

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CIX

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, April 4th, 2023

Dale 103

Call to Order – 7:02 pm

Opening Roll Call

Mission Statement: The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Undergraduate Student Congress is to represent the interests of undergraduate students in their pursuit of academic and individual achievement. The Undergraduate Student Congress is committed to building a strong campus community, promoting civic engagement, and enhancing the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Oklahoma.

Moment of Silence: 20 Second Moment of Silence to allow an opportunity for reflection.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes

Representative Rhoads seconded by Representative Mullins

Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** Hello! It is very nice to see everyone's faces. I like seeing new faces so please come to meetings more often! Your committee chairs are spoiled because they get to see you each week but I do not. SGA elections are this week for CAC Chair as well as representatives for your districts. Please go vote! It will close at 7pm tomorrow and you can find the link at elections.ou.edu. We have tabling events that are open for you all. I sent the link in the GroupMe, we have a space in the Union Courtyard tomorrow and we will hand out flyers and you can get your CSP from doing that. Shifts are in 30 minute increments. Elections for officer positions are later this month and we will be doing it differently because a bylaws change is to come. We are trying to line our sessions up more evenly with the graduate student senate so we will be fixing when our elections happen. Instead of it happening at the beginning of a new session, it is going to happen at the end of the odd session. The nominations will be the second to last meeting of session 109 and the elections during the last meeting. Nominations will be April 18th and then our last meeting and elections will occur on April 25th. If you are interested in Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary, please come talk to the members currently holding those positions and we'd love to talk to you about what the responsibilities and day-to-day looks like. If you are thinking of submitting bills to Engage please email me beforehand because I'm starting to notice discrepancies in bill formatting and I'd like to look at them before submitting them to Engage. If our meeting lasts longer than 7:53 today, we will be taking a break for Ramadan so people can break their fast.

- **Vice Chair's Report:** Hello everyone! We ran into a little bump in the road with orientation but myself and the exec committee are getting it all worked out. I will send out a more detailed email the closer we get, but keep April 16th open on your schedules if you are required to be at orientation. Please use the link and go order some awesome merchandise! Start thinking about how to get your April CSP, working elections are a great way to do so! Reach out if you have questions or concerns about the CSP! Thank you!
- **Secretary's Report:** Hey y'all! We are putting the associate's attendance QR on the screen. Just a reminder to any new associates that you have been added to committees and should be attending yours now! If you ever need/want to change your committee, you can come talk to me as well. We should be adding the February and March CSP tomorrow so if you receive an email from me it means you either have 3 or 4 absences. I have nothing else to report. Thanks!

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** COSCO met officially this weekend! We didn't see much, but do expect an announcement for this month's light walk and a potential food drive. Aside from that, we are still continuing with legislation regarding the preacher incident on campus and our academic integrity legislation!
- **Congressional Administration:** Hey everyone! ConAd did not meet this week because of quorum, but we will see 4 or 5 bills at our next meeting, so we've all been busy with those. We're still trying to figure out when we can meet but we will figure out a time.
- **External Affairs:** We met officially on Sunday and welcomed our new members. We talked about Lobby Day.
- **Human Diversity:** Thank you for women's health advocacy for coming to present and health disparities today. HD met officially on Thursday and discussed some projects. Our largest end of the year project will be an end of the year drive to collect furniture, clothes, and food from the dorms and surrounding apartment complexes to donate to a nearby homeless shelter. We also will be working of a bill regarding hate crimes that will be seen in an upcoming week.
- **Sustainability:** Susty met unofficially this week. We are signed up to table with GreenWeek on April 21st for their Earth Day Fair, which hosts other environmental RSOs, so if you're interested in joining an environmental organization on campus or just want to check it out, please come. Our tentative date for our Trash Walk is April 23rd, the Sunday after Orientation, which will be a great opportunity for getting your Constituent Service Point.
- **University Policy:** Hey guys! UPOL met on Thursday at 5, we just did updates. Hopefully, we will be seeing Representative Reynolds legislation soon. This week UPOL will be meeting officially so please make sure you're there! We will be talking about some student concerns that were brought up and talking more about the WAGE Act! Thanks!
- **Ways and Means:** WAM will meet Friday and possibly Saturday to see Primary.

Liaison Reports

- **Kathuria:** OU College Dems is Meeting Next Monday in Farzaneh 146 and I did want to give a shout out to associate Zavala for coming out to meet with Rep. Rosencrantz. This is a great opportunity to meet other politicians and guest speakers.
- **Mullins:** The exec applications for OK Votes are open. If you are interested in being a part of a nonpartisan civic engagement group you should apply. The position is paid but it takes a lot of work and is fun. The link is in our Instagram bio.
- **Halsey-Kraus:** The Eve of Nations tickets are now on sale for the IAC. Please go get your tickets now.

- **Chiariello:** Fill the Stadium at OU is having a concert on April 29th. Tickets are free and the headliner is Chance the Rapper. Just go to fts-23 to get your ticket now.
- **Strickland:** Next weekend CAC is having Scandals in Holmberg Hall. Buy your tickets, support your friends, and go see some fun dancing!
- **Ferguson:** Tomorrow from 5-6:30pm is the first non-profit summit and it will be in the union. There will be non-profits and student orgs that work with non-profits.
- **Koenig:** The GEC is doing a lot. The Peer Educator applications have been extended to Friday and if you are interested you can talk to me or Chair Halsey-Kraus. Crimson and Queens tickets are now on sale and you can go to the GEC's website and buy your tickets. The VIP are \$25 and students get in for free. We have extended our LGBTQ students programs leadership applications to tomorrow so if you're interested in applying to program advisory board definitely apply.
- **Landry:** The past week the OU delegation competed at the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature mock government competition at the state capitol and won 2nd place! Please congratulate your fellow students such as Rep. Cantrell, Rep. Schonfield, Rep. Rhoads, and Associate Sherrer.

Special Orders

- Women's Health Advocacy Presentation

Motion to recess for 10 minutes

Representative Strickland seconded by Representative Robinson

Student Concern Link

Items to Be Considered

Follow-Up Reports

Announcements and Comments

- **Kathuria:** Something I strongly recommend to everyone to ask their professors to announce that there is an SGA election going on and even show a QR code to engage more voters.
- **Landry:** Just a reminder that if you are an associate and you weren't able to scan that QR code to come talk to me after the meeting so that we won't count you absent.

Final Roll Call

Motion to adjourn

Representative Robinson seconded by Representative Reese

Adjourn – 8:11 pm

Chair: Abby Halsey-Kraus

Vice-Chair: Bailey Trautman

Secretary: Amelia Landry

	4-Apr-23		Last Name	First Name	Title	Absences
	Initial	Final				
Barnett	ex	ex	Aslam	Syed	Assoc.	ex
Brown	x	x	Batson	Jourdan	Assoc.	a (4)
Cantrell	x	x	Bortz	Brian	Assoc.	x
Chiariello	x	x	Berggren	Carolyn	Assoc.	x
Coxson	x	x	Chenevy	Brandon	Assoc.	a (2)
Craig	ex	ex	Clayton	Avery	Assoc.	x (2)
Duncan	x	x	Crawford	Elizabeth	Assoc.	x
Dunn	x	x	Daly	Isabella	Assoc.	ex (3)
Fisher	x	x	Dao	Audrey	Assoc.	x (2)
Ferguson	x	x	Dittes	Drew	Assoc.	x
Ghazal	a	a	Divirgilio	Nicholas	Assoc.	x (2)
Glasscock	x	x	Dodd	Aiden	Assoc.	a (1)
Hyslop	x	x	Donnelly	John Henry	Assoc.	a (3)
Islas	a	x	Gilson Bond	Aaron	Assoc.	x
Kathuria	x	x	Ghazal	Ameer	Assoc.	x (1)
Ketaneh	x	x	Griffin	Weslie	Assoc.	a (1)
Koenig	x	x	Hamid	Rafiya	Assoc.	x (1)
McCoy	x	x	Hamilton	Luke	Assoc.	a (3)
Mullins	x	x	Harris	Chloe	Assoc.	x
Nguyen	ex	ex	Haskins	Hudson	Assoc.	x
Papahronis	x	x	Houston	Rylee	Assoc.	x
Reese	x	x	Jackson	Jay	Assoc.	a (3)
Reynolds	ex	ex	Jean-Baptiste	Christine	Assoc.	x (1)
Rhoads	x	x	Kemoh Marah	Michael	Assoc.	x (1)
Robinson	x	x	Keupen	Benjamin	Assoc.	x (1)
Rops	x	ex	Lopez	Aaron	Assoc.	ex (1)
Schonfield	x	x	Miller	Jessica	Assoc.	a (1)
Strickland	x	x	Mortimer	Caitlin	Assoc.	a (2)
York	x	x	Mohamed Shiraj	Zuyyin Izza	Assoc.	x
PRESENT	23	23	Payson	Olivia	Assoc.	x
ABSENT	2	1	Powers	Alexandra	Assoc.	x
EXCUSED	4	5	Ramsey	Charlotte	Assoc.	a (1)
			Salameh	Preston	Assoc.	x (1)
			Shadman	Kate	Assoc.	a (3)
			Sherrer	Lauren	Assoc.	x
			Smith	Kennedy	Assoc.	study abroad
			Solymosi	Flora	Assoc.	x
			Tessfaselassie	Robel	Assoc.	a (3)
			Walker	Cody	Assoc.	x
			Wilson	Jeriah	Assoc.	x
			Wolthius	Ellie	Assoc.	x
			Zavala Paramo	Daniel	Assoc.	x

1 Absence
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