


THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XCVI

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 6th, 2016
Devon Hall 120

Session XCVI

Roll Call - Flag Salute

Representative Mee

Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve the Minutes Kelling sec Chun

Chair's Report- Thanks for coming out! We had AA Committee Chair interviews yesterday, and have a new chair for you all. Also, sadly, our HD Chair had to resign due to time commitments, so applications for the position are now open. If you're interested, come talk to us and apply! Dance tryouts for HoCo are tonight from 8-11. Sam Quick will not be going. They are at SigEp, and make up tryouts are next Monday from 8-11. Night at the Huff (waiting to hear for Exec on sport will be) on October 25th from 5:30-10. Orientation will be this Sunday. Apps closed yesterday and ConAd has done a great job setting up interviews, which will be this week. We want new members by Orientation. Brand new associates will be in on Sunday.

Vice Chair's Report- For a portion of tonight, I'll be chairing, so please let me know if there are any problems. Orientation starts at 4pm on Sunday at the Conoco. I'll be sending an itinerary tomorrow which will direct you all to where you're supposed to be at what time. Committee meetings will be at Orientation, so you don't need to schedule other time to have them. After Orientation, I will be focusing on associates and getting them integrated. Feel free to stop by my office and let me know about any projects. I'm a little busy with my show, so I may be in and out until that is done. Be sure that you get out to HoCo; we are really trying to participate with the student body as we represent them.

Secretary's Report- Hope everyone's been able to use the Google Drive! Let me know if you have any problems, and be sure to visit [bit.ly/Session 96](http://bit.ly/Session96). Also be on the lookout for Constituent Service and Office Hours requirements in the next e-mail I send out. Thank you all!

Committee Reports-

- **Academic Affairs-** N/A
- **Communications-** Hi everyone! We had an Exec meeting this morning, and after Kaylee and I started to plan Cupcakes and Congress. Shirts will be both halfzips and pullovers. Shirts will likely be a dark maroon like the new Student Affairs shirts. We cannot get the University seal, so if anyone has any other ideas, let me know. I'll be working on Cons cards, spread a little thin with Anatomy.
- **Congressional Administration-** Hello everyone! Hope you all had a great Labor Day holiday! ConAd will be interviewing 52 applicants this Thursday and Friday and will have the decisions made by Friday evening so that the new members will be able to come to the Orientation this Sunday. We will also be seeing our legislation for the week immediately following the conclusions of the interviews.
- **External Affairs-** We met this week to discuss voter registration drive initiatives and to name Kara as Vice-Chair
- **Human Diversity-** N/A
- **Problems and Projects-** We weren't able to meet due to scheduling conflicts and we will meet over Orientation. Brian Owings is the new Vice-Chair and Sec will be appointed soon.
- **Sustainability-** We met last week and worked on some projects. Reece is VC and Maddy is Secretary. One project I wanted to mention was that there might be some issues with recycling. We want to make sure that we are using the correct bins for recycling/trash. If anyone notices any issues along those lines, please contact me. We talked about getting a new water fountain in the Fine Arts College and hopefully creating a compost program in the Caf. We also talked to Healthy Sooner, who give out Frisbees on the South Oval. Hoping that they can give out water bottles instead.
- **Ways and Means-** We saw Auxiliary in Committee and we passed that, will see the results of our first interviews in the upcoming weeks.

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

Committee of the Whole

Motion to suspend the rules and move to COTW Nigh sec Pham

960108 An Act Amending the Registration Date in the Code Annotated (Rains)

Nigh sec Owings

Rains: Pretty straightforward. We were going through the Code and noticed that the dates prohibit any RSO from getting funding if they register after four weeks. We want to make sure RSO's have more time to submit funding requests.

Echols: Accept a friendly amendment to add me as a co-sponsor?

Rains: Yes

Motion to Give Legislation a Rec of No Rec Kelling sec Elwick

Motion to Suspend the Rules and Move Out of COTW Echols sec Kelling

Student Concerns

Rains: This is for the voicing of student concerns, either by Reps or by the individual constituent ahead of time.

Davis: There is a water filter in Bizzell that's been red for the past few weeks.

Kovach: I met with a constituent about the procedure about the election of SGA President and changing it slightly to institute an instant run-off as opposed to our current system.

Rains: ConAd can look into that

Kelling: Is the water fountain Sustainability or PnP?

Rains: Sustainability

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

960108- An Act Amending the Registration Date in the CA (Rains) (COTW- Rec of no rec)

Kelling sec Ryana

Rains: So, like I just said, this bill changes the registration date for funding so that RSO's have the four weeks after registration to register so that RSO's aren't penalized for registering late.

Owings: How long on average does this add for RSO's to register?

Rains: If registration opens the first day of school, they have the first four weeks from the date it opens.

Williams: Why isn't registration open right now?

Rains: Question for Student Affairs

Mee: Why is there a registration timeframe of four weeks?

Rains: It has to do with funding. If you aren't registered in the first four weeks, you don't have access to funding. This will all change pending Auxiliary Funding being passed.

Davis: So they can still register after four weeks, we just can't give them any money?

Rains: Student Affairs handles registration, but it used to be that they had to register within four weeks of school, but now its four weeks of registration opening.

Consent

960504- An Act Establishing Auxiliary Funding (Echols) (WAM- Rec of do pass)

Elliott sec Chun

Echols: Sorry if I'm quiet, I'm a bit sick. We are combining emergency and subsidiary. The pot we are drawing out of is larger, RSO's can now apply three times, and deadlines are eliminated. We want to make funding as accessible as possible, so that's the intention.

Elwick: Is there something being added? I don't see any underlines.

Echols: The only thing that we added should be under auxiliary.

Kelling: On the strikethroughs, there are weird numbers. Are those scriveners?

Echols: Yes

Kelling: Scriveners error- add underlines

Mee; adding co-sponsors?

Echols: yes

Kelling: Can you speak about why we changed from appeal to review?

Echols: Appeal process involved lots of extra work and wasn't used, so we are hoping that this process will be much more effective and efficient.

Motion to Move to a Roll Call Vote Nigh sec Chun

By a vote of 25-1-0, this bill does pass

960603- An Act Appointing the Academic Affairs Chair (Rains) (Exec- Rec of do pass)

Mee sec Elliott

Rains: Sadly, Trevor Watts had to resign, so we opened applications and held interviews, and decided that Hunter would be an excellent chair. We think he's really passionate and will make a great leader!

James: Friendly amendment to add his name under chair?

Rains: Yes

Echols: Hunter, could you tell us a bit about yourself?

Erwin: My name is Hunter, I'm from Ada which is about an hour South. Political Science pre-law sophomore with a minor in NAS and I'm a member of the Choctaw nation. Last semester, I was in HD and was the liaison for the Native American Student Association.

Nigh: What specifically drew you to the AA committee?

Erwin: The initial thing was that I was put in this committee for the session, which was great because I wanted a diversity of experiences in Congress. A few issues that drew me to the position included a lack of preparation before the semester begins, and many students would like to see their syllabus before, so I would like to look into seeing that brought forward.

Consent

New Business

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Echols- Auxiliary Funding 1 (WAM- 960507)

Mazeitis- An Act Amending ConsService in the Byalws (ConAd 960109)

Echols- An Act Amending Funding Legislation for FY 16-17 (WAM 960508)

Lewis- An Act Appointing New Reps and Associates (ConAd 960604)

Announcements and Comments

Reid: The whole reason that Ryan and I will be in and out is because we are in a show. Tickets went on sale today. Its rated R, so come see it.

Elliott: Follow us on social media!

Kelling: Make sure you speak up when you ask questions so that everyone can hear you!

Ryana: Hey everyone! Just wanted to say that I started a Non-Profit! Like us on FB, we're called Student Healthcare Outreach. Hit me up if you want to learn more!

Reid: As Rep Echols demonstrated, there are a lot of sicknesses, so stay healthy, drink water, sleep, and wash your hands.

Rains: Good job on ParliPro, please be sure to ask using "On Information" so that we can answer your questions. I asked a lot my first session. We also have cheat-sheets, so please grab one if needed. OIL is this Thursday in Gaylord 220 at 8.

Rains: HoCo makeups are at SigEp on Monday from 8:30-11. Please let us know so we can send someone with you.

Final Roll Call

Motion to Skip the Final Roll Call and Adjourn Kelling sec Owings

Chair: Kaylee Rains

Vice-Chair: Austin Reid

Secretary: Jake Mazeitis