

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CVI

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Dale Hall 211

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Called to Order at 7:04 and 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

Motion to approve the minutes

Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Poupore

Officer Reports:

- **Chair's Report:** Good Evening Everyone!! I'm so happy to see everyone and to finally be back in person. I hope everyone had a restful long weekend and was able to reflect on Labor Day and what it means. If anyone does not know much about Labor Day, you should read up on it, it's very interesting to learn about. I think it's particularly important for us, as Student Government Leaders to know about labor movements, collective bargaining, and the power of community organizing. SGA was originally founded as a kind of student labor union, built with the intention of representing student interests to the powers that be. It is my hope that we can live up to that legacy and represent our fellow students to administration, the State, and the Federal Government through thoughtful solutions to the problems facing our community. I'll step off my soap box now and get to some administrative items. First, President Farzaneh would like for me to relay to all of you that there is an opening on the Publications Board, so if anyone is interested to join the board governing the OU Daily and associated publications, please contact me or President Farzaneh directly. Also, if any of our seniors are interested in a nomination for homecoming court, please contact me. Additionally, progress is being made on the COVID Policy Recommendations bill I mentioned last week, and I tentatively anticipate that the bill will be seen in committee this weekend, and on Tuesday of next week pending committee recommendation. Finally, tonight we will be seeing the Red River Holiday Act of 2021, which, if adopted by Congress and the Senate, and signed by the President, will grant a day off of classes for all students. Should this pass, I would like to call attention to inevitable COVID risk in which attending the game in person will result. I encourage everyone attending the game to wear a mask, social distance to the extent possible, and generally be as safe as possible. Big games like this also present an increased risk of gender-based violence, so I'd like to remind everyone of the

resources available through the GEC, like OU Advocates. On a related note, please treat each other well, with respect, and how you wish to be treated yourself. That concludes my Chair's Report, and I will pass it on to Vice Chair May.

- **Vice Chair's Report:** Hi Everyone! I will be sitting in on interviews this weekend for Congress with the lovely Congressional Administration Committee. I will be announcing a few items in the coming weeks: Big XII SGA Conference, liaison program, and service project.
- **Secretary's Report:** Hi Everyone! I will be sending out an email about the Congressional Involvement Program within the next week. We will be submitting the service hours via Engage. Please look for that in the coming days.

Committee Reports:

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** Hi Everyone! We did not meet this weekend because of Labor Day. We are working to schedule the first light walk of the year.
- **Congressional Administration:** Hi Everyone! Officially, we received 281 general applications from 179 unique applicants. We will be holding 55 interviews for Congress on Sunday, September 12. We will be sending out an SGA General Application experience survey next week.
- **External Affairs:** The External Affairs Committee will be meeting at 5 p.m. on Sunday. We will be hosting a mayor forum in October. The event was scheduled for October 1, but we had to reschedule due to a scheduling conflict.
- **Human Diversity:** Hi Everybody! The Human Diversity Committee did not meet this week because of Labor Day.
- **Sustainability:** We did not meet last weekend because of Labor Day. We will be meeting this Sunday to allocate projects.
- **University Policy:** Hi Everyone! The University Policy Committee did not meet this weekend because of Labor Day. We will be meeting next weekend. OU SGA started as a student union and still function like a student union in some capacity. Thank you to everyone for complying with our COVID-19 regulations. If you are not complying with our COVID-19 regulations, I promise that I noticed. I am too nice to confront you personally, so I am taking the time to do it now. If you are unwilling to wear a mask in the room, you can step out into the hall and hop on Zoom. You can borrow my phone in you need to. Let's keep everyone safe, happy, and healthy.
- **Ways and Means:** Hi Guys! The Ways and Means Committee meet this weekend. We saw AB-106-01 despite it being Labor Day Weekend. We want to make sure student organizations requests are being fill.

Special Orders

Student Concerns

Director Castellano: The bike lanes are not well marked on the South Oval.

Harman: Cars blocking the street that runs in middle the two commuter lots between Brooks Street and Sarkeys Energy Center.

Broadbent: When will the Cate restaurants will be open this semester?

Items to Be Considered

CB-106-08 Red River Holiday Act of 2021 (South, Burch, Farzaneh, Gray, Chen) (Exec, Do Pass)

Motion to see CB-106-08

Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Lange

President Farzaneh: Every year, we get to submit a student holiday to the Board of Regents. We chose October 8th as the date for the 2021-2022 academic year

Broadbent: Does the holiday have to be used in the fall semester?

South: We get one holiday per academic year. Traditionally, we have introduced this legislation for the OU-Texas game. This allows people the opportunity to safely travel to and from Dallas.

AB-106-01 Auxiliary Allocation 1 Act of 2021-2022 (Patton) (WAM, Do Pass)

Motion to see AB-106-01

Representative Lynskey seconded by Representative Perez

Patton: We saw 11 organizations and funded a total of roughly \$12,000. Reminder that Auxiliary Funding is first come first serve for funding.

Broadbent: How much money is in the Auxiliary Fund and how much will be left after this appropriation?

Patton: I do not know the exact number off the top of my head. I will get you that number in the coming days.

Broadbent: What efforts are the Ways and Means Committee making to inform the student body about Auxiliary Funding?

Patton: We will send out an OUMM (OU Mass Message) about Auxiliary Funding.

Follow-Up Reports

Items for Future Agenda

Announcements and Comments

Broadbent: Oklahoma Votes is hosting our first meeting Wednesday in the Headington College Private Dining Room at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

Harman: Alpha Lambda Delta is hosting our first general meeting from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Wagner Hall next Monday.

President Farzaneh: If anyone is interest in applying for the publications board, please contact me or Chair South.

Hale: Be mindful that Yom Kippur is next Thursday.

Yanez: College Democrats is holding their first meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Gaylord Hall.

South: During the spring, we wanted to present this award, but time did not allow for it. The award goes to an outstanding member of Congress. I am proud to present this award Rod Jahromi Award to Representative Halsey-Kraus.

Final Roll Call

Adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Chair: Crispin South

Vice Chair: Sidney May

Secretary: Coy Taylor

Session 106	General	Final
Alcala, Talon	abs	abs
Alfaro Sandi, Jafet	abs	abs
Angstadt, Kennedy	x	x
Barnett, Ryan	x	x
Beltz, Katie	x	x
Broadbent, Taylor	x	x
Bryant, Maegan	x	x
Carmona Casado, Ismael	x	x
Chenevey, Brandon	x	x

Dao, Audrey	ex	ex
Dexter, Jack	x	x
Few, Kendall	x	x
Flaggert, Jayke	x	x
Grebe, Jordan	x	x
Griffin, Weslie	x	x
Hale, Eileah	x	x
Halsey-Kraus, Abby	x	x
Kirk, Luke	abs	abs
Lange, Jake	x	x
Lynskey, Graeson	x	x
Mandrell, Brady	abs	abs
Myers, Beckett	x	x
Papahronis, Demetri	x	x
Perez, Emiliano	x	x
Pipic, Edita	abs	abs
Poupore, Carson	x	x
Searles, Dana	x	x
Shelton, Jackson	abs	abs
Smith, Kennedy	x	x
Tesfaselassie, Robel	x	x
Trautmen, Bailey	x	x
Yanez, Becca	x	x
Present	24	24
Absent	6	6
Excused	1	1

Session 106	CB-106-08	AB-106-01
Alcala, Talon		
Alfaro Sandi, Jafet		
Angstadt, Kennedy	y	y
Barnett, Ryan	y	y

Beltz, Katie	y	y
Broadbent, Taylor	y	y
Bryant, Maegan	y	y
Carmona Casado, Ismael	y	y
Chenevey, Brandon	y	y
Dao, Audrey		
Dexter, Jack	y	y
Few, Kendall	y	y
Flaggert, Jayke	y	y
Grebe, Jordan	y	y
Griffin, Weslie	y	y
Hale, Eileah	y	y
Halsey-Kraus, Abby	y	y
Kirk, Luke		
Lange, Jake	y	y
Lynskey, Graeson	y	y
Mandrell, Brady		
Myers, Beckett	y	y
Papahronis, Demetri	y	y
Perez, Emiliano	y	y
Pipic, Edita		
Poupore, Carson	y	y
Searles, Dana	y	y
Shelton, Jackson		
Smith, Kennedy	y	y
Tesfaselassie, Robel	y	y
Trautmen, Bailey	y	y
Yanez, Becca	y	y
Yes	25	25
No	0	0
Abstain	0	0

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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF21
September 12, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-106-08
SENATE BILL GF21-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act submitting the Fall 2021 Unscheduled Holiday;
providing for short title, providing for legislative intent,
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 “Red River Holiday Act of 2021.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to officially submit an unscheduled holiday to the University President for approval pursuant to Section 5.15 of the Regents policy manual.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association officially submits Friday, October 8th as the Fall 2021 Student Holiday.
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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Claire Burch, Chair of the Graduate Student Senate
Tavana Farzaneh, President of the Student Government Association
Alex Gray, Vice President of the Student Government Association
Kobe Chen, Chair of Campus Activities Council

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Griffin seconded by Representative Lange

Action taken by Congress: 25-0-0

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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GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GF21
September 12, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-106-01
SENATE BILL NO. GF21-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2021-2022 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 1 Act of 2021-2022”
- 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
College Broadcasters	500			500
Oklahoma Model United Nations	700			700
Christians on Campus	900			900
Triangle Fraternity	600			600
Shia Student Organization	320			320
Hispanic American Student Association	3,000			3,000
International Advisory Council	1,980			1,980
Multicultural Business Program	600			600
Sooner Competitive Robotics		2,000		2,000
Society of Physics Students	500			500
Chi Alpha Campus Ministries	1,200			1,200
TOTAL:				12,300

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 6, 2022

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 6, 2022, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

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

Author(s): Lauren Patton, Chair, SGA Budget Committee

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Lynskey seconded by Representative Perez

Action taken by Student Congress: 25-0-0

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____