SENATE BILL No. GF09-18

AS INTRODUCED

An Act amending the UOSA Graduate Student Senate By-Laws; amending eligibility to serve as a Senator and as a Senate Officer; assuring consistency within the bylaws of the UOSA Graduate Student Senate; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE:

SECTION 1 This act shall be known as the “UOSA Graduate Student Senate Eligibility Act Fall 2009”.

SECTION 2 Deleted words or phrases are shown by strikethrough and added words or phrases are shown by italics.

SECTION 3 Section 1(I), defining “Graduate Students” is hereby amended to show the following change:

I. “Graduate Students” are those students currently enrolled on the Norman campus in the Graduate College or College of Law.

All Graduate Student are eligible to:
1. Select the voting members of the Senate from their Department;
2. Attend meetings of the Senate as non-voting representatives of their Department; and
3. Serve as voting members of the Senate when selected by their Departmental colleagues, provided that they are students in Good Standing with the Department and have not previously been expelled from the Senate.

Graduate Students not serving as a Senator are ineligible to:
1. Speak at Senate meetings unless granted the floor by an active Senator; or
2. Vote on legislation presented to the Senate.

SECTION 4 Section 3(B) defining Standing Rules of Order will hereby be amended to show the following change:

B. Senators shall be empowered, so long as all Legislation is in

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compliance with Senate Standing Rules of Order, to:

1. Vote on any Legislation introduced in either Meetings or Committee Meetings;
2. Introduce Legislation for Senate consideration; and
3. Introduce amendments to any Legislation under consideration by the Senate or in committee.

SECTION 5 Section 5(A)(2) defining eligibility of Senators for officer positions is hereby amended to show the following change:

2. To serve as an officer, a Senator must be in Good Standing and must have served the entire preceding one full semester excluding summer session as a Senator or Officer.

SECTION 6 This act shall become effective immediately upon passage in accordance with the University of Oklahoma Student Association Graduate Student Senate bylaws.

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Verified by Chair of Senate: ____________________________ Date: _____________