Application Form to Submit Legislation to the GSS Executive Committee

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Title of Legislation: An Act to Appoint Election Board Members

Type of Legislation: Act of Legislation

Section 1: Status Quo

The UOSA Spring General Election will be taking place on March 29th and 30th. In order for this important event to come to fruition, an election staff is necessary.

The Election Board and its role is defined within Title VII of the Code Annotated and the appointed members, upon approval, will fulfill the duties outlined within this title.

Section 2: Intent of Legislation

The intent of this legislation is to provide the Election Chair with board members to contribute to the logistical planning of the elections. Additionally, this board is necessary for the constitutionality of the election. After the applications were accepted, an interview process allowed the Election Chair to appoint qualified students both on the basis of merit, integrity, and displaying qualities that would allow them to work as a cohesive group.

Section 3: Anticipated Harms and Benefits of the new Legislation

The benefits of this legislation include giving the election staff an adequate amount of time in planning and preparing for the Spring General Election.

The anticipated harms include delaying preparations for the elections, as well as infringing upon the necessary steps to be taken in the coming weeks to hold a credible electoral process – including the time for candidates to file and campaign.
AS INTRODUCED

An act of legislation advising and consenting to the
Appointment of the UOSA Election Members for the Spring 2011
term; providing for codification; providing for a
short title; stating purpose; 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 An Act Consenting to the
Appointment of the UOSA Election Board Members.

Section 2: PURPOSE: The purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title, in accordance with Article IV, Section
4 (1) of the UOSA Constitution “The Student President shall have power, with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Branch, to nominate and appoint all officers of the UOSA not otherwise provided for.” Additionally, in
accordance with Article III, Section 5 (2) of the UOSA Constitution, “Both Houses of the Legislative
Branch will, by a majority vote in each, confirm or deny such nominations as the Student President shall from time to
time be called upon to make.”

Section 3: CONSENT. UOSA Election Board Members:
Kaitlyn Hirnes Cole Jackson Kristen Lauck Miranda Shaughnessy Gabby Skillings

Section 4: This legislation will become effective immediately when passed in accordance with the UOSA
Constitution.

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Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by the Undergraduate Student Congress:

Verified by Chair: _______________________________ Date: __________

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