

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, February 3, 2026

Dale Hall, Room 103

Call to Order 7:02 PM

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.

On a motion to approve the minutes Beasley seconded Cox

Approval of Minutes | January 27, 2026

Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** Hi, everyone! I am happy to have you all back in person this week. Tonight, we will be conducting votes of no confidence in us three Congress Officers, as prescribed by the Bylaws. To briefly explain this procedure, we will begin with a vote of no confidence in the Chair. Vice Chair Gilson-Bond will take over during this time, where you will have ten (10) minutes for questions, which can be extended only once by five (5) minutes for a total of fifteen (15) minutes, should you use it all. We will then take a vote to enter Executive Session, which has a statutory limit of one (1) hour. For the purposes of time, I am going to ask for a motion to leave Executive Session at the 30-minute mark. This is because, historically, Executive Session that goes beyond this time tends to not be productive and comments/concerns tend to be circular in reasoning. You have the right to vote no on a motion to exit Executive Session, should you believe more time is needed. We will be limiting each person to two (2) minutes during Executive Session to ensure everyone has a chance to be heard. We will be tabling the Constitutional Amendment tonight, so I will save that explanation for later. I strongly encourage you all to ask questions throughout this process, both to us as the officers in question and about the process, broadly. Even if you do not believe your question is substantive or crucial, please ask - I would be happy to answer.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** If you were on the Zoom the other day, this is the exact same presentation. It just has the QR codes I want to show again. So just please go to the next slide. Please fill this QR code out if you didn't do it. This is because we're trying to clean up our email chain. If you have seen there's like 260 people who were getting the emails. If you look in the room, there's not 260 people in here. So I just want to make it a little bit more streamlined. Then if you go into the next one. As well too, I know some of y'all are not in

the group me. So please, please, please join the group me. That's how we do all of our announcements for the most part. That's at least my number one way to communicate to y'all on the math side. So please make sure you're in it. If there's no more phones up, then we'll go to the next slide. Oh, as well too, this is going to be your thing for your CSP submissions. This is through Engage. If you do not have access to Engage right now, don't worry. I'm fixing the roster currently. So you'll be able to submit it by the end of the month if you can't currently right now. And the reason why we do engage is just so we can make sure that you actually gave us your email. But as well, I just think it makes it a little bit easier for so I can actually go and just click approve so you can see I saw yours. It just helps with communication in general. And then next slide. As well, this is going to be the orientation RSVP link again. So if you plan on going to orientation RSVP link again. Even if you've already been to one, you still need to fill this out. If you have not been to an orientation, you are required to go, and so I need you to also fill this out, so I can help with any sort of food allergies. I saw one that's on my radar mainly. I'll be reaching out to you within the next couple of days. I'm giving you some alternative meals as well. So just be looking out for that one. Then this is the office hours I have right now. I think that the sign on my door says something different. Not going to lie. I think it has me there, like, earlier on Wednesdays, which I will accommodate that until I send out my big form to actually change and choose my, office hours. So, yeah, that is all I have.

- **Secretary's Report:** Hey, everyone. Not much for you today. If Caleb, you'll put up the QR code. I've got the QR code for associates to scan for your attendance. I noticed a few reps that were here this week that weren't last. Just a reminder, representatives are required to be at every general body meeting, not just the first one of the month. Beyond that, I look forward to seeing some of you at orientation on Sunday.

Committee Reports-

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** COSCO met unofficially this week. We discussed projects for the future and kind of just introduced ourselves. Two things for you guys to keep on mind. Next Thursday, we're going to be tabling with the office of advocacy and education. We're going to do sexual wellness. We're going to be passing out contraceptives as well as kind of just helping educate people, make sure they're staying healthy through this Valentine's Day as love is in the air, obviously. Also, another thing for you guys, we are going to be partnering with letters of love. It's a new organization here on campus that's really new. We are writing letters to kids that are in the hospital who don't have a lot of support. That's going to be at the next associate's meeting. If you can, come an hour early to help out with that.
- **Congressional Administration:** We saw two bills. CB-115-02 received a recommendation of no recommendation, and CB-115-05 and 06 received a recommendation of due pass. We also just generally went over expectations and projects for the semester.
- **External Affairs:** EA met officially this weekend. We kind of we don't have a higher education date yet. We don't have that data yet, but hopefully soon. But we're going ahead and working on fact sheets to pass out to anybody who might be interested in coming to higher ed day just so they don't walk into a room with a representative or senator and go, who's that guy? Who's that woman? So they know a little bit more about it. Also, our lovely representative, Estrella, she's actually working on something for parking at Lloyd Noble soon. Donuts at Lloyd Noble. So if you're a commuter or you're not, show up to Lloyd Noble that day. And then we just kind of discussed some ongoing projects.
- **Human Diversity:** HD met officially this weekend. We established some projects we are hoping to work on this semester, and will continue to follow up on our single stall restroom

survey. Work with ADRC to improve accessibility on campus. We are going to get together with our legislative committee on our diversity fair which will be scheduled for late March/early April and continue working on a project regarding university language policies. I am still looking for a vice chair. Applications do close this Friday at five. I posted the application in the group meeting if you are interested.

- **Sustainability:** Sustainability met unofficially this weekend. We talked about projects and welcomed everyone back.
- **University Policy:** Hey, y'all. UPol met officially this Sunday. We largely went over our projects that we're continuing on from last semester as well as going over some plans for some upcoming projects that we're going to be working on.
- **Ways and Means:** Hey everyone! WAM did not meet this last weekend as I had nothing for us to do. We will be meeting this Sunday with the conclusion of Orientation. Primary is open, there will be mass mail on that front soon. Thank you.

Liaison Reports

Special Orders

- Regular Votes of No Confidence
 - Chair
- **Representative Vedra:** Chair, in the spring, you ran on a campaign. Is there any part of that campaign you feel that you haven't fully delivered on? And if so, how do you plan to deliver on that this semester?
 - **Chair Robinson:** Yeah. I think one of the biggest things that I fell short of so far, and it's really just because the composition of the body and the composition of our committee leadership was establishing the special committee for recruitment and retention. That primarily because the goal was to get one person from each district. It's kind of a pain because for many of these people, they are committee chairs. They were committee chairs. Kyle, specifically, we have some of these districts have one singular representative in them. Kyle was the ConAd chair, and a lot of those people who would have sought those positions. And after conversations with members in the body, was kind of seeming like the only people who would really have any interest were already committee chairs. I'm hoping that after gen app, this is something I can kind of gauge interest for the members and see if that's something we can implement for now. But in the meantime, it seems like based off of last election cycle and last gen app cycle, things went pretty well without that.
- **Representative Savage:** Chair, what part of the WIN platform do you think you have really lived up to the most in your time?
 - **Chair Robinson:** For those of you new members, I don't want to waste too much time, Shrey Kathuria, a former esteemed member of this body, ran consistently on the WIN platform. And so this is something that we're very proud of here. My one of my biggest things I think so far has been igniting change. I think there's a lot of things within this body that have gone, whether or not it seems like it's really outward or if it's something that's a bit more internal. I think that igniting change both in terms of working with our committee chairs, working with the fellow big three just to make the simplest of changes, including kind of notifying you. So, yeah, thank you for that question. That was great.
- **Representative Rhoads:** What do you think been your biggest struggle being chair so far?
 - **Chair Robinson:** I think the biggest struggle is no matter how many chairs before me told me that it was a massive time commitment, I don't think you really

understand how big of a commitment until you get in a position. I remember both you telling me that, Abby telling me that. I remember Lacey talking about it. And that is just not something that I thought I really understood until I got here. Just how much time outside the office that it requires.

- **Representative Cunningham:** Chair, how consistent have you been with making it to office hours or communicating if you can't?
 - **Chair Robinson:** I think I've been rather consistent. I think I missed a few in October because that month, pretty much every week, I was in Lawton to see the cardiologist. And then most recently, the snowstorm, of course, has severely impacted me because for those of you who are familiar with your apartment parking lots, they're not great. And I drive a Kia Rio, which has 5.5 inches of clearance. So please keep that in mind.
- **Associate Keupen:** How would you rate your performance out of 10, and why?
 - **Chair Robinson:** 6 1/2. And that's to be completely honest with you, I think, because there's a lot of things that I came in rather ambitious that just haven't happened the way I wanted them to. First of all, we started wanting to do regular town halls. Those then devolved into what was intended to be a revival of what George described to me as, like, an RSO summit, which then, again, due to timeliness, he told me about that in July. And he said, well, let's do this in August or September. That was not going to happen, because it's impossible to coordinate with the 300 plus RSOs that we have on campus in order to get something that massive in time, which then devolved into just having to do that in forms of tabling. And that is, again, just not my favorite way to reach out to people in terms of providing information because for the themes that I initially had planned, it's just not enough time to provide information to those people. These are things that I'd really like to have a good thirty, forty-five minutes with people. But to be quite honest, people aren't going to show up for town halls. You can't really force them to come there even if you offer food, whatever. Town hall turnouts can be 15 people, and I'd rather get more information to fewer or less information to more people than fewer information to, like, 10 people.

Motion to enter executive session Morgan seconded Toyos: passed unanimously 34-0-0

- Executive Session

Motion to exit executive session Rboads seconded Evans: passed unanimously 34-0-0

No Confidence fails 0-32-2

- Vice Chair
- **Representative Fisher:** Can you name every representative here?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** No, I can't. That would be hard.
- **Representative Bass:** Were you aware that high school teachers can name seven classes worth of students?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** I am aware, but I will caveat that one that high school teachers have degrees, and I don't have one yet.
- **Associate Pasupathy:** What conspiracy theory do you believe in?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** I'm not going to lie. I'm a firm believer that Atlantis is real. I think that yeah. I think is real. I mean, the ocean's big, so I think they're just hiding from us. And honestly the Meg is just a documentary.

- **Interior Director Donald:** Part of your responsibility is to attend committees and stay up to date. With that in mind, would you mind ranking them?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** Long ago, about a year ago, I think it was, I fell into this trap to answer that question. And I'm going to just say what my favorite committee is. I think my favorite committee is probably committee of the whole.
- **Representative Vedra:** Vice chair, last spring, you ran on a campaign. What is one aspect of that campaign you feel you haven't fully delivered on, and how do you plan to achieve it this semester?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** So I think that for me, probably the next steps part the reason why is because the next steps part of my campaign. So full transparency, it's CAN, C A N. The next steps is third point. That third point is going to be focusing on preparing like the next vice chair obviously. I'm not preparing on getting fired today, hopefully. And so I have a whole another semester to prepare the next one. What I mean by that is going through and making the transition documents more up to date. The transition documents are based off Amelia Landry which was two years ago? And so I want to make sure that they're up to date to what we do now. Taking the pros I've seen from my time, how I do orientation now compared to how we used to do it, how we can try to save money on different things instead of having an orientation that costs a thousand dollars, how we're able to only spend \$400 and have even more people. Different things like that to kind of set them up for success instead of them coming in and kind of being scared, essentially. I'm also just making sure that that the duties are more outlined as far as, like, before, vice chairs used to never essentially pretty much ever go to committee meetings. I want to make that a requirement. I'm not saying every single committee meeting because, like, that is difficult. Been there, done that. It's hard running around all day on a Sunday. But to make sure that they do have some sort of responsibility to be seen in committees.
- **Representative Benitez-Mendoza:** What would be the most important piece of criticism you have received, regarding your platform?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** I think people would just say that, I don't know, that maybe it's just not enough for what they want, maybe. I mean, it's three points. But I will also say on the flip side of that is how many people have a five point platform but don't hit them at all? I mean, the reason why I ran on two platforms is because my first one, I hit every single point of it. So I wanted to keep on going. So I think that would be the biggest criticism I would get is that maybe or maybe people feel that I didn't fulfill it to their expectations. But I would say that I did a pretty good job, I would say. But, I mean, I'm biased, obviously.
- **Associate Keupen:** Do you hate the troops?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** Yes.
- **Representative Quiñones:** Do you have any new ideas that you're going to do for this upcoming semester that you didn't do this last semester?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** As far as new ideas, when I was actually looking back at my platform, my old one, one of the biggest things I was trying to do was bring people in to have talks and stuff. I did that, but there's one specific thing I didn't do on that. It was or one of the groups of people I was going to bring to talk with us was event planning. A lot of people here in your committee at one point, you will help actually plan an event. So I think that it is important to have those people. So that's something I'm interested in to do. I also think of switching a lot of stuff to engage also as far as for your CSPs. The thing I like about that is I can actually just

- click approve or not. So then it allows you to instantly know whenever I am looking at them if you are good or not, essentially. Instead of just waiting at the end the month for an email that's like, FYI, I'm telling you, hey this doesn't count as a CSP.
- **Associate Popal:** What do you think was the hardest thing for you to learn becoming when you became a vice chair?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** I would say probably the hardest thing. I'm going to give you two things. Like, the first and the second. Probably the hardest thing is just the different committees in general. Obviously, like, I think I know Susty pretty good. That's what I did for a long time. But then obviously going into EA. Had no idea what EA did for the most part except for higher education day, which I never did, which I was looking forward to doing this year. I have time this year. You know, probably just understanding what they specifically do and also just their environment in their community. Obviously, a committee like UPol is different than Susty in some ways. Like in UPol they'll talk for a million years versus Susty. We'll come in if you have some business, have a little bit of fun. And get stuff over with. And then the second part of that is also just, like, learning to talk to sometimes, like, shut my mouth a little bit. Everyone knows I talk too much. Sometimes I'm more serious. And but believe me, it could be worse. So I think that that's something that has been a huge learning curve. Just so sometimes someone says something, I'm just like, okay. Just no response is the best response.
 - **Representative Morgan:** How many sharties have you been to?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** 3.
 - **Representative Vedra:** Do you know your record on attending your office hours?
 - **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** I do not know the exact record, but I'll be fully transparent. There's some that I didn't go to. So it was last semester, I had, like, one office hour on a day that it was, right after one of my classes. And so sometimes my class would go a little bit later. But I also was working on my pre capstone project a lot. That obviously takes a lot of time. Was building a robot. I did not know how to build a robot. So yeah. I missed a few hours, but I also made up a lot of hours too in other ways.

On a motion to enter executive session Rhoads seconded Vedra: Passed unanimously 34-0-0

- Executive Session

On a motion to exit executive session Vedra seconded Kurtz

Vote of No Confidence fails 0-34-1

(Unfortunately, either the ConAd Chair or the Secretary have HUGE thumbs and one of us accidentally turned off the recording during my questions, so this is recreated from the Secretary's memory)

- Secretary
- **Election Commissioner Wang:** How many spelling mistakes have you made?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** I'm sure I've made a few, and I appreciate those who help me correct them.
- **Representative Hawkins:** What would you work on in your next semester?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Getting more engaged with my fellow members. I haven't done a good job getting to know our new members on a personal level yet, and I'd like to improve on that front.
- **Associate Demla:** What advice would you have for committee Secretaries?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Just remember what you do is so important because you record all the progress SGA makes every week, and that will last far after you.

- **Associate Pasupathy:** Least favorite exec member?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Definitely Baylor Savage.
- **Associate Savage:** What is the line between funny and serious?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** If you guys here me talk, I don't really think there is one.
- **Associate Baker:** Circumference?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** ...
- Representative Fisher: What happened to the Minecraft Server?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** We set it up with my money and only two people played on it. So I'm over it. I'll find something else to do to foster a community?
- **Representative Benitez Mendoza:** The option to apply for IAS representative wasn't on the GenApp, why?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** That's my job to set up the GenApp, Secretary Wintory doesn't have any say in that.
 - Executive Session

Student Concerns

Representative Bass: Being a student employee at Cross Food Services, it has come to my attention that there is a very distinct gap in wages between student and nonstudent workers. This gap cannot be explained to me by any higher up. And when questioned, they justify it by simply saying that full time workers somehow deserve more money for the same work. It has come to my attention that supervisors that are students make less than their subordinate full time workers. And that is all the way up the chain where there is no there I think there might be one singular instance, but student workers in higher positions are still being paid less than their full time counterparts for the same hour of work with the same job description.

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

On a motion to see CB-115-02 Pitts seconded Vedra

- CB-115-02 "Spring 2026 Superior Court Appointment Act"
(Martin/Robinson/Edwards/Dunn/McNeal)

Author's Explanation:

Chief Justice Dunn: Hi everyone, my name is Tucker Dunne. I'm the chief justice of the Superior Court. I'm just here because President Martin couldn't be here tonight to present the nominee. This nominee is Ben Stanford. He's nominated to the Superior Court. We had a vacancy come up over winter break. We have what's called a recess appointment The SGA constitution, like in The US constitution, they're allowed to make an appointment if the legislature is not in session. So he's currently already serving as justice, but this is a formal confirmation vote that still has to happen. Justice Stanford has been fantastic so far. Been really eager to learn about the SGA and seems like a great person for the role. So I yield the rest of my time.

7:12 time remaining for questions

- **Chair Robinson:** Justice Stanford, could you introduce yourself?
 - **Justice Stanford:** Yes. Hello, everybody. My name is Benjamin or Ben Stanford. I am a 1L at OU Law with Chief Justice Dunne. I'm really eager to get started. I've been kind of observing the last couple of weeks since probably around Christmas break, just observing how the court works. I'm really excited to learn more and excited to serve and help in any way I can. Yeah.
- **Representative Vedra:** Author, can you please just generally explain the role of the justice for those who may be unaware?

- **Chief Justice Dunn:** Yeah. Absolutely. So the superior court is the only court in SGA unless you count the general counsel and the election commission, to pay out very different roles. Any questions that come up, especially on appeal from the election commission or from the general counsel, those issues go to us. There's seven justices on the court, or at least that's how many seats there are. There will be seven justices on the court. Our opinions are online. We have our own page on the SGA site like congress does.
- **Representative Fisher:** Have you had an experience in SGA before you took this position?
 - **Justice Stanford:** I was a undergrad here. I graduated in, or I technically haven't graduated yet. I'm a part of the pre law college program, so it's a three in three program. I'll graduate this spring from undergrad. I've been involved in other ways. I was in a fraternity in the past. I obviously have a connection to Oklahoma, the campus. Any way I can give back, I'd like to. But in hindsight, I would have loved to have a little more of an active role in the SGA way back when, but I was focused on getting to where I'm at now. But I'm really looking forward to get started.
- **Election Commissioner Wang:** Nominee, what sparked your interest in this role, and what are you looking forward to most?
 - **Justice Stanford:** Well, I think in law school, you're reading a lot of judicial opinions. Pretty much all day every day. You're in the library just reading kind of the history of America and the history of the law through these authors. And although, by no means do I think theirs is just going to be infinitely better than I could ever be. It's really just inspiring, and it's cool to learn from them And any active way to kind of practice those things that I'm doing in law school, I really appreciate. I think it's a great learning experience for me. I think it's a good way to give back in some capacity. And, yeah, that's the best way I can put it.

Passed unanimously 32-0-1

On a motion to table CB-115-05 Schonfield seconded Morgan

- CB-115-05 "Congressional Size Regulation Amendment" (Robinson/Schonfield/Gilson-Bond/Morgan)

On a motion to see CB-115-06 Cox seconded Schmitz

- CB-115-06 "SGA Transparency in Compensation Adjustments Act" (Morgan/Jensen)

Author's Explanation:

Representative Morgan: Thank you. Hi, everybody. We saw two bills last session regarding alterations to salary and stipend adjustments for salary positions inside the SGA. Both times that went to graduate student senate, and they failed. So I worked with a member of the graduate student senate to kind of tweak that and write a modified version of the bill, which is agreeable to both our chamber and the senate. Basically, it calls for a report to be made anytime there is a want for an alteration of a salary or stipend, basically, for transparency. So you guys have to see where the money comes from, what is being allocated to, and, basically, just make sure there is some transparency in the funding process.

Senator Jensen: Yeah. So I'm Sam Jensen. I'm a senator from the anthropology department. And, yeah, I reached out to Cole after the senate failed the last bill in order to write this bill sort of to address the central concerns that you guys had with regard to transparency and conflicts of interest while also satisfying some of the concerns that graduate students had with the formal bill.

- **Associate Savage:** Can you please explain what those concerns were GSS had and why the bill failed twice?

- **Senator Jensen:** So with the initial bill, GSS was very concerned with the delay in the stipend adjustments. So essentially, GSS's primary concern was if in the future an adjustment was needed to increase a stipend that that delay may not allow this body or GSS to act in such a way that would make that timely and reasonable for the recipients. That being said, the reason it failed the second time is because after it failed the first time, the joint committee was unable to make any changes to the bill. So the second time we thought it was the same bill that failed the first time.
- **Associate Savage:** Can you give me an example where we would need it to change immediately rather than in effect with the next period?
 - **Senator Jensen:** Yeah. So the idea was is that these stipends are meant to compensate these particular positions for the time they give in office hours and other labor. Theoretically, we would want that to maintain pace with inflation because again, as prices inflate, the value of your time also goes up. So that was the primary concern. I think GSS was also concerned because like this bill came like without any discussion of actually changing stipends. So it's like why are we addressing this and making it harder given this concern considering that there are no like current stipend adjustments.
- **Representative Cunningham:** Would you accept a friendly amendment adding the President and Vice-President to Section 2, Purpose: Section 4 Chapter X-5 Salaries And Stipends Subsection 1. Positions Receiving a Salary/Stipend Section 1: The following positions shall receive a stipend: ?
 - **Representative Morgan:** Yes.
- **Associate Savage:** **This money comes out of this student activity fee we just heard. So if we gave a raise at the halfpoint of the year. Where would that money be coming from?**
 - **WAM Chair Schonfield:** So with regards to where the money comes from, the student activity fee, it is collected from every student who attends OU Norman Campus. You're all paying into that. The student activity fee committee, they decide how that gets split up amongst SGA, the university counseling or I'm sorry, the fitness and rec university counseling center, a number of other things that we pay for using the student activity fee on campus. A portion of the money that SGA receives is meant for RSOs. A portion of that is meant for governmental like things that we do here, etcetera. If we were to get a raise that wasn't accounted for by the student activity fee committee, then it would be coming out of the money provided for RSOs.
- **Representative Rhoads:** Would you be willing to accept a friendly amendment adding a section after c or whatever in in four c? Maybe a four d section, if you will. Just saying that they also have to create a proposal for the student activity fee committee instead of make because it wouldn't be able to go into effect. And the last thing that we want to do is take away money from registered student organizations.
 - **Senator Jensen:** I'm hesitant to do that. I'm not going to say no at all. And the reason for this is first of all, these stipend adjustments are likely to correspond with increases given to up to SGA by the student activity fees committee. So I think that situation is unlikely to arise. Now if it were to arise, the way this bill is currently written is in point b one through five. The bill would actually have to specify where that money is coming from and why the authors of the proposed stipend adjustments think it's necessary. So because that's included in the bill, body and the Graduate Student Senate would have the chance to review that information and

determine if it truly was justified. And if this body felt that it was not justified because it would take money away from RSOs, you could fail the bill.

- **Representative Rhoads:** When's the last time there was a raise?
- **Senator Jensen:** 2018.

Passed 28-5-0

Follow-Up Reports

Announcements and Comments

ConAd Chair Morgan: Apply for vice chair.

COSCO Chair Savage: Apply for vice chair and secretary.

HD Chair Radzanowski: Apply for vice chair.

UPol Chair Vedra: I'm looking to start a nuclear society, let me know if you're interested.

Representative Dailey: When does orientation start?

Vice Chair Gilson-Bond: 11-3 PM

General Discussion

Final Roll Call

On a motion to adjourn Wolthuis seconded Toyos

Adjourn: 8:49 PM

Chair: Caleb Robinson

Vice Chair: Aaron Gilson-Bond

Secretary: Michael Wintory

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SENATE BILL GSXX-XX/GFXX-XX

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An Act of Legislation appointing justices to the SGA
Superior Court; 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 “Spring 2026 Superior Court Appointment Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to name and appoint a Superior Court Justice.
- Section 3:** In accordance with SGACA Title IV, Chapter 2, section b, subsections iii and iv, Superior Court Justices will be appointed by a majority vote of the panelists [the SGA President, the GSS Chair, the Congress Chair, and the General Counsel]. The Chief Justice of Superior Court is one of the panelists; however, they will only vote in the event of the tie.
- Ben Stanford
- Section 4:** This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.
- Authors: President Mercer Martin Student Government Association
Chair Caleb Robinson, Undergraduate Student Congress
Chair Summer Edwards, Graduate Student Senate
Chief Justice Tucker Dunn, Superior Court
General Counsel Mary McNeal, Student Government Association

Chief of Staff Henry Christiansen, Student Government Association

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Pitts seconded Representative Vedra

Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 32-0-1

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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SENATE BILL GS24-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation establishing a referendum to amend the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Constitution to grant Congress the power to regulate membership and districts; providing for short title; and providing 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 “Congressional Size Regulation Amendment.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to remove all Constitutional restrictions on Congressional districts and vest this power in Congress.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The Student Government Association Constitution Article III, Section 2(5) is amended as follows:

Congress shall have the power to regulate its size and membership in accordance with procedures established in the Congress Bylaws. Congressional districts and size shall be decided every two years before the first general election of the year. All Bylaws changes related to the size and district composition of Congress shall require a three-fourths majority of those present and voting. Congress shall consist of forty-eight (48) representatives effective the fiftieth Congress. Each district's proportion of representatives will be decided every two years before the first general election of the year. This apportionment will be calculated by using the most recently available enrollment figures and must be calculated by

~~an act of Congress in a timely fashion. The total number of undergraduates will be divided by forty eight (48) seats to determine the proportion of students represented by each congressional seat. Then each district's seats are to be allocated in the most equally proportioned manner based on enrollment~~

Section 4: This referendum will appear on the ballot in the Spring 2026 general election.

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

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Verified by Chair of Congress: Date:

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Approved by SGA President: Date:

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV
February 3, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION #
DATE

CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-06
SENATE BILL NO. #

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation amending SGA Code Annotated
§X.5 to create a provision requiring raises to have
stipulated start date; create a provision requiring benefited
parties to abstain from voting on raises; create a provision
requiring a report detailing new allocations of funds be
provided to Congress and GSS; 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 “SGA Transparency in Compensation Adjustments Act”
- Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title X Chapter 5 of the Code Annotated to ensure that any changes to the compensation of Undergraduate Student Congress officers, Graduate Student Senate officers, SGA President, SGA Vice President or any other elected or appointed committee Chair position shall be made in a transparent manner. The stipulations of this bill will allow for members of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate to better understand how raises will be administered, how their value was determined, and the potential needs for changes in compensation. Finally, it will also add guardrails against potential corruption, ensuring that changes to compensation benefit the general student body and not just particular individuals.
- 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).

Section 4:

Chapter X-5 Salaries And Stipends

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 through the end of their term.
- The SGA President and SGA Vice President shall be compensated monthly with compensation periods beginning January 1st through the end of their term.
- 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.
- The GSS Ways and Means Chair 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, 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: two full-time staff, Associates of General Counsel, General Counsel, Chief of Staff, Election Commissioner, SGA Student Assistants.

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

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.
2. 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.
 3. Other Employment. No employee in a 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.
 4. Requirements for Stipend Alterations. Any alteration to a salary/stipend amount that is applicable to one or more Undergraduate Student Congress officer(s), Graduate Student Senate officer(s), or any other elected or appointed committee Chair position, is required to contain sections providing the following materials when presented to the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate:
 - a. A specific start date for the adjusted stipend,
 - b. A brief and detailed section specifying the following information:
 - i. The needs, circumstances, and/or reasoning justifying the alteration to the relevant stipends,
 - ii. The methods and reasoning for determining the value of the adjustments,
 - iii. A justification for the timing of the relevant stipend adjustments,
 - iv. An explanation of what funds will be used to make the relevant stipend adjustments, and
 - v. A justification for why the proposed funds should be used for the purposes of stipend adjustments.
 - c. An affirmation by the authors of the required report that the information contained in the report is accurate and has been prepared in a good-faith effort to provide

transparency and justification to the legislative bodies of the SGA.

5. Committee Requirements for Seeing Stiped Adjustments. Any legislation adjusting SGA stipends must be seen by the Executive Committees of both the Undergraduate Congress and Graduate Student Senate before it can be brought before the general body of both chambers.
6. Voting Restrictions for Stipend Adjustments. No individual who both receives an SGA stipend and occupies a position that would vote on legislation adjusting SGA stipends is permitted to vote on the legislation adjusting SGA stipends. Any individual with a potential conflict of interest caused by voting on legislation that would affect their own SGA stipend is required to abstain from voting on the relevant legislation, excepting the Chairs of the Undergraduate Student Congress and the Graduate Student Senate in the case that a tie-breaking vote is required.
7. In the event a salary or stipend is adjusted, the Chair of the originating house must contact the relevant University Administrative Services and provide them with the alteration and date for which said alteration is to take place within seven days of the SGA President signing the Act of Legislation.

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

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Date:

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Date: _

Approved by SGA President:

Date:

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Ball	Reese	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Bass	Jayden	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Beasley	William	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Benitez-Me	Delia	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Bertotti	Hayden	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Carter	Leo											
Cunningham	Owen	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Cox	Ian	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Dailey	Keeley	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Evans	Alexis	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Fisher	Mecca	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Glaza	Ava			y	y	n	y	y	n	y		
Gideon	Jaycee	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n		y	n
Gilson-Bor	Aaron	y	y	y	y	a	y		a	y	y	n
Hawkins	Da'juan	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Hicks	Reagan			y	y					y		
Jackson	Justin	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Kurtz	Dorina	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Lartey	Ominy	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Lawrence	Lila	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Martinez	Angel			y	y	n	y	y	n	y		
Morgan	Coleman	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Pfeffer	Evan	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Pitts	Avery	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Prajapati	Himani	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Quinones	Estrella	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Radzanow	Lorelai	a	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Rapp	Madeline	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Rhoads	Hope	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Schonfiel												
d	Jacob	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Schmitz	Isaac	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Toyos	Alexandra	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
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han	Nadesh	y	n			a	y	y	n	y	y	n
Vedra	Hayden	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Walker	Cade	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Wolthuis	Ellie	y	y	y	y	n	y	y	n	y	y	n
Yousuf	Anayat	y	y					y	n	y	y	n
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1-Feb		Initial	Final
Ball	Reese	x	x
Bass	Jayden	x	x
Beasley	William	x	x
Benitez-Mendoza	Delia	x	x
Bertotti	Hayden	x	x
Carter	Leo	ex	ex
Cunningham	Owen	x	x
Cox	Ian	x	x
Dailey	Keeley	x	x
Evans	Alexis	x	x
Fisher	Mecca	x	x
Glaza	Ava	x	ex
Gideon	Jaycee	x	x
Gilson-Bond	Aaron	x	x
Hawkins	Da'juan	x	x
Hicks	Reagan	x	a
Jackson	Justin	x	x
Kurtz	Dorina	x	x
Lartey	Ominy	x	x
Lawrence	Lila	x	x
Martinez	Angel	x	a
Morgan	Coleman	x	x
Pfeffer	Evan	x	x
Pitts	Avery	x	x
Prajapati	Himani	x	x
Quinones	Estrella	x	x
Radzanowski	Lorelai	x	x
Rapp	Madeline	x	x
Rhoads	Hope	x	x
Schonfield	Jacob	x	x
Schmitz	Isaac	a	x
Toyos	Alexandra	x	x
Vaithianathan	Nadesh	ex	x
Vedra	Hayden	x	x
Walker	Cade	x	x
Wolthuis	Ellie	x	x
Yousuf	Anayat	a	x