Pae) (Rec of do pass) Reid sec Zahra

Pae: This legislation establishes CORE into Exec branch, we think they do a great job, they compliment our motto. Modeled after SFC as they update Congress and everything monthly.

Byron: Seeking to replace department of student organizations who was supposed to do this, but that didn't happen, they were supposed to give them tools to be successful. Through lack of drive on our end, it didn't happen. Jon came to us last September with this idea of improving student organizations and how to take it to a new level

Pham: CORE Consulting is a student organization that consults other RSO's currently consulting 5, hoping for more for next semester. Modeled after TOG, we look at what they need help with, look at research based on what other organizations are doing or what other university are doing. We feel it fits within SGA goals since you are here to help students and that is what CORE is doing so we feel it is very good fit together. Kelling: Just curious why is this group becoming part of Exec when it was part of Exec? What is driving them to be SGA?

Bryon: Jon came to us before it was a RSO, it is a student group but is not an official RSO yet, they have been working under my term but now are working with Daniel, it started out as initiative but now since it fits well with SGA it makes more since to have it as an affiliate of SGA or a part of the Exec rather than a RSO advising RSOs.

Mazietis: Even though under SGA, legislative members can still participate in core?

Pae: Much like SFC in the sense that they can be in SFC and legislative

Mishket: Any reason instead of making this a congress committee but rather making it a Exec branch?

Byron: If it had come through the legislative but came through exec. I'm on CORE and so is Cramm, it is not between branches but it does need a funding source and really they are looking for as much inter-branch cooperation as possible.

Kelling: Just curious, in your answer you talked about TOG what do they do?

Pham: They consult non profits on campus and we tailored it to fit to RSO.

Brown: Have you thought how it plays into congressional members as liaisons as RSO's and how they would have an impact in those RSO even though they are being helped by CORE and what is the overlap? Pae: If you go to their meeting let us know which one needs help and they can know about the application

process for CORE and how we can help them

Sample: I know stated under that financing under exec branch, since CORE is not a member in exec yet, is there funding requested in this years primary funding?

Pae: There is precedent but since it we can still request funding.

Byron: For example, turn up transit, we requested funding before it was happening

Sample: Did you ask for funding this year

Pae: Yes

# Motion to extend time by 10 minutes Williams sec Israel

Williams: Can you tell us some organizations you have worked with and how CORE has enhanced that? Pham: Currently, Single Life new initiative buy and give music to homeless, Our Mental Health, sooners helping sooners, Mary's meal. A lot of internal structure help, buy in, what do we need to do to make people want to be a part of it. Sooners helping sooners, we have been communicating with K-state to see what works for them and applying it here.

Williams: CORE supposed to be a short amount of time for an organization, do you have application process?

Pham: We have an application online and they fill out what consulting they need and we filter those were can we actually serve and help you. Online form.

Brown: Considering funding is a huge part of RSOs would you include the entity of the WAM chair as part of CORE throughout time?

Pae: Like student advisor?

Brown: What would their job be or would that be your job?

Pham: If Matt's position wants to be in it they can apply and that would be great but someone on exec would be working with them. Like funding workshops I would tell exec to make sure those organizations exist. It is nice to have Matt on the team but communication could still occur with WAM chair even if he is not a permanent member on CORE.

Nguyen: Grey areas for organization?

Byron: Challenges gone through in creating the organization?

Nguyen: Challenges and complexity you see in the future of CORE?

Pham: When we first started we thought about maybe having short and long term consulting like planning an event, but turns out most RSO's need long term consulting so those are some things we have been thinking about.

Brown: So would you almost have a third party work with funding instead of having the WAM chair do it? So if they had a problem with budgeting you would have a third party who would be a consultant?

Cramm: In transition binder going to make sure all Future WAM chairs know we are working with CORE. So WAM chair outreach to them and vice versa. So will be in future WAM chair's mind.

Byron: The more information you can have the more you can reinforce this information. we have CORE working with WAM, we are limited to 5 teams we can work with so that is not enough to cover all 300 RSOs so that is where liaisons come in and WAM chair to help finance problems.

Watts: Can you walk us through how executive positions are filled?

Pham: Those positions are going to be elected internal, so current directors electing new and team leads. We have 5 team leads plus 3 members under them and so those 5 plus directors will sit in on interviews

Watts: How were current directors formed?

Pham: Student initiative

Mee: How are groups chosen?

Pham: Currently just RSO's who apply and how many we thought could effectively consult. Israel: What would be infrastructure for CORE? How many people under directors and things like that? 5 directors, President, Vice President, director of ops, director of consultant, and one more. Where team leads are maybe going to 4 groups, dependent on this year, so 3 or 4 under that team lead. Israel: So 4-5 team leads with 3-4 under?

Yes

Echols: Assuming that this is passed are we planning on presenting confirmations a week from today? Pae: The current officers?

Byron: I don't think its something anyone would be opposed to, it's important to have those current officers but if you want to meet them I'm sure they would be more than willing to come meet you guys

Watts: Section 7 sub section F it talks about SGA VP removing the core president, so no removal procedure for other officers?

Byron: Other officers leaving it up to CORE President. SGA VP fills in as advisor role. His or her advisement would be considered.

# Motion to extend question to the end of the list Echols sec Kelling

Watts: On the subject of that, why is their so much authority in the VP, is there reasoning in the SGA president not having much input?

Byron: Not to snub the SGA President, the roles and responsibility of SGA President and VP are very skewed, so many fall on the president and we are thinking about how it will practically work out. VP currently advisor to SFC so we thought it would be good to add this responsibility to his duties. The relationship between President and VP, to make responsibility more spread out.

Brown: Organization of up to 25-30 people, what are benefits to having it under SGA rather than on their own?

Pham: Under SGA gives a lot of credibility, we talked about where this would fit best, an RSOs consulting another RSO doesn't feel right with it coming out of SGA gives us credibility and keeps us on same page. Williams: Going to be like SFC so you guys would come to congress to give us updates?

Pae: Yes and with them coming to exec cabinet meeting and updating us all about what is happening with CORE.

Watts: Since funding has been requested for this, if for some reason this bill did not pass and not established in the CA, what happens with funding?

Pae: Up to WAM

Byron: Even if allocated and this didn't pass, it has been working as an initiative, working to give this more teeth in transitioning officer-ship and backbone it needs to succeed. Which is what RSOs struggles with. Hoping to provide solidarity and plenty carry over year after year without being in the code annotated.

Israel: With money allocated for CORE does it provide financial assistant to RSO's?

Pae: The money funded to CORE is solely for CORE and not other RSOs

Watts: Concerning vacancies, the vacated seats falls on the remaining officer. Explain this to me?

Byron: Remaining officer that the duties of that officer should not be neglected even if one vacated, the other officers would have responsibility of filling that asap so not doing work for so many officers

# Watts: Can we add an s on that as a scriveners error? Section E Vacancies, shall fall upon remaining officer(S).

# Byron: Yes

Monolux: if this passes and becomes part of SGA and since SGA is nonpartisan, could they still consult partisan groups like college democrats?

Pae: Yes because RSOs like college democrats are funded by SGA and so they could be consulted by CORE Owings: How expensive is this going to be in terms of money that SGA is putting out?

Pae: It is about \$500 not including supplies, food, training workshops.

Byron: That is what we have submitted but that does not mean we will receive that much

Watts: In 78a III-V some responsibilities described as

Bryon: There are some weird regulators, if you have a more formal language you want to go through then let us know.

Williams: You said that the exec officers be selected within CORE? I'm confused on the term policy for vacancies. Will a member if they fill a vacancy they will no longer be able to be an officers or just filling vacancy?

Byron: They fill the vacancy but they can run that spot next, but it is to make sure they don't serve for a full year and getting the cycle of election of new officers off track. Fill time until elections and then can re-run after that.

# Debate- Israel

Sample: Every speaker has 2 minutes do not have to use full two minutes, once done they will yield their time. Alternate proponency and opponency until previous questions has been heard.

Williams: Do you have to write an amendment to say something or is this putting your idea out there? Sample: This is more formal, if against the bill come up here and say why. For the bill you will come say why. If you want to change the bill you will have to move a hostile amendment because that changes everything. Watts: When would one call for a hostile amendment?

Sample: At anytime you can move a hostile amendment at any point in time

Israel: If a rep or associate on this legislation can they ask the author?

Sample; No time for that has expired.

#### Williams-opponency

# Cramm-proponency

Israel: anyone can present hostile amendment at any time?

#### Motion to move a hostile amendment Israel sec Williams

Echols: Before an amendment hostile or friendly shouldn't It be read?

#### Yes

Sample: At this time hostile amendment needs to be submitted to secretary, once she gets it she will read the amendment and author ahs 3 minutes to present that amendment then 5 minutes for questions then debate on the amendment or roll call vote on amendment. Now we are SOLELY TALKING ABOUT AMENDMENT. Not bill.

#### Motion to recess for 5 minutes Rains sec Echols

#### Hostile Amendment

Sample: Brought to my attention there was an amendment made in committee that did not make it in committee, section 3 of the bill, under 77 membership requirements, should read full time knowledgeable students in good academic meeting. Amendment was accepted in ConAd.

In line for hostile amendment, secretary will read it to you.

Israel: So this change will make language more suited with code annotated, all of the members are for this change.

Kelling: Can we consent?

#### Consent

Sample: There are almost 8 minutes, consent has been heard. Any questions?

#### Consent

#### Amendment passes by consent

Sample: Back in line for those in support of this legislation for debate.

#### **Owings- proponency**

Owings: How many people in congress with associates?

Sample: 72

#### Motion to move out of debate to previous questions Kelling sec Nigh

Sample: We are now going to vote on whether or not we want to be done with debate. Requires a 2/3 majority. So please raise your hand if you want to end debate.

Pham: One concern was that we would impose on you all role, we would never want to step on your toes, we are adding more man power you can provide by yourself I think it will be a great supplement, it is through SGA and sooners helping sooners where students find their homes on campus so if we can pass on information to help form these safe spaces, I know CORE is going to help build all of these organizations and families, that is what is SGA is doing and I want CORE to do that too. Thank you for your time, I know it was longer than expected.

#### 28-0-3 this bill does pass

#### 950801 Polling Location Act of Spring 2016 (Taylor/Sample)

#### Echols sec Elliott

Taylor: I'm Abbey I'm SGA Election Chair, this is to establish polling sites, We want on by Bookmark, in the Union and by Dale Hall. We have a tent for weather too, just in case. Benjamin: Snapchat filters coming back? Taylor: Yes Taylor: Probably going to do the same ones except for a new one for dale hall, unless a lot of opinions then talk to me after Watts: Why did we move from Cate to Dale? Taylor: We didn't get a lot of traffic, we wanted it on the edge of the garden but got put in the middle so no one came Kelling :Section 2 is that supposed to be Spring 2016? Taylor: Yes Friendly Amendment: to change section 2 purpose to change the date to spring 2016? Taylor: Yes Echols: For something like that would we need an amendment or chalk it up to scriveners? Sample: Could be scriveners but already accepted Echols: Specifics on where in union and library? Taylor: The main entrances by the IT Store and the Market, there are booths there and having one of those. In lower level across from the book mark, Echols: By radio station? Taylor: Yes Chun: Is it supposed to be secretary Emily? Scriveners will change Watts: Outside of dale? Taylor: Yes Reid: If weather is bad would move inside? Taylor: We have a tent if raining but if really bad then yes we would Kelling: We can still all vote online correct? Taylor: Yes Consent **New Business** Follow-Up Reports Items for Future Agenda Chun: is there anyway recount the vote to check it? 12-12-1 vote ties chair breaks ties chair votes no Kelling: I request full review of this meeting by general counsel. Sample: Alright George: need to ask them for an opinion Sample: I will be asking what the opinion is since it failed in one house Owings: A Concurrent Resolution Regarding Mental Health and Program Funding EA 950406 Sample: Direction? Owings: Asking them to take action regarding mental health funding Motion to suspend the rules and move back to special orders Elliott sec Rains **Announcements and Comments** Echols: I know we can get heated in here everything is in the spirit of good faith I know right after this we are going to go to blackbird and sit down and have a good time! So please come

Reid: Thank you for passionate statements Chelsea and Israel thank you for all you did, no ill feelings held. Watts: Is this time for soap boxing? Sample: No Owings: I just like to apologize for my opposition if it seemed mean spirited, I apologize. Chun: Just to be sure were not missing anything else we have to do right? Tanner: SGA Reporter, I'm Tanner Osborn for the OU Daily, if any of you ever have a story from your various committees, constituents, find a way to contact me. Rash: Engineering students wanted filtered fountains, talked to dean getting 3 in the buildings!! **Final Roll Call Motion so suspend the roll call vote Kelling sec Chun** 

Chair: Emily Sample Vice-Chair: Chelsea Brown Secretary: Kaylee Rains THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

#### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV March 1, 2016

#### GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GS16 February 28, 2016

#### CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950801 SENATE BILL NO. GS16-08

#### <u>AS INTRODUCED</u> An Act designating poll locations for the Spring 2016 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 Spring 2016."

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 Spring 2016 SGA General Elections (March 29 and 30) and reserved for a potential run-off election (April 4):

- Oklahoma Memorial Union
- Dale Hall
- Bissell Memorial Library, Lower Level 1

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

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# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV March 1, 2016

#### CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 950111

#### AS INTRODUCED

A congressional Act authorizing a Survey of the Student Body on behalf of the Undergraduate Student Congress; providing for specific questions; and providing for distribution.

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

- Section 1: TITLE: This act may be known and shall be cited as the "Act Initiating a Student Safety Survey."
- Section 2: PURPOSE: To establish a survey as per the SGACA Title VII, Chapter 1, Section 7.
- Section 3: The Election Board shall survey students to discover the feelings of the student body in regards to pedestrian and night time safety.
- Section 4: The questions in this survey are as follows unless the Congressional Administration Committee at large determines they need to be amended to accurately determine its goal:

#### Campus Safety:

Are you a full-time OU student?

- Yes
- No
- DK/Refuse

What is your current classification?

- A) Freshman
- B) Sophomore
- C) Junior
- D) Senior
- E) Graduate

How safe do you generally feel on campus during hours of darkness?

• Extremely

- Very
- Not Sure
- Very Little
- Not At All

Do you feel that there are enough blue emergency poles on campus?

- Yes
- No
- Not Sure

Is there any specific area of campus that you feel needs more blue emergency poles? [OPEN ANSWER]

Is there any specific area of campus that you feel has too many blue emergency poles? [OPEN ANSWER]

Concerning the bike lanes located in the South Oval: Do you believe they are:

- A) Too Small?
- B) Adequate?
- C) Too Large?
- D) Not sure?

Section 5:	Due to the time-sensitive nature of the poll's subject matter, this poll shall be conducted once it passes through the Congressional Administration Committee, Congress, and Senate.
Section 6:	This act shall become effective while in accordance with the SGA Constitution and SGACA, immediately following passage and approval by the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress.
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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV March 1, 2016

# GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-15

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 950113 SENATE BILL NO. GF15-XX

#### AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act amending the Code Annotated, 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: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the "An Act Establishing CORE."
- **Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to add a section to the Code Annotated to establish CORE Consulting's rules, procedures and structure.
- **Section 3:** The following language will be added in Title III The Executive, as Chapter 13 CORE Consulting:

76. Delegation Purpose

The SGA Campus Organization Resource & Education "CORE Consulting" shall work with student organizations on campus to benchmark, improve, and enhance the organization. CORE Consulting will also work with student organizations on a short-term basis to improve their marketing, funding, membership and programming aspects of their organization.

77.Membership Requirements and Responsibilities

Full time, talented students in good academic standing with the University shall be eligible to submit applications for membership. These applications shall be reviewed, and interviews shall be held by the CORE Executive team, leaving membership selection at the digression of the Executive team. Members must remain in good academic standing with the University.

# 78.Officers

a. The President, Vice President, Director of Communication, Director of Special Operations, and Director of Consultants of CORE Consulting will be elected by current directors and by nominated members of the committee. Roles are as follows:

i. The President will be responsible for guiding the overall direction of CORE, chairing CORE meetings, and providing executive oversight for CORE Consulting. Concurrently, the President will also regularly update the Cabinet at Cabinet meetings. ii. The Vice President will be responsible for assisting the President and will fill in for the President when he/she is not present.

iii. The Director of Communication will be responsible for internal and external communication, making sure everyone is on the same page

iv. The Director of Special Operations will be responsible for community development events, the boot camp, and logistics tasks such as booking rooms.

v. The Director of Consultants will be responsible for leading the consultants and making sure that consulting projects are staying on track.

b. Eligibility

CORE members from the previous year, who have remained in good academic standing with the university, are eligible to apply for a CORE Executive position.

c. Selection

The Executive positions shall be appointed by a board comprised of the previous CORE Executive officers.

d. Term Length and Limit

The CORE Executive membership appointed for one academic year beginning with their legislative confirmation. Officers appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve to the end of the academic year in which they were selected by the current CORE Executive officers.

#### e. Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy the responsibilities of the vacated seat shall fall upon the remaining officer, and a new officer will be elected by the executive committee with the support of the SGA Vice President and confirmed by the legislature.

f. Officer Removal

The SGA Vice President shall have the authority to remove the president with 2/3 approval by the executive committee of CORE.

79. Internal Proceedings

CORE Consulting shall establish rules of procedure for the internal operations for the organization. These rules shall be published and available to students upon request. Any proposed and adopted rule changes must be sent to the SGA Vice President or President and appropriately distributed.

80. Meetings

The President of CORE Consulting shall establish meeting times for the full academic year by the third academic week of the fall semester. The meetings shall be open to the public and are subject to the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.

81. Power and Authority

CORE Consulting shall be empowered to create any such committees, boards, commissions, or other such entities that it deems are necessary in order to further its purpose.

# 82. Funding

CORE Consulting shall be provided financial support through the Executive Branch. The SGA President will request a budget proposal from the CORE President and Vice President at least three weeks prior to the Primary Funding deadline. The CORE President and Vice President will submit this budget proposal to the SGA President and Vice President at least ten days prior to the Primary Funding deadline. The CORE President and Vice President will then meet with the SGA President and Vice President after this budget proposal is submitted and at least one week prior to the Primary Funding deadline to discuss the budget proposal. The SGA President will incorporate the budgetary needs of CORE Consulting into the SGA Executive Branch's budget request.

83. Student Advisement

The student advisor to CORE Consulting shall be the SGA President and Vice President.

# 84. Report

The SGA Vice President shall present a report of the CORE Consulting's progress and goals to a minimum of one meeting of the Undergraduate Student Congress per month.

Section 4:	This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the S Constitution.	GA
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#### UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCV 1/26/2016

#### GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE SENATE SESSION GF-16 1/31/2016

#### CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 950401

#### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF-32

#### AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution Regarding the Syrian Refugee Humanitarian Crisis; and Providing for Distribution

- Whereas:Syrian refugees are in dire need of assistance from other countries, including the United<br/>States, in the form of safe haven and harbor; and
- Whereas: Some state officials have called for a suspension in our efforts in resettling Syrian refugees to the state of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: The United States screening system of refugees in place is found to be suitably strict and thorough as demonstrated by the demographic description in the U.S. Department of State's "Background Briefing on Refugee Screening and Admissions"; and
- Whereas: According to the White House, "Refugees undergo more rigorous screening than anyone else we allow into the United States" including extensive interviewing, security screening, and medical examination prior to admittance as a refugee; and
- Whereas: The United States is an upholder of the belief of freedom and safety for all and especially those in dire need; and
- Whereas: Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin has stated that "Oklahomans have welcomed refugees escaping religious persecution for many years and will continue to do so."

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

- **Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress, the Graduate Student Senate, and on behalf of the student body of the University of Oklahoma urge Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin, the state government, and the local governments of Oklahoma to continue to admit Syrian refugees into the state.
- Section 2: The Undergraduate Student Congress, the Graduate Student Senate, and on behalf of the student body of the University of Oklahoma respectfully request that Governor Mary Fallin, the state government, and the local governments of Oklahoma begin to take greater steps to welcome Syrian refugees.

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

- Oklahoma Governor Mary Fallin
- Speaker of the House Jeffrey Hickman
- Speaker Pro Tempore Lee Denney
- Senator John Sparks
- Representative Emily Virgin
- Representative Scott Martin
- Representative Claudia Griffith
- Representative Steve Russell
- Representative Jerry Shoemake
- Representative John Bennett
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- Tulsa Mayor Dewey Bartlett
- Norman Mayor Cindy Rosenthal
- Broken Arrow Mayor Craig Thurmond
- Lawton Mayor Fred Fitch
- Edmond Mayor Charles Lamb
- Moore Mayor Glenn Lewis
- Midwest City Mayor Dee Collins
- Enid Mayor Bill Shewey
- Stillwater Mayor Gina Noble
- Jenks Mayor Kelly Dunkerley
- ABC News (Oklahoma Affiliate: KOCO)
- NBC News (Oklahoma Affiliate: KFOR)
- Fox News (Oklahoma affiliates: KOKH & KOKI)
- CBS News (Oklahoma affiliates: KWTV & KOTV)
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- The Tulsa World
- The Norman Transcript
- The OU Daily
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