

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
Session XCIII

General Body Meeting
7:00 pm, Tuesday, November 18, 2014
Devon Hall 120

Session XCIII

Roll Call -
Flag Salute

Approval of Minutes Pae sec Droege

Chair's Report- No confidence vote today for Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Also reauthorizing committee chairs today. This is our last meeting for this semester.

Vice Chair's Report- Seeing my legislation about sportsmanship tonight. Please ask legitimate questions and debate if you feel like you need to. I really want unification on this, and I really want to talk about it if you want to.

Secretary's Report- Constituent Service is due on January 17th; they will be Bios, we want to know who you are. If you are interested in the schedule for next semester, please stop by. Let me know if I am pronouncing your name wrong.

Committee Reports-

- **Academic Affairs-**Excited for 93
- **Congressional Administration**
- **External Affairs-**Wrapping up the semester, didn't meet, excited for next semester
- **Problems and Projects**
- **Public Relations**
- **Ways and Means-**No report. If you are interested in being on WAM, come talk to me

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

Camp Ozark-Thomas: We are a Christian sports and adventure camp in Arkansas. We are looking for counselors for our campers, ages 7 to 17. We usually have 6000 kids and employ 700 staff from all over the country. Come take a DVD for more information or visit www.yoursummer2015.com. We will have interviews on campus.

Move to suspend the rules to reenter Special Orders from Student Concerns Bourland, sec Bevilacqua

Vote of no Confidence

Yes means leave, no means stay.

Closed portion of meeting.

Move to Suspend the rules to reenter Special Orders from New Business Bourland, sec Bevilacqua

Move to enter Committee of the Whole Bourland, sec Crisp

Committee of the Whole

Move to see all legislation as a block Droege, sec Hill

Aragon: Reauthorizing chairs and sportsmanship, any recommendation is great.

Bourland: More time and diligence will be taken on these pieces of legislation in Items to be Considered

Recommendation of No Rec, Cramm sec Rice

Move to leave committee whole Droege, sec Crisp

- 930501 A Resolution Concerning Sportsmanship at Football Games (Bourland)
- 930801 An Act Reauthorizing the Academic Affairs Chair (Aragon)
- 930802 An Act Reauthorizing the External Affairs Chair (Aragon)
- 930803 An Act Reauthorizing the Public Relations Chair (Aragon)
- 930804 An Act Reauthorizing the Ways and Means Chair (Aragon)

Student Concerns

Move to Suspend the rules to enter Student Concerns from Items to be Considered Bourland, sec Nigh

Byron: Inauguration tomorrow at 12:30. Come see us, watch speeches, see David Boren. Apply for Exec cabinet, or recommend others who should apply. Due Friday 21st at 5pm.

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

Move to enter Items to be Considered from Special Orders Bourland, sec Rice

930501 A Resolution Concerning Sportsmanship at Football Games (Bourland) (No Rec)

Bourland sec Pae

Bourland: I have come to games for many years, and I have never heard us boo before. This is unacceptable, that is not how we treat others, nor is that the image we want to convey. It is not who we are; we are not that fickle. Look to the resolution; it is pretty self explanatory. We do not condone booing, if you want to express disappointment, find a different way to do it. I would appreciate a friendly amendment for *OU Nightly* on the recipient list. If you are passionate, I would love for you to be a coauthor.

Cramm: Would you be willing to accept adding *OU Nightly* to the recipient list, as well as Kunal Naik as President Elect and Representative Matthew Cramm as co-sponsors?

Aragon: Should they just be Vice President and President?

Bourland: I accept

Scott: Is this an open letter once passed?

Bourland: We are sending it to newspapers and faculty; I have written an additional cover letter to send with it. This resolution is for us. Both will be sent as a package to each of those recipients. It is up to them how they will share it going forth.

Consent w/o objection

930801 An Act Reauthorizing the Academic Affairs Chair (Aragon) (No Rec)

Hill sec Pae

Aragon: This is a new thing to let you ask questions of our Chairs to find out if they are doing their job. In AA under Pae's leadership, AA has seen legislation, he always posts his agenda, and he has personally written legislation.

Pae: I would only add that we have a lot more work to do, and I will do my best to continue that.

Bourland: This is your time to ask any chairs about this past semester and about the future semester.

Crisp: What ideas for legislation do you have for the future?

Pae: Riley's idea about textbooks will be seen this semester, reframing the free speech to speak out against hate speech, Gomez has an idea about writing a survey that would collect what older students have to share/advice for younger students in a survey.

Hill: Can we call consent?

Bourland: Yes

Consent w/o objection

930802 An Act Reauthorizing the External Affairs Chair (Aragon) (No Rec)

Hill, sec Crisp

Aragon: This is your time to keep us accountable. Questions are very important. Rice has always been meeting, one resolution came through their committee, and they worked on OU Votes with the Executive Branch.

Rice: We want to continue attending city council meetings, and we want to start sharing our views with the state legislature about bills they are seeing.

Ahmadi: Would you work on Higher Ed day with the Executive Branch?

Rice: Yes.

Scott: Did anything come from 3 persons ordinance legislation?

Rice: I meet with them soon to talk about it.

Consent w/o objection

930803 An Act Reauthorizing the Public Relations Chair (Aragon) (No Rec)

Crisp, sec Droege

Aragon: Emery is not here because Philanthropy. In the few weeks he has been PR chair, he read through the Bylaws, which shows a lot of initiative. PR has started meeting, sending out press releases, and has been really active. We have started to see a lot on social media.

Consent w/o objection

930804 An Act Reauthorizing the Ways and Means Chair (Aragon) (No Rec)

Hill, sec Pae

Aragon: Cramm is our WAM chair and has done a great job in a stressful position. Cramm rewrote part of the Code Annotated to allow for new RSOs to get funding earlier, has written 6 Emergency, completed Subsidiary, tackled appeals, and survived the Student Bar Association.

Cramm: I am looking to redo the application process because it is difficult and we will do Primary funding in the Spring.

Crisp: I overheard a budget issue about purchasing gift cards and hindering RSOs from getting funding. How do you hope to solve this?

Cramm: What were those issues exactly?

Ahmadi: They had trouble traversing OU's policies in addition to ours. They had trouble with the various forms and the fact that SGA does not allow gift cards.

Cramm: Concerning what RSO's can buy, they should talk to me, which will lead to better transparency. If they don't want funding, they don't have to fill the forms out.

Aragon: Everyone fills them out, and we use this to hold them accountable and a generate paper trail. Title XII is confusing; reps please read it.

Byron: Any ideas about how to improve the application?

Cramm: I was thinking of using Wufoo, and while I was at the Big 12 conference, I got to fill out their app process. I am working on it.

Consent w/o objection

New Business

Move to enter New Business from Special Orders Bourland, sec Nigh

Move to reconsider 930601 Cramm, sec Hill

930601 Fall 2014 Special Election Act (Petersen)

Petersen: GSS was unable to meet; therefore, our Special Election could not take place. I need a friendly amendment to change the date to Monday, November 24th.

Bourland: Will you accept a friendly amendment to the date specified in your author's explanation?

Crisp: Could it be possible to postpone until next semester, allowing students to study for finals?

Petersen: Direct to coauthor.

Bourland: We had 300 vote, and we need to do this for those who couldn't vote in the election. I think that the election will not interrupt classes, and it will be just fine.

Consent w/o objection

Follow-Up Reports

Move to enter Follow-up Reports from Special Orders Bourland, sec Crisp

Rice: I am meeting with a member of Norman City Council on Friday about the 3-Person ordinance resolution.

Bourland: Thank you for today's resolution about Sportsmanship. I'm excited to see it go through GSS. I think this will make some waves; I will keep you informed.

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Aragon: Enjoy your finals, have fun for Thanksgiving, and be safe on the roads. No dying.

Rice: Young Democrats at Blackbird’s on Thursday at 6:00 pm. Come if you can!

Ahmadi: What happened was that a recently funded RSO came in and was asking for help. RSO’s often come too late to WAM, and it takes 2-4 weeks to make it through and receive funding. About 5 forms are necessary, and signature cards. However, our standards aren’t different from how other departments fund. We use a very tight, auditing and recording structure. We pay for Curt to help with the process. I help Matt Cramm connect to students, and they are often frustrated about having to wait. Plan ahead if you have any ideas for an event. Also, the Distribution list on the resolutions tells Debbie who the legislation goes to.

Hill: It’s been a blast, enjoy the last few weeks and have a good break!

Bourland: Come to game Saturday! It’s against Kansas, and we will win! Boomer!

**Move to suspend the rules to skip final roll call and adjourn Bourland, sec Bevilacqua
Final Roll Call**

Chair: Lauren Aragon

Vice-Chair: Connor Bourland

Secretary: Emily Sample

Session 93	General 11-18
Akinwande, Kennedie	ex
Alford, Travis	ex
Barbee, Jacqueline	ex
Benjamin, Morgan	x
Berry, Carl	x
Bevilacqua, Benjamin	x
Bourland, Connor	x
Cramm, Matthew	x
Crisp, Timothy	x
Droege, Dylan	x
Echols, Ryan	x
Gillespie, Taylor	ex
Hill, Johnie	x
Hoover, Matthew	abs
Hudson, Todd	x
Kadiku, Hafeez	abs
Kebede, Hawi Burka	x
Khan, Eihab	ex
Kirby, Bryan	abs
Molina, Luis	x
Naberhaus, Bryce	ex

Nguyen, Crystal	ex
Nigh, Ryan	x
Owens, Alexandra	x
Pae, Daniel	x
Park, Conor	x
Rice, Alissa	x
Riley, Kendall	abs
Rowell, Anna Marie	ex
Sample, Emily	x
Scott, Cassie	x
Searcey, Patrick	abs
Short, Jamison	ex
Watts, Trevor	x
<u>Yes</u>	20
<u>No</u>	9
<u>Abstention</u>	5

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF-XXXX

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930501
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF-XXXX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution concerning sportsmanship at
University of Oklahoma sporting events; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma prides itself on the cooperative atmosphere, traditions of excellence, and community that reveals itself through the concept of a Sooner Family; and
- Whereas: The students, faculty, staff, alumni, student athletes, and fans are all members of the Sooner Family; and
- Whereas: All members of the Sooner Family (including student athletes and coaching staff) deserve to be treated with the dignity, respect, and compassion that such a membership entails; and
- Whereas: One of the long standing traditions of the University of Oklahoma is the storied success of the Football Program; and
- Whereas: Being a member of the Sooner Family entails rallying to face a challenge or to overcome adversity by building each other up and creating an environment conducive to success; and
- Whereas: Being a fan of Oklahoma Athletics should be much like being a member of the Sooner Family in the sense that the love for the tradition, appreciation for the team, and joy when success is achieved must not be overshadowed by a moment of disappointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE THAT:

- Section 1:** On behalf of the students at the University of Oklahoma Football Team, we apologize to the student athletes and coaches of the team for the poor and unsportsmanlike conduct displayed by those in attendance at the OU vs. Baylor game on the 8th of November, 2014.
- Section 2:** We, as student leaders, encourage our fellow students, alumni, and fans to more closely consider how we show our disappointment when it is directed towards our student athletes and coaches, who are our peers, friends, classmates, and fellow members of the Sooner Family.
- Section 3:** We also wish to make the statement that we feel it is never appropriate to boo or otherwise derisively jeer our own student athletes or coaches, due to the negative reputation this

displays to our visitors, athletic teams, student athletes, coaches, the state of Oklahoma, and the nation as a whole.

- Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
 - Clarke Stroud, Dean of Students and Vice President of Student Affairs
 - Joe Castiglione, Athletic Director of the University of Oklahoma
 - Bob Stoops, Head Football Coach of the University of Oklahoma
 - University of Oklahoma Football Coaching Staff
 - University of Oklahoma Football Players
 - *The OU Daily*
 - *The Oklahoman*

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Co-Author(s): Jacob Vidourek, Graduate Student Senate Vice-Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Emily Sample, Undergraduate Student Congress Secretary
Lauren Aragon, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair
Alex Byron, Student Government Association Vice-President Elect

Submitted on a motion by:

Action Taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action Taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

November 18, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930801

AS INTRODUCED

An act of procedure reauthorizing the appointment of a committee officer for Session 93; providing short title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act of Procedure Reauthorizing the Academic Affairs Chair for Session 93.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The Purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title.

Section 3: APPOINTMENT. The Following Persons shall be re-appointed to Committees and other positions as follows:

Academic Affairs

Daniel Pae – Chair

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

Author: Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Connor R. Bourland, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

November 18, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930802

AS INTRODUCED

An act of procedure reauthorizing the appointment of
a committee officer for Session 93; providing short
title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act of Procedure Reauthorizing
the External Affairs Chair for Session 93.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The Purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title.

Section 3: APPOINTMENT. The Following Persons shall be re-appointed to Committees and
other positions as follows:

External Affairs

Alissa Rice – Chair

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

Author: Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Connor R. Bourland, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

November 18, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930803

AS INTRODUCED

An act of procedure reauthorizing the appointment of
a committee officer for Session 93; providing short
title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act of Procedure Reauthorizing
the Public Relations Chair for Session 93.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The Purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title.

Section 3: APPOINTMENT. The Following Persons shall be re-appointed to Committees and
other positions as follows:

Public Relations

Emery Skelton – Chair

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

Author: Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Connor R. Bourland, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

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November 18, 2014

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930804

AS INTRODUCED

An act of procedure reauthorizing the appointment of
a committee officer for Session 93; providing short
title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act of Procedure Reauthorizing
the Ways and Means Chair for Session 93.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The Purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title.

Section 3: APPOINTMENT. The Following Persons shall be re-appointed to Committees and
other positions as follows:

Ways and Means

Matthew Cramm – Chair

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

Author: Lauren Aragon, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Connor R. Bourland, Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Emily Sample, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____