AS INTRODUCED
An amendment relating to the Integrity Council; providing for codification; providing for a short title; and providing for an effective date

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This amendment may be known and shall be cited as the Integrity Council Update Act

Section 2: PURPOSE. To update the UOSACA as it relates to the Integrity Council

Section 3: AMENDATORY. Title XI, Chapter 5 shall be amended to read as follows:

Title XI—UOSA Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Chapter 5—Integrity Council

Name
There shall be a UOSA Integrity Council which shall be an organ of the Executive Branch.

Purpose
The purposes of The Pal Randhawa Academic Integrity Act of 2003, the Stidham-Sangiardi Academic Integrity Reform Act, and this chapter include affirming the academic integrity of the students of the University of Oklahoma, aspiring to an environment of integrity created and upheld by the actions and values of students, recognizing the urgency of a commitment to the highest standards of academic integrity, and resolving to make academic integrity a source of pride for the students of UOSA. The University of Oklahoma Student Association established this agenda for academic integrity, created by students, operated by students, and serving the students of the University of Oklahoma and their commitment to academic integrity.

Duties
The Council shall implement the provisions of this Act and oversee the application of the UOSA Statement of Academic Integrity. The Council shall promote high standards of academic integrity. Activities toward this end may include but shall not be limited to: advocacy for academic integrity in campus fora, presentations to students and student groups, media and publicity campaigns, education
of students on the nature and meaning of academic misconduct. Members of the Council shall serve as members of academic misconduct hearings at the request of the various colleges.

Membership
Membership in the UOSA Integrity Council is voluntary. The Council shall strive to represent all academic disciplines, compiling its membership from each College on the University of Oklahoma Norman Campus.

Appointment
Applications for appointment to the Integrity Council shall be made available no later than the Council's April General Meeting. Applicants appointed to the Council shall be informed in sufficient time, allowing for their attendance to the final general meeting of the spring semester. Following selection of new members, the Chair of the Council shall forward the list of appointees to the UOSA President from which the President shall choose from and shall introduce in legislation for the official appointment of the new Council members in accordance with the UOSA Constitution and the UOSACA. Additionally, the Chair of the Council by March 1 of each Spring Semester shall submit the names of all current Council members to the Chair of the Graduate Student Senate and the Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress for a retention vote by a simple majority. If the Congress and Senate do not take action on the measure by the end of the same Spring semester then all members of the Council shall be retained.

Attendance
The Council shall set its own attendance requirements.

Quorum
Quorum for the Council shall consist of an appropriate majority of the members of the Council. Unoccupied seats of membership shall not count for or against quorum.

Ex-Officio Members
Chair of the Senate Academic Affairs Committee, and Chair of the Congress Academic Affairs Committee, shall be ex-officio members of the Council, subject to the same rules and regulations of all council members per the UOSA Integrity Council bylaws.

Removal
Any Council member shall be removed by a vote of a majority of the Council, or two-thirds vote of the Legislature. The Council shall have the power to modify the membership requirements and the specifics of membership as the need arises.

High-Offices
Council membership shall not be considered a high office regarding concurrent service.

Officers
The permanent offices in the Integrity Council shall be the Office of the Chair, the Office of the Vice Chair, the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Webmaster, the Office of the Treasurer, the Office of Public Relations, the office of the Oklahoma Business Ethics Consortium Student Representative, and the office of the Historian. Elections for the offices within the Integrity Council shall take place during the spring semester of every school year. Members wishing to run for an office must state which office they wish to run for, and a simple majority is require for the person to be elected to hold office. In the event that only one person is nominated for a specific office, he or she shall be accepted by acclamation following a voice vote on the matter. It is during these elections that the previous Chair may nominate a member for a particular office. No member may hold more than 2 offices, and the same person may not hold the Office of the Chair and the Office of
the Vice-Chair. The Integrity Council shall have the authority to redefine the duties and officer positions as the need arises.

**Procedure**
The Council shall establish its own rules of procedure, which shall govern the Council in all cases in which said rules are not inconsistent with higher authority.

**Funding**
The Council shall be eligible to apply for funding from the UOSA Budgetary Procedure.

**Advisor**
An appointee of the Provost shall be the advisor of the Council.

**Statement of Academic Integrity**

**General Form**
The general form of the UOSA Statement of Academic Integrity shall be as follows: On my honor, as a student at the University of Oklahoma, I affirm that will neither give nor receive inappropriate aid in the completion of any academic exercise. I understand that it is my responsibility to comply with the Academic Misconduct Code. The UOSA General Statement of Academic Integrity shall be presented to the student body for signature in the times, locations, and manners as deemed most appropriate by the Council and shall be displayed prominently on campus.

**Particular Exercise Form**
The particular exercise form of the UOSA Statement of Academic Integrity shall be as follows: On my honor I affirm that I have neither given nor received inappropriate aid in the completion of this exercise. The particular exercise form of the UOSA Statement of Academic Integrity shall be signed and turned in with the following academic exercises: Tests and quizzes, Assignments worth more than five percent (5%) of the student’s grade in the course, Any other exercise upon request of the instructor, Any other exercise at the discretion of the student. The statement shall be printed on the exercise or written by the student. A document no larger than one-quarter (1/4) page suitable for photocopying bearing (1) the particular exercise form of the UOSA Statement of Academic Integrity, (2) a place for student signature, and (3) the logo of the UOSA shall be made available to instructors and students for inclusion with academic exercises. It is the intention of the UOSA that a student’s signing or failure to sign shall not in any way be admitted in an academic misconduct hearing.

**Section 4.** AMENDATORY. Any alteration in title, section, and/or header numbering in the UOSACA resultant from this legislation shall be reconfigured appropriately.

**Section 5:** This amendment shall become effective, while in accordance with the UOSACA, immediately following passage and approval.

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