

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session CV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 30, 2021

Physical Sciences Center Room 201

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Roll Call 7:07pm

Mission Statement

Moment of Silence

Approval of Minutes

Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Broadbent

Chair's Report - Good Evening y'all, hope everyone is having a good start to the week! I have a lot to say tonight, so please bear with me! First, we will take care of administrative business. I got to attend the Window walk last week, as well as the Congress Townhall, and the Exec Branch's cabinet meeting on Monday night. All of them went great, and I would like to thank Sarah and the rest of the sustainability committee for the window walk, Vice Chair Marvin for organizing the townhall, and President Farzaneh, Vice President Gray, and Chief of Staff Kaya for letting me attend cabinet and inform them all about Congress's happenings. Also, I was contacted by Samantha Hepburn, the student representative to the search committee for a Senior VP of finance, and sent her a letter to relay to the rest of the committee. In the letter, I stressed the importance of selecting candidates who will prioritize environmental concerns, college affordability, not raising tuition and fees, and also made a point of encouraging transparency in the search process, as this is an extremely important position that will undoubtedly affect undergraduate students, so I wanted to make sure those points were well represented to the committee! Next, if anyone wants to run for any of the exec positions, please reach out so you can get a good sense of what the job entails and what your expectations should be. Also, I've been invited to participate in interviews for the provost position, so if anyone has any priorities for provost candidates, please contact me so that I can get those questions asked and make sure candidates have priorities that will benefit the undergraduate students. Additionally, if you want to attend these meetings in person and want one of these nice nametags, you need to fill out the google form sign-up. I send that over to Vice Chair Marvin every week so she can see if there are any new tags to print, and if you don't sign up on there, it makes it difficult to get your name added to the list of name tags to print. Last for administrative items, I would like to meet with as many members, associates and representatives, one on one, as possible to try and better understand what you all want to see in Congress. I will be setting some time aside for those meetings during my regular office hours and outside of them, so I will be reaching out to y'all individually soon! Outside of administrative business, I have a few other items, mostly related to the feedback I have gotten from the congressional experience survey. The biggest issue I have heard from the survey was drama, interpersonal politics, and general conduct. This is something I have tried to address through the legislative disagreement guide, which I hoped would stop some issues from arising from the different bills and resolutions we see. Evidently, that has not carried over as much as I wanted it to. I want to remind all of you

that we are all here for one central purpose. We are here to benefit the student body. Included in that, we are here to legislate. We are here to produce resolutions expressing student interests. We are here to create SGA structures that help students have the best possible academic and social experiences at OU. We are here to advocate for students and ensure that student voices are heard in the administration's decisions. I want to implore you all to keep this in mind as you are doing your work in congress. Please also operate under a good-faith assumption that whoever you are working with is also keeping our purpose in mind. Additionally, if you are opposing a piece of legislation or do not like something that is happening, please also assume that the other person is simply trying to do their part to make the University a better place. We may have different ways of going about this, but it is essential that we all understand that we all have the same goal of helping students have a better experience. While we will inevitably disagree, we should be united by the fact that we are all working towards a common goal. Additionally, I expect all members to treat each other with respect, both in session and in their personal lives. If you find yourself in a personal disagreement with someone, please try not to let that affect your work in Congress. It is a disservice to you, your constituents, and SGA as an institution. Conversely, try not to allow congress disagreements to interfere with your personal life. We all want to be friends here and have a good time, but occasionally we will disagree. This disagreement does not make you any less valuable as a person or as a member of this body. It is ok to disagree and it's ok to debate. It is not ok to belittle people or put each other down just because of a congress problem. Simply put, let's all be nice to each other. If you do have an issue with someone, my other job is being an RA and we know how to do conflict resolution, so please feel free to come to me. Finally, if anyone has questions about what is going on during the meeting, feel free to call for "on information" to ask questions, and if you're confused about the parliamentary procedure, please call for parliamentary inquiry and we'll get your question answered. I want congress to be accessible, so I encourage you all to ask questions when you're confused.

Vice Chair's Report - Hello everyone! Last night we had our Town Hall and it went really well! Thank you so much again to our panelists! I hope to write a report on it and turn it into a graphic to post. I'm still working on the brackets and I will announce the winners on April 6th at Congress. Be sure to wear a jersey that night for extra points! Or bring items for the OU Food Pantry! I am updating the Bylaws for the new legislation, but if it goes into effect for Session 106, then I won't publish it until April 13th when we gavel into Session 106. Other than that, things are kind of winding down for my time as Vice Chair. If you are interested in running, I strongly urge you to come talk to me. My transition documents are 5 pages long.

Secretary's Report – Hey y'all, if you haven't gotten your constituent service hours in for March, you will have until next Monday, April 5 to do so! Please reach out if you're having trouble finding one – there's always the option of asking a professor if you can do a short presentation on what Congress is, what we do, and important dates and events like the upcoming elections! Other than that, I'm working on some legislation right now in the Bylaws that will implement a monthly member audit created by the Secretary and reviewed by the Executive Committee to make sure that our member books are all up to date and that when it comes time for elections or the appointment process we make sure that we know where our vacancies are. Finally, once again, if you are interested in running for Secretary, please reach out to me!

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Met officially. Wrapping up on projects before end of session. Women's History Month campaign ends tomorrow. Sexual assault awareness month social media campaign.
- **Congressional Administration:** Saw 4 bills, rec of do pass. Utilize standing rules act, orders of business act, bylaws cleanup act, and revising standing rules of order act. Members of committee will talk about those in special orders. Thank you everyone who completed SGA experience form. Document on how we can make the general app better for anyone. Meeting Saturday instead of Sunday, but normal time of 4pm.
- **External Affairs:** Thanks for coming to the Ward 3 forum with Alison Petrone Thursday. Short meeting Sunday, saw resolution congratulating Deb Haaland. A few friendlies. Wrapping up projects.
- **Human Diversity:** Hey all! Hope you all are doing well, just know that so many of us are proud of you and the work you have done as a congressional body. HD met unofficially this week and have begun to wrap up projects. We will still work on an April newsletter to be out before the month is over. We are also working on a constituent service/points opportunity for April regarding mental

health and resources on campus. Please remember you still have time to donate products for the Menstrual & General Hygiene Product Drive! It runs until April 7th, and there is now a drop-off box in the GEC. Thank you to all that have donated and keep the donations coming! Let me know if you need anything!

- **Sustainability:** Window walk went well. Sarah did a great job. Another in April/trash walk/Kessler trip possibly. Specialized recycling survey coming out soon. Promote to your on campus friends. SEC wrapping up, if you're interested in that let me know. Treefest is happening next month, April 30, constituent service hour. 2 years in the making on that.
- **University Policy:** Didn't meet this weekend. I'm in playwriting festival, had rehearsals all day. Still working on the policy audit, grueling work but so far so good.
- **Ways and Means:** WAM finished going through primary. Seeing legislation Saturday at 3. Posted on website Monday. Required to be posted for a week before it's seen by either body. Reach out with questions so we can answer questions before. Aux closed today, last aux round next meeting.

Liaison Reports

Broadbent: OU History Club merch on sale till April 4, benefits Greenwood Chamber of Commerce. OK Votes apps are open, close April 14. Ask experts on election security with OK Votes. Crowned Mr. and Mrs. Indian OU this weekend.

Kincaid: Last Tuesday TPUSA hosted Charlie Kirk in Edmond. About 300 turned out.

Tucker: Keep an eye out for Aster Review things. Publication coming soon. Follow us on Twitter and Instagram, handle is just @asterreview. Also, our website is back up! While we're not currently accepting submissions, you can look at our old publications and our lovely staff members.

Lynskey: Playwriting Festival sold out. Video released sometime next week. Once released, I'll send in the Congress group chat. All student written shows, really good. Watch mine.

Special Orders

- Congressional Administration Presentation

Halsey-Kraus: At the start of the semester, ConAd began the project of reviving the Standing Rules of Order. The Standing Rules of Order are a complement of the Congress Bylaws that outline the specific procedures and motions within the body. The Bylaws are meant to be an overview of the inner working of Congress while the Standing Rules of Order point out the specific procedural of the body. A project of ConAd's this semester was to update the Standing Rules as well as adding a Code of Conduct for all members to follow. Starting off with the Code of Conduct, it is the very first thing you see on the doc. This Code of Conduct was passed in ConAd in November of 2020 to represent a conduct of respect, honor, and integrity to foster an open and secure community within the body. There's a statement of implementation at the top that explains what the purpose of the Code of Conduct is, the mission statement of the body, and the individual definitions of what respect, honor, and integrity mean within the context. This Code of Conduct is important to create a productive and respectful environment in Congress. It is important to remember that we are all here for the benefit of the student body. We work best for them when we are all able to work well together. The Code of Conduct is a reminder of how we can do that.

Rule 1 just states the Standing Rule's Purpose. Something to note, under Section 3, the Standing Rules says that they shall be amended within the context that the Bylaws allows. After reviewing the Bylaws extensively, the Bylaws do not recognize the Standing Rules anywhere. If you don't believe me, I encourage you to control f search the Bylaws and look up Standing Rules because it's not there. The first bill we are presenting to you tonight "Utilizing the Standing Rules Act of 2021" or CB-105-24 recognizes the Standing Rules within the Bylaws by adding them to section 9.1.5. In the unrevised Standing Rules, it said that the Standing Rules were in effect with Section 9.1 of the Bylaws, so we did just that and added subsection to section 9. This would put the Standing Rules into effect.

We also revised Rule 2 of the Standing Rules of order which specifies the order of business for ALL meetings of Congress. In the old doc, it specifically listed out the order of business for each individual meeting (so general body, committee, exec). So, we condensed the section to apply to all meetings. We list in the first part, things that are required for each meeting in a certain order. Then we move on to items that can be adapted to fit the needs of each meeting. Reason being, each committee already does this in their own way, for example not all committees use Items for Future Agenda. The presiding officer of each committee can

pick what is essential to their committee for meetings. The last two sections go over what items are not required for specific meetings. For example, we do not have general discussion in general body, so it is not required. The same goes for committee meetings because there are some items we don't have in committee such as Liaison Reports. This leads us into the purpose of the second bill we are seeing regarding the Standing Rules of Order. CB-105-25 or the "Orders of Business Act of 2021" amends the Bylaws to reference the Standing Rules of Order when determining the Order of Business for Meetings. So, we removed all the text from the sections concerning orders of business in meetings and replaced them with text referring to the Standing Rules of Order.

Moving on to Rule 3. Rule 3 reviews general procedures of the body. It gives definitions of items from within the body. We updated some definitions to better explain what they are and what their purpose is. We updated the definition of Point of Personal Privilege to be "a privileged motion to call for the comfort, amplification, or safety of or for specific members of the body". For example, the room this meeting takes place in is super-hot. A member of the body could get fed up and say, "On a point of personal privilege, this room is super hot" and then the problem would be solved to the best of the presiding officer's abilities. "On information" is defined as "a question to the chair or presiding officer that can be redirected to the appropriate person to answer". For example, "on information is the chair aware that..." To clarify, a point of personal privilege is a statement or concern while an on information is a question directly to the chair. These definitions were taken directly from Section 3 of the Bylaws which covers Parliamentary Procedure. The Standing Rules goes over specific motions that are made within the body, quorum, Parli Pro Guidelines, and Debate. All of these are taken straight from the Bylaws and updated as needed. This leads us to our 3rd of 4 bills. CB-105-26, or "Bylaws Cleanup Act of 2021" removes section 3 covering parli pro from the Bylaws as well as subsection 6.3 procedures for general meetings, subsection 7.5 procedures for committee meetings, and subsection 8.5 over debate from the Bylaws. The Bylaws listed their specific guidelines out, which is more of a job for the Standing Rules. Just because they are being removed from the Bylaws does not mean those rules and guidelines no longer exist, they are still in place and still active through the Standing Rules. I am going to repeat this because I feel like it is important for everyone to remember. Yes, we are removing things from the Bylaws, but we are not deleting them. We are moving them to better organize our governing documents.

The rest of the Standing Rules covers legislation in meetings, conduct during voting, decorum. Most of that was updating the language. The reason why we do not need a piece of legislation to amend the Standing Rules is because it is not an official governing document that requires amending through the body. How these Standing Rules will be amended brings us to our fourth and final bill. In bill number one CB-105-24 or "Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021" states that the Standing Rules of Order shall be reviewed and altered by ConAd at the beginning of every even numbered session, or once every year" with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The alteration of the Standing Rules will begin in ConAd because the Standing Rules covers specific guidelines regarding the procedures of Congress, or the parliamentary procedures of Congress. The Standing Rules are the internal functions of the body, which is directly within the responsibilities of ConAd. Exec would then approve the changes that ConAd sees fit. Our fourth bill "Revising the Standing Rules of Order" or CB-105-27 adds those guidelines to each committee's responsibilities in the Bylaws.

We decided to present an overview of all these bills before items to be considered because 1.) explaining all of this probably would have taken more than the 3 minutes for author's explanation 2.) the Standing Rules of Order are not a bill so we would not have reviewed them during items to be considered so this is the time to ask question about them and 3.) there is more times for anyone to ask questions regarding all four of the bills and not just one at a time.

Broadbent: Adding Indigenous Land Acknowledgement for orders of business for Congress at the start of every meeting?

South: It's required in the Code.

Hillis: It says further exclusions may be made for Undergraduate Student Congress meetings. You'd have to change the Code Annotated.

South: I'd be in favor of requiring that.

Halsey-Kraus: I'd accept that.

Esmeraldo: Section 2 items a-e. Is that simultaneous or?

South: It's sequential.

Esmeraldo: Is it supposed to end in debate and go to roll call vote?

South: That language is pulled straight from Robert's Rules of Order. Is there a specific order that you need these seen?

Halsey-Kraus: The way they're listed in the agenda. In order.

Broadbent: Clarification. Process will go, ConAd writes in even numbered session and it goes to exec in the same day or week?

Hillis: I don't think it matters.

Halsey-Kraus: And it's not rewriting, just amending where necessary.

Grebe: Can we see these bills as a bloc?

Halsey-Kraus: No. Two new members are presenting their first bills tonight.

Student Concerns

Old Business

CR-105-12 Fight On Norman High Resolution of 2021 (Beltz/Yanez)

Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Esmeraldo

Yanez: This bill passed. In GSS, it was amended to include a bunch of senators as co-sponsors of the bill. As a formality, we have to pass it through Congress again. Pretty simple.

Grebe: If someone added their name now, would it have to be seen by GSS again?

South: Yes. GSS is meeting again in 2 weeks.

Items to Be Considered

CR-105-15 Congressional Resolution congratulating Deb Haaland (Griffin) (EA, Do Pass)

Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Esmeraldo

Griffin: Congratulates Deb Haaland on appointment to Department of Interior, first Native American to serve as Interior Secretary. Representative Broadbent reached out with amendments. Lots of Friendly Amendments. We'll get the bill there so everyone can see it.

Broadbent: FAs. Adding second whereas clause. Adding in what's now the third whereas clause. Whereas clause. Another whereas clause. Senator Lankford and Inhofe voted no on her appointment. More whereas clauses. Congratulating Leguna Pueblo nation on having first citizen serve as secretary. Adding a section 5. Adding more sections. Add me as a co-author?

Griffin: Yes to all of those. I think you forgot one.

Broadbent: Another whereas clause?

Griffin: Yes.

Lynskey: FA as a co-sponsor?

Griffin: Yes.

South: FA as a co-sponsor?

Griffin: Yes, and compile a list.

Recess for 5 minutes 8pm

Representative Broadbent seconded by Representative Griffin

CB-105-24 Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus) (ConAd, Do Pass)

Representative Lynskey seconded by Representative Griffin

Halsey-Kraus: Utilizing standing rules of order act. Bill recognizing standing rules of order within the bylaws. It would make them go into effect.

Esmeraldo: Is this going into effect as of this meeting or next Congress session?

Halsey-Kraus: The standing rules of order will go into effect at the beginning of Session 106, it's in section 4 of the bill.

South: Which is the one with the indigenous land acknowledgement?

Halsey-Kraus: None, they're being added into the actual standing rules.

CB-105-25 Orders of Business Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus) (ConAd, Do Pass)

Representative Patel seconded by Representative Raymundi Pinheiro

Halsey-Kraus: This is the bill amending the bylaws to recognize the standing rules of order.
CB-105-26 Bylaws Cleanup Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus/Raymundi Pinheiro/De Luna) (ConAd, Do Pass)

Representative Esmeraldo seconded by Representative Poupore

Raymundi Pinheiro: As Halsey-Kraus said, this removes the section of the Bylaws better fitting in the standing rules of order. They're all referencing general conduct of congress, which belongs in the standing rules. All of these will still exist and apply, they're just being moved, not deleted.

CB-105-27 Revising the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021 (Halsey-Kraus/De Luna) (ConAd, Do Pass)

Representative Halsey-Kraus seconded by Representative Broadbent

De Luna: Standing rules altered at the beginning of every even numbered session to ConAd advised and consent by exec. This formalizes those responsibilities.

Follow-Up Reports

Marvin: Previous instructional days, some professors didn't abide by those. OU SGA accounts posted a graphic about that so people know how to handle those situations.

Lange: Follow-up on Susty resolution, Window Walk! Hasn't led to outcomes we were hoping yet, but hoping by next year we'll have that report.

Lynskey: Mask Up 2.0 passed GSS on Sunday. Official word of SGA now. Maintain social distancing if possible.

Tucker: Associate Yanez's and my resolution passed GSS on Sunday, but now there's a new bill. I'll be working with Associate Yanez on that, so reach out if you want to be involved on that.

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Grebe: OU Marriage Pact seems interesting.

Kerr: (on Zoom chat) Is that real? I thought it was a meme.

South: It's real. And also a meme.

Hillis: 4 bills, 1 meeting. Slight work for ConAd.

South: Well done ConAd. Women in Aeronautics meeting tonight. They have snacks.

Final Roll Call

Adjourn 8:29pm

Representative Poupore seconded by Representative Lange

Chair: Crispin South

Vice Chair: Alexis Marvin

Secretary: Emily Tucker

Session 105	General
Alcala, Talon	x
Alfaro Sandi, Jafet	x
Angstadt, Kennedy	x
Beltz, Katie	x
Broadbent, Taylor	x
Bryant, Maegan	x
Carmona Casado, Ismael	x
Chenevey, Brandon	x

Dao, Audrey	x
Douglas, Zoe	x
Esmeraldo, Bruno	x
Flaggert, Jayke	x
Garg, Nishit	x
Grebe, Jordan	x
Griffin, Weslie	x
Halsey-Kraus, Abby	x
Hong, Anna	x
Janes, William "Gunner"	x
Kerr, Susan	x
Kevric, Hanna	ex
Koch, Rachel	x
Lange, Jake	x
Lewis, Lacey	x
Lynskey, Graeson	x
May, Sidney	x
Miller, Summer	x
Morse, Kyle	x
Papahronis, Demetri	x
Patel, Noshir	x
Poupore, Carson	x
Raymundi Pinheiro, Natalia	x
Rosen, Ashley	x
Sertovic, Aida	ex
Shelton, Jackson	ex
Smith, Kennedy	x
Tesfaselassie, Robel	x
Thompson, Faith	abs
Present	33
Absent	1
Excused	3

Session 105	CR-105-12	CR-105-15	CB-105-24	CB-105-25	CB-105-26	CB-105-27
Alcala, Talon	y	y	y	y	y	y
Alfaro Sandi, Jafet	y	y	y	y	y	
Angstadt, Kennedy	y	y	y	y	y	y
Beltz, Katie	y	y	y	y	y	y
Broadbent, Taylor	y	y	y	y	y	y
Bryant, Maegan	y	y	y	y	y	y
Carmona Casado, Ismael	y	y	y	y	y	y
Chenevey, Brandon	y	y	y	y	y	y
Dao, Audrey	y	y	y	y	y	y
Douglas, Zoe	y	y	y	y	y	y
Esmeraldo, Bruno	y	y	y	y	y	y
Flaggert, Jayke	y	y	y	y	y	
Garg, Nishit	y					
Grebe, Jordan	y	y	y	y	y	y
Griffin, Weslie	y	y	y	y	y	y
Halsey-Kraus, Abby	y	y	y	y	y	y
Hong, Anna	y	y	y	y	y	y
Janes, William "Gunner"						
Kerr, Susan	y	y	y	y	y	y
Kevric, Hanna						
Koch, Rachel	y	y	y	y	y	y
Lange, Jake	y	y	y	y	y	y
Lewis, Lacey	y	y	y	y	y	y
Lynskey, Graeson	y	y	y	y	y	y
May, Sidney	y	y	y	y	y	
Miller, Summer	y					
Morse, Kyle	y	y	y	y	y	y
Papahronis, Demetri	y	y	y	y	y	y
Patel, Noshir	y	y	y	y	y	y
Poupore, Carson	y	y	y	y	y	y

Raymundi Pinheiro, Natalia	y	y	y	y	y	y
Rosen, Ashley	y	y	y	y	y	y
Sertovic, Aida						
Shelton, Jackson						
Smith, Kennedy	y	y	y	y	y	y
Tesfaselassie, Robel	y	y	y	y	y	y
Thompson, Faith						
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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS21
March 28th, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-105-12
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS21-31

AS INTRODUCED

A resolution supporting the first amendment right to protest,
condemning racism by members of the news media,
and congratulating the Norman High Lady Tigers basketball team.

- Whereas: On Thursday, March 11th, as the national anthem played, the Norman High Lady Tigers took a knee during their Midwest City game to stand with victims of police brutality, to which sportscaster Matt Rowan responded by directing racial slurs and other expletives at the Norman High players; and¹
- Whereas: The Norman High Lady Tigers knelt as an act of protest against racism and social injustice as they had been all season; and²
- Whereas: The following day Rowan released a statement blaming his racist remarks on his blood sugar; and³
- Whereas: Eradicating racism in the news media is an ongoing battle that is being spearheaded by colleges of mass communication and media studies; and

¹ https://www.normantranscript.com/sports/high_school_sports/high-school-basketball-announcer-directs-racial-slur-at-norman-high-players-blames-blood-sugar/article_7f75230e-834b-11eb-a524-d7f41ae6649e.html

² <https://www.cbsnews.com/video/norman-high-schools-girls-basketball-players-speak-out-against-racist-remarks-made-by-announcer/#x>

³ <https://www.readfrontier.org/stories/announcer-who-made-racist-comments-during-basketball-game-says-he-had-spiking-blood-sugar-when-he-used-racial-slur/>

Whereas: It is the responsibility of journalists and broadcasters to hold each other and the institutions they represent accountable when derogatory, racist language is used; therefore

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

- Section 1: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Fight On Norman High Resolution of 2021”
- Section 2: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association supports the Norman High girls’ basketball team’s evocation of their first amendment right to protest.
- Section 3: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association deeply condemns Matt Rowan’s racist remarks about the Norman High basketball team and recognizes that there is no excuse for racism — not even Type 1 Diabetes.
- Section 4: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association congratulates the Lady Tigers on their back-to-back state championship despite such adversity.⁴
- Section 5: The University of Oklahoma’s Student Government Association calls on Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication to reaffirm and prioritize its commitment to fostering future generations of news media professionals who advocate on behalf of the marginalized and who will always speak up against bigotry if perpetuated by their colleagues.
- Section 6: Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to:
- NPS Superintendent Dr. Nick Migliorino
 - Norman High Girls Basketball Coach Frankie Parks
 - Dean Ed Kelley of Gaylord College of Journalism and Mass Communication
 - The Gaylord Ambassadors
 - National Association for Black Journalists at OU
 - BERT
 - The OU Diversity and Inclusion Center
 - NFHS Network
 - OSPN Streaming Network
 - The OU Daily
 - The OU Nightly

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⁴ <https://www.koco.com/article/norman-high-girls-basketball-team-wins-6a-state-title-days-after-announcer-makes-racist-comments/35829255#>

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Senator Nathan Donahue
Senator Nico Faz
Senator Dani Glidewell
Senator Nafiseh Ghorbani Renani
Senator Emmanuel Hakizimana
Senator Shelley Hunter
Senator Rachel Jarvis
Senator Donovan Linsey
Senator Anthony Machette
Senator Jared Nabhan
Senator Chris Rocha
Senator Theo Rusmore
Senator Vardhan Satalkar
Senator Courtney Tennell
Senator Christine Tomte
Senator David Thomas
Senator Kristen Wheaton
Senator Devon Woods
Senator Alexis Woodward
Senator Bing Xu

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Broadbent seconded by Representative Poupore

Action taken by Congress: 33-0-0

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: _____

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION 105

March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-105-15

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution congratulating Deb Haaland on her appointment as Secretary of the Interior; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The Department of the Interior conserves and manages the Nation's natural resources and cultural heritage for the benefit and enjoyment of the American people, and honors the Nation's trust responsibilities or special commitments to American Indians, Alaska Natives, and affiliated island communities to help them prosper; and
- Whereas: Former Secretary of the Interior Carl Schurz once said " If Indians are to live at all, they must learn to live as white men ... the alternative to civilization is extermination"; and
- Whereas: Policies overseen by the United States Department of Interior have significantly impacted Native American Tribes since the founding of the United States and the implementation of the Manifest Destiny doctrine that displaced thousands of native peoples from their homelands; and
- Whereas: President Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris promised in their 2020 platform to appoint native people to high-ranking government offices; and
- Whereas: On March 15, 2021 the United States Senate confirmed Secretary Haaland's appointment with a roll call vote of 51 in the affirmative, 40 in the negative, and 9 senators not voting, with 46 Democrats, 1 Independent, and 4 Republicans voting in the Affirmative; and 40 Republican Senators, including Senator Lankford and Inhofe of Oklahoma, in the negative, and 4 Democrats and 5 Republicans who did not vote; and
- Whereas: Secretary Haaland is a proud citizen of the Laguna Pueblo tribe, who have resided on the land now known as New Mexico since the 13th century; and
- Whereas: Secretary Haaland was the first Native American Woman elected to the United States Congress in 2018; and
- Whereas: Secretary Haaland is the first Native American to ever serve as a cabinet secretary and the second Native American to serve on a presidential cabinet; the first being Former Vice President Charles Curtis;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS THAT:

Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Congratulations Deb Haaland Resolution”

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress congratulates Secretary Deb Haaland on her historic appointment and thanks her for her continued service to the United States.

Section 3: The Undergraduate Student Congress congratulates the Laguna Pueblo nation for their historic achievement as the first tribe to have a citizen serve as a cabinet secretary.

Section 4: The Undergraduate Student Congress commends President Biden and Vice President Harris for following through on their platform and appointing a native woman to one of the highest offices appointed by the President of the United States.

Section 5: The Undergraduate Student Congress commends the Senators who voted in favor of the historic appointment of Secretary Haaland and encourage those Senators who either did not vote or voted in opposition to the appointment of Secretary Haaland, including both Senators from Oklahoma, to consider how their votes reflect upon their relationships with the numerous native people who live in their individual states.

Section 6: The Undergraduate Student Congress is thankful for native leaders at the University of Oklahoma, including Chair South, at the State Government level, at the federal level, and most of all for the Chiefs, Tribal Councils and other leaders of the 574 federally recognized Sovereign nations that reside within the borders of the United States.

Section 7: The Undergraduate Student Congress commits to uplifting the voices, appointing and electing to our highest positions native people; especially in positions that will have a direct impact on native communities.

Section 8: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland
- President of the United States Joseph R. Biden
- Vice-President of the United State Kamala D. Harris
- Senators of the United States
- Governor John E. Antonio Sr. of the Pueblo of Laguna Tribe
- Antonia Belindo, Coordinator of American Indian Programs and Service, University of Oklahoma
- Phoenix Burrow, American Indian Student Association President, University of Oklahoma

- Celena George and Adarius Begay, Ms. & Mr. Indian OU

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Submitted on a motion by: Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Esmeraldo

Action taken by Congress: 30-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV
March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-24

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure adding the Undergraduate Student Congress Standing Rules of Order to the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws; 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 “Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act 2021”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to recognize the existing Standing Rules of Order to the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws.
- Section 3:** AMMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 9.1 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 9.1: LEGISLATIVE SESSION

5. STANDING RULES OF ORDER:
- a. Congress shall adopt Standing Rules of Order to govern procedure of the body

- b. The Congressional Administration Committee with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee shall revise the Standing Rules of Order to fit the needs of the body at the beginning of each even numbered session after Officer Elections
- c. During the revising of the Standing Rules of Order, the Congressional Administration Committee shall restrict all bills until the revised Standing Rules of Order are passed
- d. The Standing Rules of Order may be revised through a special revising period any time throughout a session as deemed necessary. The same procedures shall be used as in a regular revising process.

Section 4: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and at the beginning of the 106th Congressional Session.

Author(s): Abby Halsey-Kraus, University College Representative

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Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Lynskey seconded by Representative Griffin

Action taken by Congress: 30-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV

March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-25

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure shall amend the Congress Bylaws to alter how the Order of Business is determined for General Meetings and Committee Meetings 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 “Orders of Business Act of 2021”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Congress Bylaws to allow presiding officers of standing committees to determine the order of business for meetings based off the needs of the committee.
- Section 3:** AMMENDATORY: Remove all text from Section University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 6.2. is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~Section 6.2: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS~~

~~1. Orders of Business in the General Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order:~~

~~a. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~

~~b. Mission Statement~~

- ~~1. The Mission Statement shall be read, as found in the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws on page 4~~

~~e. Moment of Silence~~

- ~~1. The Moment of Silence shall be an opportunity for Congress members to reflect. The Moment of Silence shall last no less than ten (10) seconds and no more than one (1) minute.~~

~~d. Approval of the Minutes~~

- ~~1. These minutes shall contain the voting record of the respective meeting.~~

~~e. Officer Reports~~

- ~~1. Congress Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary~~

~~f. Committee Reports~~

- ~~1. Committee Chair or ranking member present~~
- ~~2. Must include recommendations on all legislation, and summary of any action taken by the committee since its last report and must be limited to the business of the respective committee.~~
- ~~3. Minority Reports~~
 - ~~1. Should any two (2) members of any standing committee not concur with conclusive action taken on any business considered by the committee and said members submit a written and signed report to the Congress Vice Chair before the general meeting in which they wish to present their report.~~
 - ~~2. Minority reports are presented immediately following the respective committee report.~~

~~g. Liaison Reports~~

- ~~1. Must include a summary of meetings attended and other activity or business performed that reasonably pertains to the Undergraduate Student Congress since the last report.~~
- ~~2. Students need not be official liaisons for the purpose of relaying information to the Undergraduate Student Congress.~~
- ~~3. This report is not required if the above necessity does not exist.~~

~~h. Special Orders~~

- ~~1. Committee of the Whole is in order and shall be led by the Vice Chair as specified in the Bylaws.~~
- ~~2. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before Congress but within its purview.~~
- ~~3. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of Congress may be presented at this time.~~
- ~~4. Special elections within the body will also be held during Special Orders.~~

~~i. Student Concerns~~

- ~~1. Any student of the University of Oklahoma may freely address Congress with concerns about the university or any matter pertaining to students so long as they maintain decorum.~~
- ~~2. Remarks are limited to five (5) minutes to members of the SGA or Registered Student Organizations.~~
- ~~3. Time unused for remarks shall be yielded to questions.~~
- ~~4. Student concerns shall then be referred by the Chair to committee for further discussion.~~

~~j. Old Business~~

- ~~1. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the current session of Congress.~~

~~k. Items To Be Considered~~

- ~~1. All items having received a recommendation other than “Do Fail” through a committee of Congress and which has not been moved at a previous general meeting of the current session.~~
- ~~2. Items having been discharged from committee by a discharge petition.~~
- ~~l. Items for Future Agenda~~
 - ~~1. To facilitate the adequate preparation of Congress, the author of a bill to be considered in the future is encouraged to read the title of the bill. This bill shall be assigned to a committee by the presiding officer.~~
- ~~m. Follow-up Reports~~
 - ~~1. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed.~~
- ~~n. Announcements and Comments~~
 - ~~1. All matters not addressed elsewhere in the Order of Business.~~
- ~~o. Final Roll Call~~

Section 4: AMMENDATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 6.2 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketthrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 6.2: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR GENERAL MEETINGS
Orders of the Business in General Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order

Section 5: AMMENDATORY: Remove all text from University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.3 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketthrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~Section 7.3 ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS~~
~~Orders of Business in the Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order. Unless defined differently, definitions are the same as for General Meetings.~~

- ~~1. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~
- ~~2. Approval of the Minutes~~
- ~~3. Officer Reports~~
 - ~~a. Committee Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary~~
- ~~4. Special Orders~~
 - ~~a. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before the committee but within its purview.~~
 - ~~b. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of the committee may be presented at this time.~~
- ~~5. Old Business~~
 - ~~a. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the committee during the current session of Congress.~~
- ~~6. Items To Be Considered~~
 - ~~a. All legislative items assigned to the committee by the chair of Congress or by a motion to commit legislation to the committee during a general meeting.~~
- ~~7. Follow-up Reports~~
 - ~~a. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed.~~
- ~~8. Constituent Service Reports~~

~~9. Announcements and Comments~~
~~10. Final Roll Call and Adjournment~~

Section 6: AMMENDATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association's Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.3 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 7.3: ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Orders of the Business in the Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order.

Section 7: AMMEDNATORY: Remove all text from University of Oklahoma Student Government Association's Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.6.4. is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~4. ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE~~

~~Orders of Business in the Executive Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be conducted in the following order. Unless defined differently, definitions are the same as for General Meetings.~~

- ~~a. Call to Order and Opening Roll Call~~
- ~~b. Approval of the Minutes~~
- ~~c. Reports~~
 - ~~i. Congress Chair, Congress Vice Chair, Congress Secretary, Congressional Administration Committee Chair, External Affairs Committee Chair, Human Diversity Committee Chair, Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee Chair, University Policy Committee Chair, and Ways and Means Committee Chair.~~
- ~~d. Special Orders~~
 - ~~i. Members may speak at this time on topics not pending before the committee but within its purview~~
 - ~~ii. Outside presentations or other special events scheduled through officers of the committee may be presented at this time.~~
- ~~e. Old Business~~
 - ~~i. Items which have been on the Items To Be Considered agenda and moved at a previous meeting of the committee during the current session of Congress.~~
- ~~f. Items To Be Considered~~
 - ~~i. All legislative items assigned to the committee by the chair of Congress or by a motion to commit legislation to the committee during a general meeting.~~
- ~~g. Follow-up Reports~~
 - ~~i. Authors of previously passed legislation are to give reports on developments resulting from the legislation passed~~
- ~~h. General Discussion~~
 - ~~i. Time allotted for members to discuss actions taken and considered during the business portion of the meeting~~
- ~~i. Adjourn~~

Section 8: AMMEDNATORY: A new section shall replace University of Oklahoma Student Government Association's Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws §Section 7.6.4. is

amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 7.6.4: ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Orders of Business in the Executive Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order

Section 9: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the “Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021” passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution

Author(s): Abby Halsey-Kraus, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Chairman Foster Hillis, Congressional Administration Committee; and
Bailey Ownby, Vice Chair of the Congressional Administration.

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Patel seconded by Representative Raymundi Pinheiro

Action taken by Congress: 30-0-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CV
March 30, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-26

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure to remove sections of the Congress Bylaws in accordance with the Standing Rules of Order; 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 “Bylaws Cleanup Act of 2021.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to remove certain sections of the Bylaws after revitalizing the Standing Rules of Order and creating a Code of Conduct.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws § Section 3. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~**Section 3: STANDING RULES OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE**~~

~~**Section 3.1: DEFINITIONS**~~

~~For the purpose of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress meetings, the following definitions shall be regarded as the official definitions for the following items:~~

- ~~1.— Amend: Inserting or deleting words or paragraphs or substituting whole paragraphs or resolutions;~~
- ~~2.— Appeal Decision of the Chair: Appeal for the assembly to decide must be made before other business is resumed. This is not debatable if the motion relates to decorum, violation of rules, or order of business;~~
- ~~3.— Commit to Committee: The Chair will state the committee to receive the act or resolution;~~
- ~~4.— Committee of the Whole: The assembly as a whole moves into a committee; this committee may limit number or length of speeches or close debate by other means by a 2/3 vote. Committee of the Whole is often used to see bills that may have been missed in committee but should, for some emergency or specific reason, be seen in that general meeting;~~
- ~~5.— Consent: A motion by the body to adopt a motion by unanimous consent. If an objection is heard by a voting member, consent is withdrawn. Consent shall be out of order for the final passage of legislation during general body meetings;~~
- ~~6.— Dilatory: Tactics used to delay or obstruct business, annoy the deliberative assembly, or delay consideration of a subject. Reasonableness is often used as a criterion deciding whether a motion is dilatory;~~
- ~~7.— Divide the Question: Divides a motion into two or more separate motions (these motions must be able to stand alone as motions);~~

8. ~~Long Title: Description of the legislation's purpose and effects. This may include things such as the short title, providing for an effective date.~~
9. ~~Main Motion: Brings the next item on the agenda before the assembly. Main motions are made while no other motion is pending.~~
10. ~~On information: Generally, a question to the chair which can be redirected to the appropriate person to answer.~~
11. ~~Orders of the Day: A call to adhere to the agenda (deviation from the agenda requires a suspension of the rules).~~
12. ~~Parliamentary Inquiry: Inquire as to the correct motion to accomplish a desired result or raise a point of order.~~
13. ~~Point of Order: Infraction of the rules, or improper decorum in speaking. Must be raised immediately after the error is made.~~
14. ~~Previous Question: Closes debate and moves directly into a roll call vote on the item being debated.~~
15. ~~Providing for codification: A mandatory clause within the long title that authorizes amendments to governing documents to be integrated into the document.~~
16. ~~Providing for distribution: A mandatory clause within the long title allowing for copies of resolutions and acts to be sent beyond the body.~~
17. ~~Providing for an effective date: A mandatory clause within the long title specifying the date at which an act shall be implemented.~~
18. ~~Providing for a short title: A mandatory clause within the long title authorizing a title by which an act shall be known.~~
19. ~~Scrivener's error: Mistake by preparer of a document that results in intent of the parties being thwarted.~~
20. ~~Short title: Formal name by which a piece of primary legislation may be cited.~~
21. ~~Suspend the Rules: Allows a violation of the assembly's own rules (except those guidelines found in the SGA Constitution); the motion must include the reason for the suspension.~~
22. ~~Postpone to a Certain Time: State the time the motion or agenda item will be next seen.~~
23. ~~Postpone Indefinitely: Ends discussion on the question/resolution for the remainder of the current legislative session.~~
24. ~~Lay on the Table: To take an agenda item off of the agenda until a motion to take it off the table has been passed. The legislation will be taken off the table exactly as it was laid on the table.~~

Section 3.2: SPEAKING PRIVILEGES AND RECOGNITION TO SPEAK

1. ~~The Presiding Officer must recognize all motions and speakers before they may speak. Anyone not recognized will be considered out of order. During questions to the author, it remains the Presiding Officer's duty to recognize members for questions and motions.~~
2. ~~The right of recognized speakers to be heard and of members to hear recognized speakers shall not be infringed without just cause. Members have the right and responsibility to rise to call for decorum if unable to hear recognized speakers. The presiding officer has the right and responsibility to effectively address the situation.~~
3. ~~Questions shall be limited to only one question at a time; all other questions pertaining to the initial question shall be postponed to follow-up questions. Follow-up questions shall be limited to two per speaker at the discretion of the presiding officer so long as there are other representatives or associates who are waiting to ask a question.~~

Section 3.3: SPECIFIC MOTIONS

1. ~~Motion to Adjourn~~
 - a. ~~The motion to adjourn is out of order when another has the floor. Only a voting member may move to adjourn.~~
 - b. ~~The presiding officer shall call for a reading of the titles of all bills remaining on the agenda that have yet to be acted upon by Congress. After the reading of these titles, Congress shall hold a roll call vote on adjournment, unless the motion is consented to.~~
 - c. ~~The motion to adjourn is not debatable.~~
 - d. ~~The motion requires a second, and a majority of representatives present and voting to pass.~~
2. ~~Motion to Vote on All Pending Questions~~
 - a. ~~This motion shall be out of order at all times.~~
3. ~~Motion to Enter into Executive Session~~
 - a. ~~The motion to enter executive session shall be in order only for elections, a no confidence vote, or impeachment as specified in the Bylaws and shall be consistent with the most current Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
 - b. ~~Representatives, Associates, and Student Affairs Staff shall be deemed as "Essential Personnel" and should be allowed speaking privileges unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. Speaking privileges to Associates shall be granted by the Chair without objection from any Representative.~~
 - c. ~~The motion to Suspend the Membership Privileges of Associates shall be in order for executive session during elections, no confidence votes, and impeachment as specified in section 3.3 subsection 5 and shall be consistent with the most current Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
4. ~~Motion to Suspend the Rules~~
 - a. ~~A Motion to Suspend the Rules shall only be in order for a specific purpose or instance and shall be used to suspend any of these Bylaws relating to business procedure.~~
 - b. ~~The motion requires a second and an affirmative vote by 2/3 of the total number of voting members, including those not present, to pass.~~
5. ~~Motion to Suspend the Membership Privileges of Associates~~
 - a. ~~A motion to suspend the membership privileges of Associates shall temporarily suspend all membership privileges of associates, including but not limited to motion making, voting on procedural questions, and automatic recognition to speak.~~
 - b. ~~A motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates shall take precedence over all other legislation, motions, business, speeches, or activity of Student Congress. This motion may be made at any time.~~
 - c. ~~The motion requires a second and shall pass upon a majority vote of all Representatives present and voting at a given general body meeting or committee meeting. Associates may not vote on the question during a committee meeting.~~
 - d. ~~Suspended membership privileges of associates shall be restored upon a majority vote of representatives present and voting at a general meeting or committee meeting.~~
 - e. ~~Unless a time is otherwise specified by the motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates or said privileges are restored by a later motion, said privileges shall be restored at the completion of the general meeting or committee meeting in which said motion to suspend the membership privileges of associates was made.~~

6. ~~Motion to Appeal the Ruling of the Chair~~
 - a. ~~A motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair shall reverse any decision the Presiding Officer may from time to time be required to make regarding the interpretation of an ambiguity or inconsistency in the rules governing Congress.~~
 - b. ~~Any Representative shall have the right to appeal the decision of the chair should they consider themselves, or the Congress, aggrieved by such a decision.~~
 - c. ~~The motion must be made at the time of the ruling.~~
 - d. ~~The Presiding Officer must recognize a motion to appeal the ruling of the chair~~
 - e. ~~The motion requires two seconds.~~
 - f. ~~The motion is non-debatable, save for one (1) minute to that member appealing to state the reasons for the appeal, and one (1) minute to the Chair to respond to the reasons as well as his or her reasons for making the ruling.~~
 - g. ~~The question on the passage of the motion shall be phrased by the Presiding Officer as "Shall the decision of the Chair be the decision of the body?". A positive vote by a majority of the members present and voting shall sustain the ruling of the Chair. A negative vote by a majority of the members present and voting shall overturn the ruling of the Chair. A tie shall sustain the ruling of the Chair.~~
7. ~~Motion to conduct a Special Vote of No Confidence in a Congress Officer~~
 - a. ~~Any Representative may move to conduct a special vote of no confidence during Special Orders in the following general body meeting.~~
 - b. ~~The motion requires a second, and a majority of Representatives present and voting may vote to pass it.~~
 - c. ~~If the motion passes, the Special Orders for the following general body meeting shall include the vote of no confidence in the specified Congress officer, as well as an Executive Session during the vote, in accordance with the most recent Oklahoma Open Meetings Act.~~
 - d. ~~The Special Vote of No Confidence shall be conducted as elsewhere provided in these Bylaws.~~
8. ~~Motion to Enter into and Rise from Committee of the Whole~~
 - a. ~~If Committee of the Whole is listed on the agenda for Special Orders during a general body, a motion is necessary to enter into and rise from Committee of the Whole.~~
 - b. ~~Any Representative may move to enter into Committee of the Whole, and any voting member may move to rise from Committee of the Whole.~~
 - c. ~~The motions require a second, and shall pass with a simple majority vote.~~
 - d. ~~The motion is debatable only as to the desirability of entering into or rising from Committee of the Whole.~~
9. ~~Motion to Reconsider Legislation~~
 - a. ~~The purpose of reconsideration is to permit correction of a hasty, ill-advised, or erroneous action, or to take into account added information or a changed situation. The motion to reconsider for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, dilatory use or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - b. ~~This motion may only be made at the general meeting at which the original vote was taken or the immediately following general meeting.~~
 - c. ~~All representatives who voted on the prevailing side may make a motion to reconsider that is in order.~~

- ~~d.—The motion to reconsider is not debatable.~~
- ~~e.—A motion to reconsider requires a vote of a majority of representatives present and voting, regardless of the vote necessary to adopt the motion to be reconsidered.~~
- ~~10.—Motion to Commit Legislation to Committee~~
 - ~~a.—The purpose of the motion to commit legislation to committee is to send a pending piece of legislation to a committee so that said legislation may be carefully investigated and put into better condition for Student Congress to consider. The motion to commit for any other purpose, including, but not limited to, dilatory use or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - ~~b.—The motion to commit legislation to committee is debatable only as to the desirability of committing the legislation and to the appropriate details of the motion to commit.~~
 - ~~c.—The motion to commit requires a second and a vote of a majority of representatives voting and present.~~

~~Section 3.4: CONDUCT DURING VOTING~~

- ~~1.—While a vote is in progress and until the completion of a vote and the announcement of the result, no member shall be recognized, and no other business shall be transacted.~~
- ~~2.—No member or other person shall visit or remain by the Secretary's desk while a vote is in progress.~~
- ~~3.—No member may vote for another member, nor may any person cast a vote for a member. A member who votes for another member may be punished in a manner the Congress determines.~~
- ~~4.—Any members making disruptive exclamations during a roll call vote shall be declared out of order and shall be punished at the discretion of the Congress Chair. The only acceptable answers are yes, no, or abstain.~~
- ~~5.—No voting member of Congress shall be barred from voting.~~

~~Section 3.5: MEMBERS AND DECORUM~~

- ~~1.—The Chair shall preserve order and decorum in the Congress and shall prevent the impugning of the motive of any member during debate.~~
- ~~2.—Speakers shall confine remarks to the purpose for which they are recognized to speak, and speeches in debate shall be confined to the question under consideration.~~
- ~~3.—Any and all distracting electronic devices shall be on silent and/or vibrating mode so as not to disturb the proceedings of the Congress while it is in session and while committees are in session. Electronic devices shall include but not be limited to cellular, digital, mobile phones, and wireless; pagers; hand-held video games; and video and audio players and recorders. In case of an emergency, arrangements may be made with the Chair.~~
- ~~4.—Profane, obscene, and indecent language is prohibited in the Congress and in all standing or special committees of the Congress. Blatant and intentional violations of this rule may result in reprimand and suspension of speaking privileges.~~
- ~~5.—The presiding officer may refuse to recognize a member or other individual employing profanity, under the influence of liquor or illegal substances, or otherwise failing to observe decorum.~~

- ~~6.—Any member who, while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any other substance, appears in Congress or any committee of Congress shall be in contempt and subject to reprimand, suspension, or expulsion.~~

Section 4: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 6.3. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~**Section 6.3: PROCEDURES FOR GENERAL MEETINGS**~~

- ~~1.—QUORUM. Quorum shall be a majority of representatives currently elected or appointed to Student Congress, excluding the Student Congress Chair
 - ~~a.—If at any time during a meeting, a question shall be raised by any member as to the presence of a quorum, the Presiding Officer shall, without debate, forthwith direct the secretary to determine the presence or absence of a quorum, and shall announce the result.~~
 - ~~b.—Whenever it is ascertained that a quorum is not present, the members present may, by motion adopted by a majority of those voting, direct the Vice Chair to contact absent members and request their presence.~~
 - ~~c.—Until a quorum is present, only debate and procedural motions may be conducted. Main motions are out of order.~~~~
- ~~2.—VOTING. No voting procedure other than a roll call vote is in order on final passage of a main motion or amendment. At the discretion of the presiding officer, a hand vote may be held on procedural questions. On such questions, a roll call vote shall be held at the request of any representative.~~
- ~~3.—CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION. Legislation shall be considered in Old Business, Items to be Considered, or the Committee of the Whole.~~
- ~~4.—COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
 - ~~a.—Student Congress may move into Committee of the Whole to give recommendations to legislation. Said recommendations and their effect shall be identical to those of standing committees. The motion to move into Committee of the Whole for any other purpose, including, but not limited to dilatory use, circumvention of actions made by standing committees, or circumvention of majority action, shall be out of order.~~
 - ~~b.—A motion to enter Committee of the Whole is necessary in accordance with Section 3.3.8 of these bylaws.~~
 - ~~c.—The Student Congress Vice Chair shall be the presiding officer of the Committee of the Whole.~~
 - ~~d.—A motion to close Committee of the Whole is necessary in accordance with Section 3.3.8 of these bylaws.~~~~

Section 5: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 7.5. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

~~**Section 7.5: PROCEDURES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING**~~

- ~~1.—QUORUM. For the sole purposes of committee meetings, quorum shall be defined as the number of individuals required for a committee to do official business as follows:~~

- a. ~~Quorum shall be set equal to a majority of all representatives appointed to the committee.~~
- b. ~~Individuals counting towards quorum shall be any and all voting members of the committee.~~
- 2. ~~MEETING TIMES. Committees shall hold regularly scheduled meetings at least once a week on a day that falls between regularly scheduled General meetings. Committee meetings shall not occur on Sundays after 6pm, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays before 12pm except for emergency purposes as determined by the Chair of Congress. Committees shall schedule meetings that are accessible and at a reasonable time for most students and members. The Ways & Means Committee shall be exempt from this section during both the primary and subsidiary budgetary processes.~~
- 3. ~~ABSENCES. The Chair of each Committee shall supply the Congress Secretary with a list of any members who failed to attend a Committee meeting.~~
- 4. ~~EXCUSALS. If a member cannot attend a Committee meeting, the member may submit a written request for an excusal to his or her Committee Chair.~~
- 5. ~~RECOMMENDATIONS. Following the consideration of legislation, a committee wishing to make conclusive action on said legislation shall upon majority vote make a motion of recommendation to Student Congress, as discussed elsewhere in these Bylaws.~~

Section 6: AMENDATORY: Remove all text from the Undergraduate Student Congress's Bylaws § Section 8.5. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a striketthrough. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 8.5: DEBATE

- 1. ~~Debate is in line following the Author's explanation and questioning. Any representative can call for debate in the general meetings, and all members can call for debate in committee meetings.~~
 - 1. ~~No member shall have the right to object to debate, as no member should lose the right to speak, except as a punishment for lack of decorum.~~
- 2. ~~Associates and Representatives, as defined in the Bylaws, may participate in all debate in general meetings and committee meetings.~~
- 3. ~~Any member participating in debate shall refrain from partisan statements during this previous time and shall be out of order and as penalty will forfeit any remaining time to the opposing side if this rule is violated.~~
- 4. ~~Those wishing to be recognized to debate shall indicate whether they wish to speak for or against the measure. Debate shall, whenever possible, alternate between opponents and proponents of the measure.~~
- 5. ~~All speakers recognized in debate are limited to two (2) minutes. There shall be no limits on time for debate or number of speakers, except with a suspension of the rules.~~
- 6. ~~A member who has the floor may yield at any time to any member at their own discretion, on their own terms or waive their time entirely under the guidelines of the Presiding Officer.~~
- 7. ~~A motion for previous question can be heard during debate. Previous Question requires a 2/3 vote of all members present and shall move the body directly into the author's summation.~~
- 8. ~~Speeches in debate shall be confined to the question under consideration.~~

- ~~9. Hostile amendments are in order only during debate, unless accepted as friendly amendments during questions to the author. Amendments shall be considered by the following procedure:~~
- ~~a. The hostile amendment is submitted in writing to the secretary prior to debate on the amendment in question.~~
 - ~~b. A recognized speaker moves the hostile amendment to the floor to be debated. Once seconded without objection, solely the merits of the addition of this hostile amendment are in question and shall be considered.~~
 - ~~c. The secretary reads the hostile amendment.~~
 - ~~d. Three (3) minutes shall be granted for amendment author's explanation.~~
 - ~~e. Following amendment author's explanation, five (5) minutes shall be granted for those present and recognized to ask questions to the author of the amendment.~~
 - ~~f. Debate on the amendment shall follow the same debate procedure outlined above in Sections A-G, except that it shall not exceed ten (10) minutes, unless the rules are suspended.~~
 - ~~g. Following debate, three (3) minutes shall be granted for the amendment author's summation.~~
 - ~~h. A roll call vote shall be held on the amendment following a final reading by the secretary. The chair shall remind the body that the roll call vote will determine whether or not the amendment is to be adopted and will not determine the passage of the bill as a whole.~~
 - ~~i. After the roll call vote determining the adoption of a hostile amendment, debate on the piece of legislation as a whole will be in line, and shall follow the procedure outlined above in Sections A-G.~~
 - ~~j. An author's summation of three (3) minutes shall be granted after a successful motion of Previous Question and is only in line following debate.~~

Section 7: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the "Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021" passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-105-27

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure to include a requirement in the Congressional Administration Responsibilities 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 “Revising the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to clarify the specific roles of the Congressional Administration Committee and Executive Committee regarding the revising the of the Undergraduate Student Congress Standing Rules of Order.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws § Section 7.1.A is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

a. COMMITTEE PURPOSE: The Congressional Administration Committee shall address matters concerning the internal affairs of the Student Congress and the SGA, including all proposed changes to the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws, the SGA Code Annotated, and the SGA Constitution. It shall strive to make the Student Congress more effective in fulfilling its role within the SGA. In the fall of even-numbered years, it shall be responsible for reapportioning the seats within the Student Congress, pursuant to the SGA Constitution. The Congressional Administration Committee shall be responsible for filling vacant Representative seats and appointing Associates through the processes outlined within these bylaws. The Congressional Administration Committee shall, also, be responsible for revising the Standing Rules of Order with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee at the beginning of each even numbered session.

Section 4: AMENDATORY: University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws § Section 7.6 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strikethrough~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of Student Congress and the chairs of the standing committees. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to excuse absences and to make recommendations on legislation. The Executive Committee shall assist the Student Congress Chair in planning and coordinating the business of Student Congress. The Executive Committee shall, also, advice and consent of the revised Standing Rules of

Order passed by the Congressional Administration Committee at the beginning of each even numbered session.

Section 5: This act shall become effective (1) when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution and (2) when the “Utilize the Standing Rules of Order Act of 2021” passes in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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