

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXII

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 10th, 2024

Dale 103

Call to Order - 7:07 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 | September 3, 2024

On a motion to approve the minutes Aslam seconded by Duncan

Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** My name is Hope Rhodes, I am the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress, it is so nice to see all of you not in an interview setting anymore and I am so excited to see you all here. We had 72 applicants I believe for Congress and about 50 of you are here.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** Hi everyone! I firstly want to give a warm welcome to all of our new members! We are so happy to have you here tonight and in our body! If I did not get the chance to meet you yet, my name is Rylee Houston and I'm your Vice Chair. Please scan the QR code to join our GroupMe. This is where we'll send out all important announcements and information, so I strongly recommend that everyone joins. Orientation will be Sunday, September 15th in the Scholar's Room from 10 am to 3 pm. Attendance for all new members is required. If you were appointed in the Spring and have never attended Orientation before, attendance for you will be required. If you are supposed to be at Orientation, you should have gotten an email with all the details. Please email me at congressvc@ou.edu or come see me after the meeting if you have any questions. If you can't attend, email me by tomorrow. All committee meetings will be in the Scholar's Room of the Union at 2:30 pm at the end of Orientation. If you do not have a name tag or your nametag has any incorrect information, please let me know so I can have a new one for you next week. Thanks!
- **Secretary's Report:** Hi everyone, I just want to give a few reminders. One, please scan this QR code if you are an associate and fill out the form so that I can mark you as present. If you know you are going to be late, have to leave early, or not able to come to the meeting. Please email me at congresssec.ou.edu before 12 pm on Tuesday. It is very important,

especially as a representative that you are all here, so that the student body is properly represented. Also, my office hours are pinned in the GroupMe if you ever need to come and talk to me about anything. Finally, I encourage you all to think about taking on the role of secretary in your committees. I know that it can seem like a very daunting task, but you would not be in it alone, I will be having one-on-ones with the secretaries of each committee to assist you in your transition. It also can be really fun I promise!

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Hello everybody! I hope you're having a great day. My name is Ben Keupen, and I am the Chair of the Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee, or COSCO for short. I am a Junior with a major in Political Science and a minor in German. I am from Norman, so I have been a lifelong Sooner. I joined Congress because I wanted to help make a difference on campus and serve my community. COSCO uses the Student Congress' resources to resolve all problems regarding university infrastructure, student experience, and all other student problems that the Student Congress can reasonably respond to. We met officially where we discussed future project ideas, non-traditional student neglect, international student housing concerns, and the turnover vs. open seats problem.
- **Congressional Administration:** Hi my name is Noah Coats. I am the Vice Chair of the Congressional Administration Committee. The chair is Maddy Cantrell. What Congressional Administration does, is basically we are the internal affairs members of Congress we deal with the bylaws, code annotated, basically all of the governing documents and we deal with the management of Congress. We conducted interviews this last Saturday, which as mentioned we had over 70 applicants in that. We have filled all but two representative seats.
- **External Affairs:** Hello everyone, I hope you are having a good start to the week! I am Marilou Bento, and I serve as Chair of the External Affairs Committee. The mission of External Affairs is to foster civic engagement and strengthen the relationship between the University of Oklahoma and the surrounding community. We focus on addressing key issues at the local, state, and federal levels, providing students with opportunities to engage with government leaders while promoting active civic participation. Don't forget that we are gearing up for National Voter Registration Day tabling on September 17th, and we need volunteers! While there are multiple locations, we're especially focused on filling shifts at the Burr Park table, as it's expected to attract a large number of freshmen. Your help there will be crucial in reaching new students and registering them to vote. Please sign up as soon as possible to secure a spot! Additionally, we are finalizing the upcoming Civic Engagement Forum on September 18th, which will take place in the Gaylord Auditorium from 7:15 to 8:00 PM. We encourage everyone to participate by submitting questions through the questionnaire, as this is a valuable opportunity to engage with local civic and community leaders. After tonight's General Body meeting, EA and OKVotes are hosting a Debate Watch Party in Jim Thorpe, and everyone is welcome to join. I will be walking over there directly after the meeting if anyone would like to come along. It's going to be a fun and informative evening, so we hope to see you there!
- **Human Diversity:** Hello everyone, I am so glad to see so many people here. My name is Aniketh, I am the committee chair of the cool kids club aka Human Diversity. Our committee addresses what is says in the name diversity issues on this campus, we met unofficially Friday and discussed some of the projects we are doing this semester. Including some voter registration drives in corporation with some big student organizations and we can definitely use a lot more members on our committee to really work on these that are really meaningful to impacting real students lives. We are addressing some policy things and

we are going to be reaching out to different departments and administrators to talk about the things going on, on Campus and then provide access to resources on Campus. I recognize quite a few faces from tabling events.

- **Sustainability:** The Sustainability Committee addresses any issues relating to environmental sustainability within SGA, at OU, or among the student body. The Committee strives to improve environmental consciousness among the undergraduate student body and shall advocate for environmentally conscious policies at the University. This can be done with bills or resolutions such as one of the most notable donations for citations. For sustainability there is nothing new to report besides that I have selected Kyle Oler for our committee. With this I'm super excited to start this new year. I'm excited to meet this Sunday with our new members to discuss ideas for this upcoming year.
- **University Policy:** Hello! I am Shrey Kathuria; I am a member of the University Policy Committee filling in for Chair Robinson who has a class at this time. Chair Robinson wrote this for me to read to you all today. Chair Robinson is a Junior majoring in Political Science, minoring in International Security Studies. The University Policy Committee (colloquially referred to as UPol) is tasked with addressing all student concerns relating to university policies, programs, and initiatives. Some major issues we are addressing this semester are student wages, the student appeals process after being accused of using AI for essays and increasing benefits for student employees. This weekend, we met officially and discussed Title IX changes and worked on some of our pre-project briefs. We are excited to get to work with all of you this session! Boomer Sooner!
- **Ways and Means:** Hello everybody, hard to follow that. I am Jacob Schonfield. I am the Ways and Means committee chair. We had a meeting on Friday that was technically unofficial because I didn't realize we didn't have quorum and then we had another meeting on Sunday where we saw over 40 AUX requests. So, what WAM does is we allocate funds to the primary and auxiliary funding to the registered student organizations here on campus. If you are a part of an organization that's buying food or using money from SGA it was allocated by us. Super fun committee we have lots and lots of fun at our meetings and we get free food at our meetings on Fridays so definitely join. I also wanted to let everyone know that your RSO's need to be registered by this Friday in order to keep primary funding and to maintain that active status. Your registration doesn't need to be approved by the 13th it just needs to have been filed

Liaison Reports

- **Coats, Noah-** I attended the MOOT court meeting last Thursday and it is just a really great club. It is Mock trial essentially it is competition. I have to say the director is the handsomest man I have ever seen; he is myself so that didn't sound right. If you are interested in doing court cases this Thursday, we are meeting in Price Hall room 128 I believe, and we are going over how to write a case brief and things like that. So, if you interested, please contact me.

Special Orders

- **Sing George Happy Birthday**

On a motion to enter committee of the whole Harris seconded by Reynolds

- **Committee of the Whole**

On a motion to see CB-112-03 Oler seconded by Aslam

- CB-112-03 "Session CXII General Application Appointment Act."

Authors Explanation:

So, as you guys know we had interviews Sunday where we saw over 70 people. A number of you have been selected as either associates or representatives and for the sake of time I am not going to

read off the associates, but I will read off the list of Representatives. So, we have Kristen Mitei, Business District, Himani Prajapati, Business District, Lauren Stubbs, Communication District, Mecca Fisher, Engineering District, Harley Combest, Engineering District, Andy Wang, Finance and Accounting District, Lauren Carter, Fine Arts District, Jael Finley, Humanities District, Nicole Estrada, Life Science District, Bridget Lapp, University College District. I just want to go over our process for interviews. So myself, the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Secretary, met up around 9 am in the union and we conducted our interviews. We asked the interviewees a couple questions, one being their goals, something about themselves and then we asked them a committee-based question. This is our process for determining how well fit that person is for their position. We ranked them on a score-based system, we added them all to the excel file and we went through the interviews one by one. Later that night we deliberated and decided our votes on who would be in and that's how we decided our new representatives and new associates. I think I can speak for myself as the exec team all of these members are highly qualified for their positions and if you have any questions I yielded 6:12 remaining for questions

- **Aslam-** Would you accept a friendly amendment correcting the spelling of Daniel Shamsee's last name?
 - That is a scripter's error.
- **Kathuria-** What qualities are you specifically looking for when appointing representatives and associates?
 - We have three main categories that we are looking for. Our first was personality we want someone who can mesh very well with a lot of people. This is a non-partisan organization. We want someone who is passionate about this university and about Oklahoma as a whole. And someone who we believe has that personality that makes good representatives. But, we found that in all of the people we interviewed really great people who had a passion for what we were doing. The second is goals, we wanted someone driven and ambitious. Someone who wanted to make change actively. So we heard a number of issues that people had a personal interest that they wanted to fix and be apart of. So that was a big thing for us was seeing how driven all our applicants were. The third and final was committees how well they meshed with the committees they preferenced on their forms and we saw some people who weren't quite on the right idea, but most were right for the committee that they selected.
 - **Rhodes-** Would you be open to a friendly amendment adding these people as associates, Bri Lemaster, Ria Sachdev, Landon Mowdy, and Jasmine Samuel?
 - Yes
 - **Duncan-** Are you aware that Michael Fisher's name is under both associate and representative?
 - That is a scripter's error.
 - **Gilson-Bond-** Before interviews, was there bias training taken?
 - Everyone has had bias training, yes.
 - **Kathuria-** What advice do you have for the soon to be newly appointed associates and representatives?
 - The best piece of advice is to put as much as work as you can. It is something that is commonly said, but honestly you get effort back what you put in. So however, much effort you put out in general, not just this body, will be what you get in return. Effort in is effort out, if you have a passion that you are and driven and you want to see change will happen put effort

into it and change will happen, it might not be the change you want, but change will happen and you will be rewarded for your efforts.

- **Schonfield**- Is Bridget Lapp supposed to be listed as university college district?
 - Yes Bridget is supposed to be listed as a University college representative. While we are not going to have university college representatives within the redistricting we still have that seat to fill until next election cycle occurs.
- **Keupen**: Would you accept a friendly amendment to Section 3 adding the name Brocke Graham?
 - Yes
- **Koneru**- Were there any candidates who were rejected from being given an associate or representative position?
 - Yes, there were a number of people who applied who that we did not accept, just for the sake of privacy I won't necessarily go into that, but basically they exhibited qualities that we didn't see as representatives or associates. We didn't see a passion or a drive through some of their actions to warrant this decision. This is a lustrous position of sorts and we wanted the highest quality of applicants.

On a motion to give CB-112-03 a rec of due pass Gilson-Bond seconded by Schonfield

On a motion to see CB-112-04 Koneru seconded by Ogle

- CB-112-04 “Act Appointing the 2024-2025 Election Commissioner.”

Authors Explanation:

Hello everyone, Ellie will be presenting this bill when it is actually seen before the body in items to be considered, but for right now I was in the interviews as well as Caden our president as well as the Vice President Cyrus. None of them could be here right now because of class, but basically, we are hoping to appoint an election commissioner tonight. I'll let the nominee introduce himself, but some of the things we saw, we all took bias training as well, but something we saw within Baylor's application and interview was just that he was very passionate and there is a lot of great people who applied for this position, but they didn't quite have the experience, most of them were first-year students to the university so they haven't gotten a chance to see an election before. But Baylor is very passionate. He obviously looked into the election commissioner role, and I am going to let him introduce himself. Hey everyone, my name is Baylor Savage, for those of you that don't know me I have had some involvement with the Student Government Association before. I was a co-chair of the Crimson Leadership Association, some of you guys might not know what that is either, but that basically is a first-year introduction to all things student government. We served under the Vice President as our advisor in the executive branch of the student government association. I am also a pre-law scholar, I am an econ and accounting major double major, junior through the college. I am in business and also the campus liaison for the Price School of Business.

6:47 remaining for questions

- **Kathuria**- Do you have any associations or relationships with any potential student body president candidates?
 - Yes, so I think a blessing and a curse to be involved in student government through my time in CLA also I was part of the CAC (Campus Activities Council) is that you are going to meet people who are aspiring to do positions. So yes, I do have connections with people through this role. I think it is almost inevitable whether it be to president like you said or also through something smaller like representative. I am going to have connections, and it is going to be up to me and the commission to

really be neutral on that and separate our professional relationship from our personal relationship.

- **Kathuria-** How do you believe that personal decision or inexperience of has helped prepare you for this role?
 - With Crimson Leadership Association, something very important is that with freshman students they are very impressionable very early on. So, something I was very passionate about was not talking about my own beliefs, but last year we let both presidential candidates speak, get their platforms. We also took all the candidates for their word and all of our students did the forum as well, and really just that experience of neutrality really has helped me to keep my mouth shut honestly. I keep my views to myself; my views are not exactly the views of the student body. Just separating my job and my position from my personal beliefs and what I think about.
- **Kathuria-** How do you plan on making sure no rules are being bypassed such as requiring a second financial report after the election?
 - Just keeping on top of things really just doing our due diligence, doing our investigations, making sure to start those hitting the ground running with those first meetings I have to host. Making sure that everyone knows what they have to do and making sure they have reminders of things coming up. Really, just keeping up with them and keeping up with it throughout the entire process. I think with letting it go too long or when communication slips that is when those issues start coming.
- **Cantrell-** Do you have any experience with holding office hours?
 - Yes, as CLA co-chair, I actually had office hours already last year. I do not have an office anymore and I am going to miss that. I do still have the love of the office space. I love the energy in there. I love seeing everyone. Honestly I kind of live in there already now. I don't see office hours being any issue at all.
- **Kathuria-** What are the dangers of having an election commissioner that fails to enforce the election rules and fails to make sure the election is fair?
 - I think that biggest danger is really the confidence of both the candidates and the people selected and in the democratic process. I think it is a two-way street that is why I love the democracy on campus and people being able to elect our own people for these positions. Number one the student body feels involved, they feel strengthened by having a say in what's going and use their voice. On the other side of things, the candidates, you guys all of my representatives here tonight who were elected you have that knowledge of things. People are backing you people chose you for this role. I need to do right by them that is some confidence and some trust. So, when you lose that trust by unfair elections, I think that is really bad for the system.
- **Finley-** What exactly does the election commissioner do?
 - I like to think of the job as election commissioner as kind of facilitating the entire election process. So one of the first things we do is we have some interest meetings, which gather people to say hey you should do this as well as mandatory meetings, like hey you are filing here is what's next, here are the steps, here is what you need to do. Then throughout the process we have a couple of other things you have to do, you have to make sure you get reports done and things like that and also if there are any breaking of rules or alleged rule breaking it is sent to the commissioner and the commission, it is not just one person on campus, we investigate it, give them time to respond and then we make a decision. Different infractions have different points,

that is all in the code annotated which has been opened on my browser for about two weeks now. But yeah after I approve the report I send it to the superior court and they validate the elections.

- **Koneru-** Have you taken bias training in the past?
 - After when we were going through the appointment process for the new co-chairs for the CLA, we myself, my co-chair, and vice-president Mortazavi, we all thought it would be ideal for us to go through the entire bias training, so I have done it.

On a motion to extend time for questions by 5 minutes Gilson-Bond seconded Coats, Noah

- **Koneru-** Have you already selected members for the election commission?
 - I have not without being appointed and all of that I am unable to look at those applications at the moment.
- **Kathuria-** When you are selecting people for the election commission what type of qualities are you looking for?
 - I am looking for a diverse set of experiences across campus. I am looking for people with different viewpoints. But also, people who just want to do that work to make the best decisions with infractions. Get in there and are passionate about our student government association.
- **Gilson-Bond-** Were there anybody else that was in your thoughts of being appointed whenever you were choosing an election commissioner?
 - Yes, we had about 5 applications. We had one member pull an application because they are a member of Congress, and they wanted to remain in Congress. We also had 4 people we interviewed, those other people while great candidates were all first-year students here and so they have not had the opportunity to see student government elections. But Baylor was a very qualified applicant who has seen elections, and we thought he would be right for the job.
- **Kathuria-** Are you aware about the fact that anybody who is interested in running for the Student Body President can start collecting signatures on the 1st day of the start of this semester?
 - Absolutely, so like you said they could already start doing the signatures, however they cannot start actually campaigning or putting themselves out there until the day.
- **Beabout-** How many people will serve on the election commission and are the rulings on infractions a simple majority?
 - So, I am actually not sure, I am planning to have a meeting with George if I am appointed to discuss more about the nitty gritty of that kind of stuff. I don't believe there is a set number, it is just about what we feel is the best fit. We don't want to oversaturate it, but we also need to get done what we need to get done in terms of investigations and all of the things that happen during the election.
- **Cantrell-** Are you aware that there is a member of Congressional Administration that serves as an ex-officio member of the election commission and because of that the election commissioner must have a relationship with the Congressional Administration Committee?
 - I was not aware of that but thank you. I feel like I have a fairly good relationship with student government, so I feel like I do have a good relationship with the ConAd chair and the ConAd vice chair as well.
- **Combust-** What exactly do you believe differentiates you from somebody else for this position?

- I think something that has happened in the past is that the position has been given to someone who hasn't had super strong relationships or experience with SGA before. At least my understanding of it was people just haven't had that connection, I think that I do, and I do have that passion already. I will do everything in my power to make sure that everything goes well. And something else about me is that I live on my email. So, I will always be responding timely.

On a motion to extend time for questions by 5 minutes Kathuria seconded by Coats, Noah

- **Kathuria-** What are you hoping to get out of the experience of hopefully being the next election commissioner?
 - So, there are a couple different parts on that. On the personal development side of that I am a pre-law student as I said, so on the side of reading and interpreting, I really, I think the code annotated is a great way to do that. While also staying in contact with the student government side, which I have grown to love already, so just hitting those marks at the same time. On the other hand, something I really want to do is leave a legacy of people coming out of elections even if they didn't win, not feeling bad about the election process. Feel like they have the opportunity to run again and not feel that there is something against them outside of their control.
- **Kathuria-** What type of law do you want to practice?
 - Obviously, something that has crossed my mind is corporate law. However, I have several family members who have worked in the medical field, so I am really looking into medical malpractice law and stuff like that as well.

On a motion to give CB-112-04 a rec of due pass Gilson-Bond seconded by Aslam

On a motion to exit committee of the whole Wilson seconded by Reynolds

Student Concern Link

Items to Be Considered

On a motion to see CB-112-03 Koneru seconded by Oler

- CB-112-03 “Session CXII General Application Appointment Act.”

Authors Explanation:

So anyway, you already heard my spiel on the applicants, our future representatives and associates, so feel free to ask a question.

- **Kathuria-** Are you excited and enthusiastic about the fact that these amazing appointees are about to be sworn in after the potential passing of this bill?
 - Yes, indeed I am.

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On a motion to recess for 5 minutes seconded by Aslam

On a motion to see CB-112-04 Coats, Noah seconded by Beasley

- CB-112-04 “Act Appointing the 2024-2025 Election Commissioner.”

Authors Explanation:

Hello everyone, like she just said you already saw this one in committee of the whole, but we are now seeing it under items to be considered. For those that don't know me I am Ellie, I am Chief of Staff, and I was in the interview as well.

8:39 remaining for questions

- **Kathuria-** Could you explain to our new members what the role of Chief of Staff does and how you use your position to influence such decisions?
 - Sure, I am ultimately Chief of Staff to our President, so Caden Glasscock and our Vice President Cyrus Mortazavi, I oversee the rest of the cabinet and ultimately help SGA function through the executive branch and I have really aimed during this term

the mend relations between the two branches as well because I saw they were pretty separated. So we have tried to really get involved within the legislative branch as well hence why I am here to present this bill. I also assist in nominations like our election commissioner here, so I got to sit in on that interview and add in my thoughts on the candidates as well. I am sure you heard Baylor is an incredible nominee, who I think we are the most proud of to put in front of you all. He definitely stood out amongst the rest so we are very happy to be presenting him.

- **Coats, Noah-** Could you give us a brief rundown of why you and the rest of the team decided that Mr. Savage would be a great nominee?
 - I really wish you could read Baylor's application. The application that Baylor submitted was extremely impressive, not only just passionate about the Code Annotated about that section about elections. He already was making references to it. And he brought so many great ideas to the table and to the election process that we are excited to potentially see implemented and that was just something the other applicants didn't do because they didn't know how the elections functioned. Baylor has seen the elections as a member of SGA.
- **Coats, Noah-** Can you tell us your ideas?
 - I do believe that role is facilitating the election and making sure everyone is doing things right, but I also believe that we can do even more. For those that don't win, I want to get them mental resources for stress. I want to get them to the Telehealth app. I wasn't to get them connected to the Goddard Counseling, even if they don't need them I want them to have it and I want them to know it is there. There shouldn't be any outside stress besides the stress that they put on themselves. My job as election commissioner is supporting them because I want them to run, I want more people applying to these positions, I don't want any open seats I think that the less stress that is in that the more engaged people are.

29-0-0

On a motion to see AB-112-01 Gilson-Bond seconded by Wang

- AB-112-01 "Auxiliary Allocation 1 Act of 2024-2025"

Authors Explanation:

Hey guys, AUX is just one of the ways that we fund RSO's. This is a list of the RSO's that applied and who got through as far as applications go for funding. If you have any questions about the process or who got money, please ask those now.

7:37 remaining for questions

- **Gilson-Bond-** Can you explain the different sections?
 - Program, events and activities are things like food for general body meetings, decorations for events that you have, those sorts of things. Capital investments are things that are going to stay in the organization for years to come, office and general expenses is stuff like pens and marketing materials.
- **Gilson-Bond-** Did you see the last time the OU Men's Lacrosse club purchased nets?
 - Yes, we looked though their request history, and they hadn't gotten funding for that in the past.
- **Kathuria-** Could you explain how student organizations can get a request for funding and how the Ways and Means committee determines how much money will be allocated to each organization?

- When it comes to auxiliary funding and primary funding, RSO's can apply for their funds from SGA through Engage. There is a link I can send out that will walk you through the entire process if you want that. I will send it through GroupMe after this. A big factor is fiscal history, whenever an RSO asks for money from us, we are able to see how much money we have given in the past and how much that they spent. The money we are giving out comes from the student activity fee which is a fee that every student at OU pays. We want to make sure that these funds are actually being used by the RSO's and making sure that they are being used in a way that affects the communities here at OU and allows the students here to experience more things. So, we want to prioritize giving funds to the orgs that actually spend the money, so we look for a good fiscal history which is when we give RSO's fund they spend a vast majority of their funds. One of the bigger factors is how long they have been on campus, what they are actually doing, and how big are the events, how many people are going and things of that nature.
- **Hallum-** What does an organization do with excess funding if they don't spend all of their cash?
 - If an RSO gets more funds than they are able to spend that funding goes away at the end of the year May 2nd. If any funds that are received by an RSO don't get spent by them then they will be considered a reversion which means it goes into auxiliary funding for the following year.
- **Koneru-** Does auxiliary funding happen twice a year, once in the fall semester and once in the spring?
 - Generally, yes, that has been the case in the past to be clear about the way that the process works. Primary funding opens in the Spring the WAM committee will review the requests we receive near the end of the year and then RSO's will know how much money they got in primary funding before the year ends. Essentially primary funding is meant to be all of the money your RSO will need the following year. Auxiliary funding is essentially just emergency funds that are happenstance, that is not supposed to be there per say and this year we actually have less money to give out than usual so there is a strong chance we won't be able to open up auxiliary funding in the Spring this year.
- **Gilson-Bond-** Is one of the considerations the number of members that are actually registered on Engage?
 - Yes and no. Engage is not something that most of our orgs are good about making sure that all of their members are registered on there, so there are a lot of orgs that we know who have over 400 members who come to events but only have 20 people on the engage page. It is not necessary, but it is helpful and taken into account.
- **Combest-** What exactly should people ask for with funding?
 - Whenever you are requesting things in aux. One of the more surefire ways to have your item be funded is requesting for food. It is something that is cheap, goes to a lot of students, a lot of people benefit from it, so the committee is generally more likely to fund that over things like travel which benefits a very select group of students and is very expensive.

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

- **Gilson-Bond-** What is the Student Bar association requesting \$9000 for?
- I will say that they usually request and receive \$15,000 and everything that she requested was very reasonable. They are requesting funding for are the OULAW party and food non-

alcoholic beverages, OULAW party events spaces/venue rentals, and LAW week, it was \$3000, for the first, \$5000 for the second, and \$1000 for the last event.

- **Koneru-** How does primary funding and auxiliary funding work for the application process?
 - You are not eligible for primary funding unless you have been registered for a full year. But, you are able to receive auxiliary funding a week after you are registered, which is the normal range that an organization could expect to receive is something between 700-900\$ depending on what they are asking for.
- **Gilson-Bond-** With the Bar Association do they have documentation to show how many people have been going to their events in the past because on Engage they have nine members?
 - There is no way for us to know for a fact, but based on Maddy's character that she wouldn't lie terribly. The \$5000 request that she had there are usually 200-250 people who go to those events and law week is roughly \$200 a day for them to run that event.
- **Cantrell-** Is the Student Bar Association tied to the College of Law?
 - Yes, they are considered the College of Law branch of SGA.

28-2-0

Follow-Up Reports

- **Kathuria-** Fun fact when you write a bill and it passes in both bodies, it goes on the President's Desk. That's what happened with the honoring the 2024 OU Softball Team. It got signed yesterday. It was amazing, we had a lot of great people. I'll put the video in the GroupMe.

Announcements and Comments

- **Bento-** If you are planning to go to the debate watch party. I am going to be right here; I will wait like 5 minutes for anyone who wants to come
- **Coats-** If you want to do Moot court and are interested come see me and I will put you in the GroupMe.
- **Harris-** If I said your name wrong, please let me know at the end, so I can fix that

Final Roll Call

On a motion to adjourn Strahan seconded by Walker

Adjourn- 8:35 pm

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-112-03

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure appointing new
Representatives and Associates in the SGA
Undergraduate Student Congress; 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 “Session CXII General Application Appointment Act.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to select new Associates and Representatives pursuant to the SGA Congressional Bylaws, Section 3.2.3(a).

Section 3: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Associates in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

Elizabeth Crawford
Aaron Lopez
Emma Duncan
Izza Gulam
Brian Bortz
Lucy Brodt
Kaden Keller
Alexander Donald
Brianna Cisneros
Carolyn Berggren
Reese Ball
Taylar Day
Daniel Shamsee
Khiala Brown
Sofia Urquieta
Kayla Hawley
Taylor Snyder
Nicholas Iglehart
Hayden Vedra
Angelina Mirabella
Mia McCloskey
Sophia Conduff
Carolina Chavez
Julianna Fontanilla

Cade Walker
Kendall Rench
Ava Burnett
Audrey Harbour
Allison Ray
Rachel Carruth
Regina Mwamba
Jacob Beabout
Alexxia Alvarez
Jackson Ivester
Michael Wintory
Hayden Chappell
Devine Kalekyezi
William Retz
Sophia Hemker
Isabella Kunnath
Elias Hallum
Gavin Phillips
Stevin Cook
Ryan Wolter
Jack Wilton
Sophia Pruitt
Landry Vaught
Parker Means
Issac Zumwalt
Andrew Clovis
Lorelai Radzanowski
Joe Rappolo
Owen Cunningham
Alexis Evans
Eva Valadez
Makel Tiger Lofton
Omer Ali
Jack McCarty
Matthew Coronado
Grant Ehret
Anders Greenley
Kayla Hynes
Makhenzie Hutcherson
Ria Sachdev
Landon Mowdy
Jasmine Samuel
Brocke Graham

Section 4: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Representatives in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

Kristen Mitei, Business District
Himani Prajapati, Business District
Lauren Stubbs, Communication District
Mecca Fisher, Engineering District

Harley Combest, Engineering District
Andy Wang, Finance and Accounting District
Lauren Carter, Fine Arts District
Jael Finley, Humanities District
Nicole Estrada, Life Science District
Bridget Lapp, University College District

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Noah Coats, Congressional Administration Vice Chair

Co-Author(s): Congressional Administration Committee

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

Action taken by Congress: 23-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXII

September 10, 2024

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GSXX/GFXX

September 12, 2024

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-112-04
SENATE BILL GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation appointing the 2024-2025 SGA
Election Commissioner; 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 “Act Appointing the 2024-2025
Election Commissioner.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the 2024-2025 Election Commissioner.

Section 3: In accordance with Title IV, Chapter 6, Section 2, which delineates the appointment process
for the chair position, the following student shall thus be appointed:

- Baylor Savage

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

Author(s): Caden Glasscock, SGA President
Cyrus Mortazavi, SGA Vice President
Hope Rhoads, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair
Ellie Wolthuis, SGA Chief of Staff

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

Action taken by Congress: 29-0-0

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: _____

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-112-01
 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 1 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
Red Clay Faction	1545			\$ 1,545.00
Black Undergraduate Law Student Association	180			\$ 180.00
OU Sailing Club			700	\$ 700.00
Queer Student Association	2750			\$ 2,750.00
Sigma Gamma Rho	184.95		300	\$ 484.95
Oklahoma International Law Society	1500			\$ 1,500.00
African Student Association	1300			\$ 1,300.00
Beta Alpha Psi	1000			\$ 1,000.00
Russian Speaking Student Association	600			\$ 600.00
Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Law Society	500			\$ 500.00
Sports Business Association	500			\$ 500.00
Mental Well-Being for Pre-Health Students	300		250	\$ 550.00
OU Men's Lacrosse Club		1638		\$ 1,638.00
Student Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery	300			\$ 300.00
Omega Psi Phi	1610			\$ 1,610.00
UX Design Club	1200			\$ 1,200.00

OU Tennis Club			800	\$ 800.00
OU Disc Golf Club	800			\$ 800.00
University Buddhist Association	900			\$ 900.00
American Marketing Association		500		\$ 500.00
Graduate Student Community @ Gallogly College of Engineering	2200			\$ 2,200.00
Latin Dance Club	1540			\$ 1,540.00
Biology Graduate Student Organization	1000			\$ 1,000.00
Student Bar Association	9000			\$ 9,000.00
Oil and Gas, Natural Resources, and Energy Journal	250			\$ 250.00
Asian Americans in Business Association		150		\$ 150.00
Society of Physics Students	720			\$ 720.00
First Generation Law Student Association	750			\$ 750.00
Beekeepers' Association		150		\$ 150.00
Phi Delta Phi		100		\$ 100.00
IGNITE at the University of Oklahoma	500	150		\$ 650.00
Asian Pacific American Law Student Association	2745			\$ 2,745.00
OU Equestrian Club	2320			\$ 2,320.00
Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature	3000			\$ 3,000.00
OU Fishing Club			130	\$ 130.00
Aviators for Christ	470			\$ 470.00
American Mock World Health Organization	50			\$ 50.00
Pre-Medical Professions Club	450			\$ 450.00
Vietnamese Student Association	800			\$ 800.00
Pre-Law Society	500			\$ 500.00
Institute for Operations Research and the Management Sciences Student Chapter	317.26			\$ 317.26
Association Friends of Venezuela	623.89			\$ 623.89
Latinos Without Borders	3000			\$ 3,000.00
Peruvian Student Association	514.09		34	\$ 548.09
Total				\$ 50,822.19

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 Budget Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Gilson-Bond seconded by Representative Wang

Action taken by Student Congress: 28-2-0

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: _____

Last	First	Intial
Aslam	Saed	x
Awoyemi	Ayomide	a
Beasley	William	a
Bento	Marilou	x
Bertotti	Hayden	x
Brown	Jenna	x
Calvert	Laura	ex
Cantrell	Madeline	x
Coats	Lucas	a
Coats	Noah	x
Duncan	Elizabeth	x
Gilson-Bond	Aaron	x
Harris	Hudson	a
Ho	Caren	a
Islas	Lizbeth	a
Kathuria	Shrey	x
Keupen	Ben	x
Koneru	Aniketh	x
Lancaster	Jackson	a
Marah	Michael	a
Martin	Kyle	x
Ogle	Pierce	a
Oler	Kyle	x
Reynolds	Michael	x
Robinson	Caleb	ex
Schonfield	Jacob	x
Schroeder	Brooklyn	x
Strahan	Frankie	x
Walker	Cody	x
Wilson	Jeriah	ex
Zainuddin	Raeed	a
PRESENT		18
ABSENT		10
EXCUSED		3

Last	First	Intial	Final
Aslam	Saed		x
Awoyemi	Ayomide		a
Beasley	William		x
Bento	Marilou		x
Bertotti	Hayden		x
Brown	Jenna		x
Calvert	Laura		ex
Carter	Lauren		x
Cantrell	Madeline		x
Coats	Lucas		a
Coats	Noah		x
Combest	Harley		x
Duncan	Elizabeth		x
Estrada	Nicole		x
Finley	Jael		x
Fisher	Mecca		x
Gilson-Bond	Aaron		x
Harris	Hudson		x
Ho	Caren		a
Islas	Lizbeth		a
Kathuria	Shrey		x
Keupen	Ben		x
Koneru	Aniketh		x
Lapp	Bridget		x
Lancaster	Jackson		a
Marah	Michael		a
Martin	Kyle		x
Mitei	Kristen		x
Ogle	Pierce		x
Oler	Kyle		x
Prajapati	Himani		x
Reynolds	Michael		x
Robinson	Caleb		ex
Schonfield	Jacob		x
Schroeder	Brooklyn		x
Strahan	Frankie		x
Stubbs	Lauren		x
Walker	Cody		x
Wang	Andy		x
Wilson	Jeriah		x
Zainuddin	Raeed		a
PRESENT		0	32
ABSENT		0	7
EXCUSED		0	2

Last	First	Exit Committee of the Whole	CB-112-03
Aslam	Saed	y	y
Awoyemi	Ayomide	y	y
Beasley	William	y	y
Bento	Mariou	y	y
Bertotti	Hayden	y	y
Brown	Jenna	y	y
Calvert	Laura	y	
Cantrell	Madeline	y	y
Coats	Lucas		
Coats	Noah	y	y
Duncan	Elizabeth	y	y
Eaton	Elena		
Gilson-Bond	Aaron	y	y
Harris	Hudson	y	y
Ho	Caren		
Islas	Lizbeth		
Kathuria	Shrey	y	y
Keupen	Ben	y	y
Koneru	Aniketh	y	y
Lancaster	Jackson		
Marah	Michael		
Martin	Kyle	y	y
Ogle	Pierce	y	y
Oler	Kyle	y	y
Reynolds	Michael	y	y
Robinson	Caleb		
Schonfield	Jacob	y	y
Schroeder	Brooklyn	y	y
Strahan	Frankie	y	y
Walker	Cody	y	y
Wilson	Jeriah	y	y
Zainuddin	Raeed		
Yes			24 23
No			0 0
Abstain			0 0

Last	First		CB-112-04	AB-112-01	C
Aslam	Saed		y	y	
Awoyemi	Ayomide				
Beasley	William		y	y	
Bento	Marilou		y	y	
Bertotti	Hayden		y	y	
Brown	Jenna		y	y	
Calvert	Laura				
Carter	Lauren			y	
Cantrell	Madeline		y	y	
Coats, Lucas	Lucas				
Coats, Noah	Noah		y	y	
Combest	Harley		y	y	
Duncan	Elizabeth		y	y	
Estrada	Nicole		y	y	
Finley	Jael		y	y	
Fisher	Mecca		y	y	
Gilson-Bond	Aaron		y	n	
Harris	Hudson		y	y	
Ho	Caren				
Islas	Lizbeth				
Kathuria	Shrey		y	y	
Keupen	Ben		y	y	
Koneru	Aniketh		y	y	
Lapp	Bridget				
Lancaster	Jackson				
Marah	Michael				
Martin	Kyle		y	y	
Mitei	Kristen		y	y	
Ogle	Pierce		y	y	
Oler	Kyle		y	n	
Prajapati	Himani		y	y	
Reynolds	Michael		y	y	
Robinson	Caleb				
Schonfield	Jacob		y	y	
Schroeder	Brooklyn		y	y	
Strahan	Frankie		y	y	
Walker	Cody		y	y	
Wang	Andy		y	y	
Wilson	Jeriah		y	y	
Zainuddin	Raeed				
Yes			29		28
No			0		2
Abstain			0		0