

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



**UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session CIV**

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, November 10, 2020

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Roll Call 7:00pm

Mission Statement

Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Buxton

Chair's Report - Hey everyone!!

Welcome all new members!!! For those of you who are unfamiliar with parli pro, let me take a minute to explain

- Making motions
- Committee of the whole
- On information

So real quick, I made a mistake on an agenda. We aren't seeing the Appointment act in committee of the whole so just not make the motion to post pone it indefinitely.

So the order will now go Liaison reports, special orders, swearing in ceremony, then move into the committee of the whole. We will postponed indefinitely CB-104-24 and just review Ownby's bill.

We are finally seeing the joint bill about the Conoco space allocations! Finally.

Also, a couple updates on the open meetings act. I am aware that state representative Emily Virgin held a press conference today to ask the legislature to hold a special session for a couple reasons, one of them was to extend the teleconferencing section of the open meetings act. Which is awesome progress. GSS chair and I wrote a letter to Prez Harroz asking for his support.

Keep using the link in my email. Start emailing and calling your state legislators because this problem doesn't end in December.

- New chair
- Meet in person in the spring

Worst case scenario, we have the forum building for Nov 15th.

- Reps in person
- Everyone else on zoom but cannot vote

December 1st

- Most likely will have the forum, same rules as nov 15th.

Committee chairs, introduce your committees

Vice Chair's Report – Hey everyone. Big announcement. Today, I'm announcing my resignation effective Jan 25th. I'm resigning from Vice Chair position. I decided to extend till January to help with the transition of Savannah leaving and orientation. I'm doing this because amidst the pandemic getting worse and because I had to quarantine a lot, my academics were slipping and I needed to focus my time and energy on that. So unfortunately I have to resign. I wish the next VC and Chair the best, and I wish Emily the best in that transition. We've started prepping the name placards for in person meetings, but hopefully we won't have to do that.

Secretary's Report – Hello and a very warm welcome to all our new members! My name is Emily, my pronouns are she/her/hers, and I am the Secretary. I can't wait to meet all of you and see what you accomplish here. First and foremost, if you ever are struggling with anything, please come to my office hours, which are M/R 1-3 and W/F 10-12 on Zoom. Next, if you are going to be absent, please be sure to let me know! I excuse absences for a lot of different reasons, so please just let me know why you're going to be absent by noon on Tuesdays, with exceptions for emergencies. Finally, all members of our body will need to get a constituent service hour done each month. Examples of this include giving a brief presentation to a class about Congress, helping out with any event that our lovely committees put on, making a graphic approved by our PR team, and more. If you're having trouble finding ways to fulfill this requirement, please don't hesitate to reach out! Constituent service and outreach is such an important way that we get in touch with our constituents and really serve all of the student body to the best of our ability. For all of our members, I will be excusing constituent service for the month of December. We will be virtual, and I know that for many of you it will not be feasible to fulfill this from home. For those of you that do choose to get one done for December, I'll make you a very unofficial little virtual award that you can print or frame or something.

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Hello everyone! I'm Alexis Marvin (she/her/hers) and I'm the chair of the Campus Outreach Safety and Concerns Committee. My committee basically has a direct line of communication with the student body through our Suggestion Box <https://ou.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/425759> so please tell your friends and constituents that we see all of these submissions at our meetings.
Light Walks-we take a walk once a month to look at all the lights on campus and make sure they are functioning. I send an email to Facilities Management to let them know and they get those fixed.
Updates:
Pre-pharmacy changes: members (Hudson and Audrey) of my committee met with a student who wrote a suggestion about a pre-pharmacy program at the undergrad level. We will be talking to the dean of that college soon to see what we can do
Bike Theft: Members Sidney and Britney are making note of all the bike stops on campus to see what we can do to prevent bike theft on campus. We hope to meet with OUPD soon to talk about what we can do.
Littering: We will make signs to put up to encourage people to not litter
Childcare: We are collecting information about childcare programs already existing to improve them. We want to expand this to students and faculty
Goddard survey: Sidney and Aida met to discuss questions for international student survey regarding Goddard
Gym survey: Rickey and I sent the survey to George who connected us to Amy Davenport from Fit+Rec to continue our research and survey with the new gym improvements

International Student Event: Chair Harmon and members Audrey and Peace and other members of HD are working on an event for international students

Lights in buildings: We are working with Susty to track lights in buildings to reduce unnecessary light use

Title IX: my vice chair, Allegra, made a graphic that I will attach here

RSO guidelines: Member Hudson made a graphic about COVID guidelines for RSO's that I will attach here also

By-Laws Cheat sheet: Rep Loayza and I are making a cheat sheet of the by-laws so new members can learn them in an easier way!

- **Congressional Administration:** Hello, friends, I am Foster Hillis I use He/Him/His pronouns and I am the Chair of the Congressional Administration Committee.

Just for our new Members: ConAd oversees all our governing documents including the Constitution, Code Annotated, and Bylaws, while also providing oversight of our other branches by reviewing appointments and conducting hearings (like the one we will hold this upcoming weekend about the Fall 2020 general election). We also oversee appointments, which I will touch on in a bit and this year we will be conducting redistricting.

I am also the Parliamentarian and we use Roberts Rules of Order. It may seem intimidating your first time using Parliamentary Procedure, but I assure you that it gets easier the more practice you have.

If you have any questions about my Committee or Parliamentary Procedure, please direct message me on Zoom or my email is Foster@ou.edu.

Other than that, I would like to announce that the Superior Court has validated the Fall 2020 general election. Our New President and Vice President are Tavana Farzaneh and Alex Grey. Of course, we also had the election of our Representatives, so I would like to welcome our elected 26 Representatives.

Also, I am happy to announce the opening of two applications: the SGA General Application which is for new members or for appointments to Representative Seats and is due November 19th, 2020, at 5:00 PM central for this semester; however, this is open forever for the talent bank. Additionally, we are opening the Reappointment Application which is for appointed or termed-out Representatives to be appointed into an Associateship, this is due November 19th, 2020, at 5:00 PM central. I will send more information over email!

We did not meet this past weekend formally, but we have seen the following bills: CB-104-21 "The Mandatory COSCO Light Walk Act" and gave it a recommendation of due pass; and CB-104-23 "Big XII, BIG Responsibilities Act of 2020" and gave it a recommendation of due pass. We will also see CB-104-25 "Fall 2020 Special Election for the Academic District Range Amendment Act of 2020" in Committee of the Whole, this will provide for a special election for our constitutional amendment. My wonderful Vice Chair Bailey Ownby will be presenting this bill!

With that, and on behalf of my Vice Chair Bailey Ownby, and Congress and Committee Secretary Emily Tucker, and my entire committee I would like to welcome once again the new members!

- **External Affairs:** My name is Taylor Broadbent. I use She/Her/Hers and I am Chair of external Affairs which means we work with the local state and federal. We do two main things voter education and registration and higher education day. You will hear lots about higher education day in the coming weeks.

The next President of the United States is Joe Biden

Biden: 290

Trump: 214

Senate:

Dems: 46

GOP: 48

Ind: 2

There are 4 seats to call and Georgia will be going to a runoff.

House:

Dems: 218

GOP: 201

Left to call: 16

As always my source is NPR.

Oklahoma elected:

Senator Inhofe

Congressional District 4 Tom Cole

State Representative Emily Virgin who was unopposed.

EA delegation of Jordan Grebe Carson Poupore, Lacey Lewis, Weslie Griffin went to the governors office and dropped off the letters. Had some great conversations especially with representative Bennett who is always such a good friend to OU SGA. Our Plight was mentioned in a press conference with the house minority leader and our Rep Emily Virgin. Got a follow up on the stop sign complaint from councilmember Holeman. They will not be putting up a new stop sign after extensive research. I will have secretary Tucker attach the report.

- **Human Diversity:** Hi everyone! My name is Caitlyn Harman, my pronouns are she/her/hers. I am the Chair of the Human Diversity Committee (HD). We focus on initiatives regarding diversity, equity, and inclusion for members of the OU Community as well as the larger Norman Community. Even more, I present presentation regarding implicit bias (which you will see at orientation). A few of our current projects are Friendsgiving, a Newsletter, as well as upcoming legislation and the Menstrual Product Drive. Currently the Menstrual Product Drive is being held from Nov 1st -24th, there are boxes in the GEC, Alpha Chi Omega, and Student Life. You can get a constituent service hour for donating, we are also going to write follow up legislation regarding menstrual language. As for Friendsgiving, we are still working on getting a location hopefully at First Pres., I am currently in talks with Michael East. As for the newsletter, it will focus on checking privilege, bias, multicultural organizations, and a cross-collab with Susty. One additional project is an International Student Space for the summer with COSCO. If interested at all, please let me know! We meet on Sundays at 1 p.m. on Zoom.
- **Sustainability:** Hey everyone! My name is Jake Lange, pronouns he/him/his, I am a third year Environmental Design student, the representative for the college of architecture, and the chair of our Sustainability Committee as well as the Student Environmental Coalition. Sustainability, or Susty for the cool kids, seeks to use our position within SGA and our resources as a collaborative organization to improve the university's stewardship of the environment. Most often we do this through non-legislative projects, but we are no strangers to writing bills, and no matter what you want to do with your time in Congress, there is a place for you in Susty!

That said, the committee report this week is as follows: We are still working on campus lighting, I'm hoping to have a meeting set up between myself, Alexis and the members of our committees who are working on this soon. We are working with the Department of Energy and Sustainability to develop educational materials for RA's, tour guides, and all residents of on campus housing, that showcase opportunities to improve your environmental impact on campus. We have a piece of legislation still in the works relating to donations to the University, but the body probably won't see anything on the

agenda until next semester. We're planning a game-day trash pickup event, hopefully in collaboration with athletics to craft a message about the environmental impact of our football program. Plastic use on campus is being examined with the hope of reducing single use plastics- keep an eye on the Susty Instagram for some information on that. We've got some folks trying to help Tree Fest happen in the spring so stay tuned for that, and some people looking into Norman water quality. Thanks for listening!

- **University Policy:** UPol deals with any kind of policy issue that arises at OU, previous projects have included working with parking to improve policy, advocating for academic policy changes, and publicizing mental health resources. This week we Did not meet officially, mainly went over P/NP and what to do moving forward. Currently writing 2 resolutions: 1 mental health promo for TAO, 1 resolution of appreciation/commendation for GEC, and possibly one regarding publicizing study spaces on campus.
- **Ways and Means:** Hi, I'm Lauren, she/her/hers. I'm WAM Chair. We fund all the student organizations on campus. We have yearly funding called primary in spring, but we have auxiliary funding throughout the year. We have aux tonight!

Liaison Reports

Kincaid: Four days ago, a letter was sent to President Norris and the Chair. It urges SGA to respond. I encourage you to read the letter. I will read two excerpts. It seeks to inform about the dangerous precedent set by SGA to the student body. Second, we urge SGA to consider the conservative members of the student body and fear their physical safety. We urge SGA to denounce unprotected speech. We hope there isn't a need for litigation, but this treatment cannot continue.

Nath: Last week, Big Event and IAC got together for an event called Rake It Up. We helped facilities management with the ice storm, like the area around the Forum Building. We raked up leaves and picked up branches. We had almost the same number of volunteers as the Little Event. Thank you for helping campus get a little more picked up.

Kerr: The Bedlam Blood Drive from 10-4, a competition against OSU. We're losing by a bit. It's sad for the competitive aspect, but we're also behind on our goal for blood draws. The hospitals rely on that. We could really use your help. Help us get more donors, that would be appreciated. If you have questions, DM me.

Broadbent: I'm the social affairs chair for AISA. We have events for Native American Heritage Month. Corn husk dolls right now, you can pick up go bags after the meeting safely for social distance. Tomorrow, 11:30-12:30, crowning Ms. and Mr. Indian OU. Also, the first annual Bow Wow Pow Wow on Wednesday at Cate Center Rock Garden 7-10. Thursday collab with engineering society over Zoom. Friday, Fred Jones doing a free art activity from 10-2. Also, AISA social that night from 7-11 with films in Cherokee from my nation. Any questions, let me know.

Merchant: Menstrual product drive now till the 24th. Menstrual products, but also copy paper, non-perishable foods, hygiene products, conditioner, soap, etc. Transgender Day of Remembrance, candlelight vigil. Also, started selling LGBTQI merchandise, consent 2020 shirts. OU in Arezzo hosting a stop gender-based violence art exhibits. Submissions close Nov 15. If you or an organization are interested, we're offering relationship workshops and ally training.

Giesteira: I'm global liaison for EA. I wanted to talk about students for Israel meeting about why students in America should support Israel. Protest was on west side of the library. Some Palestinian students were there as well as others to support. The Daily released something on it. Also, African Queen Pageant is coming up. Message me in the GroupMe for link to the tickets.

Special Orders

- Committee of the Whole

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Broadbent

- CB-104-24 Appointment Act of Fall 2020 (Patterson)
- CB-104-25 Fall 2020 Special Election for the Academic District Range Amendment Act of 2020 (Ownby)

Representative South seconded by Representative Lange

Ownby: Hello party people. This is legislation establishing a special election for an amendment on academic districting. It was left off the ballot last time, so we're establishing a special election allowing the student body to vote on the amendment.

Buxton: What does ConAd intend to do with the extra districts or removed districts with this amendment?

Ownby: Allows us to work within a range. ConAd is still working through redistricting on the final numbers, but hopefully after this is passed, I'd gladly accept any member of the body's questions or concerns.

Nath: How much flexibility does this give you in terms of districts?

Ownby: Flexibility is 12-18 districts.

Buxton: Can members outside the body sit in on ConAd meetings?

Ownby: Yes.

Buxton: How many districts right now?

Ownby: 16.

Representative Nath seconded by Representative Marvin Recommendation of Do Pass

Out of Committee of the Whole

Representative Broadbent seconded by Associate Griffin

Student Concerns

Buxton: Driving around, I've noticed that the light on Boyd is a no right on red, so it's impossible to turn right because when it's a green light there are pedestrians in the way. I'd like that to be taken down.

Marvin: It's the City of Norman I believe.

Patterson: Sending it to EA, or collab.

Patton: Concern was about the presence of the Proud Boys on campus in support of Ann Coulter. They are a politically violent organization.

Patterson: Exec and Big Exec are aware.

Kerr: Asked and answered kind of. I want to know what was being done to make things safe after last Thursday.

Patterson: If anyone has specific experiences they want to share about what happened with the Proud Boys, please reach out to me or I can give you someone ready to talk to you all. This is on admin's radar and they're open to having conversations with students who may have been affected.

Flaggert: No secret that Congress can get argumentative at times. I was wondering what can be done on our part. We're losing reps because of the environment and I wonder what we can do to make things less polarized.

Patterson: In executive committee, that's on our radars. I'll pass that onto ConAd, they're doing something specific about it.

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

CB-104-25 Fall 2020 Special Election for the Academic District Range Amendment Act of 2020 (Ownby)

Representative Buxton seconded by Representative Nath

Ownby: We just saw this. There are actually 14-18 districts in this amendment.

CB-104-16 2020-2021 Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocations Act (Norris)

Representative Nath seconded by Representative Marvin

Norris: This is the allocation bill. We've done a lot of joint committees to make sure we're being equitable to give student organizations space. Congress and GSS Chairs make recommendation to president on how to allocate the space. We talked to the office holders and decided to allocate the space as it is on the bill to make sure students can do what they need to do for their student organizations.

Nath: Was there any organization on the roster last year that didn't get in this year?

Norris: No. I believe every organization from last year has their same office space this year.

Merchant: There are offices that are cross listed between two orgs. How did you decide that?

Norris: With class council and sooners helping sooners and others, they have traditionally shared those office spaces. I don't know if you're concerned about COVID, but there's an expectation for people in the offices on the signage in the Conoco. Everyone's held to the same standard.

Patterson: Those groups had already worked with each other in the past.

South: With COVID concerns, in section 5, it says that the COVID policies must be observed. They can be penalized for not following them.

Flaggert: Are we at capacity in office space or overflow?

Norris: This is capacity. Every space is being utilized. They won't be moving anything out of those spaces.

Kerr: Could you explain the application process of these RSOs?

Norris: The application process in the Code is that these orgs apply every year. The second and third floors are allocated space. They explain how they'd use it. Most of the time it's reapplication, but other orgs can apply. It's seen by the Congress Chair, the GSS Chair, the Vice President, and they make a recommendation to the student body president. This year was different because there was legislation that would open up the Conoco to mitigate the spread of COVID while also setting a foundation for a more equitable space for the future but we were misguided in that legislation. After conversations with those office holders, we decided to reallocate that space to the orgs that were already present.

CB-104-21 The Mandatory COSCO Light Walk Act (Marvin) (ConAd/Exec, Do Pass)

Representative Few seconded by Representative Bryant

Marvin: I'm the chair of COSCO, we do light walks. I wanted more structure for light walks for the future. We offer a monthly service hour and we want to make sure we keep students safe. I amended the Bylaws to mandate the COSCO chair to conduct a light walk each month. I didn't want to require light walks when we're online, so it's only when classes are on campus. There are classes in the summer, but not within the normal school year. I wanted more consistency in the light walks.

Merchant: In the past, when you put something in the Bylaws, they go under the radar and there wasn't any enforcement. How do you plan on enforcing this?

Marvin: From my perspective, if it's in the Bylaws, it's expected to be done. The Chair should uphold them to their duties. I don't have any specific punishments. It's up to the chair's discretion. They can also be held accountable with a no confidence motion.

Buxton: Do you have intention to increase the number of light walks? Is there only one a month?

Marvin: Yes, I just wanted to be more concrete. We've held two so far. Not one in August. We had one planned for October but because of the terrible weather we moved it to early November. We didn't do it in the Spring because of the COVID craziness. I've tried to do it monthly since becoming chair.

Broadbent: Is there ever a time where you're really busy in COSCO where you couldn't fit it in one month?

Marvin: Light Walks are supposed to go on with others outside of COSCO. I don't require attendance because it's hard to find dates that every member can go. It's expected they'll probably do it. If they're doing a trash walk or another capacity, that's fine.

Broadbent: What is the plan if no one is available to go? I'm worried about adding too much to the COSCO chair's plate.

Marvin: We've encouraged light walks a lot. We've had a good turnout so far. If one exec member is there it fulfills it. My VC did it last month. I don't foresee a scenario where at least one person couldn't go.

Extend time by 5 minutes

Representative Marvin seconded by Representative Buxton

Marvin: If someone gets sick or something happens, there's flexibility like what happened in October with the weather.

Buxton: With the language in there being mandatory, doesn't that imply that there isn't wiggle room and that if a chair doesn't do one by the end of the month, they're at risk of a no confidence vote?

Marvin: It does hold the chair accountable, but it's not strict enough to say you have to do it. With a vote of no confidence, members talk about these things. Say I had one planned for right now and I got called for a vote of no confidence, I could explain why it didn't happen. We just saw this where it was scheduled to happen but it still counted for October's constituent service.

Buxton: This could so easily be broken. When Malachi was ConAd chair, he tried to strip the Bylaws of things that weren't being followed. EA's duties include voter registration drives, but doesn't make things mandatory. Is the language of mandatory too restrictive and will it add more work to their month?

Hillis: It does say mandatory, but shall implies a decision by the chair. Shall means may, not must. Regarding no confidence, committee chairs can't be no confided, it would be up to the chair. The word shall allows wiggle room and we allow it in ConAd.

Extend time by 5 minutes

Secretary Tucker seconded by Representative Nath

Merchant: I like the idea, but I take issue with having one once per month. Better language might be five per semester, recommended once per month?

Marvin: I think there's still enough wiggle room to function with my experience as chair. We do them within 29-31 days to allow facilities management to fix the lights but quick enough that we catch another light. Once a month mandatory light walk is a nice timeline to allow facilities management time to respond, but for us to catch ones that recently have gone out. It's regular to keep students safe. We're taking that responsibility.

Kerr: Says that the committee is required to do the light walk. Does that imply every member, or is the committee required to host one?

Marvin: To host one I believe. Hillis confirm?

Hillis: Doesn't imply everyone needs to. ConAd shall redistrict, but only one person has to redistrict. The committee is whoever wants to do it, not everybody.

Broadbent: FA striking mandatory?

Marvin: I understand, but for me mandatory is what holds the chair accountable. I don't want COSCO to become laid back on its responsibilities. Making it mandatory further gives us our purpose to keep students safe and nothing slips by.

South: To split the difference, FA to read COSCO must plan a light walk? Must so it's still a mandate, and plan offers wiggle room for natural disasters or illness.

Suspend rules, extend time to end of list

Representative Buxton seconded by Representative Nath

Marvin: Yes, I would accept the FA.

CB-104-23 Big XII, BIG Responsibilities Act of 2020 (Patterson) (ConAd/Exec, Do Pass)

Representative Nath seconded by Representative Marvin

Patterson: I ran on this running for chair. I wanted to establish a big 12 coordinator. Big 12 conference happens twice a year. Once at a host school and one in DC. We get together and talk about what we do and they do at our SGAs. We don't have a coordinator currently. They plan conferences and have internal conversations landing on the SGA president, which is a big responsibility. OU would only host twice a decade so it doesn't need it's own position. We thought about making it Vice President's job, but because of the way that the Pres/VP are elected it puts a lot of pressure to plan a conference in that short time. We decided it'd be better to have this responsibility under the Vice Chair of congress, their only big responsibilities are orientation and they would have all summer to plan big 12. They have to communicate with EA and the Executive Branch EA. I'm going to ask for a FA extending the sunset clause for two years instead of 1. This won't work as well as I want it to ending this year.

Nath: FA extending the sunset clause to two years?

Patterson: Yes.

Patton: Why does the sunset clause need to be extended?

Patterson: We might not host this year. We were supposed to next fall, but because Baylor was upset they had to do it via Zoom and not on campus, they're doing it next year. We may host big 12 on the hill this year, but it's not concrete.

Kerr: What's the purpose of this being temporary?

Patterson: Originally it wasn't. The executive committee thought it would be better for a sunset clause so we wouldn't be bound by it. If this is something Congress and SGA likes in the future, they can codify it and make it permanent. I've been keen on not being too quick to codify things.

Buxton: I don't know how often we have bills with sunset clauses. How will they know it's expired?

Patterson: I'll put it in my transition documents and request Malachi puts it in too. It won't be forgotten anytime soon. The VC will know they'll need to do it. I don't see it falling through the cracks.

Hillis: ConAd is looking into a software to hold all our laws to make it more accessible.

AB-104-10 Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2020-2021 (Patton) (WAM, Do Pass)

Representative Few seconded by Representative Nath

Patton: This is aux 8. We're funding these three organizations.

Nath: What does Clay Target Team do?

Patton: They shoot clay targets at gun ranges.

Kerr: What does Sports Business Association do?

Patton: Sports business majors and sports management, a networking organization.

Follow-Up Reports

South: With regard to Pass/No Pass this semester, I have bad news and good news. The bad news is that despite the absolute best efforts of everyone involved in pushing for P/NP, the Provost, Dr. Jill Irvine, will not be enacting a Pass/No Pass policy this semester. This decision was made for several reasons. Provost Irvine said that at the beginning of this semester that faculty were urged to be flexible with assignments and grading, and that generally they have done so and will continue to do so. Additionally, midterm grade data shows that there has been a significant increase in the number of A's students are receiving, along with a slight increase in the number of F's. There was also concern that enacting a policy this semester would also set a precedent for P/NP next semester. Many academic leaders were very concerned that having a Pass/No Pass policy for 3 semesters in a row would be extremely detrimental to students' scholarship opportunities, awards, and graduate applications. Finally, having multiple semesters of P/NP would make it difficult for instructors to track students' progress and identify areas of strength, or areas students would need support in. However, here is the good news, I am happy to say that our efforts, though unsuccessful in achieving a P/NP policy, will still have some impact on the student body. In response to concerns regarding COVID related academic harm which we brought before the university administration, the Provost has proposed a couple of changes. First, the deadline for withdrawing from classes, which is currently November 13th, will be pushed back to November 20th. Secondly, withdrawals for this semester will not count against the overall limit of 5 withdrawals that students have while they are at OU. Finally, we hope to work with Student Affairs, as well as University Counseling to expand and publicize mental health resources for students who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 crisis. I want to emphasize that even though we did not get the result we wanted, these can still be very beneficial to students at OU. In context, we got farther than many students at other universities who tried to get a P/NP or P/F option. Many were simply told "no" and nothing came of it. The fact that we have been able to change academic policy to benefit students is phenomenal. This project has been a perfect example of what congress is supposed to do. As we heard earlier, our mission statement says that we "represent the interests of undergraduate students in their pursuit of academic and individual achievement." I believe we have done just that, and have enhanced the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Oklahoma. I am extremely proud of all the work that has been done on academic policy, and all the work that is continuing. If you want to talk with me more about this please text me or email me at crispin@ou.edu. Thank you.

Marvin: One of my members finished the survey for gym improvements. I sent them to George. We'll modify the survey to account for COVID. It's not completed yet, we just want to see if people liked it.

Broadbent: When we passed voter registration resolution, we hope for record turnout at the polls. 2020 had record turnout in our age demographic. More people registered and turned out this year.

Items for Future Agenda

Patton: Aux 9.

Announcements and Comments

Harman:

Nath: Working with Mayor Breea Clark and others in Price. I'm starting Pride in Price. Holding an info session tomorrow over Zoom. Encourage your business major friends to come join.

Buxton: This is my last meeting as a representative. It's been a nice 408 days. Thank you Savannah, Taylor, and Crispin for being my chairs. Thanks to Malachi for encouraging me to join.

Hillis: Hi. We talked today about members of Congress following our Code, Bylaws, and now drafted a Code of Conduct. It was created to foster a better Congress community. We're planning on codifying this while not overruling members' constituents. I want to touch on what an abstention vote is. It should be only used when you have a moral, financial, or ethical obligation to not vote. You allow others to make the decision for you. You're still responsible for the outcome. Only use abstention when you have a moral obligation not to vote.

Merchant: I'm an intern with the student success center at Ellison Hall. Let me know if you need an internship. Provides insight of a student on the staff. Launching campaigns over winter break, let me know if you're interested. HD wants to write legislation about the end of the menstrual product drive. The language we use around menstruation is tied to femininity and that's not always accurate.

Kerr: Please come donate blood. Free COVID antibody tests. We have Jimmy Johns and Baked Bear tomorrow. And also saving lives.

Patterson: You will be seeing me there tomorrow. I'll be there at 11am.

Final Roll Call

Adjourn sine die 9:03pm

Secretary Tucker seconded by Representative Nath

Chair: Savannah Patterson

Vice Chair: Malachi Bouch

Secretary: Emily Tucker

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Alpert, Lucy	Abs
Angstadt, Kennedy	Ex
Broadbent, Taylor	X
Bryant, Maegan	X
Buxton, Nate	X
Carmona, Ismael	X
Chenevey, Brandon	X
Cotton, Chad	Abs
Dobson, Jessica	X
Douglas, Zoe	X
Few, Kendall	X
Flaggert, Jayke	X
Garg, Nishit	X
Grebe, Jordan	X

Harman, Caitlyn	X
Hillis, Foster	X
Hong, Anna	Ex
Kerr, Susan	X
Kevric, Hanna	X
Lange, Jake	X
Lewis, Lacey	X
Loayza, Robert	X
Long, Matt	Ex
Lynskey, Graeson	X
Marvin, Alexis	X
May, Sidney	X
Mayes, Mark	Abs
Merchant, Mahak	X
Miller, Summer	X
Mojekwu, Peace	Ex
Murdock, Max	X
Nath, Joy	X
Roberts, Lauren	X
Rosen, Ashley	Abs
Smail, Taylor	X
Stormer, Sam	X
Thomas, Christopher	Abs
Tucker, Emily	X

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Alpert, Lucy							
Angstadt, Kennedy							
Broadbent, Taylor	y	y	y	y		y	y

Bryant, Maegan	y	y	y	y		y	y
Buxton, Nate	y	y	y	y		n	y
Carmona, Ismael	y	y	y	y		y	y
Chenevey, Brandon	y	y	y	y		y	y
Cotton, Chad							
Dobson, Jessica	y	y	y	y		y	y
Douglas, Zoe	y	y	y	y		y	y
Few, Kendall	y	y	y	y		y	y
Flaggert, Jayke	y	y				y	y
Garg, Nishit						y	
Grebe, Jordan	y	y	y	y		y	y
Harman, Caitlyn	y	y	y	y		y	y
Hillis, Foster	y	y	y	y		y	y
Hong, Anna							
Kerr, Susan	y	y	y	y		y	y
Kevric, Hanna	y	y	y	y		y	y
Lange, Jake	y	y	y	y		a	y
Lewis, Lacey	y	a	y	y		y	y
Loayza, Robert	y		y	y		y	y
Long, Matt							
Lynskey, Graeson	y	y	y	y		y	y
Marvin, Alexis	y	y	y	y		y	y
May, Sidney							
Mayes, Mark							
Merchant, Mahak	y	y	y	y		y	y
Miller, Summer	y	y	y	y		y	y
Mojekwu, Peace							
Murdock, Max	y	y	y	y		y	y
Nath, Joy	y	y	y	y		y	y
Roberts, Lauren	y	y	y	y		y	y
Rosen, Ashley							
Smail, Taylor	y	y	y	y		y	y
Stormer, Sam	y	y	y	y		y	y

Thomas, Christopher							
Tucker, Emily	y	y	y	y		y	y
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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIV
November 10th, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION XXX
November XX, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-25
SENATE BILL NO. CB-XXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Legislation
establishing a special election for a
Constitutional Amendment; 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 the Academic District Range Amendment Act of 2020”

Section 2: Purpose: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s (UOSGA) Undergraduate Student Congress and Graduate Student Senate passed the “Academic District Range Amendment of 2020” (CB-103-30, GS20-22). The amendment was passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of each House of the Legislative Branch in accordance with the Constitution, and now requires a vote by the whole SGA.

Section 3: An election for the “Academic District Range Amendment of 2020” shall be established one (1) academic week after the passing and signing of this bill. Voting for this election shall occur exclusively over Engage on the Tuesday and Wednesday of the week.

Section 4: This act shall be effective when passed when in accordance with the UOSGA Constitution.

Section 5: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
• Peyton Nees, Election Chair

Author(s): Bailey Ownby, Congressional Administration Vice Chair
Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Chair
Savanah Patterson, Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Buxton seconded by Representative Nath
Action taken by Congress: 26-1-1

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: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIV
November 10th, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-24

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure Appointing
Representatives for the 104th Session; 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 “Appointment Act of Fall 2020.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to Appoint the Following Representatives

Section 3:

Representatives:

Archiecture

Jake Lange

Atmospheric and Geographic Sciences

Zoe Douglas

Business

Jafet Alfaro Sandi
Ismeal Carmona Casado
Jayke Flaggart

Communications

Alexis Marvin
Katie Beltz

Earth and Energy

Faith Thompson

Engineering

Natalia Raymundi Pinheiro

Finance and Accounting

Demetri Papahronis

Fine Arts

Graeson Lynskey

Humanities

Taylor Broadbent
Talon Alcala

Interpersonal Studies

Maegan Bryant

Life Sciences

Kennedy Angstadt
Brandon Chenevey
Nishit Garg

Social Sceinces

Aida Sertovic
Jordan Grebe

University College

Carson Poupore
Kennedy Smith
Weslie Griffin
Abby Halsey-Kraus

Robel Tesfasselassie
Audrey Dao

Jackson Shelton

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Savannah Patterson, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIV

November 9th, 2020

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GF20

November 8th, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-16

SENATE BILL GF20-07

AS INTRODUCED

An Act allocating office space in the Conoco Student Leadership Center for 2020-2021; providing short title; and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “2020-2021 Conoco Student Leadership Center Space Allocations Act.”

Section 2: The purpose of this Act is inherent in its title.

Section 3: The Registered Student Organizations provided in Section 4 shall retain their designated allocations until May 2021.

Section 4: **Conoco Center Offices**
284 Class Council / Sooners Helping Sooners
286 American Indian Student Association
287 Queer Student Association
288 Our Earth/Green Week/ SEC
289 Black Student Association
290 SGA General Counsel
291 The Oklahoma Group
292 Black Graduate Student Association
293 Forum: Dialogue Newspaper
382 Union Programming Board
384 Campus Activities Council
386 International Advisory Committee
387 Asian American Student Association
388 Muslim Student Association
389 Hispanic American Student Association
390 Alpha Phi Omega
391 Fraternity and Sorority Programs and Services
392 The Big Event
393 Fraternity and Sorority Programs and Services

Conoco Center Storage Spaces

- 1 Big Event
- 2 Society of Women Engineers / Chinese in Business College Association
- 3 Association of Southeast Asian Nations/American Cancer Society Relay for Life
- 4 International Advisory Committee
- 5 Black Student Association
- 6 Iranian Student Association / Columbian Student Association
- 7 Phi Delta Alpha / Alpha Kappa Delta Phi
- 8 IFC and Panhellenic
- 9 Class Council
- 10 Alpha Phi Omega
- 11 Muslim Student Association / Filipino Student Association
- 12 Campus Activities Council
- 13 Latinos Without Borders / Sooner Anime Society
- 14 American Indian Student Association / Kappa Phi
- 15 Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
- 16 Asian American Student Association / Association Friends of Venezuela
- 17 South Asian Student Association / Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- 18 Sooners without Borders / Circle K
- 19 Student Government Association

Section 4: This Section shall allow the temporary nullification of the Code Annotated Title XI, Chapter 2, Section 2, Subsections a, b, e, and f, as necessary, to preserve the allocations designated to the above Registered Student Organizations until May 2021. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to nullify, modify, or otherwise affect any other subsection therein.

Section 5: University of Oklahoma COVID-19 policies and regulations must be observed in all allocated spaces; otherwise, the Registered Student Organizations will be penalized for any violation of such policies and regulations.

Section 6: This Act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Justin Norris, President of Student Government Association
 Melissa Maxey, Chair of Graduate Student Senate
 Rafia Mallick, Vice Chair of Graduate Student Senate
 Savannah Patterson, Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress
 Malachi Bouch, Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress
 Dayten Israel, Internal Affairs Committee Chair of Graduate Student Senate
 Crispin South, University Policy Committee Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress
 Cooper Delafield, Internal Affairs Committee Vice Chair of Graduate Student Senate
 Max Murdock, University Policy Committee Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s):

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Nath seconded by Representative Marvin
Action taken by Congress: 27-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a Motion by: Senator Woodworth, seconded by Senator Woodward
Action taken by Senate: Passed by unanimous consent

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CIV
October 27, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-21

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure including a requirement in the COSCO purpose; 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 “The Mandatory COSCO Light Walk Act.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to clarify the specific role of the Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns committee with regards to light walks on campus. This is to ensure the safety of students walking on campus at night or at times where lights are necessary. It also ensures that light walks will be done regularly.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: Section 7.1 of the Undergraduate Student Congress By-Laws is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 7: COMMITTEES

Section 7.1: STANDING COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT

The seven (7) standing committees (also referenced in these Bylaws as “committees”) and their responsibilities shall be as follows:

4. CAMPUS OUTREACH, SAFETY, AND CONCERNS

- a. COMMITTEE PURPOSE The Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee shall use the Student Congress’s resources to resolve all concerns regarding university infrastructure, student experience, and all other student concerns that the committee mandates itself to address. The Campus Outreach Safety and Concerns Committee must plan a light walk each month congress has a general body meeting and classes are held on campus.
- b. COMMITTEE CHAIR The Committee Chair shall be charged with maintaining and following up with the Undergraduate Student Congress electronic suggestion box. The Committee Chair shall coordinate with the Congress Chair to refer suggestion box submissions to other committees, should they more appropriately fall under another committee’s responsibilities.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Alexis Marvin, Communications District, COSCO Chair
China McCauley, Associate, COSCO Member
Audrey Dao, Associate, COSCO Member

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Few seconded by Representative Bryant

Action taken by Congress: 25-0-1

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-104-23
SENATE BILL **GSXX-XX/GFXX-XX**

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation establishing the Vice Chair of the Student Government Association as the official Big XII Coordinator; providing for short title, providing for codification, and providing for an effective date.

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

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Big XII, BIG Responsibilities Act of 2020.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to establish the Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress as the head of the OU delegation at Big XII SGA conferences.
- Section 3:** The Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress shall be the point of contact for all Big XII Universities. The Vice Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress will oversee the OU delegation when traveling to other Universities and will take charge in planning the Big XII conferences when hosted by the University of Oklahoma.
- Section 4:** The Vice-Chair shall work in tandem with the Director of the Department of the Exterior in the Executive Branch and the Chairs of the External Affairs Committees in the Legislative Branch to prepare for the two conferences.
- Section 5:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution, and be nullified one (1) year after passage.

Author(s): Savannah Patterson, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Justin Norris, SGA President
Dalton Gau, SGA Vice President

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Nath seconded by Representative Marvin
Action taken by Congress: 26-0-0

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: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF20
November 8th, 2020

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-104-10
SENATE BILL NO. GF20-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2020-2021 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

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

Section 1: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2020-2021”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

Section 3: APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
Clay Target Team		646.60		646.60
Society of Asian Scientists & Engineers	1400		200	1600
Sports Business Association	500			500
TOTAL:				2,746.6

Section 4: All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

Section 5: This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 7, 2021

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 7, 2021, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

Section 7: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Lauren Patton, Chair, SGA Budget Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Few seconded by Representative Nath

Action taken by Student Congress: 26-0-0

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____