

# THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS Session XCIII

**General Body Meeting**  
7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 24, 2015  
Devon Hall 120

### Session XCIII

#### Roll Call – 7:05

#### Flag Salute

#### Approval of Minutes-Skelton, sec Crisp

**Chair's Report-** Filing for election is this week. If you were elected in the spring or appointed, you will need to file. You will need a signature from an advising saying you are in good standing.

**Vice Chair's Report-** Use the legislative forum! I unblocked the cells that were previously blocked. Utilize it because it is a great way to work together.

**Secretary's Report-** You have four days left to visit your TWO RSO's. You must report back to me before the end of the 28<sup>th</sup> of February. If you do not, you will be counted absent. I emailed everyone to let them know where they stand today. The next set of office hours are due March 2<sup>nd</sup>! Also, if you are interested in joining us for Big Event on April 11<sup>th</sup>, please give me your ID number and let me know if you are vegetarian, by the end of this meeting!

#### Committee Reports-

- **Academic Affairs-**This past Sunday we heard about the two associate bills and Live On University campaign. We will be meeting with Kyle Harper tomorrow to work on several issues.
- **Congressional Administration-**We saw the two associates pieces of legislation and held interviews for the social science district seat. We'll see that today. Molina updated all of the HCSA in the CA
- **External Affairs-**One piece we saw on Sunday you will see tonight. We are looking into doing a follow up day at the capitol if you are interested let me and Emily know.
- **Problems and Projects-**We tabled three of four legislation and gave the seal chains a Rec of Do Pass. We are looking at mental health, recycling, Women's Outreach Center, and chargers, better transfer student program, with CAC for better campus inclusion
- **Public Relations-**WAM got more Primary thanks to (partly) us. We are still working on our goals. We will be having Meet Your Rep Mondays and sharing that on Insta, Facebook, Twitter, and WAM Wednesdays. ID solutions still haven't gotten back about the seal. We are still working on shirts.
- **Ways and Means-**Primary budgets were due last Thursday, we have 244. We did interviews and you'll see emergency tonight.

#### Liaison Reports

#### Special Orders

Alex Byron, Vice President of the Student Government Association

Byron: Thanks for ordering the quarter zips! We will get that to you. Big Event is April 11<sup>th</sup>, if you like volunteering, please sign up. It's a really great opportunity and a mixture from all branches to get together.

#### Committee of the Whole:

**Move into Committee of the Whole Skelton, sec Crisp**

930408 A Resolution Responding to HB 1361 (Aragon/Sample)

**Skelton, sec Kirby**

Aragon: This is us responding to a bill gutting the Open Records Act, which we don't want to pass because we value government transparency.

Crisp: Is this the same Open Records Bill to take away the right of teachers to take away answer keys

Aragon: No, this one relates to requesting recordings like from police officers.

Garfinkle: What would it take away exactly?

Aragon: It takes away ability to get audio and video recordings from the Department of Public Safety, and you can only request these recordings if they are not for evidence, and it enacts a time limit. If it hurt the case, they could withhold the recording. The representative author stated that it was gutted in committee, and it was no longer her intent and now it hurts the Open Records Act.

Hueffed: Would it face a legal challenge or is this in line with existing laws?

Aragon: I'm not sure; I'm not a lawyer. I don't think it breaks any laws; it just makes it much harder to be transparent.

**Recommendation of Do Pass Skelton, sec Pae**

930409 A Resolution Responding to HB 1362 (Aragon/Sample)

**Crisp, sec Skelton**

Aragon: This is written by the same rep, Claudia Griffith. Right now all public schools have a committee of nine people to recommend bullying restrictions. In Norman, three girls were bullied following a sexual assault, and this bill would help with future similar incidences by providing victims and other students improved bullying resources and education.

Cramm: Will you accept a friendly sending it to Kathleen M?

Aragon: Yes

Crisp: Did this pass through Committee today with a Rec of Do Pass?

Aragon: I would ask for a friendly to instead say we urge them to pass

Crisp: Will you accept friendly?

Aragon: Yes

Crisp: Add me as co-sponsor?

Elwick: Friendly to send to speaker of the house?

**Recommendation of Do Pass Pae, sec Crisp**

**Move Out of Committee of the Whole, Pae, sec Crisp**

**Student Concerns**

**Old Business**

**Items to Be Considered**

930109 HCSA Update Act (Molina) (Do Pass-ConAd)

**Pae, sec Crisp**

Molina: This portion hasn't been updated since 1986, and HCSA just updated their Constitution, I thought it would be a good time

Garfinkle: Is HCSA cool with these changes?

Molina: Yes, I worked with their President.

**Consent without objection**

930201 A Resolution Regarding the Live On, University Campaign (Pae) (Do Pass-Exec) (Do Pass-AA)

**Hasan, sec Nigh**

Pae: 2015 is our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of OU, and it will be commemorated by the Live On, University Campaign, and part of that is adding more scholarships to all students. We support this because for a lot of students it is out of reach.

Berry: Would you be willing to accept a friendly amendment adding members of the campaign's exec cabinet?

Pae: Yes

**Consent without objection**

930406 A Resolution Expressing Condolences for the North Carolina Tragedy (Hasan) (Do Pass-Exec)

**Skelton, sec Elwick**

Hasan: We want to send condolences to the victims of North Carolina. I believe that everyone should have the right to practice their religion without retribution, and the victims sought to serve their community and those less fortunate. This was a real tragedy.

Thompson: Accept Friendly adding me co-sponsor?

Hasan: Yes

Cramm: Also send to the SGA of NC-both universities attended

Hasan: Yes

Crisp: Accept Scriveners'

**Consent without objection**

930407 A Resolution Responding to Senate Bill 733 (Sample/Aragon) (Do Pass-EA)

**Crisp, sec Skelton**

Sample: This makes it more difficult to get married in OK. SB 733 modifies the marriage license application to include blood tests and clearance of "syphilis, and other communicable and infectious diseases." The tests must be within 30 days from application. This is too vague and should not prohibit you to get a marriage license. Again, this is too vague. Common cold, mono, and flu could be included. This is silly, and we don't want them to consider it.

Skelton: If you test positive you won't be allowed to apply?

Sample: Yes.

Nigh: What is the motivation?

Sample: Don't want to speculate, but could mirror right to know states.

Thompson: Is this not discriminatory even without the vagueness?

Sample: Vagueness is the main problem

Crisp: Are you wanting them to not consider it at all?

Sample: Yes

Crisp: Would you consider a friendly amendment to something making the terms more defined?

Sample: No, the entire intent would have to change, and they don't have enough time.

Garfinkle: This would include pre-marital sex resulting in syphilis passed between partners?

Sample: Yes

Heuffed: So this would include a chronic disease that is transmittable?

Sample: Yes

Heuffed: Who is the co-author?

Sample: My sister, who is a certified Medical Laboratory Scientist. I went to her for information because she would be the person conducting the tests.

Watts: Do they provide a measurement of a communicable disease?

Sample: No

Watts: Do you see sub-section C that they relegate that to the State Board of Health?

Sample: This is so vague that they would have too much power to dictate

Benjamin: Doctor has the choice to say yes or no?

Sample: Affidavit says you are clear at blood test, so they cannot sign it if that is not true.

Benjamin: What is the requirement now?

Sample: There is none.

Bourland: Isn't it wise for these reps to trust the health board?

Sample: They should have been more specific.

Aragon: Is it appropriate to narrow it down to HIV and not allow those people to get married?

Sample: No, I do not think you should prevent someone from getting married because they have an illness. I also think it takes a "right to know" state laws too far. A Right to know state requires the partner to sign saying they are aware of the disease.

**Motion to extend time by 5 Minutes Crisp Sec Pae**

Crisp: Would you be willing to accept a friendly amendment adding "30 days"

Sample: No

Crisp: How is it truly prohibiting people from obtaining a marriage license ever?

Sample: Whenever you have a blood test for things like HIV, you have a communicable disease and a doctor cannot sign an affidavit saying you are free of any communicable disease.

Park: Would any doctor be able to sign the affidavit?

Sample: Doctor would have to order the blood test, read them, and then sign the affidavit. This is very expensive.

Watts: Would you think it was okay if it instead read to test for curable STD's?

Sample: Nope, many times, people cannot take the treatment i.e. syphilis. Again, I do not think that one should be prohibited to apply for a marriage license on the basis of a disease.

Thompson: Would any amendment change the intent?

Sample: Example?

Thompson: Would amending this piece saying "STD's" change it?

Sample: This would not cover all of the issues with the original piece of legislation

**Move to Extend Time to the End of Author's Answer, Bourland, sec Skelton**

**Move to roll call vote, Bourland, sec Rowell**

**Passed by Roll Call Vote 32-1-1**

930408 A Resolution Responding to HB 1361 (Aragon/Sample)

930409 A Resolution Responding to HB 1362 (Aragon/Sample)

**Move 930408 and 930409 as a Block, Bourland, sec Park**

Aragon: Yield my time as we already discussed in Committee of the Whole

**Consent without objection**

930505 An Act Requesting Congressional Initiative Funds for the Seal (Bourland) (Do Pass-P&P)

**Pae, sec Crisp**

Bourland: This bill will spend \$1700 and some change to put chains around the seal. It is expensive because steel and powder coating it is also expensive and for the posts. Matt OK'd that the funds are there. If it stops people from walking on it, I think that is great. They will unclip so they can be removed for special occasions. The seal costs \$90,000 and I think we should do all we can to protect it. Congress was in favor of protecting it before

Benjamin: How much do we spend in the Congressional Initiatives Fund?

Bourland: This is the first time we have ever had it

Benjamin: What else do we want to use it for?

Bourland: Whatever you want. You write the bill, and we pass it and you can use those funds.

Marhanka: Since the graduates walking across undo the point of the chains?

Bourland: If David Boren had a problem with that, he would undo that tradition. We have 3000, maybe 1000 spring and fall graduates walk across it. Less than half will probably walk across it, I suspect. But that one day will not compare to hundreds of people from daily traffic.

Skelton: Would you accept a friendly amendment to add me and others as co-authors?

Bourland: Yes

Thompson: Since the seal isn't going anywhere, should we protect it?

Bourland: Yes

Yoo: Will the chain hurt the aesthetics?

Bourland: No, I don't think so

Crisp: Explain the title?

Bourland: I thought it was clever

Crisp: Would you accept a friendly amendment to remove the "Ourselves?"

Bourland: No, I think it is funny

Tran: Do you think that if David Boren felt as strongly as you say, he would buy it himself?

Bourland: I cannot make assertions of David Boren's thoughts

Yoo: Do you think we should do this again since we had the chain once before already?

Bourland: Never chains, only yellow tape

Yoo: Do you not think that people are aware of the presence of the seal?

Bourland: I think they are aware, but still walk over it

Hueffed: Did the estimate come from the people putting it up?

Bourland: yes, there will be no additional costs

Cramm: if it ends up being more, we will need to write another

Crisp: Will you organize an unveiling party?

Bourland: I'm not sure yet. I have no plans currently.

Hasan: Provide a list of reasons of why the chain is needed?

Bourland: I think it is inherent, my author's ex, and previous legislation we wrote all support why we should do this.

Hasan: Would you accept a friendly amendment explaining what is the lifetime of the seal? And why do we need the chains?

Bourland: I think it is not necessary

**Move to Roll Call Vote, Crisp, sec Benjamin**

**Passed by Roll Call Vote 28-2-0**

930506 Emergency Allocation #10 (Cramm) (Do Pass-WAM)

**Crisp, sec Park**

Cramm: This is EA #4. It funds the Society of Chinese Students and Scholars \$200, the Intercollegiate Athletes Administration Student Association \$250, the German Club \$300, and the Colleges Against Cancer \$450.

Benjamin: What is PEA?

Cramm: Programs, Events, and activities.

Marhanka: How long will this money last?

Cramm: Until May 1<sup>st</sup>, end of fiscal

Balangué: How much will be left?

Cramm: Just under \$8000.

**Move to Roll Call Vote, Pae, sec Crisp**

**Passed by Roll Call Vote 30-1-0**

930604 An Act Appointing a Representative (ConAd) (Do Pass-ConAd)

**Hasan, sec Pae**

Nigh: We had interviews to fill the Social Science seat. We had two applicants; we were disappointed in how difficult it ended up being because they were both so well-qualified. We picked Kaylee Rains.

Skelton: Will this change her committee assignment?

Nigh: No

**Consent without objection**

**New Business**

**Follow-Up Reports**

Skelton: Conversion Therapy went through committee today, it passed that committee

Crisp: With Do Pass?

Aragon: Yes

**Items for Future Agenda**

Skelton: Survey regarding minor programs in Gaylord (AA, then ConAd)

Bourland: Requesting 125<sup>th</sup> seal on all 2015 diplomas (Exec)

**Announcements and Comments**

Bourland: If you want to help the seal, let me know

Page: We have a snapchat at the Daily now!

Garfinkle: Hope for Kids at O'Connell's

Skelton: Selling Yankee Candles-let me know if you want to buy them for my camp counselor gig for kids whose family has cancer.

Crisp: History of the SGA Wall and moving the UOSA, any ideas you want to see, come talk to me. Will go on Forum

**Move to Suspend the Rules and Adjourn Bourland, sec Johnson**

**Final Roll Call**

Chair: Lauren Aragon  
 Vice-Chair: Connor Bourland  
 Secretary: Emily Sample

<b>Session 93</b>	<b>General 2-24</b>	930407	930505	930506
Alford, Travis	x	y	y	y
Arlan, Jordan	x			
Baker, J.D.	abs			
Balanguie, Michael	x	y	y	y
Bellafiore, Robert	ex			
Benjamin, Morgan	x	y	y	y
Berry, Carl	x	a	y	y
Bourland, Connor	x	y	y	y
Carter II, Christopher	ex			
Cashon, Cari Anne	ex			
Chen, Xiaoyi	x	y	y	y
Cramm, Matthew	x	y	y	y
Crisp, Timothy	x	n	y	y
Droege, Dylan	x	y		
Echols, Ryan	ex			
Elwick, Kara	x	y	y	y
Franzese, Jamie	x	y		
Garfinkle, Sarah	x	y	y	y
Hasan, Alyass	x	y	y	y
Holland, Daniel	x	y	y	y
Hudson, Todd	abs			
Hueffed, Garrett	x	y	y	y
Hughes, Eric	x	y	y	y
Johnson, Nathaniel	x	y	y	y
Kebede, Hawi Burka	ex			
Khan, Eihab	x	y	y	y
Kirby, Bryan	x	y	y	y
Marhanka, Liza	x	y	y	n
Mills, Sydney	x	y		
Molina, Luis	x	y	y	y
Naberhaus, Bryce	abs			
Nigh, Ryan	x	y	y	y
Owens, Alexandra	ex			
Pae, Daniel	x	y	y	y

Rains, Kaylee	x	y	y	y
Park, Conor	x			y
Riley, Kendall	x	y	y	y
Rowell, Anna Marie	x	y		
Sample, Emily	x	y	y	y
Scott, Cassie	x	y	y	y
Short, Jamison	x	y	y	y
Skelton, Emery	x	y	y	y
Tran, Sydany	x	y	n	y
Watts, Trevor	x	y	y	y
Witt, Alyssa	ex			
Yoo, Jiyoun	x	y	n	y
<b>Attending</b>	36	32	28	30
<b>Excused</b>	7	1	2	1
<b>Absent</b>	3	1	0	0

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930408

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution responding to HB 1361; and providing for  
distribution.

Whereas: KFOR reports that experts think HB 1361 could render public information requests useless;  
and

Whereas: HB 1361 would give state officials the authority to choose whether to grant public  
information requests; and

Whereas: The stated intent of HB 1361 is to protect sensitive information recorded by videos taken by  
law enforcement officials; and

Whereas: HB 1361 limits open records requests regarding law enforcement to : “audio and video  
recordings of investigative detentions, traffic stops or custodial arrest;” and

Whereas: Senator Holt has stated that “[the bill, as written] will be the most anti-transparency  
legislation that [the Oklahoma House] has ever passed;” and

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

**Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress feels that HB 1361 goes too far in gutting the Open  
Records Act.

Section 2: The Oklahoma House of Representatives should not pass HB 1361.

**Section 2:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David L. Boren
- Representative Claudia Griffith
- Representative Emily Virgin
- Representative Shane Stone
- Representative John Michael Montgomery
- Representative Ken Walker
- Senator David Holt
- *OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*

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Action taken by Congress:

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930409

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution responding to HB 1362; and providing for  
distribution.

Whereas: HB 1362 requires all public common education schools to have their safe school committee make recommendations on the development of rape or sexual assault response programs; and

Whereas: Such programs, according to HB 1362, would inform students and school staff on appropriate emotional response and victim support needs following a rape or sexual assault incident; and

Whereas: HB 1362 is timely consider the recent bullying of rape victims at Norman High School; and

Whereas: HB 1362 is part of a larger debate regarding the importance of appropriate responses to sexual assault in educational institutions throughout the state; and

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

**Section 1:** The Undergraduate Student Congress feels that providing assistance to navigate incredibly difficult situations, like how to respond appropriately to victims of sexual assault, has been widely unavailable up to this point and is a vital program that ought to be implemented.

**Section 2:** The Undergraduate Student Congress urges the Common Education Committee to consider HB 1362.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President David L. Boren
- Representative Claudia Griffith
- Representative Ann Coody
- Representative Michael Rogers
- Representative Chad Caldwell
- Representative Ed Cannaday
- Representative Dennis Casey
- Representative Donnie Condit
- Representative Dan Fisher
- Representative Katie Henke
- Representative John Paul Jordan
- Representative Sally Kern

- Representative Jeannie McDaniel
- Representative Jason Nelson
- Representative Jadine Nollan
- Representative Shane Stone
- Representative Chuck Strohm
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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GS-15

March 8, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930201

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution expressing support for OU's Live On, University Campaign, which will help students in terms of receiving more scholarships and opportunities; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma will be celebrating its 125th anniversary in 2015; and

Whereas: Over the past 125 years, the University of Oklahoma has positively impacted countless students' lives through leadership and service opportunities; and

Whereas: In honor of OU's 125th anniversary, the University has launched the Live On, University Campaign, a \$500 million private fundraising campaign, of which the largest component is to raise \$100 million to provide undergraduate scholarships and graduate fellowships; and

Whereas: With an emphasis on providing more scholarships and opportunities for students, the Live On, University Campaign has much potential.

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

Section 1: The student body of the University of Oklahoma supports the Live On, University Campaign for its focus on improving the spectacular Sooner Experience.

Section 2: We hope that this fundraising campaign achieves its goals and that students will be provided with more scholarships and opportunities to be successful.

Section 3: Due to the rising costs of higher education, we fully support President Boren and the University of Oklahoma in seeking funding to increase the quantity and quality of scholarships at the University of Oklahoma.

Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma
- Jim Day, Co-chair of Live On, University Campaign
- Bonnie Kennedy, Co-chair of Live On, University Campaign
- *The OU Daily*
- OU Nightly

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930406

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution commemorating the lives of the victims of the Chapel Hill, North Carolina shooting; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Each person has the right to practice his/her beliefs according to the first amendment of the US Constitution; and
- Whereas: The three victims, Deah Barakat, Yusor Abu-Salha and Razan Abu-Salha, were Muslim American who served their community by helping others; and
- Whereas: Deah Barakat was collecting donations to help Syrian refugees and after his tragedy the donation raised by \$400,000; and
- Whereas: The continued prevalence of sectarianism in our society needs to be replaced by religious tolerance on the basis of respect for all humanity
- Whereas: Peace and love create a better community to work as one unit with respect to race, and religion; and

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

**Section 1:** The University of Oklahoma undergraduate student body offers its heartfelt condolences to the victims and their families of the tragic shooting on Tuesday February 10, 2015, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina near campus of the University of North Carolina and to the faculty, administration and staff, and their families who have been deeply affected by the tragic events that occurred there.

**Section 2:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- William “Randy” Woodson, Chancellor of North Carolina State University
- Thomas W. Ross, President of University of North Carolina
- *OU Daily*
- *OU Nightly*
- *KFOR News*
- *The Oklahoman*
- *Chapel Hill News*
- *WNCN News*
- *WRAL News*
- *The Daily Tar Heel*

- *The University Gazette*
- *The Technician*
- *NC State News*

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 930407

AS INTRODUCED

A Resolution responding to OK SB 733; and providing for  
distribution.

Whereas: Oklahoma Senate Bill 733 alters the marriage application to require an affidavit from a doctor to prove that the persons are free from “syphilis and other communicable or infectious diseases” and are at least no longer contagious before they can get their marriage license; and

Whereas: Communicable diseases is incredibly non-specific and includes very common ailments such as the common cold, the flu, strep throat and mono; and

Whereas: Many diseases will test positive after the illness has been treated for the rest of the patient’s life for illnesses such as herpes (without distinguishing between strains), mono, and strep throat because of cross-reactivity between assays or they are an antibody test; and

Whereas: No single blood test could screen for all communicable illnesses, and running these battery of blood tests could prove prohibitively expensive to either the patients or the state; and

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

**Section 1:** The student body of the University of Oklahoma opposes Senate Bill 733, as it will impede young families from being able to begin their lives together as this legislation’s definitions are excessively vague, and violates their rights.

**Section 2:** Hence, we urge the Oklahoma State Legislature not to consider SB 733.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Senator Anthony Sykes
- Senator Brian Crain
- Senator Corey Brooks
- Senator Kay Floyd
- Senator AJ Griffin
- Senator David Holt
- Senator John Sparks
- Senator Rob Standridge
- Senator Roger Thompson
- Senator Greg Treat
- President David L. Boren
- *OU Daily*



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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930505

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act authorizing the purchase of decorative chain to be placed around the South Oval Seal with the Congressional Initiatives Fund , providing for a short title, providing effective date, and providing distribution.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “We’ll Buy it Ourselves Act of 2015.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act is inherent in the As Introduced.

**Section 3:** The Undergraduate Student Congress hereby authorizes the purchase and installation of decorative chain to be placed around the South Oval Seal at a cost of \$1,712 to be paid from the Congressional Initiatives Fund.

**Section 4:** This act has the approval and blessing of President Boren and shall be effective immediately.

**Section 5:** Copies of this act shall be distributed to:  
David L. Boren, President of the University of Oklahoma  
Brian Ellis, Director of Facilities Management  
*The Oklahoma Daily*  
*OU Nighly*

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GS-15

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930506  
SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2014-2015 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

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

**Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Emergency Allocation #10” Act of 2015.

**Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

**Section 3:** APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to:

Name of Organization	Total Allocation	P/E/A	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses
Intercollegiate Athletics Administration Student Association	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Colleges Against Cancer	\$450.00	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$50.00
German Club	\$300.00	\$300.00	0.00	0.00
Society of Chinese Students and Scholars	\$200	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,200.00</b>	<b>\$1,150.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>

**Section 4:** All guidelines and provisions in the Comprehensive SGA Financial Responsibilities Act shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

**Section 5:** This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 2, 2015

**Section 6:** All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 2, 2015, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

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

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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930604

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure appointing an Representative to  
Session 93; providing for a short title, providing for  
codification, and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as “Another Appointment Act of Session 93.”

**Section 2:** APPOINTMENT In accordance with Student Congress Bylaws §3.2 ¶3.A.5(1), the following Representative member is hereby appointed:

Rep. Kaylee Rains

Social Sciences

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

Author(s): Congressional Administration Committee

Co-Author(s): Lauren Aragon, Student Congress Chair  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCIII

February 24, 2015

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF-15

March 8, 2015

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 930109

SENATE BILL NO. GS15-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act amending the SGA Code Annotated to update portions concerning Residential Governments; providing for a short title, providing for codification, and providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Residential Governments Updates Act of 2015.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: To update the SGA Code Annotated in order to align with the current practices and Constitution of the Housing Center Student Association.
- Section 3:** Title VI, Chapter 2 of the SGA Code Annotated shall be amended to read as follows:

**Title VI – Resident Governments**

**Chapter 1 – General Provisions**

**1. Membership**

The Residential Governments of the SGA shall be comprised as follows: Housing Center Student Association President; Commuter Student Association President; Interfraternity Council President; Panhellenic Association President; and National Pan-Hellenic Council President.

**2. Residential Government Presidents**

The Residential Government Presidents of the SGA shall be as follows: Housing Center Student Association President; Commuter Student Association President; Interfraternity Council President; Panhellenic Association President; and National Pan-Hellenic Council President.

**3. Residential Presidents**

The Residential Presidents of the SGA shall be as follows: Those presidents of organizations under the jurisdiction of the Residential Government Presidents, including Residence Hall Presidents in University Housing; and Presidents of fraternities and sororities.

**a. Role**

Each ~~Center Residential~~ President shall be the chief executive officer of his/her defined center or organization. ~~All resident hall presidents shall be responsible to their respective center presidents.~~

**~~b. Residence~~**

~~Each Center President shall reside in his/her district during his/her term of office. A Center President who is involuntarily moved from his/her district by University Action or Action of God shall be allowed to serve out the remainder of his/her term.~~

**e b. Terms**

~~The term of office of the Housing Center Student Association President, Commuter Student Association President, and National Pan-Hellenic Council President, and Campus Activities Council Chair shall coincide with the term of the SGA President shall be elected in the Spring SGA Election~~  
The Interfraternity Council President, Panhellenic Association President, and Latino Greek Council President shall be elected in the Fall SGA Election. The term of office shall be January 1 to December 31 of the year following each Fall SGA Election.

**d c. Other Employment**

No employee in a SGA stipend position shall be employed by the University of Oklahoma in a position that could be considered a conflict of interest. Neither shall he/she accept any special favors or privileges from any university employee or student or outside source which might in any way compromise his/her position and responsibilities while in office. This does not intend to include traditional and recognized academic and athletic compensation in the form of scholarships, fellowships, grants of other similar aid, or employment, which clearly does not represent a conflict of interest. Notification of other employment must be submitted to the office of the SGA General Counsel prior to elections for the purpose of determining a conflict of interest.

**e d. Special Privileges**

Special privilege means a privilege, not conferred upon the regular student body, but conferred on center presidents solely because of their position. Special privileges are only prohibited when such privilege compromises, in any way, the office. To determine whether an impermissible special privilege has been granted, it must be determined whether the privilege was solely because of one's position and whether the privilege compromises the office.

## Chapter 2 – Governments

### 4. Housing Center Student Association

Membership in the Housing Center Student Association (HCSA) shall consist of the student all resident of the following residence halls: Adams Center, Cate Center, Couch/Cross Center, University Apartments Center, and Walker Center, Kraettli Apartment Complex, Traditions Square East Apartment Complex, and Traditions Square West Apartment Complex.

**a. Role**

~~The HCA~~ HCSA shall strive to maintain a working relationship with the SGA. The Housing Center Student Association shall be a student organization and not a member of the Legislative, Judicial, Executive, or Programming Branch.

The purpose of the Housing Center Student Association is to enhance the living and learning environment of the university's residential community through programming, advocacy, and service.

**b. Resident Student Associations**

Membership of HCSA shall be divided into Resident Student Associations (RSAs) as determined by the center or apartment complex in which the student resides, in accordance to the HCSA Constitution.

**b c. Housing Center Student Association General Council**

**i. Power**

The ~~Housing Center Association (HCA)~~ HCSA General Council shall have ~~the all legislative powers with respect to to set policies affecting housing and the Housing Center Student Association. The HCA Council shall meet on a regular basis and have power to recommend policy to the HCA director. The HCA Council shall have the power to legislate an absence policy for the HCA Council. The HCA Council shall have the power to draft a constitution and set of by laws to govern themselves which should include the policies dealing with the attendance policy, filling HCA Council vacancies and any other matters directly affecting the governing of the Housing Center Association.~~

## **ii. Membership**

The ~~HCA~~ HCSA General Council shall consist of ~~three~~ ten voting members from each constituted housing center RSA or as outlined in the HCSA Constitution. ~~Housing Center Presidents shall be members of the HCA Council. Two members of each Housing Center shall also serve as members of the HCA Council. One shall be elected in the Fall SGA election and the other shall be elected in the Spring SGA election. Should either of the elected HCA Council representatives cease to be regularly enrolled students of the University of Oklahoma Fall or Spring semesters, resign, or move out of their elected centers, that representative shall be removed from his/her seat and the respective Center President's Council shall fill that seat until the next SGA election.~~

## **iii. Quorum**

~~A quorum of the HCA Council shall consist of no less than 2/3 of the body.~~

## **iv. Secretary/Treasurer**

~~The HCA Director shall appoint with the advice and consent of a majority of the HCA Council a Secretary/Treasurer whose term shall run concurrent with that of the HCA Director. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be responsible for the keeping of the minutes and attendance of HCA Council meetings. The Secretary/Treasurer shall share the powers of financial administration and responsibility with the HCA Director. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be responsible for distributing the minutes to the HCA Council, the HCA Director, the HCA Advisory, and the Chair of Congress.~~

## **e d. Housing Center Student Association Director President**

~~There shall be a Housing Center Student Association Director President.~~

### **i. Election**

~~The Director President shall be elected by a majority of residence hall students voting in the Spring SGA General Election. If no candidate receives a majority in the general election a run-off will be held between the two candidates receiving the highest pluralities of votes cast in accordance with the SGA Election Procedures Act.~~

### **ii. Term**

~~The HCA Director's term of office shall coincide with the term of the SGA President. Should the Director President cease to be a regularly enrolled student at the University of Oklahoma for the Fall or Spring semesters, be impeached, or otherwise vacate the position, a replacement shall be named by a majority vote of all members of the HCA HCSA General Council. If the President shall vacate the position or be aware of an impending vacancy before the Fall SGA Election, the position shall be filled at that time. 1/2 of the term of the HCA Director should be left, the position shall be filled by the Fall SGA Election. The HCA Director shall not be a member of the HCA Council, nor shall Center Presidents serve as HCA Director until such time as the Center President's regular term of office has expired. Should a member of the HCA Council be selected to serve as HCA Director, he/she shall~~



~~immediately relinquish his/her seat on the HCA Council. The HCA Director shall not be directly employed by the University in any other capacity.~~

**iii. Removal**

~~The HCA Director~~ HCSA President shall be removed from office with a 2/3 majority vote of the HCSA General Council ~~total body of the HCA Council.~~

**~~iv. Role in Housing Center Association Council~~**

~~The Housing Center Association Director shall act as Chair over the HCA Council. The HCA Director shall appoint an Assistant Director who will chair the HCA Council and have full executive powers in the event of the HCA Director's absence. The HCA Director shall have the right to veto any policy recommended by the HCA Council. The HCA Council shall have the right to override any veto by a 2/3 majority vote of the body. The HCA Director shall have the right to vote in the HCA Council only in the case of a tie. The HCA Director shall be responsible for informing the SGA President as to the needs, interests, activities and programs concerning the Housing Center Association. The HCA Director shall be responsible for taking policies recommended by the HCA Council to the proper authority (Undergraduate Student Congress, Housing Programs, Food Services, Parking and Transportation, CART...).~~

**e. Housing Center Student Association Vice President of Internal Affairs**

The HCSA Vice President of Internal Affairs (VPIA) shall serve as the Chair of the HCSA General Council. The VPIA will assume the duties of the HCSA President if he/she is unable to do so.

**~~d. Presidential Appointments~~**

~~The Housing Center Student Association President has the power to appoint, with the advice and consent of the Housing Center Student Association Council, a Vice President, Secretary, a National Communications Coordinator, and any other officer necessary to help with the execution of his/her duties and powers.~~

**e f. Impeachment**

Because neither the Housing Center Student Association nor its President is a member of the Legislative, Judicial, Programming, or Executive Branch, the Housing Student Association President is not subject to impeachment and removal proceedings of the SGA Legislative Branch.

**Section 4:** This act shall become effective, while in accordance with the SGA Code Annotated, immediately following passage and approval.

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