

# THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



## UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXIV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, October 14, 2025

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### Call to Order

### Opening Roll Call

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Undergraduate Student Congress is to represent the interests of undergraduate students in their pursuit of academic and individual achievement. The Undergraduate Student Congress is committed to building a strong campus community, promoting civic engagement, and enhancing the quality of the undergraduate experience at the University of Oklahoma.

**Moment of Silence:** 20 Second Moment of Silence to allow an opportunity for reflection.

**Approval of Minutes | October 7, 2025**

### Officer Reports -

- Chair's Report:
- Vice Chair's Report
- Secretary's Report:

### Committee Reports-

- Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:
- Congressional Administration:
- External Affairs:
- Human Diversity:
- Sustainability:
- University Policy:
- Ways and Means:

### Liaison Reports

### Special Orders

- Committee of the Whole
  - AB-114-03 "Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2025-2026" (Schonfield)

### Student Concerns

### Old Business

### Items to Be Considered

- CR-114-04 "Mental Health Week Resolution of 2025" (Toyos-Perez; Martin; Dunlap; Wolthuis) (Due Pass)
- CR-114-05 "SGA Non-Partisanship Resolution of 2025" (Robinson) (Due Pass)
- CB-114-11 "COSCO Purpose Statement Act" (Hawkins; Christiansen)
- CB-114-12 "Session 114 Expulsion Bill No. 1" (Wintory) (No Rec)

**Follow-Up Reports**  
**Announcements and Comments**  
**General Discussion**  
**Final Roll Call**  
**Adjourn**

Chair: Caleb Robinson  
Vice Chair: Aaron Gilson-Bond  
Secretary: Michael Wintory

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-114-03  
SENATE BILL NO. GS25-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2025-2026 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; 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 the “Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2025-2026”

**Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.

**Section 3:** APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
African Student Association	\$250.00			\$250.00
Alpha Kappa Delta Phi International Sorority Inc.	\$75.00			\$75.00
American Institute of Chemical Engineers	\$50.00			\$50.00
American Marketing Association	\$450.00			\$450.00
American Society of Mechanical Engineers	\$50.00			\$50.00
Asian Pacific American Law Student Association	\$250.00			\$250.00
Believers in Business	\$500.00			\$500.00
Business Law Society	\$150.00			\$150.00
Collegiate National Association for Music Education	\$51.49			\$51.49
Federal Bar Association	\$100.00			\$100.00
First Generation Law Student Association	\$200.00			\$200.00
Health Law Student Association	\$100.00			\$100.00

Indigenous Art Forms	\$500.00			\$500.00
International Advisory Committee	\$250.00			\$250.00
Law Technology and Legal Innovation Society	\$50.00			\$50.00
Oklahoma International Law Society	\$100.00			\$100.00
Outdoor Club		\$500.00		\$500.00
Pre-Medical Professions Club	\$400.00			\$400.00
South Asian Student Association	\$250.00			\$250.00
Sports Business Association	\$500.00			\$500.00
Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society & National Weather Association	\$50.00			\$50.00
Tau Kappa Omega Fraternity	\$200.00			\$200.00
Taylor Swift Fan Club at the University of Oklahoma	\$484.78			\$484.78
The Big Event	\$250.00			\$250.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$5,761.27</b>

**Section 4:** All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

**Section 5:** This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 8, 2026.

**Section 6:** All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 8, 2026, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

**Section 7:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

Author(s): Jacob Schonfield, Chair, SGA Budgetary Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-114-04

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution acknowledging the importance  
and recognition of Mental Health Week; and providing for  
distribution.

- Whereas: Studies show that nearly 60% of college students experience overwhelming anxiety, with more than 40% reporting symptoms of depression that interfere with daily functioning<sup>1</sup>; and
- Whereas: Research also reveals that suicide is the second leading cause of death among young adults, highlighting the urgent need for proactive support<sup>2</sup>; and
- Whereas: Mental health challenges directly affect academic performance, retention, and overall well-being, demonstrating the far-reaching impact on both students and institutions<sup>3</sup>; and
- Whereas: Acknowledging Mental Health Week provides an essential opportunity to raise awareness, reduce stigma, and connect students to critical resources that foster resilience and success.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT  
CONGRESS, CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

- Section 1: Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Mental Health Week Resolution of 2025.”
- Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress will recognize and celebrate the time spanning from October 6th through October 9th of 2025 as OU’s first annual Mental Health Week, acknowledging the importance of breaking the stigma around mental health and promoting self-help strategies and resources on campus.
- Section 3: OU Undergraduate Student Congress encourages the student body to participate in events put on by the Secretary of Student Services, such as Yoga on the South Oval, Film Series, Treat Yourself Tabling, a Resource & Consent Bar, and a Student-Led Mental Health Panel.
- Section 4: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Joseph Harroz Jr., President, University of Oklahoma
  - Dr. David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
  - The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
  - Quy Nguyen, Director of Student Life Office and Assistant Dean of Students
  - Scott Miller, Director of the University Counseling Center
  - Tyler Tennant, Coordinator Education & Outreach
  - The OU Daily
  - The OU Nightly

Author(s): Alexandra Toyos-Perez, Arts and Sciences Representative  
Mercer Martin, Secretary of Student Services

Co-Author(s): Avery Dunlap, SGA President  
Ellie Wolthuis, SGA Chief of Staff

Co-Sponsor(s): Lorelai Radzanowski, Arts and Sciences Representative  
Lilian Higareda Castillo, Journalism and Mass Communications Representative

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken in Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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SENATE SESSION GF25

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-114-05

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF25-##

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution reaffirming the Student Government Association's commitment to non-partisanship; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: For 56 years, the University of Oklahoma Student Association, now Student Government Association, has stood as a representative body dedicated to the needs, interests, and welfare of all students, irrespective of political beliefs.<sup>1</sup>
- Whereas: The Student Government Association is tasked with serving the entire student body, not any single party, ideology, or political faction.
- Whereas: The Student Government Association's mission statement emphasizes a duty to "prioritize student voices," to "advocate for the holistic development of each student," and to "promote civic engagement and community involvement across campus."<sup>2</sup>
- Whereas: The health and integrity of student governance as a concept relies on maintaining credibility and fairness.
- Whereas: Students should never feel unwelcome, silenced, or disadvantaged at the University of Oklahoma due to their political affiliation, ideology, or lack thereof.
- Whereas: Partisan alignment, political branding, and ideological signaling within the Student Government Association undermine our credibility and compromise our primary obligation to equitably prioritize student voices.

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<sup>1</sup> SGA Constitution, Article XI §1-13.

<sup>2</sup> SGA Code Annotated, Title I, Chapter 8.

- Whereas: Instances of overt political orientation and motivations within the Student Government Association risk turning the organization into one with de facto party affiliations and detract from our mission to enhance the student experience.
- Whereas: The governing documents of the Student Government Association were never designed to accommodate or favor partisan governance.
- Whereas: The presence of partisan influence in the Student Government Association threatens to alienate significant segments of the student body and discourage participation from those who feel marginalized or misrepresented.
- Whereas: 32% of Americans have little or no confidence in higher education, with 41% of Americans with little confidence in higher education believing it is a result of political agendas and 37% believing that higher education does not focus on the correct issues.<sup>3</sup>
- Whereas: 68% of Americans believe higher education is headed in the wrong direction.<sup>3</sup>
- Whereas: The Student Government Association recognizes that these growing negative opinions of higher education are a result of perceived partisanship within these institutions.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS AND THE GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE, CONCURRING THEREIN THAT:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “SGA Non-Partisanship Resolution of 2025.”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association unequivocally condemns all forms of partisanship, political branding, and ideological alignment within the operations, elections, and appointments of the Student Government Association.
- Section 3:** All elected or appointed members of the Student Government Association are called to maintain organizational integrity by refraining from partisan language, campaign materials, or conduct that implies affiliation with or favoritism toward any political party, ideology, or faction when actively serving in meetings, campaigns, or other official capacities.
- Section 4:** The Student Government Association shall take steps to review our governing documents, campaign procedures, and internal practices to ensure mechanisms are in place to guard against partisan influence and reinforce our nonpartisan mission.
- Section 5:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- President Joseph Harroz Jr., University of Oklahoma
  - Dr. David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs

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<sup>3</sup> Jeffrey Jones, “U.S. Confidence in Higher Education Now Closely Divided.” Gallup, July 8, 2024. <https://news.gallup.com/poll/646880/confidence-higher-education-closely-divided.aspx>.



- OU Nightly
- OU Daily

Author(s): Chair Caleb Robinson, Undergraduate Student Congress

Co-Sponsor(s): President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association  
Chair Summer Edwards, Graduate Student Senate  
Chief of Staff Ellie Wolthuis, Student Government Association  
Chair Carlee Fort, Campus Activities Council  
Aidan LaBonte, Associate

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair of Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by SGA President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-114-11

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure to update the Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee purpose statement; providing short title; and providing an effective date.

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

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “COSCO Purpose Statement Update Act.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update the Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee’s purpose statement to better reflect the current mission and actions of the committee.

**Section 3: AMENDATORY:** The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws Section 6.1 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~) and all items added shall be denoted with an underline (underline).

**Section 6.1: STANDING COMMITTEE ESTABLISHMENT**

CAMPUS OUTREACH, SAFETY, AND CONCERNS

**COMMITTEE PURPOSE** ~~The Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns Committee shall use the Student Congress’s resources to resolve all concerns regarding university infrastructure, student experience, and all other student concerns that the committee mandates itself to address. The Campus Outreach Safety and Concerns Committee must plan a light walk each month congress has a general body meeting and classes are held on campus. The Campus Outreach Safety and Concerns (COSCO) Committee works through Student Congress to enhance student life by addressing campus and university infrastructure concerns, conducting student body outreach, and promoting campus safety initiatives, such as a regular light walk.~~

**COMMITTEE CHAIR** The Committee Chair shall be charged with maintaining and following up with the Undergraduate Student Congress Campus Concern Link submissions. The Committee Chair shall coordinate with the Congress Chair to refer Campus Concern Link submissions to other committees, should they more appropriately fall under another committee’s responsibilities. The Committee Chair shall work with the Chief of the OU Police Department to ensure safety hazards on campus are addressed by the appropriate authorities. The Committee Chair shall report any potential safety hazards to the Chief of the OU Police Department to ensure the department is aware and can develop an appropriate response.

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

Author(s): Da’Juan Hawkins, Dodge of Arts and Sciences Representative

Co-Author(s): Henry Christiansen, COSCO Committee Chair

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress

Verified by Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-114-12

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure expelling a  
Representative from the Congressional Body; providing  
short title; and providing an effective date.

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

**Section 1:** Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Session 114 Expulsion Bill No. 1.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to expel a member for excessive unexcused absences. Jael Finley has accrued excessive unexcused absences, the membership of the aforementioned is pending expulsion.

**Section 3:** In accordance with Section 3.4, subsection 2, subsection e of the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws, “*Upon accruing a fourth absence, the Student Congress Secretary shall prepare an act of procedure to expel any member or committee officer who has accrued excessive unexcused absences.*”

Expulsion: Jael Finley

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

Author(s): Secretary Michael Wintory, Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

Verified by Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_