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AS INTRODUCED
An amendment relating to Title XI of the UOSACA; 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 Title XI Update Act

Section 2: PURPOSE. To bring Title XI of the UOSACA up to date with current university operations.

Section 3: AMENDATORY. Title XI of the UOSACA shall be amended to read as follows:

Title XI – UOSA Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Chapter 2—UOSA Advisory Board for Financial Aid

Name
A UOSA Advisory Board for Financial Aid shall be established.

Purpose
The purpose of this Board shall be to directly advise Financial Aid Services at the University of Oklahoma on issues of financial aid policy pertinent to students as well as to help provide solutions to financial aid issues in a way that will maximize benefits to students. This Board shall facilitate communication on financial aid issues between the UOSA Legislature, the student body, and the University administration. The board shall engage in collaborative problem solving and shall provide recommendations on said issues to the Financial Aid office.

Membership
Seven (7) voting members of this Board shall be appointed by the UOSA President, subject to the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch. Membership to this Board shall be based upon area of financial aid interest. The UOSA President shall at minimum attempt to include students whose areas of interest lie in the following categories: merit-based non-athletic scholarship, athletic scholarship, need-based financial aid of an independent, need-based financial aid of a dependent, and special financial aid multicultural. The UOSA President shall have no reason to leave representation from any of these areas vacant if suitable candidates can be found.
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Quorum
Quorum for this Board shall consist of a simple majority of the voting members of the Board. Unoccupied seats of voting membership shall not count for or against quorum.

Chair
At the first meeting of each term, the voting members of this Board shall, from their membership, elect a Chair subject to majority approval. Should the Chair’s position become unoccupied during the term, it shall be filled at the earliest possible time through an identical elective process. The duties of this Chair shall be to coordinate the Board’s activities with the Office of Financial Aid in order to call meetings of the Board and to establish agendas for these meetings.

Appointment
Voting members of this Board shall be appointed for one-year terms beginning in the fall semester and expiring at the beginning of the following fall term.

Vacancies
The UOSA President shall follow those guidelines specified in Sec. 3, above, in filling unoccupied seats of voting membership on this Board. Such appointees shall serve until the beginning of the following fall term.

Removal
Any voting member of this Board may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the Legislature; or, any voting member of this Board may be removed at the recommendation of the UOSA President by a simple majority vote of the Legislature.

Ex-Officio Members
The following individuals shall be non-voting, ex-officio members of this Board: the UOSA President, the Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, the Graduate Student Senate Chair, the Director of Financial Aid (and any Assistants that he/she might deem appropriate for discussing specific agenda items), and an appointee of the Vice President for Student Affairs. Non-voting, ex-officio members shall not count for or against quorum.

Chapter 6—UOSA Joint Advisory Board for Parking and Transit Services

Name
A UOSA Advisory Joint Board for Parking shall be established.

Purpose
The purpose of this Board shall be to directly advise Parking and Transit Services at the University of Oklahoma on issues of parking and transit policy pertinent to students as well as to help provide solutions to parking and transit issues in a way that will maximize benefits to students. This Board shall facilitate communication on parking and transit issues between the UOSA Legislature, the student body, and the University administration. The board shall engage in collaborative problem solving and shall provide recommendations on said issues to the Parking and Transit office as well as to Administrative Affairs.

Membership
Voting members of this Board shall be appointed by a committee composed of the UOSA President, the Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, and the Chair of UOSA Graduate Student Senate, with the advice and consent of the Legislature. The initial appointment of members to each new Board shall include as many appointees as possible. The committee’s recommendations shall be made with unanimous approval from the three (3) preceding individuals. Membership to this Board shall be based upon residential classification. This Board shall consist of three (3) individuals classified as...
Housing students, two (2) individuals classified as Greek-affiliated students (official members of a Greek organization registered under Greek Affairs), and four (4) individuals classified as Commuter students. All members to this Board, at the time of their appointment, shall be official members of either the Undergraduate Student Congress or the UOSA Graduate Student Senate.

**Quorum**

Quorum for this Board shall consist of a simple majority of the voting members of the Board. Unoccupied seats of voting membership shall not count for or against quorum.

**Chair**

At the first meeting of each term, the voting members of this Board shall, from their membership, elect a Chair subject to majority approval. Should the Chair's position become unoccupied during the term, it shall be filled at the earliest possible time through an identical elective process. The duties of this Chair shall be to coordinate the Board's activities with the office of Parking and Transit Services in order to call meetings of the Board and to establish agendas for these meetings.

**Appointment**

The appointing committee shall take the following demographic areas into consideration when appointing the Housing students: priority parking status, non-priority parking status, and Sooner Housing parking. The appointing committee shall take the following demographic areas into consideration when appointing the Greek-affiliated students: residence in a Greek house, non-residence in a Greek house, and after regular hours use of University parking. The appointing committee shall take the following demographic areas into consideration when appointing the Commuter students: use of Lloyd Noble Center parking, use of multipurpose parking on campus, use of graduate and faculty/staff parking, use of law-student parking, use of parking during regular hours, and use of parking after regular hours.

**Terms**

Voting members of this Board shall be appointed for one-year terms from October 1 of the new school year to October 1 of the immediately following school year.

**Vacancies**

The appointing committee shall follow those guidelines specified in Sec. 3 in filling unoccupied seats of voting membership on this Board. Such appointees shall serve until the end of the term on the following October 1.

**Removal**

Any voting member of this Board may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the House in which he or she was a member at the time of appointment.

**Ex-Officio Members**

The following individuals shall be non-voting, ex-officio members of this Board: the UOSA President, the Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, the Graduate Student Senate Chair, a designee of the Health Science Center Student Association, the Director of Parking and Transit Services, the Vice President for Administrative Affairs, and an appointee of the Vice President for Student Affairs. Non-voting, ex-officio members shall not count for or against quorum.

**Chapter 7—UOSA Commission on Equal Access**

**Name**

A UOSA Commission on Equal Access shall be established.

**Purpose**
The purpose of this permanent commission is to aid the UOSA in "Assisting, overseeing and lobbying the administration in addressing issues of accessibility." To further this mission, the Commission is intended to: Help legitimize student lobbying efforts by researching legal, financial and technical issues of disability access; Ensure greater stability and continuity than is possible for a committee within the legislative branch; Solicit and amalgamate student opinion and concerns relating to disability access; Identify student priorities for accessibility improvements; Report regularly to the branches of the UOSA on progress of the commission and of the administration.

Operation
The UOSA Commission of Equal Access shall be an independent entity of the UOSA which shall operate under the supervision and with the assistance of the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress-Chair and Graduate Student Senate-Chair.

Membership
Members of the Commission shall be appointed within the first six (6) weeks of each Fall semester for one (1) year terms. The Commission shall be comprised of nine members selected as follows: Three (3) students not currently serving in the UOSA Legislative Branch, with an interest of special knowledge regarding issues of disability access, selected by the UOSA President with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch. Two (2) students who are members of the Undergraduate Student Congress at the time of appointment, selected by the Chair of Undergraduate Student Congress, with the advice and consent of Undergraduate Student Congress. Two (2) students who are members of the Graduate Student Senate at the time of appointment, selected by the Chair of Graduate Student Senate, with the advice and consent of the Graduate Student Senate. Two (2) students selected by the Association of Disabled Students.

Vacancies
Any vacancy occurring on the Commission shall be filled within (2) two weeks in the manner prescribed in Sec. 4.

Ex-Officio Member
The Assistant Director of Student Support Services for Disabled Student Services shall be a non-voting, ex-officio member of the Commission and may serve in an advisory capacity.

Chair and Vice-Chair
The Commission shall, at its first meeting of the Fall semester, elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among its voting membership. Replacement of these officers shall be at the discretion of the Commission.

Duties
The Commission may undertake any course of actions it sees fit to further its mission. It shall also be required to submit the following to the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress, Graduate Student Senate, and appropriate administration officials: A list of accessibility priorities; submitted before the tenth week of the Fall semester; A report including accessibility priorities; progress made both by the Commission and by the administration during the previous year; recommendations for future action and other relevant information, submitted by the fourth week in April.

Chapter 9—Superlative Selection Committees

Top Ten Freshman
Name
The Committee responsible for naming the Top Ten Freshman shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Top Ten Freshman Selection Committee.
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Membership
The Top Ten Freshman Selection Committee shall consist of five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for Top Ten Freshman.

Chair
One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

Quorum
Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

Selection
The Top Ten Freshman shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's top ten freshman students in leadership, scholarship, and service from the previous academic year. The Top Ten Freshman shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Fall semester.

Publicity
The Top Ten Freshman shall be the recognized top ten freshman students in any official university publications or events.

Applications
Applications for Top Ten Freshman shall be made available to students by the second week of the Fall semester, and shall remain open for a period of six (6) weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

Top Ten Sophomores

Name
The Committee responsible for naming the Top Ten Sophomores shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Top Ten Sophomore Selection Committee.

Membership
The Top Ten Sophomore Selection Committee shall consist of five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for Top Ten Sophomore.

Chair
One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

Quorum
Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

Selection
The Top Ten Sophomore shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's top ten Sophomore students in leadership, scholarship, and service from the previous academic year. The Top Ten Sophomore shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Fall semester.
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Publicity
The Top Ten Sophomore shall be the recognized top ten Sophomore students in any official university publications or events.

Applications
Applications for Top Ten Sophomore shall be made available to students by the second week of the Fall semester, and shall remain open for a period of six (6) weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

Top Ten Juniors

Name
The Committee responsible for naming the Top Ten Juniors shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Top Ten Junior Selection Committee.

Membership
The Top Ten Junior Selection Committee shall consist of: five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for Top Ten Junior.

Chair
One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

Quorum
Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

Selection
The Top Ten Junior shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's top ten Junior students in leadership, scholarship, and service from the previous academic year. The Top Ten Junior shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Fall semester.

Publicity
The Top Ten Junior shall be the recognized top ten Junior students in any official university publications or events.

Applications
Applications for Top Ten Junior shall be made available to students by the second week of the Fall semester, and shall remain open for a period of six (6) weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

Top Ten Seniors

Name
The Committee responsible for naming the Top Ten Seniors shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Top Ten Senior Selection Committee.

Membership
The Top Ten Senior Selection Committee shall consist of: five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the
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Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for Top Ten Senior.

Chair
One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

Quorum
Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

Selection
The Top Ten Senior shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's top ten Senior students in leadership, scholarship, and service from the current academic year. The Top Ten Senior shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Spring semester.

Publicity
The Top Ten Senior shall be the recognized top ten Senior students in any official University publications or events.

Applications
Applications for Top Ten Senior shall be made available to students by the second week of the Spring semester, and shall remain open for a period of six (6) weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

Big Woman on Campus

Name
The Committee responsible for naming the Big Woman on Campus shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Big Woman on Campus Selection Committee.

Membership
The Big Woman on Campus Selection Committee shall consist of: five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for The University of Oklahoma's Big Woman on Campus.

Chair
One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

Quorum
Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

Selection
The University of Oklahoma's Big Woman on Campus shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's most outstanding junior or senior woman in leadership, scholarship, and/or service throughout their careers at OU. The University of Oklahoma's Big Woman on Campus shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Spring semester.

Publicity
The University of Oklahoma's Big Woman on Campus shall be the only recognized Big Woman on Campus students in any official University publications or events.

Applications
Applications for University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus shall be made available to students by the second week of the Spring semester, and shall remain open for a period of at least 6 weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

**Big Man on Campus**

**Name**

The Committee responsible for naming the Big Man on Campus shall be known as the University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus Selection Committee.

**Membership**

The Big Man on Campus Selection Committee shall consist of: five (5) students (one of whom was a previous recipient of the award) jointly appointed by the UOSA President, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair, and Graduate Student Senate Chair, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch; one (1) Staff member from the Center for Student Life; one (1) Staff member from the Office of Student Affairs; one (1) Faculty member appointed by the Provost (Norman Campus). No student member of the committee shall simultaneously apply for The University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus.

**Chair**

One student committee member shall be elected chair of the committee.

**Quorum**

Quorum shall consist of five members of the committee, at least two of whom shall be student members.

**Selection**

The University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus shall be considered the University of Oklahoma's most outstanding junior or senior men in leadership, scholarship, and/or service throughout their careers at OU. The University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus shall be selected in an application and interview process by the tenth week of the Spring semester.

**Publicity**

The University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus shall be the only-recognized Big Men on Campus students in any official university publications or events.

**Applications**

Applications for University of Oklahoma's Big Man on Campus shall be made available to students by the second week of the Spring semester, and shall remain open for a period of at least 6 weeks. The committee shall ensure that sufficient effort has been made to inform students of the availability of applications through the student newspaper and any other means the committee deems appropriate.

Chapter 10 – Student Graduation and Retention Task Force

70. Student Graduation and Retention Task Force Membership

The task force shall be composed of representatives of each academic college. The deans of each academic college are to appoint at least two (2) students from their respective academic college to represent their college on the task force. Two (2) representatives shall be selected by the Academies Department Department of the Association of the UOSA Executive Branch with approval of the UOSA President. Two 2) representatives shall be selected by the Academic Affairs Committee of the UOSA Undergraduate Student Congress with advice and consent of Congress.
Section 4: AMENDATORY. Any alteration in section and header numbering 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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