

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session CIV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 1, 2020

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Session CIV

Roll Call 7:00pm

Mission Statement

Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes

Representative Sertovic seconded by Representative Marvin

Chair's Report- Hi everyone! Welcome back to session 104! Hopefully, by this time next week, we will have brand new members! I wanted to touch base with you all real quick of what I have been up to this summer.

First thing, I am currently in the process of creating a Communication Director position with the executive branch. Drafts of legislation are already written. The idea right now is to combine the position with the SGA webmaster. If there are any thoughts and questions about this before the bill is seen in committee, please message me privately!

Second, I have been in big exec meetings with staff from Student Affairs discussing many things including the new OU chief of police, the new CAC election, and the return of students to OU. Now, I am sure that there are mixed feelings in this body. I am sure that many of you are frustrated, and terrified, for yourself, your friends, and your family. Through this uncertain time, I encourage you to turn your frustration into something productive, and we are going to see an example of that tonight. I encourage you to have a tough, positive, and productive conversation with your friends who don't wear masks, who want to go out on campus corner on the weekends. Rules by in large are being followed in the classroom, so whether we go online this semester, is up to the habits of your friends outside of the classroom.

As student leaders we are expected to uphold the expectations. Outside of these actions, there is not much we can, do but the reality is we are back on campus and it is time for us to be responsible.

With that being said, we have a very short meeting today. If any of you all want to change committees, please let me know. As some of you may know we are experiencing a personnel shortage on the WAM committee so if you are interested in this please reach out.

My office hours are Mon and Wed and Friday from 10am to 12 and on Tuesday and Thursday from 12:30 to 2:30. I might be adjusting those times in the following weeks to better accommodate my schedule but I will make sure you guys have notice. My office hours will be hybrid this semester but every time I am in the office

I will also be online so you all can pop in on my personal zoom which I will send in the group chat if you ever want to chat.

Also, only committee chairs have card access to the Conoco building. As of now this is how it will stay. You all are authorized to host committee meetings in the Conoco on Sundays as long as there are under 10 people present, and there is also a hybrid option.

Vice Chair's Report- - Orientation will be on Zoom. Looking to get Committee Chairs more involved. Attendance will not be required for returning members, unless you are reappointed.

- PR Team Application is up! The more the merrier, will be a 2-3 hour time commitment per week. Plan already in place for when the team is recruited. Application closes Sept. 15th so new members will have a chance to apply.

- Hope everyone had a good first week and they are staying safe! COVID measures are no joke. In the first week OU had about 100 positive cases, which is better than most Big12 Schools, but everyone please remain diligent! Your health is not only important for your own sake! If senior labs get cancelled because YOU got COVID you are forcing another student to spend an extra year of their life at this University, rather than in their chosen profession or pursuing a higher degree, and costing them several thousand dollars. Don't be that person. I will fight you.

Secretary's Report- Hi everyone! I hope you all had a safe and healthy summer. I can't wait to start working with you all this year. Just some quick updates to get us started for this year: last week, I met with a few of the committee secretaries to establish a point of contact and get to know them as well as to clarify anything they weren't sure about. I still have to touch base with a few secretaries, so if you were recently appointed by your chair reach out to me if you haven't heard from me in a few days. Also, regarding constituent service hours this year, please do still try to reach out to your constituents, even though we're not in person. I've been working on a list of possible things that we can do for outreach that are COVID-free. If you have anything that you think might work for a constituent service hour, please don't hesitate to ask. I'd like to have us try this year to keep our constituent service as virtual as possible, since there is a global pandemic going on and we should set a good example for the rest of the student body. Another thing for this year is that I plan on sending out all the committee minutes each Monday, so if you have time, I would encourage you all to look over those in case there's an area or project that you might be able to provide insight into. One last thing: with absences this year, it's pretty much the same as always - just let me know if you can't make it to the meeting by noon on Tuesdays and tell me why so that I can excuse it. My email is CongressSec@ou.edu.

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** I'm excited for this semester. A lot of our projects will have to be adapted for virtual. We're going to try to revise and send out surveys from last semester, about Goddard, the gym. About how the gym improvements are perceived by the student body. Also about child care for students who need it. We're going around to each building to make sure their sanitation things are in order, optional because no one has to do anything they're not comfortable with. Also suggestion box, we're leaving it open, let people know.
- **Congressional Administration:** Hi everyone. I'll have a more detailed report next week. This week three of our four bills were tabled because there was no author present. We'll see them this weekend. Also bill for a special election. It provides for CAC special election. Two points, associate reapplication closed. General for SGA still open. Interviews are Sept 5. Application allows you to apply for CLA or Congress. Reach out with any questions.
- **External Affairs:** EA met Sunday at 5pm on the third floor. No bills this weekend, but data from the National Study of Learning Voting and Engagement talking about student engagement in voting from presidential elections. We'll know what groups of students we need to target for voter registration outreach. Engineering and health sciences lowest turnout. PoliSci, Letters, and Library Studies has almost 75% election participation. EA is working on projects like our next bill, getting a polling location on campus. Lots of people register on campus but have to drive to their polling place. County election board, MTV, and the Carl Albert's Center to get one on campus. All of you should sign up to be poll workers. Tucker and other students volunteered in June. Poll workers are

generally elderly and they're the most vulnerable during this time. For absentee ballots, Gov. Stitt said we don't need notaries. You get a copy of your ID and put it on top of your absentee ballot. I'll do demonstrations of this.

- **Human Diversity:** Hi y'all, hope you're staying safe. Sunday, we talked about plans for the semester, legislation in the next few weeks. With events we're going to try to keep them safe for students. Friendsgiving will be different. Implicit bias we'll incorporate in new ways. We talked about new plans as well. We look forward to this semester.
- **Sustainability:** Hope this weekend went well. Excited to get back into it. We talked about getting a secretary and VC selected. Our current secretary is Susie Kerr, so congrats to her. Trash walks will require more caution than in the past. If anyone needs a service hour, that'll be an option. We'll continue working on the reusable to go container program. It may not be implemented soon. We'll ask H&F about what they'll do and what the student body is interested in, but there are favorable winds in those sails. Lucy suggested social media campaign about intersection between sustainability and health issues in the pandemic. Looking forward to the work this semester.
- **University Policy:** Hey y'all. We had a short meeting this Sunday setting things up. We saw CR-104-08, Mask Up OU. We'll see it tonight, rec of do pass. We also set up things and looked at projects for the future.
- **Ways and Means:** We have a personnel shortage. I keep a small committee. I'm figuring out Engage and how it works. No immediate answers, but I should be able to tell you that soon. We'll go over it during orientation too.

Liaison Reports

Merchant: Menstrual products drive with GEC, let me know.

Marvin: Wanted to say that PRRSA is having our first meeting tonight through Zoom with guest speakers.

Tucker: Write Club had our first virtual event this Thursday, and it went really well, lots of new faces. We have our next one this Thursday at 7:30, I'll drop the link in the group chat. Merchant: Mock trial apps live, if you're interested let me know.

Special Orders

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

CB-104-09 Fall 2020 Special Election for CAC Chair Act of 2020 (ConAd, Hillis) (Do Pass)

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Harman

Hillis: This is the bill allowing a new CAC election. I'll go over section by section. Second section is the purpose, Superior Court invalidated the election and the general counsel opinion. Third, it'll happen three weeks after the passing of the bill over engage. Four, two candidates that correctly filed can only run again. Five, takes away section of Code that says that CAC election occurs in the spring, nullifies it temporarily. Six, extra \$200 expenditures. Seven, election chair has authority to change some deadlines. They'll have to schedule events and need freedom to do that. Eight, unsolicited wording, specifies from True Democracy Now, only includes software that OU owns to solicit support. Clears up a lot. Ten, sent to election chair appointee, interim chair, and the two candidates.

Marvin: To clarify, when you say in section Eight, unsolicited, does that we can't tell people to vote in general or a specific candidate?

Hillis: Campaigns can't reach out to voters and solicit support over OU email and Canvas because they're academic platforms. OU mms allowed.

Bouch: Why to allow candidates unsolicited platforms?

Hillis: Doesn't specifically allow them to. GroupMe debacle contested for a long time. Not a good line between official and unofficial group message. GroupMe is not an official educational platform. Heavily contested in previous elections, and this one. Rolling that back because policing is difficult.

Harman: When is the election?

Hillis: Depends on GSS and the President. Should be the second week of October. Voting occurs on Tuesday and Wednesday according to Code,

Harman: Did Matthew Smith file in the spring election? Does he have to file since he's the interim?

Hillis: He didn't file and won't be allowed to run here because of the General Counsel opinion.

Lange: Did you notice scrivener's errors? UOSGA, grammar.

Hillis: UOSGA is not incorrect.

Bouch: FA changing definition of unsolicited to include RSO GroupMe

Hillis: No, overreach of our power, up to the individual RSO GroupMe. It was contested and can't be faithfully executed.

Broadbent: FA in section three adding dates of September 29 and 30.

Lange: Notation of scrivener's, didn't hear the response.

Hillis: UOSGA is correct.

Buxton: The three week provision added, but you added the date. Will GSS be able to pass the bill and pres. sign in time?

Hillis: Kept at 3 weeks after bill passed, but George asked for a date.

South: Again trivial, but I searched through Code and didn't see use of UOSGA anywhere. SGACA for Code and OU SGA, but no UOSGA.

Hillis: Don't have a specific section but we can change the acronyms.

Ahmadi: In the past, dates have been set for special elections. Does that put us in a predicament with the three week binding? If you don't want to set a date, you can allow the president or me to set a date.

Buxton: Since this is a special election, any need to have the three week provision?

Ahmadi: The three week decision doesn't have to do with it being uncontested. We'd check with the candidates about running. I'm not looking at it as uncontested. That provision says three weeks before, but in the past, it hasn't been that way. It was more of a guide or what you agree to. Giving us time either way and GC I think would support that. You can just give the power to Justin or me to make the date. I don't think it's an issue.

Buxton: If we eliminate that provision, you and Justin could set a date to get the engage election set up as soon as possible?

Ahmadi: You could friendly the friendly. It would be totally fine.

Broadbent: FA eliminating the date and adding back the three week period back to the original text?

Hillis: Yes.

Buxton: FA eliminating the three week provision so the SGA advisor and president can set the date themselves?

Hillis: No, three weeks is enough, and the Code says so.

Two minute recess

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Harman

Debate

Broadbent: Foster has thought out this bill. Went through ConAd. They have ability from last session. We should simplify this so that the CAC chair can get in there and we can get ready for the next election. It's in our best interest.

Bouch: Changing our definition which includes official RSO GroupMe allows election processes to take over the GroupMe intent of the RSO. Should not be on them to keep our SGA business out of their GroupMe. They don't have that obligation. We should have a system set up to punish people who violate that rule who get messages in a chat that was not for that purpose. The GroupMe's executive branch intended for that chat to be for a set purpose. Candidates should not be getting in RSOs' official business.

Buxton: Would you agree that bills like these need to be seen by the body more than two days before the body sees it to have more time to deliberate?

Bouch: Tough question. Members should be reading agendas to formulate thoughts. Other hand, big changes we should be exposed to more than one time. We'll see big change more than one time with big election reform. So yes and no.

South: Would you agree that this amendment would remove ambiguity around GroupMe rules about campaigning?

Bouch: Yes, and this will serve to protect RSOs on our end which we have an obligation to do.

Debate on the Hostile Amendment

Flaggert: I disagree with this. Not that people may break it. We have it but people have broken it. GroupMe was tried to be regulated but it didn't work. We've had over and over again GroupMe violations. How do we have the right to police an RSO GroupMe? They're their own organization. If they don't like it, remove the member. Impossible to define what an official GroupMe is. Especially during grievances, we couldn't define which GroupMe were RSO affiliated. We don't own or police GroupMe. Shouldn't be silencing RSOs. It's not our place to say that. Fully against this, will add more ambiguity than it's worth.

South: Support this amendment. Precedent in the past with the GroupMe rule to regulate them. Points issued to candidates violating those rules in the past. The old GroupMe rule was fairly complicated and worded poorly. This amendment removes ambiguity and makes it easier to say if it's in violation of a GroupMe. Kerr: Mentioned earlier, GroupMe never specifically put in rules before, but naming GroupMe and saying official RSO GroupMe takes away ambiguity. I think things that happen within RSOs, we do a lot affecting RSOs. If GroupMe exist for friends that's up to them, but if it's specifically titled for the university, made to moderate conversation about an RSO and it should fall into the university sponsored category.

Buxton: Support this amendment. If we spread info about SGA, this info wouldn't prevent info about SGA, but it would prevent campaigning which RSOs aren't interested in. Campaigning would have students have a more negative perception of SGA. It would give us a negative appearance in RSO group chats.

Hillis: Thank you to the author of this hostile amendment. I've been doing the research with the General Counsel; we've come to the conclusion that this is the best way to change this rule. This is a virtual campaign. Silencing candidates to only solicited messages will be difficult. OU does not own GroupMe. We can't take ownership of that. To the previous election reports, this grievance is the most popular grievance, so easy to break. Purely virtual campaign. Might be signs and buttons, but candidates can only get their names out through unsolicited messages.

Bouch: I think the fact that it hasn't worked is more a reason to have this rule. Prevents candidates from hijacking official GroupMe. Continue to assign punishment to those who violate this rule. I think this rule is serving its purpose. We're punishing campaigns for hijacking GroupMe. You see campaigns stop trying to hijack specific GroupMe. Confused by the point that this would silence RSOs. Unsolicited only. If official ownership says it's okay, it would be okay. Allows individual campaigns to ask individual RSOs. It's not an ambiguous thing. Clearly defined through precedent and grievances. Even more so, only ambiguous part in election rules is about sending friend requests on IG. Official RSO GroupMe have had an accepted definition in the past. Statements on this several times. Finally, ambiguity shouldn't be something we should be afraid of legislating. I think it's our obligation to stop campaigns from hijacking GroupMe.

Buxton: This hostile amendment is to stop us as a body from overstepping on elections. Changing factors in the coming weeks regarding the CAC election. We're writing a bill, GSS is seeing this and president's desk has to see it. He'll have to adhere to the three week mark because of our codifying it. They should make a decision and we should trust them to establish this. It's not up to us as representatives. Relating to when the election should take place is an overstep.

Kerr: This takes out the three week mandate and allows Justin to make that decision?

Buxton: Yes, eliminates the three week mandate.

Hillis: aware that title 6 chapter 2 subsection d, dates for special elections made by legislation? It's our job to establish dates?

Buxton: Says we'll establish date when president says so. More of just a guideline?

Ahmadi: Hesitate to say it's a guideline. Special election established with consensus. Not sure when three week thing came in but it's there. The most important thing is that we don't have an election that's super quick. I think that this is something that should be fixed in election reform the next time.

Hillis: Unaware that it says it's our job to establish the date, not the president or election chair?

Buxton: I will not answer a debate.

Debate

Hillis: Opposition. Thank you body for your attention. We need this done. It's very important that we follow the Code, so the Superior Court doesn't challenge it. We're following the Code. This amendment breaks the Code and might drag out the election even more.

Garg: Listening to both sides, it would be fair to leave it to the president to decide. It's a little overstepping our powers, we have put the procedures in place. It wouldn't be fair on our side, we should leave that blank for now.

Patton: Opponency. Echoing Hillis, just because we can override the Code, doesn't mean we should. There are ways to override the Code that lets the student body know. Having this time period doesn't mean Justin is unaware. Lots of conversations about the special election. He won't be blindsided. They're preparing for the election, we shouldn't go against the Code.

Buxton: Lots of questions arisen about the Code. I'll point out that section five says we're temporarily overriding the Code. It already does. We need a 2/3 majority to override the Code. We're not saying Justin has to pick a date now. We take out the suggestion so when he gets it, they've already been advertising for the election. It gives us the flexibility to set an election when the president sees fit. We can trust him with this decision. GSS only meets every two weeks. Justin being one man has the flexibility when he sees fit. It's important that the Code is already being nullified in the bill. If Justin thinks the three weeks is right, then that's fine but if sooner then that's fine.

Broadbent: I want the body to know that this will be challenged in the Courts if passed. The election chair hasn't been appointed. This will prolong the election because it will be challenged by the Courts.

Kerr: Why will this be challenged by the Courts?

Hillis: If the hostile amendment passes, it will be challenged by the Courts because it violates the Code. Giving that power to the executive branch, it can be challenged.

Buxton: Reading the bill, I thought it was clear that we were nullifying the Code. We can supersede the Code with this bill.

Bouch: The argument that the opponency is making is contradictory with the friendly amendment where we set the date specifically, because there's no guarantee that it'll be in time that GSS and the president sees it. The opponency has already contradicted itself. GSS isn't meeting this Sunday. That's another week. We don't know how long it will sit on Justin's desk.

Buxton: Summing up, I saw this hostile amendment because I talked to the candidates because we should give the flexibility to the president. This could save CAC days of not having a full time chair. It's just telling Justin that he can choose whenever he sees fit. It's a pandemic. The whole Code argument, the bill needs to pass with 2/3 anyways. If it is challenged, it's challenged anyways because the three weeks isn't setting the date. Give CAC the chance to have a chair as soon as possible and we should stop overstepping our boundaries.

Hillis: Thank you everyone for your patience. The friendlies cancel out, the bill is as is. Thank you for your debate. We all want the CAC election over quickly. I hope you all vote to pass this bill to get the new CAC chair in as soon as possible.

CR-104-08 "Mask Up OU Resolution" (Upol, South) (Do Pass)

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Murdock

South: Hello everyone. This bill was seen in Upol over the weekend. It outlines the university policy on masks and social distancing on campus and encouraging OU students and everyone in the OU community to adhere to the guidance of OU and Norman as well as the CDC to help keep the community safe. Also encourages OU to vigorously enforce policies designed to help protect the OU community. It's something that protects the whole community to act in the health interests of those around us and keeping people safe. Zoom exhaustion is a thing, we don't want to leave campus and go back across the country and not be able to be in Norman. If OU vigorously enforces its policies as well as us doing those policies will help protect all of us.

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Marvin: I'm the PR director for mock trial. I'm doing research for mock trial, I'll send surveys in the GroupMe, so please fill them out! I'm excited for our projects this year.

Hillis: I'll reiterate that SGA general application is open until Friday at 5pm. If you need graphics, reach out to Malachi or the IG. There's one app to apply for CLA and Congress. If you have questions reach out.

Bouch: PR team app is up please apply!

Lange: Intercommittee collaboration. Reminder that if you have an idea beyond your committee's scope, reach out to other committees. We're much more powerful with collaboration.

Broadbent: Sent in GroupMe, but my sorority is open right now, only native sorority on campus and we have rush open! All native women here rush.

South: Going off what Lange was saying, if anyone has ideas or concerns about university policies or things that the university could do to help students, UPol is always looking for new ideas and ways to help students with policy changes. Even if you're not in my committee, please reach out.

Marvin: Mentioned earlier, but mock trial apps are due this Sunday September 6th. Reach out to me or others in the body with questions! It's a lot of fun.

Harman: Tonight was our first meeting and it was somewhat long, but please remember to be kind to one another while we're being proactive as a body. Tones, kindness. We're all in a tough season. Try our best.

Final Roll Call

Adjourn

Representative Carmona seconded by Representative Buxton

Chair: Savanah Patterson

Vice-Chair: Malachi Bouch

Secretary: Emily Tucker

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-09
SENATE BILL NO. CB-XXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Legislation
establishing a special election for the Spring 2020
CAC Chair election; suspending certain Code
Annotated provisions; providing temporary
election rules; providing for distribution;
providing short title; and providing an effective
date.

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

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Fall 2020 Special Election for CAC Chair Act of 2020.”

Section 2: Purpose: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s (UOSGA) Superior Court heard the case of Lee v. SGA Election Board (SC 2020-001) on April 29, 2020; the election of the Campus Activities Council (CAC) Chair in the Spring 2020 General Election was invalidated by the Spring 2020 General Election Validation Order on May 1, 2020; the UOSGA General Council delivered an Opinion to Congressional Administration Chairman Foster Hillis on August 16, 2020, regarding a special election for the CAC Chair position; and all Members of the OUSGA are in an ongoing global pandemic and don’t have the same access to campus and on campus resources as they might in a year’s past.

Section 3: An election for the Chair of the Campus Activities Council shall be established to occur on three (3) academic weeks after the passing and signing of this bill. Voting for this election shall occur exclusively over Engage.

Section 4: Only candidates that correctly filed and were listed on the ballot in the Spring 2020 General Election for the CAC Chair position may be candidates on the ballot. The correctly filed candidates need not refile.

Section 5: This section shall allow the temporary nullification of the UOSGA Code Annotated § Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 30 (“Spring General Election”), only for the purposes of conducting the aforementioned special election. This shall cease to apply after the validation of the special election by the UOSGA Superior Court.

Section 6: For the purposes of such an election the spending limit shall be two hundred dollars (\$ 200) per candidate on the ballot in addition to what each candidate claimed on their last campaign expense report filled during the Spring 2020 General Election.

Section 7: The Election Chair shall have authority to adjust the timelines in the Code Annotated for this special election in order to execute the election by the established dates in section three (3) of this resolution. They shall not have the power to forgo any provisions regarding the timelines of grievances or the appeal processes.

Section 8: For the purpose of this special election alone, “Unsolicited” in the UOSGA Code Annotated § Chapter VI, Chapter 3, Section 47, Subsection D, Paragraph IV, shall mean the following: “Any unrequested electronic message sent through an OU -maintained service (e.g. OU email, Canvas, etc.), for the purpose of explicitly requesting a vote or support.”

Section 9: This act shall be effective when passed when in accordance with the UOSGA Constitution.

Section 10: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Peyton Nees, Election Chair Appointee
- Matthew Smith, Interim Chair & Executive Vice Chair of CAC
- Lafonzo Spinger, SGA Member & Candidate for CAC Chair
- Louisa Lee, SGA Member & Candidate for CAC Chair

Author(s): Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Chair & University College Representative

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Harman

Action taken by Congress: 26-0-1

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-104-08
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution encouraging the wear of face coverings to combat the COVID-19 pandemic; providing a short title; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The COVID-19 Pandemic has adversely affected life for students at the University of Oklahoma;
- Whereas: Research regarding the use of face masks in a community setting has shown them to be effective in preventing the spread of COVID-19;¹
- Whereas: CDC mitigation recommendations call for healthy hygiene practices such as washing hands frequently, avoiding close contact with other people, covering coughs and sneezes, wearing cloth face coverings, cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces, and monitoring personal health daily;²
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma and the City of Norman have both implemented masking policies intended to mitigate community spread of the virus;³
- Whereas: OU Masking Policy requires fabric or disposable surgical style masks while inside university facilities, or while outside when unable to physically distance at six (6) feet;⁴
- Whereas: OU Masking Policy requires that masks cover both the nose and mouth, have no exhalation valve, and not be a bandana, scarf, neck gaiter, or buff;⁴
- Whereas: It is plainly evident that large gatherings of people not observing health policies and guidelines have occurred in the City of Norman and on the campus of the University of Oklahoma;

¹ D Sleator, R., Darby, S., Giltinan, A., & Smith, N. (2020). COVID-19: in the absence of vaccination - 'mask-the-nation'. *Future microbiology*, 10.2217/fmb-2020-0112. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.2217/fmb-2020-0112>

² How to Protect Yourself & Others. (2020, July 31). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

³ Norman City Council passes ordinance requiring facial coverings when in public. (2020, July 08). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.normanok.gov/news/norman-city-council-passes-ordinance-requiring-facial-coverings-when-public>

⁴ University Mandatory Masking Policy. (n.d.). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from <https://www.ou.edu/coronavirus/masking-policy>

Whereas: Large gatherings where people do not observe social distancing or masking recommendations and policies are counterproductive to mitigation efforts and pose an active threat to the safety of the OU community;⁵

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Mask Up OU Resolution.”

Section 2: Every member of the OU Community is encouraged in the strongest possible terms to follow guidance from the CDC, local laws of the City of Norman, and the policies of the University of Oklahoma.

Section 3: The University of Oklahoma is strongly encouraged to vigorously enforce COVID-19 Policies designed to protect the OU Community.

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

- President Joseph Harroz, Jr.
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly
- All OU Norman Campus Students

Author(s): Crispin South, University Policy Committee Chair

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Murdock

Action taken by Congress: 27-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

⁵Considerations for Events and Gatherings. (2020, July 7). Retrieved August 26, 2020, from [https://www.cdc.gov/coron](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/considerations-for-events-gatherings.html)

Session 104	General
Alpert, Lucy	x
Broadbent, Taylor	x
Buxton, Nate	x
Carmona, Ismael	x
Cotton, Chad	x
Dobson, Jessica	x
Flaggert, Jayke	x
Garg, Nishit	x
Grebe, Jordan	x
Harman, Caitlyn	x
Hillis, Foster	x
Hong, Anna	x
Kerr, Susan	x
Kevric, Hanna	x
Lange, Jake	x
Lewis, Lacey	x
Loayza, Robert	x
Long, Matt	abs
Luthfiyah, Anne	abs
Marvin, Alexis	x
May, Sidney	x
Mayes, Mark	x
McGee, Tess	x
Merchant, Mahak	x
Miller, Summer	x
Mojekwu, Peace	abs
Murdock, Max	x
Roberts, Lauren	abs
Rojas, Julio	abs
Rosen, Ashley	x

Sertovic, Aida	x	
Shabangu, Veli	abs	
Smail, Taylor	abs	
Stormer, Sam	x	
Thomas, Christopher	abs	
Tucker, Emily	x	
Present		28
Absent		8
Excused		0

Session 104	CB-104-09	CR-104-08
Alpert, Lucy	y	y
Broadbent, Taylor	y	y
Buxton, Nate	y	y
Carmona, Ismael	y	y
Cotton, Chad	y	y
Dobson, Jessica	y	y
Flaggert, Jayke	y	y
Garg, Nishit	y	y
Grebe, Jordan		y
Harman, Caitlyn	y	y
Hillis, Foster	y	y
Hong, Anna	y	
Kerr, Susan	y	y
Kevric, Hanna	y	y
Lange, Jake	a	y
Lewis, Lacey	y	y
Loayza, Robert	y	y
Long, Matt		
Luthfiyah, Anne		

Marvin, Alexis	y	y
May, Sidney	y	y
Mayes, Mark	y	y
McGee, Tess	y	y
Merchant, Mahak	y	y
Miller, Summer	y	y
Mojekwu, Peace		
Murdock, Max	y	y
Roberts, Lauren		
Rojas, Julio		
Rosen, Ashley	y	y
Sertovich, Aida	y	y
Shabangu, Veli		
Smail, Taylor		
Stormer, Sam	y	y
Thomas, Christopher		
Tucker, Emily	y	y
Yes	26	27
No	0	0
Abstain	1	0

Session 104	Hostile Amendment 1	Hostile Amendment 2
Alpert, Lucy	n	n
Broadbent, Taylor	n	n
Buxton, Nate	y	y
Carmona, Ismael	a	n
Cotton, Chad	n	n
Dobson, Jessica	y	y
Flaggert, Jayke	n	n
Garg, Nishit	n	y

Grebe, Jordan	n	n
Harman, Caitlyn	n	n
Hillis, Foster	n	n
Hong, Anna	a	y
Kerr, Susan	y	y
Kevric, Hanna	n	n
Lange, Jake	y	y
Lewis, Lacey	n	n
Loayza, Robert	n	n
Long, Matt		
Luthfiyah, Anne		
Marvin, Alexis	n	n
May, Sidney	n	n
Mayes, Mark	y	y
McGee, Tess	y	y
Merchant, Mahak	y	y
Miller, Summer	n	n
Mojekwu, Peace		
Murdock, Max	n	n
Roberts, Lauren		
Rojas, Julio		
Rosen, Ashley	n	n
Sertovich, Aida	n	n
Shabangu, Veli	-	
Smail, Taylor		
Stormer, Sam	y	y
Thomas, Christopher	n	
Tucker, Emily		n
Yes	8	10
No	18	18
Abstain	0	0

