

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

**September 26th, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

**Zoom Conference Call**

<https://oklahoma.zoom.us/j/91235083226>

**Passcode: 04729484**

**Call to Order**

**Reading and Approval of the Minutes** (previous meeting's minutes:

<https://www.ou.edu/content/dam/sga/common/GSS/minutes/2020-2021/9-12GSS-Minutes-2021.pdf>)

**Officer Reports:**

- Chair:
- Vice-Chair:
- Secretary:

**Committee Reports:**

- Academic Affairs:
- Development & Philanthropy:
- External Affairs:
- Human Diversity:
- Internal Affairs:
- International Student Affairs:
- Public Relations:
- Sustainability:
- Ways and Means:

**Special Orders:**

- GSS Secretary Election
- GF21-07      Auxiliary Allocation 3 Act of 2021-2022
- GF21-08      SGA General Counsel Appointment Act of 2021

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

- GF21-04      Auxiliary Allocation 2 Act of 2021-2022
- GF21-05      Community Oriented Virus Impediment and Deterrence Policy Recommendation Resolution of 2021

**Announcements:**

**Adjournment**

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CVI  
September 21st, 2021

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF21  
September 26th, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-106-02  
SENATE BILL NO. GF21-04

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2021-2022 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1:** This act shall be known and may be cited as the “Auxiliary Allocation 2 Act of 2021-2022”
- Section 2:** PURPOSE. The purpose of this act is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within.
- Section 3:** APPROPRIATION. The following amounts are hereby allocated to

Organization	Programs, Events & Activities	Capital Investments	Office and General Expenses	Total
Black Girl White Coat	100.2			100.2
Association of Southeast Asian Nations	250			250
OU Badminton Club	1250			1250
Biology Graduate Student Association	700			700
American Mock World Health Organization	1500			1500
Women of Aeronautics and Astronautics	700			700
Sigma Gamma Tau	500			500
Tabletop Gaming Club	454.95			454.95
Second Wind Ministries	300			300
SPE Student Chapter	650			650

Eta Sigma Phi	600			600
Honors Student Association	1688			1688
Sigma Gamma Rho	600			600
OU Tennis Club	250			250
Integrity Council	1,200			1,200
<b>TOTAL:</b>				<b>10,743.15</b>

**Section 4:** All guidelines and provisions in Title 10 of the Code Annotated shall apply to all funds appropriated in this act.

**Section 5:** This fiscal year for the account listed in these sections shall end May 6, 2022

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

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

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

Co-Author(s): SGA Budgetary Committee

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Student Congress:

Verified by Chair of Student Congress: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CVI  
September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF21  
September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Procedure appointing the SGA General  
Counsel; 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 “SGA General Counsel Appointment Act of 2021.”

**Section 2:** Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to appoint the SGA General Counsel.

**Section 3:** In accordance with Title 3, Chapter 2, section 7, subsection a, subsection i which delineates the appointment process. For the SGA General Counsel, the following student shall thus be appointed:

- Nicholas Hazelrigg

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

Author(s): Tavana Farzaneh, SGA President

Co-Author(s): Crispin South, Undergraduate Congress Chair  
Alex Gray, SGA Vice President  
Claire Burch, GSS Chair

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a Motion by:

Action taken by Congress:

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: \_\_\_\_\_

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CVI  
September 14, 2021

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE  
SENATE SESSION GF21  
September 26, 2021

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-106-01  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GF21-05

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution urging revision of existing University policy and adoption of new University policy for the purpose of combatting the COVID-19 pandemic; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: The OU Community has been significantly adversely affected by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic; and
- Whereas: The 7-day rolling average of new cases in Oklahoma on September 9th, 2021, was 2416 compared to 830 on September 9th, 2021; and
- Whereas: Current University policy options are constrained by actions from the State Legislature and the Governor of the State of Oklahoma; and
- Whereas: Existing law can be reasonably understood to allow universal mask rules, so long as they do not specifically target unvaccinated students; and
- Whereas: The pandemic has created a situation in which university employees have put their health at risk in order to carry out essential functions; and
- Whereas: Instructors have voiced frustration with current instruction delivery methods; and
- Whereas: The pandemic has adversely affected the academic performance of many students, due to sickness, mental strain, and other factors; and
- Whereas: Students have voiced frustration with absence policies in the fall 2021 semester; and
- Whereas: A well communicated backup plan, formulated through community engagement, is necessary should all classes be forced online due to the pandemic; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma has demonstrated a desire that all in the OU Community who are able receive a vaccine; and
- Whereas: The University of Oklahoma can take more decisive policy action to promote vaccination; and
- Whereas: It is necessary for our campus infrastructure to be conducive to combatting the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas: It is the duty of the Student Government Association to advocate for reasonable, thoughtful action to protect students; therefore

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 “Community Oriented Virus Impediment and Deterrence Policy Recommendation Resolution of 2021.”

**Section 2:** The Student Government Association recommends that the University adopt the following policies and proceed with the following course of action:

1. Immediately announce and enact a mask rule, requiring that all persons wear a mask while indoors.
  - a. This rule should be functionally similar to the mask rules adopted for the 2020-2021 academic year.
2. When legal, add COVID-19 vaccination to the list of required vaccinations for students and employees.
3. Grant hazard pay to all OU employees.
4. Collect and publish data on infection rates in the OU Community through the OU Together COVID Dashboard.
  - a. Currently, infection data only shows tests conducted by OU Health Services. Compiling data from local clinics to show current on-campus infection rates would provide more accurate insights into the situation our community faces.
5. Require all students, faculty, and staff present on the Norman Campus to submit verification of vaccination status.
  - a. Require that unvaccinated persons regularly receive a COVID-19 test from OU Health Services.
    - i. Details on this policy should take inspiration from the University of Indiana, Bloomington’s COVID Check Policy, in which individuals not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are periodically selected for COVID-19 testing, and are required to test negative in order to maintain access to campus.
  - b. Encourage unvaccinated persons to receive a vaccine.
  - c. Once data on vaccination rates is collected, create a section on the OU Together COVID Dashboard to show vaccination rates.
6. Allow instructors flexibility in delivery methods
  - a. Instructors ought to have the option to move some class work online for students who do not feel safe in an in-person classroom or who are absent due to COVID-19.
  - b. Instructors ought to be able to develop alternative delivery methods, in coordination with the Dean of their college or the office of the Provost, in the absence of a College Dean.
7. Protect Academic Experience

- a. Require that COVID-19 related absences be excused. Acceptable absences should include but are not limited to: a positive test result, exposure to a person who has tested positive, and expressing symptoms of COVID-19
  - b. COVID-19 related absences should not count against the overall number of allowed absences in classes that mandate attendance.
  - c. Any Fall 2021 withdrawals resulting in a “W” should not count against the overall limits on the number of Withdrawals an undergraduate or graduate student can take.
  - d. Should classes be forced online due to COVID-19, OU should immediately implement a Pass/No Pass grading option.
  - e. Should classes be forced online due to COVID-19, OU should immediately waive all online class fees for classes that were previously held in-person.
8. OU should prioritize communication of policy and publicity of vaccinations.
    - a. OU should clearly communicate all policy changes to the OU community through all available channels.
    - b. OU should consistently and vigorously promote vaccination and masking.
    - c. OU ought to consistently engage with students, faculty, and staff in the formulation of policy changes.
    - d. When possible, OU should create and facilitate additional vaccination drives and incentives including but not limited to free OU merchandise, Tuition and fee discounts, or other perks designed to facilitate vaccination efforts
  9. OU should ensure campus infrastructure is well equipped to aid in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.
    - a. OU should ensure departments and professors have adequate supplies of masks to distribute to students, should they need them.
    - b. Classrooms should be sanitized between uses, if at all possible.
    - c. Class spaces should be chosen carefully, with classes being held in spaces conducive to social distancing.
    - d. To the extent possible, classes with enrollments of over 100 students ought to offer online sections to reduce in person contact, reducing the spread of COVID-19.

**Section 3:** Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Joseph Harroz, Jr.
- Provost André-Denis Wright
- Vice President of Student Affairs David Surratt
- OU Chief COVID Officer Dr. Dale Bratzler
- Regent Cawley
- Regent Keating
- Regent Albert
- Regent Shirley
- Regent Stevenson
- Regent Holloway
- Regent Nagle

- OU Daily
- OU Nightly

Author(s): Crispin T. South, Chair of the Undergraduate Student Congress  
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Submitted on a motion by: Representative Lynskey seconded by Perez

Action taken by Congress: 18-5-0

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: \_\_\_\_\_