

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXIV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Dale 103

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 | September 9, 2025

Officer Reports -

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- **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

- President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association

Student Concerns

Items to Be Considered

- CB-114-004 "Impeachment Eligibility Clarification Act of 2025" (Keupen) (Rec of Due Pass)
- CR-114-001 "Honoring Chief Nathaniel Tarver Resolution" (Keupen) (Rec of Due Pass)
- CB-114-005 "SGA Executive Office of the President Renaming Act of 2025" (Wolthuis/Dunlap) (Rec of Due Pass)
- CB-114-008 "SGOS Act of 2025" (Schonfield) (Rec of Due Pass)

- CB-114-009 “Session CXIV General Application Appointment Act II”
(Martin/Robinson/Estrada) (Rec of 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 CB-114-004

SENATE BILL GSXX/GFXX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation amending SGA Code Annotated § II.2.9(c) to clarify that the legislature has the right to impeach and remove members of the Executive, Judicial, and Programming branches; providing for short title, providing for codification, and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Impeachment Eligibility Clarification Act of 2025”.

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to clarify that under the SGA Constitution, the Legislative Branch has the right to impeach and remove members of the Executive, Judicial, and Programming branches; updating the Code Annotated to match the Constitution.¹

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The SGA Code Annotated will be amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all deleted items shall be denoted with a ~~striketrough~~.

1. **Impeachment.** The Legislative Branch shall have the right of impeachment and removal within the Executive, Judicial, and Programming branches. The right to impeach should be reserved for those positions which are either popularly elected by the student body, or have the ability to act independent of any other office. No person charged with impeachment shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds (2/3) of the Senate.

1. **Congress’s Power.** Congress shall have the sole power to bring impeachment charges against the members of the Executive, Judicial, and Programming branches.

2. **Senate’s Power.** The Senate shall have the sole power to try all impeachments. When the SGA President is tried, the Chief Justice of the SGA Superior Court shall preside over the Senate.

- ~~3. **Persons Not Subject to Impeachment.** Members of the Presidential staff exist only to help the President in their duties and are not impeachable.~~

- ~~1. **Programming Branch General Council.** Members of the Programming branch’s general council exist solely to help the Campus Activities Chair in their duties and are not impeachable.~~

¹ *Keupen v. SGA General Counsel (2025)*

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

Author(s): Ben Keupen, Associate

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

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Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-114-001

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF25

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the University of Oklahoma Police Department Chief Nathaniel Tarver for his years of service to the University and Law Enforcement; providing for short title; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: Chief Nathaniel Tarver will retire on September 19, 2025, after 46 years of distinguished service in law enforcement since beginning his career in 1979²; and

Whereas: He earned his bachelor's degree in Broadcast Journalism from the University of Oklahoma and a master's degree in criminal justice management from the University of Central Oklahoma; and

Whereas: He was hired in 1979 by the Moore Police Department as the city's first Black officer, where he developed the public-school liaison officer program and attained the rank of Sergeant; and

Whereas: He served 26 years at the Oklahoma City Police Department beginning in 1989, with several roles and responsibilities, and retired as Captain in 2015; and

Whereas: He responded to critical incidents, including the Oklahoma City bombing and multiple tornado emergencies, during his service with the Oklahoma City Police Department; and

Whereas: He joined the University of Oklahoma Health Campus (formerly the OU Health Sciences Center) Police Department in 2015 as Deputy Chief of Police and became Chief of Police of this campus in January 2017; and

² McClour, Audrey. "A privilege and an honor': OU Chief of Police to retire after 46 years of law enforcement service." OU Daily. July 22, 2025. https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-chief-of-police-retire-service-law-enforcement-department-oupd-nathaniel-tarver/article_e90a708e-0ee4-4a55-8011-b7e630a9dfd9.html

Whereas: He was inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame in January 2020; and

Whereas: In September 2020, he was named Chief of the University of Oklahoma Police Department, overseeing all three campuses, and appointed Associate Vice President; and

Whereas: He was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus of the Gaylord College of Journalism in December 2022; and

Whereas: He has served with the University of Oklahoma Police Department for 10 years, including five years as Chief of Police for all campuses; and

Whereas: He was honored as a Distinguished alumnus from the Gaylord College of Journalism; and

Whereas: He was inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame; and

Whereas: He has served OU law enforcement for 10 years; and

Whereas: He has served as OU Chief of Police for 5 years³; therefore

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

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Honoring Chief Nathaniel Tarver Resolution”.
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association (SGA) commends Chief Tarver for his service and leadership and recognizes his positive impact on campus safety and public trust.
- Section 3:** SGA acknowledges Chief Tarver’s commitment to promoting a safe and inclusive campus environment and building relationships with students, administrators, faculty, and staff.
- Section 4:** SGA appreciates Chief Tarver’s role as a role model and mentor for the University of Oklahoma community and his commitment to professionalism and excellence.
- Section 5:** SGA extends its appreciation and best wishes to Chief Tarver as he takes his well-deserved retirement, and we honor his legacy of service and leadership.
- Section 6:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- Chief Nathaniel Tarver, University of Oklahoma Police Department

³ Council On Law Enforcement Education & Training. “Chief Nate Tarver.” October 10, 2024.
<https://oklahoma.gov/cleef/about-cleef/council-advisory-council-members/chief-nate-tarver.html>

- Joseph Harroz Jr., President, University of Oklahoma
- André-Denis Wright, Senior Vice President and Provost, Norman Campus
- Gary Raskob, Senior Vice President and Provost, Health Campus (formerly Health Sciences)
- David A. Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- Brian Holderread, Vice President for Campus Operations
- Mackenzie Wilfong, Executive Director and Secretary of the Board of Regents
- OU Daily
- OU Nightly

Author(s): Ben Keupen, Associate

Co-Sponsor(s): Henry Christiansen, Business District Representative

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-114-005
SENATE BILL GF25-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation changing the name of the SGA
Executive Office of the President to the SGA Executive
Cabinet; providing for short title, providing for
codification, and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “SGA Executive Office of the President Renaming Act of 2025.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to rename the SGA Executive Office of the President to the SGA Executive Cabinet.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association’s Code Annotated Title III Chapter 1 Section 5 and Title III Chapter 4 is amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all items removed shall be denoted with a ~~strike through~~. All items added shall be denoted with an underline.

Section 4: Chapter III-1 General Provisions

c. ~~The Executive Office of the President~~ The Executive Cabinet. Led by the President, Vice President, and the Chief of Staff, The Executive Cabinet ~~Office of the President (EOP)~~ shall support the efforts made by its leaders to reflect the continued interests of the student body, SGA, and platforms.

d. Rulemaking.

- i. Delegation.** Any properly appointed or established member or unit of the Executive Branch may perform a Presidential duty with the expressed consent and approval of the President, provided said duty is consistent with said member's underlying responsibilities.
- ii. Funding.** The President shall make a budget for the Executive Branch, excluding the Crimson Leadership Association, for submission to the Legislature.
- iii. Removal.** The President may remove any member of ~~EOP~~ the Executive Cabinet at will with notice.⁷

Chapter III-4 ~~The Executive Office Of The President~~ The Executive Cabinet

1. **Purpose.** The Executive ~~Office of the President~~ Cabinet is a Department of the Executive Branch. The Executive ~~Office of the President (EOP)~~ Cabinet shall support the President and Vice President.¹
2. **Chief of Staff.** The overseer of the ~~EOP~~ Executive Cabinet shall be known as the Chief of Staff. The Chief of Staff is the third-highest-ranking member of the Executive Branch. The Chief of Staff shall work with the General Counsel and other appropriate bodies and individuals to ensure compliance of the Executive Branch with the SGA Constitution and SGACA.² The Chief of Staff shall oversee the opening and closing of the General Application with the President, Vice President, and Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress.
3. **~~EOP Staff~~ Executive Cabinet Members.** The ~~EOP~~ members of the Executive Cabinet shall consist of the Chief of Staff, and any other coordinators, assistants, and liaisons deemed necessary by the President and appropriate by the Legislative houses through advice and consent. The duties of ~~EOP~~ the Executive Cabinet should and can reflect the needs of the President and the administration, including but not limited to: special projects, constituent relations, media relations, legislative affairs, academic affairs. The following, but certainly not limited to, positions must be included as part of the ~~EOP~~ Executive Cabinet:
 - A. **Communications Coordinator.** The coordinator will be responsible for promoting the interests, programs, and positions of the OU SGA. The coordinator will chair meetings with the Congress Vice Chair, Senate Public Relations Committee Chair, the CAC Public Relations Coordinator, and the SGA Webmaster to discuss matter pertaining to social media, media relations, photography, tabling, and other means of advertisement and message distribution.
 - B. **International Affairs Coordinator.** The coordinator shall be responsible for voicing the concerns for the international student population overall and take necessary steps to improve the welfare for these students, and the student body overall. The appointment process shall include communication with the International Advisory Committee.

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

Author(s): Ellie Wolthuis, SGA Chief of Staff
President Avery Dunlap, Student Government Association

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

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-114-008

SENATE BILL GF25

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation creating “The Office of Student Government and Organization Services” (SGOS); amending Title X Chapter 5 of the Code Annotated; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1: Title: This act shall be known and may be cited as the “SGOS Act of 2025”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title X Chapter 5 of the Code Annotated to allow more flexibility with regard to the payment of all hourly positions with the SGA.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code Annotated Title X Chapter 5 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).

1. Positions Receiving a Salary/Stipend

Section 1: The following positions shall receive a stipend:

- Campus Activities Council Chair: \$435/month
- Chair of Congress: \$435/month
- Chair of Senate: \$435/month
- Chair of SGA Budgetary Committee: \$350/month
- Secretary of Congress: \$350/month
- Secretary of Senate: \$350/month
- Student Bar Association President: \$350/month
- SGA President: \$520/month
- SGA Vice President: \$435/month

- Vice Chair of Congress: \$350/month
- Vice Chair of Senate: \$350/month
- Graduate Student Senate Ways and Means Chair: \$350/Fall Grant Cycle
\$350/Spring Grant Cycle

The pay periods of the above positions will be designated as follows:

- Campus Activities Council Chair, Chair of Congress, Chair of Senate, Secretary of Congress, Secretary of Senate, Student Bar Association President, Vice Chair of Congress, and Vice Chair of Senate shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning August 1st and ~~perpetuating monthly until April 30th~~ through the end of their term.
- The SGA President and SGA Vice President shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning ~~December 1st~~ January 1st through the end of their term ~~and perpetuating monthly until November 30th.~~
- The Chair of SGA Budgetary Committee shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning the month of their appointment by the SGA Congress and ending with their term ~~April 30th.~~
- The GSS Ways and Means Chair ~~stipend is to be paid out~~ shall be compensated at the end of October and February, corresponding with the deadlines for the Fall and Spring grant deadlines.
- All SGA officers who receive a stipend or salary shall be eligible to receive compensation at their usual rates of pay during the summer, which shall consist of the months June, July. This pay will be given at the discretion of their staff advisor in Student Affairs ~~Staff~~, within the parameters of the budget. The SGA officers who receive a stipend shall only be eligible to receive such compensation while executing their official duties in the course of fulfilling their office hours.

~~Stipends are reflective of the weekly office hour requirement for each position. Stipends are based on performing the appropriate number of weekly office hours, as follows:~~

- ~~All positions receiving \$520 per month are expected twelve office hours.~~
- ~~All positions receiving \$435 per month are expected ten office hours.~~
- ~~All positions receiving \$350 per month are expected eight office hours.~~

Section 2: The following positions shall receive a salary at a rate determined by their staff advisor in Student Affairs, with the consent of the SGA President, GSS Chair, and Congress Chair. These salaries will come from "The Office of Student Government and Organization Services" (SGOS) which will be allocated to in the salaries and stipends act of their term: SGA Staff Assistant, SGA Budget and Account Representative, OU Student Legal Services Staff Attorney, two full-time staff, Associates of General Counsel, General Counsel, Chief of Staff, Election Commission Staff, Election Commissioner, Student Organization Resource Officers, and SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster.

- ~~Associates of General Counsel: \$11.00 x 25 hours/week x 34 weeks~~

- General Counsel: \$12.00 x 25 hours/ week x 48 weeks
- Chief of Staff: \$10.00 x 10 hours/week

The Chief of Staff shall be appointed by the SGA President following an open application process.

- Election Commission Staff: \$50x5 persons x 2 general elections; plus, if needed, \$20x5 people for any runoff or special election (up to three of the aforementioned)
- Election Commissioner: \$500/Spring General Election, \$500/Fall General Election; plus, if needed, \$50 for any runoff or special election (up to three of the aforementioned)
- SGA Staff Assistant
- SGA Budget and Account Representative

The above positions Election Commission Staff, Election Commissioner, Student Organization Resource Officers, and SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster are selected based upon applications received through the HR website, jobs.ou.edu. Selections are made by the SGA President, SGA Vice President, Congress Chair, Senate Chair, and CAC Chair, as well as their staff supervisor in Student Affairs. ~~Increases in pay are given at the discretion of the aforementioned officials.~~ Additionally, if university wide raises are mandated, the above positions shall receive those increases.

- Student Organization Resource Officers: \$10 x 10 hours/week per officers
- SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster: \$10 x 10 hours/ week x 34 weeks

~~The above positions are selected based upon applications received through the HR website, jobs.ou.edu. Selections are made by the SGA President, SGA Vice President, Congress Chair, Senate Chair, and CAC Chair.~~

~~The OU SLS Staff Attorney shall be hired according to the policies outlined in Title XI. The staff attorney shall be eligible for benefits at a value of the current fringe benefits rate per OU HR policy.~~

Any position not enumerated above shall not receive a salary/stipend.

- a. **Student Parking Appeals Board Judges.** The Student Parking Appeals Board Judges are appointed at minimum wage, but not funded by SGA; the positions are reimbursed through the Parking and Transit Office.
 - b. **SGA Graphic Designer/Webmaster.** ~~The duties of the SGA Graphic Designer/ Webmaster will be to assist the all branches of SGA to create design products, including web graphics, posters, and flyers, and to maintain and update their respective websites as well as any other online content that may be asked of them.~~
2. **Payment of Stipend.** ~~All stipend positions are prorated during the months of January, May, August, and December. Stipends begin the first day of regular classes and end the last day of~~

~~regular classes for fall, spring, and summer, semesters. Time sheets are required on all hourly positions. Time sheets are not required for monthly stipend positions.~~

3. **Suspension of Stipend.** Any allegation regarding the fulfillment or lack of thereof of an officer's duty (provided there is some support for such allegation) is sufficient to bring that officer before the Student Activity Fee Reserve Committee. It is an issue of fact for the Committee to make their determination whether the officer's stipend should be suspended.
4. **Other Employment.** No employee in an SGA Stipend position shall be employed by the University of Oklahoma in a position that could be considered a conflict of interest. Neither shall they accept any special favors or privileges from any University employee or student or outside source which might in any way compromise their position and responsibilities while in office. This does not intend to include traditional or recognized academic and athletic compensation in the form of scholarships, fellowships, grants, of other similar aid, or employment, which clearly does not represent a conflict of interest. Notification of other employment shall be submitted to the office of the SGA General Counsel prior to elections for purpose of determining a conflict of interest.

Section 4: 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

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CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIV

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-114-009

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure appointing new Representatives and Associates in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress; 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 CXIV General Application Appointment Act II.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to select new Associates and Representatives pursuant to the SGA Congressional Bylaws, Section 3.2.3(a).

Section 3: APPOINTMENT: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Associates in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

Zayd Taariq
Brooklyn Schroeder

Section 4: APPOINTMENT: The following individuals are hereby appointed as Representatives in the SGA Undergraduate Student Congress:

Nadesh Vaithianathan, Pre-Health Sciences District

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

Author(s): Chair Caleb Robinson, Undergraduate Student Congress
Kyle Martin, Congressional Administration Committee Chair
Nicole Estrada, Arts and Sciences District Representative

Co-Sponsor(s): Vice Chair Aaron Gilson-Bond, Undergraduate Student Congress

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____