Session XCVI

Call to Order - 11:06 am
Roll Call
Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes Reid sec Mazeitis

Reports:
- Chair - Today, we're interviewing from 12:00-1:15 then Monday is 3:15-4:30. We will talk about the rest in gen discussion. Going over appointments and creation of new Communications Chairman (will need one amendment).
- Vice Chair - Would like to talk about report in general discussion. Look over sustainabili
- Secretary - No report
- Academic Affairs-
- Congressional Administration
- External Affairs
- Human Diversity
- Problems and Projects
- Public Relations
- Ways and Means
- Legislative Assistant

Special Orders
Old Business

New Business
Items to Be Considered

960101- An Act Appointing Committee Officers for Session 96

Reid sec Mazeitis

Rains: Legislation appointing our committee officers. We will need to move this after sustainability act and communications chairman position. We need to explain that before the meeting in the chair’s report. We haven’t appointed anyone, but we will finish up tomorrow and amend in meeting to reflect the Exec Committee’s decision.

Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid
960104- The Sustainability Act of 2016
Reid sec Mazeitis
Reid: Act establishing the sustainability committee. The numbers are a bit off, shouldn’t be a, b, c, or d but rather 1, 2, 3, 4 which is scriveners. Cuts out public relations, creates sustainability committee to standing rules.
Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid

960105- Terribly More Convenient Act of 2016
Reid sec Mazeitis
Reid: Makes it so that committees can meet between 12:00 Thursday and 6:00 Sunday.
Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid

960106- An Act Establishing the Communications Chairman Position
Mazeitis sec Reid
Rains: Establishing the Communications Chairman position to put the PR committee in a single position to handle social media, t-shirts, etc. Can request help from the body.
Reid: Have we considered providing a stipend?
Rains: No, I don’t think we should because we don’t provide our other chairs a stipend. We don’t really have the money
Reid: When I was doing Joint Communications Committee, Geroge thought about investing in the position.
Rains: Let’s look at the work they do this semester, then maybe we can allocate the funds. But for now, its unfair to provide them a stipend without knowledge of work they perform.
Reid: An issue that I ran into is that the PR Chair is an advisory role to the Chair. The PR Chair wasn’t making statements, but rather providing advice to the Chair. In the legislation, it says that the PR Chair is responsible for these things.
Rains: I’d be open to a friendly amendment making a chance in the legislation to reflect an advisory role regarding press releases, etc.
Reid: Would you accept a friendly amendment adjusting that language to reflect the role?
Rains: Yes
Reid: Should we add a 5th clause stating that the Communication Chairman has the right to conscript other members of Congress if deemed necessary by the Chair?
Rains: I like that, we should also add an amendment saying that they should report to the executive committee.
Reid: Will you accept a friendly amendment adding two clauses- 1. That they are able to request assistance from members of the body if deemed necessary by the Chair 2. The Chairman shall report to the Exec Committee
Rains: I accept that friendly amendment.
Reid: I think we should add a clause stating that the Communications Chairman should act as the Congress rep for the Joint Communications Committee and that they should be allowed to draw on the advertising account.
Rains: I don’t think that’s codified in the duties right now, I want to talk to George before accepting the second part.
Reid: I propose a friendly amendment stating that the Communications Chairman shall serve as the Undergraduate Student Congress rep to the Joint Communications Committee, which meets weekly.
Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid

960701- SFC Co-Chair Appointment Act of 2016
Reid sec Mazeitis
Rains: this is an act appointing the SFC Co-Chairs for next year. They will be in charge of SFC.
Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid
960702- Election Chair Appointment Act

Mazeitis sec Reid

Rains: This appoints the election chair. It's Abbey Taylor, she’s great, she does a great job, she oversees congressional elections too so very important.

Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid

960703- Student Parking Appeals Court Appointment Act of 2016

Reid sec Mazeitis

Rains: These will be the people in charge of who can appeal their parking ticket. If you have any questions, they will explain during General Session.

Motion to give this bill a rec of do pass Mazeitis sec Reid

Follow-Up Reports

General Discussion

Rains: First of all, I want to talk about committee chair interviews. Today, we will be seeing a number of people between 12:00 and 4:15, and a number of people on Monday. Three people haven’t signed up for interviews, and if they don’t by one today, they will not be considered.

Reid: Should we let them know?

Rains: They’ve received adequate information and should have signed up now. We will be interviewing people for Communications Chairman and Sustainability as if they have already passed the body. If it doesn’t pass the body, we will need to change the friendly amendment we propose.

Reid: Do you want me to take the Parliamentarian?

Rains: I’ll be authoring that, you can do Sustainability. Do you want to go over chair process for the Terribly More Convenient Act?

Reid: No, I’ll just present it.

Rains: We need to meet on Monday after interviews to discuss committee chairs. This is our last meeting of the year, so make sure to announce summer projects in your reports. There will be awards, it will be sad. Be sure to put Committee of the Whole and Awards on the agenda.

Reid: Regarding my VC report, I want to encourage people to vote their opinion on things.

Rains: I’d prefer not to. People are allowed to post their opinions as they should.

Reid: I’m more talking about potential intimidation and being worried that they are threatened by people for voting in certain ways.

Rains: I’ll address that briefly in my chair report.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn Reid sec Mazeitis @ 11:34

Chair: Kaylee Rains
Vice-Chair: Austin Reid
Secretary: Jake Mazeitis
CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960601

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure appointing committee officers for Session 96; providing short title; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: This Act shall be known and may be cited as “An Act Appointing Committee Officers for Session 96.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The Purpose of this Act is inherent in the Title.

Section 3: APPOINTMENT. The Following Persons shall be appointed to Committees and other positions as follows:

**Academic Affairs**
- Chair

**Congressional Administration**
- Chair

**External Affairs**
- Chair

**Human Diversity**
- Chair

**Public Relations**
- Chair

**Problems and Projects**
- Chair

**Ways and Means**
- Chair

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Section 4: This Act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author: Kaylee Rains, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s): Austin Reid, Vice-Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
Jake Mazeitis, Secretary of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a motion by:
Action taken by Congress:
Verified by Chair: ________________________________ Date: ________
CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960104

AS INTRODUCED
An act amending the Student Congress Bylaws and
Standing Rules of Order; providing short title;
providing for codification; 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 “Sustainability Act of 2016.”

Section 2: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and
additions indicated with an underline.

Section 3: Section 6.1 of the Bylaws shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 6.1: COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT. The seven (7) standing committees
(also referenced in these Bylaws as “committees”) and their responsibilities shall be as
follows:

a) ACADEMIC AFFAIRS. The Academic Affairs Committee shall address
academic issues that affect the university and shall strive to improve the
academic quality of the university.

b) CONGRESSIONAL ADMINISTRATION. The Congressional Administration
Committee shall address matters concerning the internal affairs of the Student
Congress and the SGA. It shall strive to make the Student Congress more
effective in fulfilling its role within the SGA. In the fall of even-numbered years,
it shall be responsible for reapportioning the seats within the Student Congress,
pursuant to the SGA Constitution.

c) EXTERNAL AFFAIRS. The External Affairs Committee shall address issues,
organizations, and institutions either partially or entirely outside the University of
Oklahoma.

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d) HUMAN DIVERSITY. The Human Diversity Committee shall address any and all issues related to diversity issues within the University.

e) PROBLEMS AND PROJECTS. The Problems and Projects Committee shall address all non-academic issues concerning student life within the University.

f) SUSTAINABILITY. The Sustainability Committee shall address any and all issues relating to the environment or energy sustainability and pertaining to the University.

g) PUBLIC RELATIONS. The Public Relations Committee shall be responsible for conceptualizing, planning, organizing, and executing the public relations efforts of the Student Congress.

h) WAYS AND MEANS. The Ways and Means Committee shall address all matters concerning the expenditure or appropriation of student funds in accordance with the most current Budgetary Procedures Act.

Section 4: Rule 2, Section 3. C of the Standing Rules of Order shall be amended as follows:

C. Reports

1. Congress Chair, Congress Vice-Chair, Congress Secretary, Academic Affairs, Congressional Administration, External Affairs, Human Diversity, Problems and Projects, Public Relations, Sustainability, and Ways and Means.

Section 5: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Austin Reid, Undergraduate Student Congress Vice Chair

Co-Author(s): Emily Sample, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair Emeritus

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: ______________________________ Date:______
CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960105

AS INTRODUCED

A congressional act [the point of this legislation], 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: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Terribly More Convenient Act of 2016.”

Section 2: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions indicated with an underline.

Section 3: Section 6.4 of the Bylaws shall be amended to read as such:

2) MEETING TIMES. Committees shall hold regularly scheduled meetings at least once a week on a day that falls between regularly scheduled General meetings. Sunday Committee meetings shall occur between the hours of 2:00pm and 6:00pm. The chair of each committee may, if necessary, cancel one or all Sunday meetings for said committee and reschedule a special meeting later in the week. Committee meetings shall not occur on Sundays after 6pm, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, or Thursdays before 12pm, Fridays, or Saturdays except for emergency purposes as determined by the Chair of Congress. Committees shall schedule meetings that are accessible and at a reasonable time for most students and members. The Ways & Means Committee shall be exempt from this section during both the primary and subsidiary budgetary processes.

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

Author(s): Austin Reid, Undergraduate Student Congress Vice Chair

Coauthor(s): Kaylee Rains, Undergraduate Student Congress Chair

Jake Mazeitis, Undergraduate Student Congress Secretary

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960106

AS INTRODUCED
A congressional act amending the Student Congress Bylaws, 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: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “An Act Establishing the Communications Chairman”

Section 2: For the purpose of this Act, deletions shall be indicated with a strikethrough and additions indicated with an underline.

Section 3: Sections 4.3 of the Bylaws shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 4.3 OTHER STUDENT CONGRESS POSITIONS

1. a) PARLIAMENTARIAN
   1. i) The Parliamentarian shall assist the Student Congress Chair in bringing to the attention of the body the proper procedure as outlined in the SGA Constitution, SGA Code Annotated, Student Congress Bylaws and Standing Rules, and Robert’s Rules of Order.
   2. ii) The Congressional Administration Committee Chair shall serve as the Parliamentarian.
   3. iii) In the event that there is a question over the legality of a procedure, the Parliamentarian shall be entrusted to immediately research the issue using all immediately available resources and report the findings to the chair.
   4. iv) INTENT. The office of Parliamentarian shall not be empowered to overturn any decisions made by the Student Congress Chair, and shall only be utilized as a parliamentary resource as the Student Congress Chair deems necessary.

2. b) WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE CHAIR

   i) The Ways and Means Committee Chair shall be required to complete no less than 8 hours of “office hours” per week in accordance with the monthly stipend awarded to the position. Should the stipend change, this section shall be amended to reflect the new stipend.

3. a) COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

   1. i) The Communications Committee Chairman shall be responsible for the communication of any of the Undergraduate Student Congress activities with and between the public.
   2. ii) The Communications Committee Chairman shall be responsible for updating and regulating all of the Undergraduate Student Congress’s social media websites accounts
   3. iii) The Communications Committee Chairman shall be responsible for the creation and design of the Public Relations materials used to promote the Undergraduate Student Congress, with the approval and consent of the Undergraduate Student Congress Executive Committee.
4. iv) The Undergraduate Student Congress Chair shall be allowed to examine any communicative means before release that they deem acceptable.

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

Author(s): Kaylee Rains, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Author(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: ___________________________ Date: ________
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION XCVI
April 26, 2016

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS-16
April 24, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960701
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-XX

AS INTRODUCED
An act appointing Sooner Freshman Council Co-Chairs; providing for codification; providing for short title; and providing an effective date.

BE ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Sooner Freshman Council Co-Chair Appointment Act.”

Section 2: PURPOSE. The purpose of this act shall be to appoint TBD as SFC Co-Chairs so that they may officially serve in the positions that they have been selected for.

Section 3: In accordance with Title XIII, chapter 1, section 4 of the SGACA, “The Co-Chair positions shall be appointed by a board comprised of the SGA President, SGA Vice President, and previous year’s Co-Chairs, with advice and consent of the Legislative Branch,” the following students shall be appointed as Co-Chairs:

TBD

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

Author(s): Daniel Pae, SGA President
Michael Lutter, SGA Vice President
Kaylee Rains, SGA Undergraduate Congress Chair
Sean Christiansen, Presiding SFC Co-Chair
Emma Francois, Presiding SFC Co-Chair

Submitted on a Motion by:
Action taken by Student Congress:
Verified by Chair of Student Congress: __________________________ Date: __________

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Action taken by Senate:
Verified by Chair of Senate: __________________________ Date: __________

Approved by SGA President: __________________________ Date: __________

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AS INTRODUCED
An act appointing the SGA Election Board Chair; providing for codification; providing for short title; and providing an effective date.

BE ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act shall be known and shall be cited as the “Election Board Chair Appointment Act”

Section 2: PURPOSE. To appoint a Chair to the SGA Election Board

Section 3: In accordance with Title VII, chapter 2, section 10, subsection a of the SGACA “The Election Chair shall be appointed by the SGA President with the advice and consent of the Legislative Branch,” the following student shall be appointed as the SGA Election Board Chair:

- Abbey Taylor

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

Author(s): Daniel Pae, SGA President
Michael Lutter, SGA Vice President
Kaylee Rains, SGA Undergraduate Congress Chair

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Action taken by Senate: ___________________________ Date: ____________
Verified by Chair of Senate: ___________________________ Date: ____________

Approved by SGA President: ___________________________ Date: ____________
CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 960703
SENATE BILL NO. GS16-XX

AS INTRODUCED
An Act appointing Student Parking Appeals Court Judges; providing for codification; providing for short title; and providing an effective date.

BE ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Section 1: TITLE. This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Student Parking Appeals Court Appointment Act of 2016”

Section 2: PURPOSE. To appoint student members to the Student Parking Appeals Court

Section 3: In accordance with Title IV, Chapter 4, section 46, which delineates the appointment process for students on the court, the following students shall thus be appointed:

- Aisha Adegbuyi
- Leah Hill
- David Monlux
- Lucas West

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

Author(s): Daniel Pae, SGA President
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