

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXII

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 8th, 2024

Dale 103

Call to Order- 7:00 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.

On a motion to approve the minutes Estrada seconded by Beasley

Approval of Minutes | October 1st, 2024

Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** For the chair report this week I just ask that if you are emailing anything about congress, please cc me on the email. Also please do not email my OU personal email, please email congress@ou.edu. If you email my personal one, it just gets jumbled up in things, and in Congress I know what I am looking for.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** Hi friends! Happy Texas Hate Week! If you guys are going to Dallas this weekend, please be safe and mindful. OU has many resources for y'all to utilize incase of an emergency, please look into them before you leave. If you're in Dallas and need help for any reason, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, as I will also be going down for the game. We aren't just here for you for Congress-related things, so please, please, please, reach out to any of us on exec if you find yourself in a bad situation. On a brighter note, we have some events coming up this month! These will all count as a CSP. The Homecoming Parade will be on Friday, October 18th. We will meet at 6:30 pm on the east side of the South Oval by Gaylord. The signup sheet is in the GroupMe and was emailed to you. We will have a Coffee Hour with Congress on Thursday, October 17th from 9 am to 12 pm in the Conoco. This will be a time for y'all to come talk to your exec, hangout in the Conoco, and have some free coffee and treats! Please come and chat with us, whether it's about SGA or just life in general. We want to get to know you! CAC College Bowl will be on Wednesday, October 23rd from 5 pm to 10 pm. I am thinking about putting together a team for Congress, so please email me if you're interested. My Office Hours have changed to Tuesdays 10 am to 1 pm, Wednesdays 2 pm to 5 pm, and Thursdays 10 am to 12 pm. If you are working on any PR or Comms related projects on your committee, please talk to me and include me in that project. I run the Instagram and am over all PR for Congress, so I would love to be a

resource and help you. Additionally, we can't post anything on the Instagram that doesn't use the Canva Brand Kit we have, so I will have to make those for you. If you have something you want me to make an Instagram post for, please email it to me so I can have it in writing and I will add it to the SGA content calendar. I am also thinking about starting a Congress Newsletter, so let me know if you would be interested in working on that with me. Lastly, I'm putting up folders on Chloe and I's office door for each committee. When you see someone doing well in Congress or just want to encourage them, write them a little anonymous (or not) note! Leave it in their committee's folder and we will get it to them. This is to recognize all of the work that each of you do, as we know we can't make every single one of you Congress Member of the Month.

- **Secretary's Report:** Hi everyone, I am excited to say that our Engage page is officially updated with all of our members, so thank you to everyone for accepting the invitation and a big thank you to George for manually putting the member that didn't accept on the page! I have also been working on Municode to get all of our past legislation online, so by next week everyone should be able to access it all.

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Hey everyone, great to see you all! COSCO met officially this past Sunday. We discussed project updates and next steps. Almost done interviewing everyone who is interested in being COSCO Secretary or Vice-Chair. I just have one more person to interview so those positions will likely be filled by our next general body meeting. I also have an update regarding our Light Walks. Those will generally be held the fourth Sunday of each month at 8:30 pm. Thank you!
- **Congressional Administration:** ConAd met officially on Sunday! We saw CB-112-11, we gave it a rec of no rec and CB-112-12 and we gave it a rec of due pass. Today we are going to talk about a standing rules update we did this week in ConAd and Exec! If you are interested in tabling for SGA elections, there is a sign-up genius link that will be attached to the minutes of today's meeting! I will also send it in our announcement group me! We are tabling on the 29th and the 30th and we will need lots of help! Please send any relevant links for SGA elections in student org group chats!
- **External Affairs:** EA met officially this Sunday and we saw a piece of legislation; The Medical Marijuana Survey of 2024 and we gave it a recommendation of due pass. We will be seeing that shortly. We also discussed our other projects including our Free Speech Week Legislation which we can expect to see in the body in 2 weeks. We also discussed another upcoming piece of legislation, our Voting Day legislation, that will recommend faculty to give an excused absence for Voting Day. I will be talking about the legislative at the next Faculty Senate meeting to gather some feedback from professors in preparation for it. The other two central projects we discussed 1. was our project related to getting a permanent shelter established in Norman for the unhoused, we have been in communication with Food and Shelter and we have decided to petition on behalf of the opening of the shelter, collecting signatures from Norman Residents. We will also be in contact with Darrel Pyle, the Norman City manager, to facilitate this project going forward. We also discussed our Public Education project; members of EA will be reaching out to various research groups around Oklahoma to develop a clearer plan on how we will support Public Education going forward.
- **Human Diversity:** HD met officially Friday, we were just continuing discussing our projects that I talked about last time, we realized some of the programs and organization that we wanted to set up may have been already in place last semester with some policy changes.

We are probably going to address some of the stuff with OU admin and do some other cross-committee collaborations and that is it.

- **Sustainability:** For SUSTY this last meeting we did meet officially, super grateful for that, awesome attendance at all of these meetings we have been having. The only thing we really talked about was projects that we have been going over, had some awesome updates on the projects we are working on. The best part of our meeting though was after the meeting when me and Chloe had a foot race because she thinks that she is faster than me, she can type fast but apparently, she can't run fast and so that was awesome right there.
- **University Policy:** UPOL met officially this weekend and discussed our projects - everything is making as much progress as I could ask for so thank you all for your work so far. We are on track to see our survey proposal legislation a week from now, it should be running until late November. We are also looking at tabling for group therapy (potentially with therapy dogs) in November - specifics are being worked out right now.
- **Ways and Means:** Hey guys WAM met officially on Friday and we saw two AUX and the minutes from that meeting were attached to the agenda for this meeting so if you want to review those please feel free to do that, and I am also going to be doing a presentation in Special orders today.

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

- [Code Club \(Standing Rules Update\)](#)
- [WAM Presentation](#)

Student Concerns

Items to Be Considered

On a motion to see CB-112-10 Coats, Noah seconded by Duncan

- CB-112-10 "OU Medical Marijuana Survey Act of 2024." (Rec of Due Pass) (*Harris*)

Authors Explanation:

Howdy y'all so basically, I will give you a brief introduction as to why this popped in to our mind and why we decided to write this. I will give you a brief description to how this survey works and how we address questions. so basically, marijuana is currently under schedule one federally meaning that there is no accepted medical use for it. The Department of Justice has recently submitted a recommendation to change that from schedule one to schedule 3 and this allows for a lot of changes marijuana laws are enacted on the federal level, including the Directory School Zones and communities Act. So this can change our, generally the OU policy now is that we don't talk about it, it doesn't exist, its better illegal, but that can change in the recent future. So we kind of wrote this survey to gain perspective and insight in case some of the changes do happen we can make accurate legislation. So I will go ahead and give you a brief description, basically this is the introduction this is what you are going to see it states the purpose of the survey what it is that you are going to do. It is also very important participation confidentiality, we are collecting zero personal information, there is nothing going to be collected about email, phone number, there is zero identifying information. All information will be quantitative metrics, not a name, not a phone number, no way to associate you whatsoever. So we get some brief demographics, all of these are optional by the way and we will do a brief of awareness for everyone to get a general understanding of where are people are coming from. The confusing part of the survey is this, the decision tree. At this point you get three different surveys they are all going to be very similar questions but structured differently to accommodate the different setup. If you look at never have a license you are going to have look at do you know someone who has used marijuana for medical purpose. A lot of these open field type responses are also completely optional just so we can get some more qualitative information about what students

want. One that's probably going to pop up is when it says schedule one to schedule three, we really made sure to include a link to the actual VDA drug scheduling thing.

5:05 remaining for questions

- Estrada- Will the results of the survey be published to the students?
 - Yes my plan is to wait around three to four weeks to collect the conference of data and then we're going to release a research paper based off of our findings and this will be sent to the Congress Chair and to the Committee it will probably be posted on the SGA website. Any information we get from this will be public information that will be given while doing a research paper style.
- Carter- How do you believe that this survey will benefit OU students?
 - I will say that because of current states of OU's policy. We really don't have an understanding of what students want from us and what students want in this area. So the way that this can benefit is if we understand what the students want, we will be able to give them what they want in policy, we as lawmakers do not create laws that we want, we create laws that our constituents want us to make. We want to be able to know what they want and then we'll be able to execute an action plan to implement those decision later on if possible.
- Kathuria- Would you like to finish your presentation?
 - I just wanted to explain the scale of it real quick, so basically we use something called a the Likert scale, so you can see, definitely yes, probably yes, might or might not, probably not, definitely not. It is going to be all of those style of questions depending on the question, so this is known as the Likert scale is it very commonly cited in survey instruments, it allows you to get a range of data and allows you to break it down on much different levels. For instance, if 80% of people say definitely yes that would indicate a very strong definitely yes vote, but if we are looking at a 50/30 yes vote then not as strong, basically it is just the scale that we use.
- Bento- Can you explain why we are seeing this survey as a bill instead of how we do it in the past?
 - This is the first of its kind not the last, we are changing the way that we are doing surveys. Initially we kind of just gave them ran them through George, he said yes or no sent out through the OUMM system under the SGA moniker. We have noticed that there are a lot of emails going out, a lot of people asking for surveys and we as an SGA want to make sure that we are only giving out what us as a general body feel what's likely need to get out so from now on most surveys that are going to be released in this exact format, so this mock legislation will be used for future surveys.
- N. Coats- In section 4, how do you plan to make sure students will fill out the form?
 - With the number of questions we have we are hoping for about what will give us true correlation qualitative turnout values would be about 200 responses so that is our goal if we get under that, it doesn't mean that the survey was a failure by any means, its still important qualitative data that we can bring to the table. We are striving for that 200 mark ideally we know that not many people are going to fill out based off of the mass mailing system, so one of my main plans for the tasks is to target professors to show in class and RSO's. So messaging RSO's using the actual general body to be able to get this survey out and using all of y'all to help me would make it so we can hit that mark and get more people.

28-0-0

On a motion to see CB-112-11 Cantrell seconded by Fisher

- CB-112-11 “Appointing Parking Appeals Judges Act of Fall 2024.” (Rec of No Rec)
(*Glasscock/Ousley/Wolthuis*)

Authors Explanation:

Hi everyone, my name is Caden Glasscock I am your SGA president and so one of these abilities that I have being the SGA President is appointing people to multiple committees including parking appeals and that is what we’re doing right now. Hey y’all If you don’t know me my name is Ellie Wolthuis, I am the Chief of Staff and to talk a little bit about the process, we received a ton of applications for parking appeals just for transparency not everyone meant to apply for parking appeals. So I went through all these applications and decided who had a good application clearly they meant to apply for parking appeals, we’re going to push them through to an interview and all of these nominees standing before you today is because they had a phenomenal application and then a fantastic interview. Yeah, so myself and the Chief Justice of parking appeals, we did interviews with all of these fantastic people and we ultimately determined that we believed that they would be great in this position. The parking appeals currently only has one person and the Chief Justice and by adding these people we believe that this will be more productive and allow for us to continue get these appeals out in a more timely fashion, but now I am going to let these people introduce themselves just quickly say your name and major. I’m Makhenzie Hutcherson and philosophy. I am AbdulMalik Shodunke and I am computer science. I’m Colby Marlow and I’m business administration and pre-law major. I’m Dax McReynolds, I am a business management major and on the pre-law track. Hi, I am Daisy I am an English writing major, and I am also on the pre-law track. Hi I am Reeve Holliday, I am a biology major on the pre-med track. Hey y’all my name is Payton Premo and I am a criminology major. Hi I am Cody, I double in political science and economics. I am Ben Keupen my major is political science on a pre-law track.

6:10 remaining for questions

- Coats, Noah- What specifically made you interested in this position?
 - Hutcherson- I was interested in this position because a lot of OU students I feel very passionately about the parking situation, and I felt that this was the best that I could do to do my part to help with it.
 - Shodunke- I was interested because while I don’t actually need parking on campus, everyone I know is very passionate about parking and how frustrating parking tickets are so when I saw this position I thought it would be a good way to understand the challenge and how people are actually doing something about it.
 - Marlow- I would say because I am on the pre-law track I think it will help me gain experience and kind of gain knowledge toward procedure and policy so that can help me with my major.
 - McReynolds- I am really going to bounce off of Colby’s answer being on the pre-law track, it just seemed incredibly interesting to me sitting on a board and gaining experience is great from this type of position.
 - Barrett- I actually heard about it whenever I got a parking ticket for the first time my freshman year, I wasn’t too happy about it, but it got waived and then I heard that it was a student government position and I am also pre-law so I just thought it was right up my alley and I wanted to return the favor and help bring order to the chaos.
 - Holliday- Just bouncing off the same answer, a lot of people are fed up with the parking situation as you have heard before, and I think this is a great opportunity not only to be a part of a great organization that would be huge but just help out and do my part in the community.

- Premo- I chose to be part of this board because I want to eventually be a law enforcement officer when I do graduate. So, something like this was a good way to get my foot in the door and be able to hear other people's stories in their perspectives and just start to see how people think and I just think it would be very good for my career.
- Walker- I heard that there weren't a lot of people on the parking appeals board, and I just thought that I could help out.
- Keupen- I heard that they needed people on the parking appeals board, and I thought that as my role as COSCO chair dealing with university infrastructure, sort of tied in very well with that not only because I am a poli-sci major interested in law, it would give me experience educating policies and procedures.
- Kathuria- What do you believe are the important qualities that make up a great parking appeals judge?
 - Glasscock- When we went through the interview process, it wasn't necessarily qualities, but something that we wanted to incorporate was just making sure that people had their own opinion and in order to speak on that opinion we did a bunch of different questions where it is like what would you do in this situation and with all nine of these applicants we saw not only are they able to form a different opinion just because it is the right thing that they want to do, but also just they're able to come to an opinion which is really all we are trying to do with this and all of these people have amazing leadership qualities that we're looking for when we are looking for the parking appeals board.
- Gilson-Bond- What are you going to do for the OU students and not for yourself?
 - Hutcherson- One thing that is important to keep in mind is we are trying to protect OU students for getting the fairest outcome that they could possibly get for those that did pay for a parking pass and those that didn't. So it is just getting the most fair response for all OU students.
 - Shodunke- During the interview we explained the role of the parking appeals board which is basically looking at tickets and the appeals they make. I basically think that our job is to, maybe people who have a valid reason and deserve the wave, so we can help them not to have a parking ticket on their record.
 - Marlow- Personally, two things that I believe in especially with OU students being here is empathy and responsibility at the same time. So personally, what I am going to do that will best benefit the students is provide that empathy, so sometimes there are times that you are late to class for a reason so you make a decision to park in a space that you know you might get a ticket. So I think in times like that you are already dealing with a lot of stress you could be dealing with a test so I think that is the best thing that I could bring to the table.

On a motion to extend time for questions by 10 minutes Kathuria seconded by Robinson

- McReynolds- Bouncing off of Colby's answer, I think that each individual parking instance is a unique situation, like you said if you are late to a test it can be stressful, you don't want to miss your test so you might park where you are not supposed to park and me personally being on the pre-law track and being interested in this position I am interested in justice, that's why I want to go into law and I think there is an element of justice in this position. So I think it is important to me to make sure that everyone's case is heard in a fair manner and to make sure to take into account the different details that might be for every individual case.

- Barrett- What I think is important is to keep fairness in mind and be aware notice patterns. If a bunch of students are getting a ticket at the same parking place, maybe you could look at the sign, see if it's not super clear, if it is not we will need to get that situated, but also everything is a case by case situation if somebody did make an honest mistake, if it was their first ticket, I think it is important to hear them out and be fair to them and just make sure that we are making the right decision for them because a lot of our student are under a lot of stress, especially financially so if we can help a few students that are struggling with that, save \$30-\$40, if it's right and it is fair then that's the thing to do.
- Holliday- I personally think that when you are looking at the job it is not about yourself at all. A bunch of individual cases are coming in everyday with just parking appeals board and when you are looking at the case, its not thinking about yourself it and what that person believes and what that person thinks and what is right and wrong and I think when you come to this decision it's really not based off of what you're thinking but based off of on what you see in viewing the facts
- Premo- So I feel like one thing that I bring to the table, that's different from how everyone else thinks, but yes empathy is important I believe that, but I also feel that rules are set in place to be followed and not broken and I also feel that with my unique perspective on this, I will urge OU students to improve their time management skills, for example yes you could be late to a test, but say you slept in. That's obviously your fault so I am going to empathic to people who deserve it, but also there could be repeat offenders and people like that who keep trying to use time as an excuse, which I feel like I will be really good at holding people accountable but also giving empathy to those who need it.
- Walker- The parking appeals board is understaffed, and it is annoying when you are doing an appeal, and it takes a bunch of weeks possibly a couple of months to get a response back. I hope that by adding people on the board will cut the time by a significant number. I know that we can just save the people's time by having more people.
- Keupen- For me I would say it is pretty clear that I have served the students here through being on SGA, just through the three years I have been at OU and now I am COSCO Chair and something that is pretty clear to me is that although it is a student directed board, we are also there to represent the interests of the parking services, so it is really just about balancing the interests of students and parking and coming up with a logical conclusion that is a compromise for everyone involved.
- Finley- Can you describe the process of a person getting a ticket and then going through the appeals court?
 - Glasscock- Yeah so what happens is lets say that you are in Dale parking lot and you don't have a parking pass, so you get a ticket so what happens then is once you get that ticket you have the opportunity to appeal it, and so right away that will go to the parking appeals board and what happens is they will look at the ticket and lets say it is your first offense ever they could decide to waive it. If it's your fourth they're probably not going to waive it and so after you get that ticket, it just goes to them and they kind of decide your fate at that point.
- Robinson- How you guys intend to strike a balance between advocating for the University and the student's interests?

- Premo- I feel like in order for me to advocate for OU as a whole, one thing that I want to push is eliminate freshman parking. I know I am a freshman so it would benefit me too, but I feel with the upcoming class and my class of 2028 being the biggest classes OU has ever had. I feel like that takes a lot of parking and I feel like as a freshman you are supposed to be integrated into the community as well join clubs not just be held up in your dorm all the time and I feel like if you have a car you have the ability to just go and do your own thing and not be able to integrate yourself and be a part of OU and then on the contrary of being an advocate for the students, I think a student board is really good because we understand the struggles that students have and being able to hear people out is really important.

On a motion to divide the question for nominee Payton Premo Kathuria seconded by Oler

Objection Gilson-Bond seconded by Oler

- Aslam- What is your reasoning for having an even number of judges given that you are adding nine to an already one existing judge?
 - There are two so it is eleven. It is the chief justice and then him.
- Aslam- Is the Chief Justice's vote given a higher priority? What makes them a chief?
 - Glasscock- No it is all the same.
 - Martin- So whenever there is an appeal it goes straight to the staff of the parking people. They create a docket of who gives a statement for an appeal, so we are not looking at every single parking ticket that we have on campus we are just looking at appeals that are submitted. Then the docket is sent to the Chief Justice and the Chief Justice then decides when we have our meetings, and we decide on the case.

On a motion to divide the question for all nominees Kathuria seconded by Robinson

On a motion to suspend the rules to go back in time and undivide the question N. Coats seconded by Harris 24-4-0 to suspend the rule

Objection N. Coats to dividing question seconded by Aslam

On a motion to extend time for questions by 5 minutes Kathuria seconded by Gilson-Bond

- Fisher- Were there any other major parameters that you used when considering the applicants?
 - Glasscock- First of all, when it comes to the general application that is open to every single person so people who wanted to get involved in parking appeals were people who applied and this general application was pushed out to every single student on campus. When we did the interview process we took a bias training and so there were no biases involved and we pushed this out to every student on campus
 - Wolthuis- We were looking for diversity of opinions and that is absolutely what we got.
- Savage- What would happen if there were an even number of chief justices?
 - Martin- Typically how it goes is we have a discussion and we have three options. we can void, we can reduce the penalty, or we can keep it how it is. So that is usually how we have discussion we figure out which way is best forward and we usually try to get it down to two options and if comes even then we have discussion again.
- Awoyemi- What would you all find as a viable reason to void a parking ticket?
 - Barrett- So I think a good reason to waive someone's ticket would be lets say that they had purchased a parking pass, but they just forget to put it up. They have already paid for parking, you've just made a simple mistake or maybe somebody forgot to register their disability parking pass and they get a ticket and fine for that I feel like that is not fair and if someone has a reason like maybe financial obstacles

that they expressed, I will take a look at that as well especially if it is there first or second offence.

- I would also appeal it if it was their first offense.
- Cantrell- How many applicants did you receive?
 - Wolthuis- Technically we received 160 applications, unfortunately not all 160 wanted to a part of parking appeals so we went through all the applications
 - Glasscock- We filtered through all 160 of those applications and then based off of that we had to go and reach out to every single one of these people and then only a few of those people applied and actually did the interview and now we are here so about 160 applicants.
 - Wolthuis- Yes incredibly competitive if you are looking at it like that, but yes these applicants all expressed great interest in being a part and just by them being super communicative and showing up and answering y'all's questions show that they are here, they want to be here for the students.

Call for debate by Kathuria

Objection Martin seconded by Robinson

25-3-0 objection passed

25-3-0 bill passed

On a motion to see CB-112-12 Oler seconded by Aslam

- CB-112-12 “Disassembling the PAE Act.” (Rec of Due Pass) (*Gilson-Bond*)

Authors Explanation:

This is going to be getting rid of the partnership for Athletic Environmentalism from the code annotated. This has been in the Code annotated for a while and it just has never had any functional purpose. It has been a responsibility for to uphold as the SUSTY Chair and it just hasn't really happened at all. Even in the past reaching out with athletics it has been difficult to work with them. I mean obviously with them they have big things to worry about so there are just other means of making the campus environmentally friendly other than just focusing our efforts with athletics.

7:10 remaining for questions

- Wilson- Has it just been you reaching out to OU athletics or have you brought your team in?
 - Vice Chair Houston- The PAE started when I was the Vice chair of SUSTY which I'm old so that was a long time ago and a few months after it was created, athletics completely ghosted us, and we have never been able to get back in contact with them despite people reaching out. So this has been an ongoing thing where we created this with them and then they stopped showing up to the meetings. This is not like a we stopped reaching out it is more of athletics stopped wanting to partner with us.
- Wilson- Not you as Chair or you as a Committee?
 - I am going to be honest with you I did not know that this was a thing until literally last week. It has never been brought up because as Vice Chair Houston said athletics essentially ghosted us. Now the way I want to make campus green athletically wise is working with other avenues so I haven't actually want and talked to athletics per say, but I want to explain why. The reason why is because I want to work with people like Sarah who I think I can get a lot more done with, with other environmentally friendly RSO's. I just don't want to be forced to have a meeting with athletics all the time because that is just one small part of what we are as a campus. I have no problem working with athletics, but having it as a mandatory part in the code annotated is unnecessary.

28-0-0

On a motion to see AB-112-04 Cantrell seconded by Wilson

- AB-112-04 “Auxiliary Allocation 4 Act of 2024-2025” (Rec of Due Pass) (*Schonfield*)

Authors Explanation:

Hey guys so I had mentioned earlier that there is a pause in AUX right now. The reason why we why we considered these two and not others that we received is because these were received before the day that we had allocated up to the \$1000 mark, so we felt that it was only fair to see them since they were submitted before that time.

7:34 remaining for questions

- Gilson-Bond- Whenever you make decisions on denying portions, would those people have a chance to be relooked at?
 - In regards to reconsidering applications, once we have seen a bill that request is finished and done so they can submit another request for those items that we didn't pay for the first time, but we won't go back and reconsider people just because we had turned something down in the past.
- N. Coats- Did either of these organizations not get the funding that they requested?
 - We did not fully fund with either of these organizations. They both have pretty poor fiscal history and College Democrats has already received \$440 in primary this year which is why they received only \$240 out of \$750 and Immigration Law Society received \$500 out of \$750. All of which is in the minutes that was sent with the agenda.

28-0-0

Follow-Up Reports

Announcements and Comments

- **Chair Rhodes-** So this year we only have one candidate running in the SGA presidential and vice presidential race. So instead of having the forum like we traditionally would in Nietzsche we are going to have it through a congress meeting October 22nd so two weeks. We are going to be hosting the Presidential forum here, we have a forum for the questions it will be sent in the minutes as well as the GroupMe. I just wanted to make sure you were all aware of that.
- **Kathuria-** I wanted to make a few announcements to the body, alright hi everybody as you may know I am Shrey, I use him/he pronouns I'm a senior major in community health on a pre-med track. I have generally been someone who has been in Congress for a long time as I have been a long time serving representative for the Life Sciences District. And I am going to go ahead and tell you there was a stretch that I wasn't at congress and I am going to explain why to you. One of my roommates by the name of Luke Lingo, who actually came to congress when I presented the honoring the OU 2024 Softball team, he unfortunately passed away on the day before the Tulane game which was September 13th. Being the one who tried to save him by having to roll him off the bed, start CPR and call 911 and I had hope that I would have been able to save him but unfortunately he was already gone and it was pronounced that he was gone when the law enforcement got there and because of that is has been really hard for me and I had to take some time away from Student Government. I think my biggest lesson to all of you is number one take care of yourself, your mental health and your well being matters more than anything else. Number two make sure that you treat everyone with the absolute love, respect, and care possible because you know the next day we are not always guaranteed, lets live the moment we are in, but please make sure that you love your neighbor and be the best person you can be because at the end of the say there is so much more importance to life than being in Congress, it is about everyday people

it is about showing that you care about them and I just want to tell you that I care about you I love you and thank you so much to everyone who has been reaching out to me and being so supportive.

- **Cantrell-** I just wanted to quick a really quick and cool thing that Gaylord is doing. Tomorrow, Gaylord is hosting a presentation by professor Julian B. Zelzier. He is a professor of public affairs at Princeton and he is giving a lecture on what makes the 2024 election so historic and that will be tomorrow, October 9th from 3-4 pm in the Gaylord Auditorium.

Final Roll Call

On a motion to adjourn Oler seconded by Schonfield

Adjourn-8:27 pm

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-112-10

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act authorizing a survey of the student body on behalf of the Undergraduate Student Congress; providing for specific questions; and providing for distribution.

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 “OU Medical Marijuana Survey Act of 2024.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to establish a survey as the student government association.

The SGA Undergraduate Student Congress shall survey undergraduate students to discover the awareness, attitudes, and experiences of students related to medical marijuana use and its potential impact on campus policies.

Section 3: The following questions shall be administered via Qualtrics, with a decision tree based on whether the respondent has a medical marijuana card, previously had one, or has never had one:

Introduction:

Thank you for considering participation in our important survey. As members of the University of Oklahoma community, we are at a pivotal moment where the topic of medical marijuana is not only a matter of national conversation but also of local relevance and significance. The evolving legal status of medical marijuana in Oklahoma and across the country prompts us to reflect on our own policies, perceptions, and educational efforts related to its use, particularly in a university setting.

Purpose of the Survey: The primary aim of this survey is to gather a broad spectrum of opinions, experiences, and attitudes toward medical marijuana from our student body. With medical marijuana now legal in Oklahoma for medicinal purposes, understanding the diverse viewpoints within our university is essential.

This survey seeks to:

- Assess the level of awareness and knowledge about medical marijuana laws among students.
- Understand student attitudes toward the use of medical marijuana and its accessibility on campus.
- Collect experiences and perceptions related to the impact of medical marijuana on academic and campus life.

- Inform future campus policies, support systems, and educational programs regarding medical marijuana use.

Why Your Participation Matters: Your input is crucial. By sharing your thoughts, you contribute to a comprehensive understanding of how medical marijuana is viewed within our community. This, in turn, will help university administrators, student leaders, and policymakers to make informed decisions that affect all of us. Whether you have personal experience with medical marijuana, hold specific opinions about its use, or are simply interested in the topic, your perspective is valuable.

Confidentiality Assurance: Please be assured that your responses will be kept anonymous and confidential. No personally identifiable information will be collected, and all data will be reported in aggregate form. Your honesty and openness in answering these questions are greatly appreciated.

Demographics

- Are you over the age of 18?
 - A) Yes
 - B) No
- What year in school are you?
 - A) Freshman
 - B) Sophomore
 - C) Junior
 - D) Senior
 - E) Graduate Student
 - F) Law Student
- What is your college or department?
 - A) Christopher C. Gibbs College of Architecture
 - B) Dodge Family College of Arts and Sciences
 - C) College of Atmospheric & Geographic Sciences
 - D) Michael F. Price College of Business
 - E) Mewbourne College of Earth and Energy
 - F) Jeannine Rainbolt College of Education
 - G) Gallogly College of Engineering
 - H) Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts
 - I) Other

Awareness and Knowledge

- How familiar are you with the state of Oklahoma's medical marijuana laws?
 - A) Extremely familiar
 - B) Very familiar
 - C) Moderately familiar
 - D) Slightly familiar
 - E) Not familiar at all
- How familiar are you with the current policies in place at the University of Oklahoma for students who use medical marijuana?
 - A) Extremely familiar

- B) Very familiar
- C) Moderately familiar
- D) Slightly familiar
- E) Not familiar at all

- What are your sources of information on medical marijuana?
 - Online article
 - Newspaper / Journal
 - Social media
 - Peers
 - Other [Open field for response]

Are you a patient [Decision Tree]

- Are you a Medical Marijuana Patient in the State of Oklahoma?
 - A) Yes, I have a license currently
 - B) No, I used to have a license
 - C) No, I have never had a license

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers "No, I have never had a license" to the question, "Are you a Medical Marijuana Patient in the State of Oklahoma?"

Block: Experiences / Attitudes

- Have you or someone you know used marijuana for a medical purpose?
 - A) Yes, I have
 - B) Yes, someone I know has
 - C) No
- If you or someone you know has used medicinal marijuana, please tell us about your experience:
[Open text field for response]
- What is your attitude towards the use of medical marijuana?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative
- What is your perceived impact of medical marijuana on academic performance?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative
- What is your perceived impact of medical marijuana on student engagement?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative

- D) Somewhat negative
- E) Extremely negative

Block: Policy / Impact

- Should the University make accommodations for students who are prescribed medical marijuana, similar to other medical accommodations?
 - A) Definitely yes
 - B) Probably yes
 - C) Might or might not
 - D) Probably not
 - E) Definitely not

- Do you believe the University of Oklahoma should re-examine its policy regarding marijuana, if Federal Scheduling on Marijuana were to lower from Schedule 1 to Schedule 3?

For more information on what that means: <https://www.dea.gov/drug-information/drug-scheduling>

- A) Definitely yes
 - B) Probably yes
 - C) Might or might not
 - D) Probably not
 - E) Definitely not

- What actions do you believe the University should take regarding medical marijuana use among students?
[Select all that apply]
 - Provide educational programs on the benefits and risks of medical marijuana
 - Promote Awareness of Legal Contexts and Individual Responsibilities
 - Offer counseling and support services for students who use medical marijuana
 - Facilitate discussions or forums on medical marijuana usage and policies
 - Other [Open text field]

- What are your concerns regarding medical marijuana use among students?
[Open text field for response]

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers "No, I used to have a license" to the question, "Are you a Medical Marijuana Patient in the State of Oklahoma?"

Block: Former Cardholder

- When you had a medical marijuana card, did you use marijuana for medical purposes?
 - A) Yes
 - B) No

- Why did you stop using medical marijuana?
 - A) My license expired and I want to renew it
 - B) My license expired and I do not want to renew it
 - C) My license is active but I no longer want to use medical marijuana
 - D) Prefer not to say

- Has your perspective on marijuana use changed since you received your card?
 - A) No
 - B) Yes

- Reflecting on your time using medical marijuana, what is your current attitude towards its use for medical purposes?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative

- How do you perceive the University of Oklahoma's current policies regarding medical marijuana, based on your experience?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative

- Do you believe the University of Oklahoma should re-examine its policy regarding marijuana, if Federal Scheduling on Marijuana were to lower from Schedule 1 to Schedule 3?

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- A) Definitely yes
 - B) Probably yes
 - C) Might or might not
 - D) Probably not
 - E) Definitely not
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- How do you think allowing medical marijuana use on campus could impact students, both those who use medical marijuana and those who do not?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative

 - What actions do you believe the University should take regarding medical marijuana use among students?

[Select all that apply]

 - Provide educational programs on the benefits and risks of medical marijuana
 - Promote Awareness of Legal Contexts and Individual Responsibilities
 - Offer counseling and support services for students who use medical marijuana
 - Facilitate discussions or forums on medical marijuana usage and policies
 - Other [Open text field]

- How have Federal and OU policies regarding marijuana affected you and your ability to take care of yourself medically?
[Open text field for response]

Decision Tree: If the respondent answers "Yes, I have a license currently" to the question, "Are you a Medical Marijuana Patient in the State of Oklahoma?"

Block: Current Cardholder

- Have you used marijuana for a medical purpose since obtaining your medical marijuana card?
A) Yes
B) No
- What is your attitude towards the use of medical marijuana, especially in relation to your health and wellness?
A) Extremely positive
B) Somewhat positive
C) Neither positive nor negative
D) Somewhat negative
E) Extremely negative
- How do you perceive the University of Oklahoma's current policies regarding medical marijuana, based on your experience?
A) Extremely positive
B) Somewhat positive
C) Neither positive nor negative
D) Somewhat negative
E) Extremely negative
- Do you believe the University of Oklahoma should re-examine its policy regarding marijuana, if Federal Scheduling on Marijuana were to lower from Schedule 1 to Schedule 3?

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- What actions do you believe the University should take regarding medical marijuana use among students? [Select all that apply]
 - Provide educational programs on the benefits and risks of medical marijuana
 - Promote Awareness of Legal Contexts and Individual Responsibilities
 - Offer counseling and support services for students who use medical marijuana
 - Facilitate discussions or forums on medical marijuana usage and policies
 - Other [Open text field]

- How do you think campus life or the academic environment would be affected if the use of medical marijuana were allowed on campus?
 - A) Extremely positive
 - B) Somewhat positive
 - C) Neither positive nor negative
 - D) Somewhat negative
 - E) Extremely negative
- How have Federal and OU policy regarding marijuana affected you and your ability to take care of yourself medically?
[Open text field for response]

Conclusion

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your input is invaluable and contributes significantly to our understanding of student perspectives on medical marijuana. The insights gathered will inform discussions and actions to ensure our campus is a supportive and informed community. We are committed to transparency and plan to share the findings from this survey with the University of Oklahoma community.

We are committed to transparency and plan to share the findings from this survey with the University of Oklahoma community. Keep an eye on the student congress website: www.ou.edu/sga/university and newsletter/student email announcements for a report on the survey results and any upcoming initiatives or policy discussions.

If you have any questions about this survey, or if the topic of medical marijuana has raised any concerns for you, we encourage you to reach out for support.

Here are some resources available to you:

- University Counseling Services: (405) 325-2911 for confidential support and counseling.
- Student Health Services: (405) 325-4611 for medical inquiries or advice.
- Legal Services for Students: (405) 325-6875 for legal advice regarding medical marijuana use in Oklahoma.
- OU Advocates: (405) 615-0013 for confidential mental health support.

We value your feedback. If you have any suggestions on how we can improve future surveys or wish to express any thoughts about this survey, please contact us at Hudson.j.harris-1@ou.edu.

Section 4: Upon passage of this bill, the survey will be released on www.qualtrics.com, emailed through the University of Oklahoma mass mailing system through the email: kga@ou.edu, fliers will be posted in public locations and on campus housing at the University of Oklahoma Norman Campus, and advertising will take place on multiple social media platforms.

The survey shall be conducted on October 8th, 2024 through January 8th, 2025

Author(s): Hudson Harris, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Marilou Bento, Chair of External Affairs; Jeriah Wilson, Vice Chair of External Affairs;

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Coats, Noah seconded by Representative Duncan

Action taken by Congress 28-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXII

October 8, 2024

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-112-11
SENATE BILL GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation appointing judges to the Student
Parking Appeals Board; 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 “Appointing Parking Appeals Judges Act of Fall 2024.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to name and appoint judges for the Student Parking Appeals Board.

Section 3: In accordance with SGACA Title IV, Chapter 4, section 2, “Judges of the Student Parking Appeals Board shall be appointed by the SGA President.

The following shall be Judges on the Parking Appeals Board:

- Peyton Premo
- Colby Marlow
- Dax McReynolds
- Daisy Barrett
- Reeve Holliday
- Benjamin Keupen
- Makhenzie Hutcherson
- AbdulMalik Shodunke
- Cody Walker

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

Author(s): Caden Glasscock, SGA President
Mike Ousley, Chief Justice for the Parking Appeals Board
Ellie Wolthuis, SGA Chief of Staff

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Cantrell seconded by Representative Fisher

Action taken by Congress: 25-3-0

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
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXII

October 8, 2024

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-112-12

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure amending the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Code Annotated to dissolve the SGA Partnership for Athletic Environmentalism.

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 “Disassembling the PAE Act.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to modify the Undergraduate Student Congress code annotated to remove the Partnership for Athletic Environmentalism as a committee in the SGA Code annotated.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The Undergraduate Student Congress Code Annotated Chapter IX-4 will be amended as follows, with ~~striketrough~~ indicating a removed section, and underline indicating added sections:

- ~~1. **Purpose.** The purpose of the Partnership for Athletic Environmentalism is to assist in the communication between OU Athletics Recycling Energy and Sustainability Services and the Student Government Association. The Partnership will meet with the intention of expanding recycling facilities at OU Athletic events.~~
- ~~2. **Membership.**~~
 - ~~1. The Chair of the Partnership shall be the Congress Sustainability Committee Chair~~
 - ~~2. Membership for the PAE shall be as follows:~~
 - ~~1. The Chair of the Partnership~~
 - ~~2. A member of the Congress Sustainability Committee assigned by the Chair of the Partnership~~
 - ~~3. The Director of the Interior for the Executive Cabinet~~
 - ~~4. The Director of OU's Energy and Sustainability Services or their assigned proxy.~~
 - ~~5. The Supervisor of Refuse and Recycling or their assigned proxy.~~
 - ~~6. The OU Athletics Director of Event Management or their assigned proxy.~~
- ~~3. **Meetings.** Meetings of the PAE shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act. The Partnership shall meet at least once per month throughout the academic year. Meeting dates and times shall be decided upon by a consensus of the Partnership's members.~~

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

Author(s): Chair Aaron Gilson-Bond, Undergraduate Student Congress Sustainability Committee

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Oler seconded by Representative Aslam

Action taken by Congress: 28-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-112-04
SENATE BILL NO. GS24-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2024-2025 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 4 Act of 2024-2025”

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 |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| College Democrats | 240.00 | | | \$240.00 |
| Immigration Law Society | 500.00 | | | \$500.00 |
| TOTAL: | | | | \$740.00 |

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 2, 2025.

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 2, 2025, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

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

Author(s): Jacob Schonfield, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Cantrell seconded by Representative Wilson
Action taken by Student Congress: 28-0-0
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: _____

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| Gilson-Bond | Aaron | x | x |
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| Schonfield | Jacob | x | x |
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| Wilson | Jeriah | ex | x |
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