

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS

Session CXV

General Body Meeting

7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Dale Hall, Room 103

**Call to Order 7:02**

**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 Gideon seconded Hawley*

**Approval of Minutes | February 17, 2026**

**Officer Reports -**

- **Chair's Report:** I don't have a ton for you other than I talked to Joey. We will be partnering with the executive branch for big event. So that would be us too as a partner. Once we get that registration info, I will send it out to you guys, and you will be able to go ahead and get registered to join our group if you wish. If you need more info about that, feel free to come to me, and I'd be happy to talk to you about what that looks like, ask questions. A lot of the upperclassmen here at least have an idea. If they've never gotten at least have an idea of what it is, so just feel free to ask questions about that.
- **Vice Chair's Report:** Please make sure you complete your CSP by the last day of the month at 11:59 PM. The only time I go back and adjust the tracker is if I missed a submission that was already sent through the form—not if someone simply forgot to log it. I am very lenient with what I count as a CSP, especially if you are having trouble finding something that interests you. I send at least one reminder email to all of Congress each month, but I will not track individuals down to make sure they submit it. I also send very few emails overall, so when you see one from me, please take a moment to read it—it is almost always CSP-related. On another note, congratulations to Max Frehde and Ian Cox for being named Congress Members of the Month. Great work!
- **Secretary's Report:** How many of you have read hamlet? Well this is a monologue from hamlet I'm not going to read this entire thing because you'll probably just bore you like it did in highschool. So instead I'll give you the TLDR, basically he's asking why do we endure the daily hardship that is life? The heart-ache and the thousand natural shocks That flesh is heir to, The oppressor's wrong, the proud man's contumely, The pangs of despised love, the law's delay, The insolence of office and the spurns That patient merit of the unworthy takes? The answer seems

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to be that we endure it because we are too afraid of what happens on the other side. He asks is this fear really worth bearing those ills we have? So, I ask you, to be or not to be in congress? Why do you bear the interminably long roll call votes, or secretary's reports, or hours of questions on bills. Why do you devote every Tuesday night or the better part of every Sunday to this organization? Is the answer you simply don't want to be expelled? I know for many it is more than that. To me I enjoy congress greatly. I get to see my best friends and be part of bigger than myself. But it seems for many it is the desire to not be expelled. I am spending my days tracking your absences, waiting till the moment I have to expel you. Or in ConAd coming up with new ways in the code to try to keep people in congress or get them out. I think it's because we get so lost in the toil of it we forget why we endure this in the first place. I want everyone to fill out a form next month and tell me what makes you come to congress. There's no right answer here, I want the truth even if it is as silly as I think Aaron looks good in his uniform. I will give you a month and provide a form at the next associates meeting. But if you can't find a reason, please fill out this form and tell me what we are doing wrong. Because if you can't find a reason to come to congress other than to be expelled that is on us up here. We have failed you. And we must hear and understand what has gone so terribly wrong that I'm going to have to expel like 15 people in the first month of the session. I have failed you. Please help me help you want to be here.

#### **Committee Reports-**

- **Campus Outreach, Safety, and Concerns:** COSCO met officially this week and discussed projects. Two important things, we are tabling with Goddard to try to connect with the student body about health resources. If you guys have any free time the sign up form is in the GroupMe. It's 30 minutes talking to people. Additionally, right after this we will be having our second light walk of the year.
- **Congressional Administration:** Hi everyone! ConAd met officially this weekend, we had no bills to see, so we went over our projects. We are making good progress and should have legislation pertaining to them in the coming weeks! Great to see everyone!
- **External Affairs:** Hi, everyone. EA met officially this week, and then we gave the higher education day bill a recommendation to pass. We mainly talked about higher education day, and you'll be hearing more from me in special orders, so I'm going to pass it on.
- **Human Diversity:** HD met officially this weekend and gave CR-115-03 and 05 a rec of due pass. We are also looking at April second on the south oval for our Unity fair. It will be the first CSP of April. **So that's very exciting. Other than that we just had project updates.**
- **Sustainability:** Sustainability made a lot of progress on our projects and bills, and we will be tabling at the green week event.
- **University Policy:** UPol met officially last week, we saw CR-115-04. We gave it a rec of pass, so we'll be seeing that tonight. And we just went over project updates.
- **Ways and Means:** Hey y'all, WAM met this Sunday to go over committee project updates involving development of RSO Letters, suggested improvements for SBSC, development of a new Purchasing Guide, and digital payment integration project. We also went over what to expect for primary and what time we will meet this upcoming weekend. Thank You.

#### **Liaison Reports**

##### **Special Orders**

- Higher Education Day (Hope Rhoads)
- The Oklahoma Group (Henry Christiansen)
- I-CCEW (Owen Cunningham)

##### **Student Concerns**

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## Old Business

*On a motion to see CB-115-09 Savage seconded Cox*

- CB-115-09 “SGA Public Relations Committee Revision Act of 2026” (Christiansen/Toyos-Perez)

### Author’s Explanation:

**Chief of Staff Christiansen:** So the public relations committee was something that was formed in 2024. And the goal is, that's kind of when we centralized a lot of the social media presence of SGA as a whole. So this is just kind of revising that that committee to just help it function a little bit better, get give it some more leadership. So, basically, it in another bill we already saw. We removed the cabinet positions. So this just kind of reflects that. So how it it'd be designees of the president on this committee. And then, also, one thing we're removing that I'll let Alex talk about if you guys have any questions is CLA from this committee. CLA has its own Instagram and everything. So they kind of run their own social media, so it was just kind of a redundant feature there. And then some meeting stuff, just kind of, you know, directing how these meetings would start every semester and then how there would be a chair of the committee elected between the committee itself.

6:50 time remaining for questions

- **Representative Morgan:** Author, would you accept the friendly amendment striking the first sentence of section four?
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** Yes.
- **Representative Cunningham:** Were there any concerns about CLA taking over SGA as a result of not being beholden to the OMA?
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** So the general counsel opinion said that all of SGA was open or beholden to the Open Meetings Act. So no.
- **Congress Chair Robinson:** Authors, are you familiar with the fact that the PRC also stands for the People’s Republic Of China?
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** Yes, very unfortunate coincidence.
- **Representative Cunningham:** What is the head of the PRC called?
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** It would be the chair.
- **Representative Fisher: Why did you call it the PRC rather than just PR?**
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** I didn’t make the committee, it was made in 2024.
- **Representative Fisher:** Do you think there’d be a benefit to changing it?
  - **Chief of Staff Christiansen:** No.

*Passed unanimously 39-0-0*

## Items to Be Considered

*On a motion to see CR-115-03 Toyos seconded Hawley*

- CR-115-03 “Women’s History Month Resolution of 2026” (Sneller) (Do Pass)

### Author’s Explanation

**Associate Sneller:** So the main reason why I selected this bill, for Women’s history month, is women have been such a big part of my life in literally everything I do. And even the reason I chose the University of Oklahoma. As someone who has three generations in this university, it was clearly a choice for me, but the biggest one of those was my mom. My mom has been such a big factor in my life and has been the biggest women factor of my life. She, as not many women did during her time, went to pursue a master’s degree in education. Hoping to give kids that had learning disabilities a greater chance at learning and get it off of them. Unfortunately, when she had me, she could no longer continue her master’s degree as she pursued giving me an amazing life. And here I am today because of her. And I know so many of you in this room, if not every single one of you, have owed something you’ve

accomplished in your life to a woman. And if you're saying you don't, yeah, I know you're lying. Women in our history and our future have given us so much, and they deserve so much. Even today, as they fall behind in the workplace, but are pursuing forward education, they still deserve to be raised. I learned so much while researching, I'll give you a bit of a trigger warning, but I commend you to look through these because there is so much you can learn from what I learned today.

6:36 time remaining for questions

- **Representative Fisher:** Would you accept a friendly amendment to strike Women in Engineering and add Career Development for Engineers and Scientists and Society of Women Engineers?
  - **Associate Sneller:** Yes.
- **Representative Karrar:** Would you be open to a friendly amendment expanding the list of organization that should receive this bill?
  - **Associate Sneller:** Yes.
- **Representative Rhoads:** Due to changes within changes with DEI in the executive order a year or two ago Women in Gaylord is actually Gaylord Connect, would you be open to a friendly amendment making that change?
  - **Associate Sneller:** Yes.

Passed unanimously 39-0-0

- CR-115-04 "Save the Scribbles Resolution (Esteva-Ingram/Fellman) (Do Pass)

#### **Author's Explanation**

**Senator Fellman:** Hi, everyone. I'm Tatiana, and this is Ben. We're from GSS. In essence this bill is meant to affect chalk use. Chalking is a pretty big part of campus regarding messaging from RSOs.

**Senator Esteva-Ingram:** So we've seen in recent years so Texas A and M, for example, they banned chalking in 2020. We saw Ohio State in August of last year ban chalking on campus. Many of the reasons of why they decided to ban chalking was due to the inappropriate use of it. Now what we have at the University of Oklahoma are clear protections in place. We know through Engage that these RSOs have to submit for these requests in order to have talking done. And we want to keep that. We are not trying to do anything with regard to the rules and regulations that are in place, and that is clearly stated in our bill. But what we want to do is just ensure that talking remains a fundamental thing that students can have access for. You know, especially with these talks of things of freedom of speech and other things that have arised within the last year, we've really thought that this is an important thing that we just kind of want to have solidified in wording to make sure that it is protected. So yeah. So we're happy to hear any concerns. If there are any friendly amendments that you want to request, we're happy to take any questions as well at this time.

6:44 time remaining for questions

- **Associate Keupen:** Authors, would you be open to amendment to strike the last whereas whereas clause to edit it to the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association, commence the university for upholding free speech and so on, and placing it between the existing sections two and three.
  - **Senator Fellman:** Yes.
- **Representative Rhoads:** Authors, typically when something's seen in both houses, that's why we use the term University of Oklahoma Student Government Association. Because it's signed by the GSS chair, the congress chair, and the president. So that's why it represents the opinion of SGA as a whole instead of just GSS. But, also, I love what you guys are doing with the bill. Are

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you just aware that whereas clauses are supposed to be facts? So there can't be anything about opinion within them? I commend you guys. I think it's a really good deal. I think in the whereas class where it talks about Texas A and M, you say, although the statement holds some truth, that would technically be an opinion. You could change it into two whereas clauses where it could be chalking is an additional freedom just directly after that that individuals can partake in, and thus, this bill serves a critical purpose. Would you be open to that friendly amendment?

- **Senator Fellman:** Yes.
- **Representative Savage:** Authors, was there a specific event on campus that led to this happening, or is it more that you guys are looking at stuff going on around the country and wanted to prevent that from happening here?
  - **Senator Esteve-Ingram:** Just, like, looking around the country and some thought. I mean, I don't come on main campus often, but a couple of times I do. I always find looking at the chalk stuff as, like, nostalgic. And so I feel like it's a really great way to interact with the campus.
  - **Senator Fellman:** To kind of piggyback off of that, one of the things we saw last semester where there's a kind of freedom of speech movement and all of that on campus, free speech, was something that kind of popped up where we saw, oh, these universities have banned kind of this form of speech. We have these protections already in place, and so we just wanted to make sure it wasn't a situation where we're turning into other universities and completely banning it when we already have protections in place to ensure responsibly.
- **Associate Digua:** Would you accept a friendly amendment in section three to change all students to all RSOs to make it clear that this is an opportunity only for RSO's?
  - **Senator Esteve-Ingram:** Yes.
- **Representative Benitez Mendoza:** Would you be open to a friendly amendment to remove "and even just positive messaging"?
  - **Senator Fullman:** Yes.
- **Associate Digua:** Authors can you elaborate on the as introduced section where it says and providing for distribution?
  - **Chair Robinson:** It's just clarifying that we send it to these people.

*On a motion to extend time for questions by 5 minutes Bass seconded Cox*

- **Representative Savage:** Would you accept me as a co-sponsor on this bill?
  - **Senator Esteve-Ingram:** Yes.
- **Representative Vedra:** Would you accept me as a co-sponsor on this bill?
  - **Senator Esteve-Ingram:** Yes.

Passed unanimously 39-0-0

*On a motion to see CR-115-05 Morgan seconded Toyos*

- CR-115-05 "Endometriosis Awareness Month Resolution" (Hawley) (Do Pass)

**Author's Explanation:**

**Representative Hawley:** I have just a little speech on my phone because I didn't want to forget any of my more points. So this resolution is meant to appropriately recognize March as endometriosis awareness month. Endometriosis is a chronic disease that ten percent of people born with uterus have. It is ranked as one of the most painful conditions that someone can have. It is a full body condition and

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has been found in every single organ, including the brain. It can take between four and eleven years to diagnose. For reference, I took seven years to get diagnosed, and that's considered short by a lot of people. The only way to be formally diagnosed is with surgery, and there is no known cure. I think it's really important we spread awareness for this because it affects so many, and there's so little funding and research and resources. So I'm happy to answer any questions.

6:55 time remaining for questions

- **Representative Cunningham:** Author, would you be willing to accept a friendly amendment to Section Two striking Undergraduate Student Congress and replacing with the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association? And would you also accept myself as a co sponsor?
  - **Representative Hawley:** Yes.
- **Vice Chair Gilson-Bond:** Would you also be looking for a friendly amendment to Section Three with that same change?
  - **Representative Hawley:** Yes.

Passed unanimously 39-0-0

*On a motion to see CR-115-06 Cox seconded Pitts*

- CR-115-06 "Higher Education Day Resolution of 2026" (Carter) (Do Pass)

**Author's Explanation:**

**Representative Carter:** This is a bill we do every year, basically just supporting what we're trying to do with higher education day, which Hope talked about earlier. But, basically, the whereas clause kind of goes through the value of higher education and how it helps get people get jobs, stuff like that. The main significant change to the bill was obviously just updating the statistics around it and then also adjusting some of the DEI wording since that's kind of controversial now. So trying to include inclusion aspect without necessarily mentioning DEI itself.

7:32 time remaining for questions

Passed unanimously 39-0-0

**Follow-Up Reports**

**Announcements and Comments**

**Representative Savage:** Please come to the light walk after this.

**Representative Gideon:** Please get your orgs registered for homecoming

**Representative Hawley:** Just announcing college Dems is meeting tomorrow.

**Representative Evans:** Register for CAC College bowl.

**Election Commissioner Wang:** Make sure to file for the spring election.

**General Discussion**

**Final Roll Call**

*On a motion to adjourn Morgan seconded Sneller*

**Adjourn 8:11 PM**

Chair: Caleb Robinson

Vice Chair: Aaron Gilson-Bond

Secretary: Michael Wintory

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UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV  
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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-115-03

AS INTRODUCED

A Congressional Resolution acknowledging  
the importance of the celebration  
and recognition of Women’s History Month;  
and providing for distribution.

Whereas: In 1987, Congress passed Public Law 100-9, which designated March as Women’s History Month; and <sup>1</sup>

Whereas: Women’s History Month serves as a pillar that unites the women of the past and present to push us as a whole to a future of equality and decreased gender violence; and

Whereas: Under the status quo, women continue to face discrimination on a multifaceted front, with a lack of representation on a composite scale; and

Whereas: As a result, the workforce has seen significant gaps in pay and access to education, with varying degrees. Women are often left out of essential healthcare research or do not have access to healthcare; and

Whereas: Women’s History Month works as a bridge towards further education and accreditation, as well as to celebrate the role that women have played not only in our country, but in the world’s history; and

Whereas: March 8<sup>th</sup> being recognized as International Women’s Day links women together across the globe to recognize past and present success, as well as come together to recognize gender bias on the largest scale possible; and

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1 National Women’s History Muesem. “Women’s History Month.”  
<https://nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org/womens-history-month-history/>

- Whereas: Nearly one in three women (29%) have experienced sexual assault, physical violence, and/or stalking by a partner, which impacted their functioning; and <sup>2</sup>
- Whereas: One in five (20-25%) of women are sexually assaulted while in college, with undergraduate women facing a significantly higher risk, especially during the first year; and <sup>3</sup>
- Whereas: As of Fall 2025, the University of Oklahoma's sexual assault number has more than tripled, with the total number in the past five years reaching over one hundred; and <sup>4</sup>
- Whereas: For the 2024-2025 school year, the University of Oklahoma had an enrolled undergraduate population of 52.24% female students and 47.76% male students; and
- Whereas: For the 2024-2025 school year, the University of Oklahoma had an enrolled postgraduate population of 55.96% female students and 44.04% male students; and <sup>5</sup>
- Whereas: In 2023, the University of Oklahoma awarded 7,577 degrees. 53.5% were earned by women, and 46.5% were earned by men. This is a decrease in the share of degrees earned by women (-7%); and <sup>6</sup>
- Whereas: As of 2025, women make up 58% of the workforce, but only 46% of all managers as only 93 women are promoted for every 100 men; and <sup>7</sup>
- Whereas: As of 2025, women working full-time are only paid 88% of what men earn and at the current rate of change, this will not be equal until 2088; and <sup>8</sup>

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2 National Domestic Violence Hotline. "Domestic Violence Statistics."

<https://www.thehotline.org/stakeholders/domestic-violence-statistics/>

3 RAINN. "Statistics: Campus Sexual Violence."

<https://rainn.org/facts-statistics-the-scope-of-the-problem/statistics-campus-sexual-violence/#:~:text=9.7%25%20of%20female%20and%202.5,Age%20Adults%20Face%20Increased%20Risk>

4 OU Daily. "Annual Campus Safety Reports Show Increased Reports of Sexual Violence, Assault, and Motor Vehicle Theft."

[https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-security-fire-safety-report-2025-crime-campus-rape-assault-theft/article\\_f5064461-963e-408d-abba-](https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-security-fire-safety-report-2025-crime-campus-rape-assault-theft/article_f5064461-963e-408d-abba-a52ff947b9b7.html#:~:text=Editor's%20Note,three%20incidents%20reported%20in%202023.)

[a52ff947b9b7.html#:~:text=Editor's%20Note,three%20incidents%20reported%20in%202023.](https://www.oudaily.com/news/ou-security-fire-safety-report-2025-crime-campus-rape-assault-theft/article_f5064461-963e-408d-abba-a52ff947b9b7.html#:~:text=Editor's%20Note,three%20incidents%20reported%20in%202023.)

5 College Tuition Compare. "Enrollment Trends at OU."

<https://www.collegetuitioncompare.com/trends/university-of-oklahoma-norman-campus/student-population/#:~:text=Student%20Population%20Changes,Oklaoma%2DNorman%20Campus%20since%202015.>

6 DataUSA. "University of Oklahoma-Norman Campus."

[https://datausa.io/profile/university/university-of-oklahoma-norman-campus#:~:text=In%202023%2C%207%2C577%20degrees%20were,or%20latino%20\(828%20degrees\).](https://datausa.io/profile/university/university-of-oklahoma-norman-campus#:~:text=In%202023%2C%207%2C577%20degrees%20were,or%20latino%20(828%20degrees).)  
7 Pew Research Center. "Women are a rising share of US managers and professionals."  
<https://www.pewresearch.org/short-reads/2025/07/17/women-are-a-rising-share-of-us-managers-and-professionals/#:~:text=In%202023%2C%2046%25%20of%20all,occupations%2C%20to%20health%20care%20practitioners.>  
8 AAUW. "The Gender Pay Gap."  
<https://www.aauw.org/issues/economic-security/pay-gap/>

Whereas: Gender disparities in several of the disciplines across the University of Oklahoma, such as STEM, aviation, finance, and business, underscore the need for Women's History Month to be celebrated and educated about.

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

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Women's History Month of 2026"
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association acknowledges and celebrates the month of March as Women's History Month.
- Section 3:** OU SGA encourages the student body to take advantage of the month of March to learn more about Women's History and gender disparities to foster a better environment for gender equality to thrive on campus.
- Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:
- President Joseph Harroz Jr
  - Vice President for Access and Opportunity Belinda Higgs-Hyppolite
  - The OU Daily
  - The OU Nightly
  - African Women's League
  - Getting to the Root
  - Women's Health Advocacy
  - Women in Finance
  - Women in Business Association
  - Women in Gaylord
  - Career Development for Engineers and Scientists
  - Society of Women Engineers
  - Black Girl White Coat
  - OU Panhellenic association
  - Organization for the Advancement of Women in Law

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- Crimson Sweethearts
- Women and Gender studies department
- Global Africa Child Hope Association (do work for children AND women refugees)
- Women of Power
- Women in Aviation
- Women in Physics
- Alpha Kappa Sigma - Women and Gender minorities in Technical Studies
- Network of Enlightened Women

Author(s): Madilynn Sneller, Associate

Co-Author(s):

Co-Sponsor(s): Lorelai Radzanowski, Arts and Sciences Representative

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Toyos seconded Representative Hawley

Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 39-0-0

Verified by Chair of Congress:

Date:

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL CB-115-09  
SENATE BILL 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 "SGA Public Relations Committee Revision Act of 2026."

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to update Chapter IX Section 3 of the SGA Code Annotated to provide flexibility in Public Relations Committee membership and update current membership structure.

**Section 3:** **Chapter IX-3 Public Relations Committee**

- 1) Name. This board shall be called the "Public Relations Committee."
- 2) Purpose. The purpose of the Public Relations Committee (PRC) is to assist in the mass media communication between the Student Government Association and the general student body. The Committee will meet with the intention of establishing media plans for the Student Government Association.
- 3) Membership.
  - a) Membership for the PRC shall be as follows:
    - i) ~~The Director of Communications for the Executive Cabinet~~ Designee(s) from the executive cabinet as communicated to the PRC by the SGA President.
    - ii) The Chief of Staff for the Executive Cabinet
    - iii) The Vice Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress
    - iv) The Chair of the Public Relations Committee for the Graduate Student Senate

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v) ~~The Vice Chair of Public Relations for the Crimson Leadership Association~~

- 4) Meetings of the PRC shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meetings Act. The Committee shall meet at least twice per month throughout the academic year. Meeting dates and times shall be decided upon by a consensus of the Committee's members, and as communicated by the PRC Committee Chair. The SGA Chief of Staff shall coordinate the first meeting of each semester, taking place no more than two weeks from the first academic day of the semester.
- 5) Leadership. Members of the PRC, as outlined in Title IX-3, shall elect by majority vote amongst themselves a Chair to serve during the semester in which they are elected. Election shall take place at the first convened meeting of the PRC each semester.
  - a) The Chair of the PRC shall be responsible for establishing meeting times and maintaining committee functions.
  - b) The Chair of the PRC may be removed upon a majority of committee members voting to do so during a regularly scheduled meeting.

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

Author(s): Henry Christiansen, SGA Chief of Staff

Co-Author(s): Alexandra Toyos-Perez, CLA Co-Chair

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

Submitted on a Motion by: Representative Savage seconded Representative Cox

Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 39-0-0

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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CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-115-04  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution urging the protected use of chalk by student organizations at the University of Oklahoma; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: “Chalking” is defined as the act of using chalk to display messages regarding events, meetings, and other information.<sup>1</sup> Chalking is usually done on sidewalks in high-trafficked areas by people to receive such messages.

Whereas: Chalking is commonly used on university campuses for student organizations to communicate with others regarding hosted events and meeting times. Numerous requests from student organizations to chalk messages on campus are made at the University of Oklahoma.

Whereas: Over the last several years, several colleges have taken the action of banning chalk on campus.<sup>23</sup> For example, in 2020, Texas A&M banned chalk from their campuses. They stated “the need for chalking as a communications channel in 2020 is no longer as important for message distribution.”<sup>2</sup>. Although this statement holds some truth, chalking is an additional freedom of speech that individuals can partake in, and thus this bill serves a critical purpose of protecting a unique way that **ALL RSOs** at the University of Oklahoma can practice free speech.

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<sup>1</sup>chalking, 2026. Accessed 19 February 2026, <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/dictionary/english/chalking>.

<sup>2</sup> Hoffman, A., 2025: Ohio State students react to ‘chalking’ ban. <https://www.nbc4i.com/news/local-news/ohio-state-university/ohio-state-students-react-to-chalking-ban/>.

<sup>3</sup> Rodriguez, M., 2020: Texas A&M bans use of chalk as form of messaging on campus. *My Aggie Nation*. Accessed 19 February 2026, [https://myaggienation.com/am\\_news/texas-a-m-bans-use-of-chalk-as-form-of-messaging-on-campus/article\\_66da239d-495d-5bf9-a462-b39872c6c29c.html](https://myaggienation.com/am_news/texas-a-m-bans-use-of-chalk-as-form-of-messaging-on-campus/article_66da239d-495d-5bf9-a462-b39872c6c29c.html).

Whereas: Even with the rise of social media, students may lack access to social media or may not be aware of these social media accounts. This could result in missed opportunities to be a part of the University of Oklahoma student organizations. With chalking, messages in a frequently trafficked area by students allow for better reach to a greater audience.

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has measures in place regarding chalking to ensure that those who want to participate do so in a responsible and controlled manner. Such measures include, but are not limited to<sup>4</sup>:

- Pre-approval for chalking must be obtained by completing the RSO Publicity Request Form in ENGAGE.
- Any chalking placed improperly is subject to removal by campus personnel at the registered student organization's expense.

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

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the "Save the Scribbles Resolution"

**Section 2:** In this resolution, we seek to ensure that chalking will remain a legal activity on campus without any potential of being banned. Given the current protections and safeguards that have been put into place, such as requesting approval and not being able to use insoluble chalk, OU has taken steps to ensure students are responsibly using chalk in a manner that is more environmentally conscientious.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association commends the university for upholding Free Speech for all RSOs on campus over the last several months. As a result, it is critical that these efforts continue in upholding and supporting the use of chalk on campus as an alternative form of free speech;

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Joseph Harroz Jr., President of the University of Oklahoma
- André-Denis Wright, Senior Vice President and Provost of the University of Oklahoma
- David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students at the University of Oklahoma
- Dr. Matthew Rom, Associate Vice President for Facilities Management
- Brian Holderread, Vice President for Campus Operations

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<sup>4</sup> Policies,. Accessed 19 February 2026, <http://www.ou.edu/operations/resources/policies.html>.

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Action taken by Congress: Passed unanimously 39-0-0

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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXV  
March 3, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GFXX/GSXX  
March DD, 2026

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-115-05  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFXX-XX/GSXX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution recognizing the month of  
March as Endometriosis Awareness Month; and  
providing for distribution.

- Whereas: Endometriosis is a chronic disease where tissue similar to the lining of the uterus grows outside the uterus, causing inflammation and scar tissue formation<sup>1</sup>; and
- Whereas: This condition affects an estimated 10% (approximately 190 million) of reproductive-age women and girls globally<sup>2</sup>; and
- Whereas: It can take between four and 11 years to receive a correct endometriosis diagnosis<sup>3</sup>; and
- Whereas: This condition can severely impact a person’s physical and mental health; and
- Whereas: There is currently no known cure for endometriosis, and treatment focuses on controlling symptoms and limiting long-term impacts; and
- Whereas: Stigmatization of this illness and chronic pain leads to delays in diagnosis and negatively affects the well-being of those living with this disease; and
- Whereas: March is recognized as Endometriosis Awareness Month to provide an opportunity for all people to learn about and understand the condition.

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

**Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Endometriosis Awareness Month Resolution.”

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**Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association will recognize the month of March as Endometriosis Awareness Month.

**Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association suggests the following ways to recognize Endometriosis Awareness Month:

- Wear yellow clothing, accessories, or ribbons throughout March
- Educate yourself about endometriosis
- Donate to Endometriosis Charities and Research Organizations
- Share your story
- Spread awareness on social media and through word of mouth
- Talk to your health provider if you feel you could have endometriosis
- Support people with endometriosis

**Section 4:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- Joseph Harroz Jr., President of the University of Oklahoma
- David A. Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- William Wayne, Ph.D., Associate Vice President of Student Affairs and Director of Health Services
- Gary E. Raskob, Ph.D., Provost of the Health Campus
- Lee A. Jennings, M.D., Director of Health Services
- Carolyn Kloek, M.D., MBA, Chief of Medical Staff

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Submitted on a motion by: Representative Morgan seconded Representative Toyos

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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CXIV  
March 3, 2026

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GFX/GSX  
Month DD, YYYY

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-115-06  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GFX-XX/GSX-XX

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution requesting support  
for increasing and protecting funds for higher education  
resources distributed by the State Government  
of Oklahoma; and providing for distribution.

Whereas: The Fiscal Year 2026 appropriation for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education was approximately \$1,230,000,000, reflecting increases since FY2020 but remaining below inflation-adjusted peak funding levels of the mid-2000s<sup>1</sup>; and

Whereas: Projections from the Georgetown University Center on Education and the workforce estimate that by 2031, roughly 72% of jobs nationwide will require education or training beyond high school, a trend reflected in Oklahoma's workforce demands<sup>2</sup>; and

Whereas: Data from the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education indicate that approximately 87% of graduates from Oklahoma public colleges and universities remain employed in Oklahoma within one year of graduation<sup>3</sup>; and

Whereas: Economic impact studies conducted for the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education demonstrate that for every dollar of state appropriations invested, the State System of Higher Education generates \$9.80 in economic output<sup>4</sup>; and

Whereas: Oklahoma's higher education system supports around \$12 billion in total annual economic output statewide, according to updated systemwide impact reports<sup>4</sup>; and

Whereas: Research findings published through the National Bureau of Economic Research and the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development continue to point toward increased education as an underlying source of economic growth, both in the U.S. and internationally, reinforcing the existence of a strong empirical link between education and economic growth at the state level<sup>5-6</sup>; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center supports the greatest amount of local economic activity among all institutions and constituent agencies within the State System; and

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- Whereas: The facility supports approximately \$2.6 billion in total economic activity, 17,000 jobs, and-over \$1.5 billion in employee compensation in the Oklahoma City region, according to the most recent institutional economic impact reporting<sup>7</sup>; and
- Whereas: In Fiscal Year 2023, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education complied with the request for a comprehensive accounting of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) expenditures across the State System of Higher Education and submitted a report that showed less than 1% of state and federal funding supports DEI initiatives<sup>8</sup>; and
- Whereas: They estimated \$10.2 million in DEI spending for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, with \$3.4 million of that amount coming from state appropriations<sup>8</sup>; and
- Whereas: This legislation has required public institutions, including the University of Oklahoma, to restructure or eliminate certain DEI-related activities funded by state appropriations; and
- Whereas: In 2025, further statutory clarification was enacted through Senate Bill 796, codifying prohibitions on the use of the state funds for DEI programming and requiring institutional compliance<sup>9</sup>; and
- Whereas: These statutory changes have required public institutions within the State System of Higher Education, including the University of Oklahoma, to review, restructure, or eliminate certain DEI-related positions and activities funded through state appropriations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION:

- Section 1:** Title: This resolution shall be known and may be cited as the “Higher Education Day Resolution of 2026.”
- Section 2:** OU Student Government Association encourages the protection of student success and equal opportunity programs, and for state funding to be protected for higher education programs that promote access, retention, and workforce readiness.
- Section 3:** OU Student Government Association encourages federal entities to appropriate more funds to Oklahoma for educational use.
- Section 4:** OU Student Government Association encourages residents of Oklahoma to contact local and state legislators about the importance of education and higher education funding at the state and national levels.
- Section 5:** OU Student Government Association encourages residents of Oklahoma, in places of civic engagement, to consider the importance of a highly educated and competitive workforce in an increasingly global community.

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**Section 6:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- OU Office of Governmental Affairs
- Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
- Kevin Stitt, Governor of Oklahoma
- Lindel Fields, Oklahoma State Superintendent
- Representative Toni Hasenback, Chair of the House Postsecondary Committee

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Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

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

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Ball	Reese	y	y	y	y	y
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Lawrence	Lila	y	y	y	y	y
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Evans	Alexis	x	x
Fisher	Mecca	x	x
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Gideon	Jaycee	x	x
Gilson-Bor	Aaron	x	x
Hawkins	Da'juan	x	x
Hawley	Kayla	x	x
Hicks	Reagan		
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Kurtz	Dorina	x	x
Landrum	Keiwon	x	x
Lartey	Ominy	x	a
Lawrence	Lita	x	x
Martinez	Angel	x	x
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Pasupathy	Hari	x	x
Pfeffer	Evan	x	x
Pitts	Avery	x	x
Prajapati	Himani	x	x
Quinones	Estrella	x	x
Radzanow	Lorelai	x	x
Rapp	Madeline	x	x
Rhoads	Hope	x	x
Savage	Baylor	x	x
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Schmitz	Isaac		x
Toyos	Alexandra	x	x
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