

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 24, 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.

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Officer Reports -

- **Chair's Report:** I don't have a ton for you because we did just get back from break, but we did meet with the university libraries earlier today. And the biggest update I had for you guys was our change from twenty-four hour library hours. From finals week to dead week, the numbers were not great. They're worse than the finals week hours have been historically, but there's just been a general decrease in library usage. They said that for this semester, they are going to continue dead week twenty-four hours. And if that isn't great, it's possible that they just stop doing twenty-four hours in general. And so if you guys are interested in keeping it that way, please tell your friends, use yourselves, go sit in the library. They're going to start doing head counts this dead week so they can actually get accurate numbers. But if you are interested in doing that, take your student groups, whatever you're a part of, have them go study, make use of the twenty-four hours, that way they actually keep. Otherwise, it seems like we're going the direction where they will no longer do twenty four hours after this year. Other than that, I don't think I have a ton for you that your committee chairs won't already tell.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** I sent out the only reminder this month for CSPs, you have till next Tuesday at 11:59 pm to complete your CSP and submit it. Lots of people haven't submitted theirs and that means there will be lots of absences for the month to go around. We will also be doing an SGA Easter Egg Hunt on April 12th at 3 pm in the Conoco. Please show up because there will be 23lbs of candy that is distributed around the Conoco.
- **Secretary's Report:** Hi, everyone. I hope you all had a good spring break. We have a few bills from ConAd today that I'm excited about. And while candy would be nice, I think 28 pounds of brown sugar cured beef brisket would be better.

Committee Reports-

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- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** COSCO met unofficially this week. We heard from a representative from the BSA to learn more about their efforts on campus to understand how to help them better. We also discussed our light walk. This one is going to try to involve all of campus. We're trying to map things out and identify spots that there aren't lights so people feel uncomfortable, especially with the freshman housing next year, that situation changes. We're going to look for that. So please come to that one Please plan on being here for the first meeting of the next month so you guys can stay for that. Please tell all your friends. We're really hoping to get a lot of people to come for that. This being the first one is really important people come. No promises yet, but I have talked with Caleb a bit. We might have about 28 pounds of brown sugar cured beef brisket there.
- **Congressional Administration:** ConAd did meet officially this weekend. We saw CB-115-17 and gave it a recommendation of due pass. We also appointed Natalie Fernstrom to the election commission. Thank you to my vice chair for chairing a bill and taking minutes during that meeting. And thank you to the vice chair for 28 pounds of brown sugar cured beef brisket.
- **External Affairs:** EA did not meet officially this weekend. It was noon and we just got back from spring break, so no one would've come anyways. So what I have to say is higher education day is next week. If you signed up, you do have to attend the mandatory meeting in Dale Hall, Room 103 at 3PM to attend Higher Education Day. At Higher Education Day, we will actually have the 28 pounds of brown sugar cured beef brisket.
- **Human Diversity:** HD did not meet this weekend. We did all our updates through GroupMe. We have several pieces of legislation upcoming. So look forward to those. We also have our unity fair coming up on the Soval on April 2 from eleven to three. There might even be some brisket there, guys. So please come to that. We have so many RSOs coming. Come support those. Please support HD, and come support ours.
- **Sustainability:** Sustainability did not meet this past weekend. We did not see any bills, we just went over our tabling events that will happen in April, and we opened up our vice chair application. I will send a link after the meeting.
- **University Policy:** UPol met unofficially this week. We got some good progress going on in some of our projects. This upcoming week, we will be shifting our time and possibly our location so that people can attend the Higher Ed day meeting, and I will be sending out information about that soon.
- **Ways and Means:** Last time WAM met was the weekend of March 7 to March 8, where we spent around eighteen hours out getting away from primary. A huge shout out to the committee for that hard work and dedication to help with that. It would not be as efficient or as fun without y'all, so thank you so much. Next up, on top of that, we have a draft of new RSO guide that we're getting ready to put out.

Liaison Reports

Representative Savage: Me and Chair Robinson have had a lot of meetings with the office of advocacy and education. Yeah. Recently. And they actually have a new program they're starting if they really want at least a few of us in on. Basically, it's kind of like an ambassador role for that part. It'd about monthly meetings, kind of teaching you guys a bit more, like, you can help your friends, like, some of the resources that they have. Of course, there's a lot students don't know. You can just go up there and get resources from them, help with meetings, help them with just different education as well and stuff like that. It's not like a peer trainer. It's a lot less work that. You're trying to connect them to different people across campus so they're aware those resources exist. Super low commitment. They just really want to do us to kind of get the ball rolling. It's a brand new thing. If you're interested in that, come talk to me. Come talk to Caleb.

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Chief of Staff Christiansen: SGA is going to be doing a parents weekend event, April 17. That's the Friday of parents weekend. It's going to be from 2-4 in the Conoco, just like an open house thing. So if your parents are coming out, definitely invite them in. Show them around Conoco. Show them where you hang out.

Representative Cox: So I've been going to all of CAC's college pool tabling events that they've been having in the union. They really need a lot more teams. This will create an opportunity for congress and CAC to, you know, get numbers up in CAC events. So that's I know Evans has mentioned it. Definitely sign up if you haven't already.

Special Orders

Student Concerns

Old Business

Items to Be Considered

On a motion to see CB-115-14 Morgan seconded Toyos

- CB-115-14 "Attendance at Appointment Revision Act of 2026" (Newaz/Thune/Toyos-Perez) (Do Pass)

Author's Explanation:

Associate Newaz: Hi, everyone. So, basically, for this bill, all we're really adding and changing is that the executive cabinet and CLA appointee be in attendance for either congress or GSS to see their legislation and ask them any questions. We also added a clause for excused absences being up to the discretion of the chair for each house that it's being looked at.

Associate Thune: Yeah we added this just because both house would like to see new appointees in person just in case they have to any questions pertaining to their new roles.

7:20 time remaining for questions

- **ConAd Chair Morgan:** With two first time authors, what was your favorite part about writing a bill?
 - **Associate Newaz:** My favorite part was definitely getting to work on this with my peers and also getting to know how to write a bill.
 - **Associate Thune:** Yes the process of writing the bill. My favorite part.

Passed 28-1-0

On a motion to see CB-115-15 Pitts seconded Landrum

- CB-115-15 "Expulsion Bylaw Update" (Fernstrom/Solomon/Wintory/Wyand) (Do Pass)

Author's Explanation:

Secretary Wintory: This bill does three things. It codifies the twenty four hour requirement for an excusal. It makes it so three consecutive absences as grounds for expulsion. Of course, you know, it doesn't do anything to the other four nonconsecutive absences, so whichever comes first. And then it makes it so if you miss two committee meetings in a row unexcused, you have to meet or email or commune with your committee chair. The you two did a great job on it, and Matthew did as well, but he couldn't join us. I look forward to your they look forward to your questions. Do you guys have anything to say? Thank you.

7:18 time remaining for questions

- **Representative Savage:** Author so with the three consecutive that kind of limits a down a bit, if someone misses three consecutively. Right? So what if, like, I don't know, a member of our armed services or something like that had to be gone for three weeks straight? What would happen in that scenario?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Well, typically, at least at this level, armed service members don't leave in the dead of night without any access to electronics or communication forms. So if they do need to make those, you know, and serve our country gallantly, they can let the secretary know that they're going to be absent, and they'll be excused. And, of course, actually thanks for allowing me to clarify, this twenty four hour requirement, there will be exceptions. They wake up sick, whatever. This is just to make so people have to think about the meeting that they're going to attend.
- **Representative Vedra:** Author, you mentioned the two consecutive acts absences requiring a meeting with the committee chair. Would anything happen if the committee member failed to do so?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Secretary Wintory
- **Associate Digua:** Would the authors accept a friendly amendment to clarify in Point 2 Section 2 that there will be exceptions for things like illness? Given the current wording, it is not clear that exceptions like that exist.
 - **Associate Wyand:** Well, there's another point. It's not in this bill particularly, but there's another point that says when extenuating circumstances that if, like, the committee chair has the right to, like, view as excused absence. So because I raised the same point in our meeting. So I was kind of like, well, one time I got stuck in traffic on my way home, and it usually takes me three and a half hours to get home, and it took me almost six. So that was frustrating. And then I found out later that it counts as a like, if it's approved. It's more just about communicating. We really wanted the twenty four hour policy because people just don't think about their meetings. But even just you're planning ahead enough to try to make it and something happens, if you get sick or you get stuck in traffic or a car accident, then, obviously, we're all people. And our committee chairs hopefully will be reasonable.
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Yeah. The issue with listing things are going to be excused is that it excludes all the other reasons for people to be excused. So by not even enumerating, any specific reason for excusal, we just leave it open to the chair's discretion that's listed elsewhere in the bylaws. But I appreciate the thought.
- **Representative Benitez Mendoza:** In follow up to that same question you guys need to check that this is in line with the guidelines of the ADRC office. Because this has to do with how excused absences are treated in classrooms, and also applies for a lot of mandatory meetings we have on campus, including SGA. And I think we already as a body we don't really follow all the criteria for the ADRC, so it would be good if we could fix it right now rather than at some point in the future.
 - **Secretary Wintory:** So what amendment are you looking for?
- **Associate Digua:** Not mentioning illness specifically, but just being very clear that there are occasions where this is not necessarily applicable. Because right now, this wording, if somebody were to just read this without going through our bylaws, they would not understand this to be where that there are cases where this is not applicable. Right?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** I do see the issue here, but I don't think that this is anything that would ever arise. Just because it's not specifically outlined in this bill doesn't mean that this is end all be all. If it's in there in other places, it still applies to this. There's plenty of sections in the code or in the bylaws that reference others, and they are just as valid as

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the one you're looking at right now. And, ultimately, absences are up to the discretion of the committee chair. I don't think there's a committee chair that's going to tell you if you're sick, you're getting an unexcused absence. I just worry about necessarily overlegislating here and having redundancies in the code. So if there is something already in place, I would hesitate to add it again.

On a motion to extend time for questions by 5 minutes Schonfield seconded Pitts

- **Representative Schonfield:** Authors, with the point of them occurring another unexcused absence if they don't meet with the committee chair Gotcha. Alright. At least in my reading of this, there's nothing specifying that?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Why don't we do a friendly amendment, if you don't mind.
- **Representative Schonfield:** Would the office be amenable to a friendly amendment adding that not meeting with the committee chair would lead to another unexcused absence in section six here?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Yes.
- **Representative Fisher:** Why did you, I guess, specify third instead of making it both fourth?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Because three consecutive is grounds for expulsion, and four consecutive or nonconsecutive is also grounds for expulsion. So if you miss a committee meeting and a general body meeting in a row and then two weeks goes by and you miss a committee meeting and another week goes by and you miss general body meeting, that's four. Two of them who are consecutive, it doesn't matter if they're consecutive. That's four.
- **Representative Savage:** After reading this part of the bylaws, is the part you're citing that there's it's up to discretion the same part in number two right above the addition where it says up to can you scroll up to us, please? Where at this base, you see the discretion of the secretary. If it's in a fully different section, would it really be over legislating to put in the second just so we can all find it in one place together? Because we all know this is your thing, but future people might not.
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Sure let's do it.
- **Representative Hawkins:** So just to say that, you know, you're sitting on your final absence, and I'm just saying hypothetically, you have someone that's new that has not been to a lot of meetings. So you're saying in this bill or in any bylaws, there is protection behind certain things that happen in that person's life.
 - **Secretary Wintory:** Yes. So if they have three unexcused absences and they aren't consecutive, then they're they're safe until they get a fourth.
- **Representative Hawkins:** So I'm asking, do they have protection, though?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** They can still be excused. Your ability to be excused or not has no way to do with how many absences you have. I mean, unless your committee chair doesn't believe you're cool or something. But according to the bylaws, it has no relation.
- **Associate Digua:** Would you accept a friendly amendment to change the aforementioned part?
 - **Secretary Wintory:** yes.

Secretary Wintory promises to euthanize Representative Savage for his pathetic chudtastic no vote Passed 28-1-0

On a motion to postpone by unanimous consent CB-115-16 Morgan seconded Cox: Passed

- CB-115-16 "Session CXV Expulsion Bill No. 2" (Wintory) (No Rec)

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On a motion to see CB-115-17 Savage seconded Vedra

- CB-115-17 “Congress Secretary Role Alteration Act” (Morgan) (Do Pass)

Author’s Explanation:

ConAd Chair Morgan: Hi, everybody. As you probably know, every single committee has their own secretary with the exception of ConAd. ConAd's secretary is the congress secretary. I've been thinking about this for a while, and I can't think of a real reason why it's necessary for the congress secretary to be the secretary of ConAd. I think with this change, it would not only open up a role for a member inside of ConAd to be a secretary, but it would also take some of the weight off of our current congress secretary's plate or weight off of his shoulder. To clarify, Michael has done nothing wrong. He's been great. I even have an exclusionary clause in there, which says that this is not going to change this session. This will be starting next session. So he would remain as the comment secretary for the rest of this session.

7:02 time remaining for questions

- **Representative Cunningham:** Author, why did you want to create this position?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** I mean, I think it's less of creating position and more of just opening it up. It's not like this is a novel position. We're not creating anything new within any of the committees. We're simply opening up a position within ConEd for one of our more dedicated members to fill. I also think it takes some of the weight off of future congress secretary shoulders with them having to do three sets of minutes, updating the municode and attendance. There's two good effects that can be had.
- **Representative Schonfield:** Why did you choose to use an exclusionary section instead of just having it take effect at the end of the session?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** Is there a difference?
- **Representative Schonfield:** There's not a difference in the execution except that it just it's more complicated to do this do it this way. Thus me asking.
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** No. Honestly, there's no real reason. This is just the best way I saw it.
- **Representative Wolthuis:** Author, do you have any idea why it was set up that way for the congress secretary to secretary of ConAd?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** Funny story. I have no idea because I asked Caleb. Caleb asked previous chairs. Previous chairs asked even more previous chairs. Nobody has any idea. Actually, in the code right now, there is nothing saying that the secretary specifically is the secretary of ConAd. So at some point, this tradition was made. No idea where that started. I don't see a reason to continue that.
 - **Chair Robinson:** To add to that real quick, the only update I got was from Foster Hillis, who was Con Ed's chair. George was at 2020, 2019. Yeah. So 2020 and his only response is I actually don't know my understanding and my assumption is this is why. So there's no actual concrete reason.
- **Representative Savage:** Did you ask George if he knew?
 - **ConAd Chair Morgan:** I'll direct that to George.
 - **SGA Advisor Ahmadi:** I do not know, but I can confirm that this was that position was there in Session Sixty and Sixty-One.
- **Representative Benitez-Mendoza:** Would you agree that historically secretary positions are harder to fill up?

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- **ConAd Chair Morgan:** We're going to get these positions filled no matter what. I think that we're going to have passionate people from all over congress. It doesn't have to be a member of ConAd. I have no worry at all.

Passed 28-1-0

Follow-Up Reports

Announcements and Comments

Commissioner Wang: Tomorrow there is going to be a CAC forum tomorrow from 5:30-6:30 pm at Meechum Auditorium.

Representative Benitez-Mendoza: This Thursday, we have the international pageant. Pageants are usually not free. So if you're missing CSP, you can go, and it's free in Meechum at 6PM.

Representative Cox: Big event has extended their applications to tonight.

General Discussion

Final Roll Call

On a motion to adjourn Vedra seconded Wolthuis

Adjourn 7:43 PM

Chair: Caleb Robinson

Vice Chair: Aaron Gilson-Bond

Secretary: Michael Wintory

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-14
SENATE BILL NO. GSXX-XX/GFXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation to amend the SGA Code Annotated,
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 “Attendance at Appointment
Revision Act of 2026.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Title II Chapter 1 of the Code
Annotated to require attendance of appointees across other SGA Branches.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association Code
Annotated Title VI 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.

Title II- The Legislature

6. Advising and Consenting Bills

- a. **Status as Legislation.** Advising and consenting bills are Acts of Legislation. The advice and consent process follows the same procedure as any other legislation and the bills are binding.
- b. **Amendment of.** Advising and consenting bills cannot be amended in the same manner as other types of legislation. When advising and consenting, the legislative branch may only advise the author as to the changes to be made (i.e., fail the bill with recommendations as to necessary changes) or provide consent for the legislation; the legislative branch cannot make its own amendments to advising and consenting legislation for to do so would exceed its advice and consent powers. The author may withdraw or modify an advice and consent bill up until that bill is considered in any of the legislative branch’ committees. However, once an advice and consent bill has been presented, the author must seek permission from the House in which the bill was first presented to withdraw or amend it.

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- c. **Presence at Legislative Meetings.** The subject(s) of the advice and consent legislation pertaining to The Executive Cabinet, Crimson Leadership Association, Superior Court, General Counsel, Election Commissioner and Election Commission, and Parking Appeals Board must be present at the Undergraduate Student Congress and Graduate Student Senate meetings in which the legislation is being considered.
 - i. Excused Absences: Exceptions to this rule may be made on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Chair of the house in which the legislation is being considered.

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

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Co-Sponsor(s): Josephine Nicholson, SGA Vice President

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Morgan seconded Representative Toyos

Action taken by Congress: 28-1-0

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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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-15

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure amending the Bylaws to reflect the necessary changes to the responsibilities and duties of Crimson Leadership Association members; 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 “Expulsion Bylaw Update”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to amend the Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws to (1) reflect necessary changes to operations and expectations within the Crimson Leadership Association and (2) update the responsibilities of those involved.

Section 3: AMENDATORY: The University of Oklahoma Undergraduate Student Congress’s Bylaws Section 3.4 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.

2. EXPULSION FROM STUDENT CONGRESS FOR ABSENCES

1. A member of Congress may accrue three (3) unexcused absences, aggregated from general body meetings, committee meetings, and monthly constituent service requirements, without being eligible for expulsion for excessive unexcused absences.
2. Absences may be excused at the discretion of the Secretary. All absences not excused shall be recorded as unexcused. Additionally, for an excused absence to be counted as such, the member must notify their committee secretary 24 hours prior to said meeting. Exceptions to this rule may be made at the discretion of the Committee Chair. These exceptions may be made in accordance with ADRC guidelines, or under other special circumstances, provided that the member notifies the secretary as soon as reasonably possible.
3. In the case of foreseeable, repetitive absences a member may petition the executive committee of the Undergraduate Student Congress for an attendance waiver.
4. In the event that a member of Congress has accrued multiple absences, the Student Congress Secretary shall make a concerted effort to contact the member so that the member is aware of their accrued absences.

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5. In the event that a member of Congress accrues at least four (4) unexcused absences—regardless of if they are consecutive or nonconsecutive—in the current legislative session, said member may be expelled from Student Congress. Absences for every member of Congress shall be set to zero (0) at the start of each new session.
6. Upon accruing the fourth (4th) nonconsecutive or third (3rd) consecutive absence, the Student Congress Secretary shall prepare an act of procedure to expel any member of Congress who has accrued excessive unexcused absences. Additionally, two consecutive unexcused absences from committee meetings will require the member to meet privately with the committee chair. Not attending such a meeting with their committee chair would lead to an additional unexcused absence.
7. This act of expulsion shall be brought before the Executive Committee at its most immediate meeting. If the act receives a “Do Pass” or “No Recommendation” recommendation, it shall appear before Student Congress on the agenda at the next regular general meeting.
8. While the inclusion of the act of expulsion on the agenda shall be considered notice of pending expulsion, the Student Congress Secretary shall notify the member of Congress in question about the pending legislation by electronic mail to said Congressional member's university-sponsored electronic mail account.
9. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of representatives present and voting is required to expel a member.
 - a. If an act of expulsion of a member of Congress fails, that member must accrue two (2) additional unexcused absences before they are again eligible for expulsion by the above procedure.
 - b. If a committee officer is successfully expelled, that committee officer is removed from their position and loses their seat if they possess one. If a member is successfully expelled, that member loses their seat.
 - c. If a member is successfully expelled, they are not eligible to be appointed to any district until the session in which the member was expelled has passed. All of the following shall apply only to the application process and shall not affect the election process in any way.
 - i. After the session in which the member was expelled has passed, the expelled member may be allowed to apply for a district's seat, should the seat be vacant. The expelled member should receive the same application process as does a new applicant.
 1. If a formerly expelled member returns to their seat in the next session and subsequently is expelled a second (2nd) time, then they may be allowed to reapply in the next session as associates only.
 2. Upon a third (3rd) expulsion for the member having been reappointed as an associate, that member should be automatically considered expelled for life in the application process, waivable by the Executive Committee upon review.

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

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Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Pitts seconded Representative Landrum

Action taken by Congress: Passed 28-1-0

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-16

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure expelling members 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 115 Expulsion Bill No. 2."

Section 2: The purpose of this act shall be to expel a member for excessive unexcused absences. Ainsley Johnston, Jakob Harrigan, Aaron Lim, Holly Standridge, Alex Villagran, Ayan Zubair, and Meagan Edwards have accrued excessive unexcused absences, the membership of the aforementioned are 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: Ainsley Johnston, Jakob Harrigan, Aaron Lim, Holly Standridge, Alex Villagran, Ayan Zubair, Shengyeng Lee, and Naomi Mahuni

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: _____

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-17

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Act of Procedure amending Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws; 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 “Congress Secretary Role Alteration Act.”
- Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to remove the Congress Secretary as the Secretary of the Congressional Administration Committee and clarify roles within the Executive Committee.
- Section 3:** AMENDATORY: Sections 4.3, 6.2, and 6.5 of the Undergraduate Student Congress Bylaws are amended as follows. For the purposes of this bill, all removals shall be denoted with a strikethrough (~~strikethrough~~), and all additions with an underline (underline).
- Section 4:** **Section 4.3: CONGRESS SECRETARY**
1. The Secretary is the third-highest ranking officer of Student Congress. The Secretary shall strive to facilitate the execution of Student Congress’ mission.
 2. The Secretary shall preside over general meetings and Executive Committee meetings in the absence of the Student Congress Chair and Student Congress Vice-Chair.
 3. The Secretary shall be responsible for all records of Student Congress not otherwise specified in these Bylaws. The Secretary shall work with the SGA Administrative Assistant and SGA Webmaster to conspicuously post, in the SGA offices as well as on the SGA Congress website, a printed agenda for each general meeting and each meeting of the Executive Committee.
 4. The Secretary shall take minutes at general meetings.
 5. The Secretary shall be responsible for recording and reading all submitted amendments to legislation pending before Student Congress.

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6. The Secretary shall be responsible for roll calls of Student Congress and for taking roll call votes.
7. ~~The Secretary shall be a voting member of the Congressional Administration standing committee.~~
8. The Secretary shall keep a record of the terms of districts and offices held by all members and must publish a review of updated membership, no later than the last academic day of every month in which Congress is in session, to be reviewed by the Executive Committee. Upon review, the record shall be given to the SGA Webmaster to be posted to the SGA website.
9. The Secretary shall keep a record of all attendance, including general meetings, committee meetings, and office hours. The Secretary must weekly post this record.
10. The Secretary shall keep a record of all votes cast in general meetings by all representatives. The Secretary shall weekly post conspicuously in the SGA offices as well as on the SGA Congress website a record of all votes cast in general meetings on legislation, amendments to legislation, or elections and on any other questions deemed appropriate by the Secretary or higher-ranking officer of Student Congress.
11. The Secretary shall keep a record of all associates and representatives of the body who have been expelled from congress. This record will be saved to an online storage system at the chair's discretion.
12. The Secretary shall be ultimately responsible for maintaining and updating all records and documents which are required to be posted on the website of Student Congress.
13. The Student Congress Secretary shall forward all documents which are required to be posted on the SGA Student Congress website to the Student Congress Webmaster, which will in turn, post all said documents on the SGA Student Congress website.
14. The Secretary shall have the sole right to author any acts of procedure expelling a member for excessive absences. The Secretary shall do so in a timely manner upon the accrual of excessive absences by a member, as specified elsewhere in these Bylaws.
15. The Secretary shall be required to complete no less than 8 hours of "office hours" per week in accordance with the monthly stipend awarded to the position. Should the stipend change, this section shall be amended to reflect the new stipend.
16. The Secretary shall be responsible for updating and maintaining an updated version of the Student Congress Bylaws.

Section 5: **Section 6.2: COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

1. Committee membership shall consist of duly appointed members of Student Congress, ~~and its officers, officers, and, in the case of the Congressional Administration Committee, the Student Congress Secretary.~~
2. MEMBERS. Each member, ~~other than the Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary,~~ of Student Congress shall be appointed to only one standing committee.
3. MEMBERSHIP DURATION. Committee members shall remain in a committee until they request to change committees, resign, or are removed. Committee

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membership shall transcend the end of a session, unless a member requests to change committees.

4. PROCEDURES. Legislation is not needed to establish or amend committee membership, except for each Committee Chair. Membership should be at the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. The Congress Chair must publish a document reflecting the most up to date committee membership.

Section 6: **Section 6.5: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of Student Congress and the chairs of the standing committees. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to excuse absences and to make recommendations on legislation. The Executive Committee shall assist the Student Congress Chair in planning and coordinating the business of Student Congress. The Executive Committee shall, also, give advice and consent of for the revised Standing Rules of Order passed by the Congressional Administration Committee at the beginning of each even numbered session.
2. Any standing committee chair that misses an executive committee meeting without notice shall accrue an absence. The Executive Committee Chair may excuse absences in the same manner an absence would be excused from a standing committee meeting.
3. The Congress Chair shall serve as the chair of the Executive Committee with the Congress Vice Chair serving as the Vice Chair of the Executive Committee and the Congress Secretary serving as the Secretary of the Executive Committee.
4. ORDER OF BUSINESS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. Orders of Business in the Executive Committee Meetings of the Congress shall be determined by the Congress Standing Rules of Order.

Section 7: EXCLUSIONARY: The effects of Sections 4 and 5 of this bill shall not take effect until the beginning of Congressional Session CXVI.

Section 8: This act shall become effective when passed in accordance with the SGA Constitution.

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Action taken by Congress: Passed 28-1-0

Verified by Chair: _____ Date: _____

