

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**

January 26th 2023, 7:00 P.M.

Zoom Conference Call

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Call to Order

Mission Statement: Graduate Students at the University of Oklahoma have a number of unique concerns and interests requiring a voice separate from the usual instruments that express the will of the faculty and of undergraduates. For this reason, the Graduate Student Senate of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association was established in 1987 to represent all Graduate Students and to serve their needs.

Reading and Approval of the Minutes (minutes from previous meeting:
<https://www.ou.edu/content/dam/sga/common/GSS/minutes/2022/12-01-22MinutesGSS.pdf>)

Officer Reports:

- Chair:
- Vice-Chair:
- Secretary:

Committee Reports:

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

Student Concerns:

Special Orders:

Old Business:

New Business:

- GS23-01 Drink Safe Technology Act of 2022 (Rec of Do Pass)
- GS23-02 Bob Stoops Appreciation Act (Rec of Do Pass)
- GS23-03 OU SGA definition of Islamophobia (Rec of Do Pass)
- GS23-04 Auxiliary Allocation 7 Act of 2022-2023 (Rec of Do Pass)

Announcements:

Adjournment

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CVIII
November 29th, 2022

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS23
January 26th, 2023

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-108-07
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS23-01

AS INTRODUCED

An Act of Legislation authorizing the use of SGA funding to provide funding for Drink Safe Technology Coasters, providing for a short title, providing for codification, providing an effective date; and providing for distribution.

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

Section 1: Title: This Act shall be known and may be cited as the “Drink Safe Technology Act of 2022.”

Section 2: Purpose: The purpose of this act shall be to provide funds for the creation of 500 drug testing coasters, for students, from Drink Safe Technology. These coasters will be made available for students in the Student Government Association Office in the Archie Dunham Conoco Student Leadership Center. Members of the Student Government Association will also have the option to pass these materials out to students during tabling events.

Section 3: The Undergraduate Student Congress hereby authorizes the appropriation of \$656.25 from the SGA Fund for the purpose.

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

Author(s): Lacey Lewis, Chairwoman of the USC

Co-Sponsor(s): Carter Strickland, University College Representative
Tucker Dunn, Finance and Accounting Representative
Hope Rhoads, University College Representative
Madeline Cantrell, Communication Representative

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Craig seconded by Representative Strickland

Action taken by Congress: 23-0-0 Unanimous Pass

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 CVIII
November 29th, 2022

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS23
January 26th, 2023

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-108-23
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS23-02

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution honoring the accomplishments
and legacy of Coach Bob Stoops and providing for
distribution.

Whereas: Coach Bob Stoops was the head coach for the University of Oklahoma for 18 seasons; and

Whereas: He has an overall record of 191-48 serving as head coach; and

Whereas: The University of Oklahoma football team won ten Big 12 championships under the leadership of Coach Stoops; and

Whereas: He never had a losing season while serving as head coach; and

Whereas: Coach Stoops is currently the only coach to have won all four BCS Bowl Games and a BCS Championship Game; and

Whereas: He has been a tremendous ambassador for the University of Oklahoma; and

Whereas: Coach Stoops has made a positive impact on student athletes both on and off the field; and

Whereas: He voluntarily took on the role as interim head coach and stabilized the football program on November 28th, 2021; 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 “Bob Stoops Appreciation Act.”

Section 2: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association honors and appreciates Coach Stoops for his excellence in coaching the football team for 18 seasons and dedication towards the University of Oklahoma.

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

- The OU Daily
- Joe Harroz, University of Oklahoma President
- Joe Castiglione, Director of Athletics

- Coach Bob Stoops

Author(s): Shrey Kathuria, University College Representative

Co-Author(s): Garrett Johnson, Member of SGA
Beth Felkner, Executive Cabinet Member

Co-Sponsor(s):

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Craig seconded by Representative Ferguson

Action taken by Congress: 23-0-0 Unanimous Pass

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 108
November 29th, 2022

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS23
January 26th, 2023

CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION CR-108-22
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. GS23-03

AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution in support of the Norman Muslim community, through properly defining Islamophobia; and providing for distribution.

- Whereas: 60% of Muslims are experiencing varying measures of prejudice;
- Whereas: Muslims are disproportionately affected by religious discrimination¹;
- Whereas: Islamophobic events rose by 4% from 2020 to 2022²;
- Whereas: Approximately 12,000 Oklahoma residents are Muslim³;
- Whereas: Muslim students at the University of Oklahoma have experienced Islamophobia in some shape or form while attending campus or in the Norman Community;
- Whereas: Additional students may have witnessed or experienced Islamophobia but failed to raise concern due to fear, retaliation, etc.; therefore

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 “OU SGA definition of Islamophobia.”
- Section 2:** The University of Oklahoma students, faculty, and staff recognizes any acts of Islamophobia that Muslim students at the University of Oklahoma have experienced and/or witnessed.
- Section 3:** The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association will adopt the following non-legally binding working definition for Islamophobia, which reads as follows:
- “Islamophobia is an extreme fear of and hostility toward Islam and Muslims. It often leads to hate speech and hate crimes, social and political discrimination, can

¹ Mogahed, Dalia, and Erum Ikramullah. American Muslim Poll 2020: Amid Pandemic and Protest. Institute for Social Policy and Understanding, 2020.

² Mogahed, Dalia & Ikramullah, Erum. American Muslim Poll 2022: A Politics and Pandemic Status Report. August 2022: Institute for Social Policy and Understanding.

³ Soltani, Adam. “Guide to Islam and Muslims in Oklahoma.” CAIR Oklahoma, CAIR Oklahoma, 13 July 2022, <https://www.cairoklahoma.com/islamguide/>.

be used to rationalize policies such as mass surveillance, incarceration, and disenfranchisement, and can influence domestic and foreign policy⁴”.

Section 4: The University of Oklahoma Student Government Association will utilize the following examples of Islamophobia identified by Bridge to further educate the student body on forms of Islamophobia, including but not limited to:

- Calling for, aiding, or justifying the killing or harming of Muslims in the name of radical ideology or an extremist view of religion.
- Making mendacious, dehumanizing, demonizing, or stereotypical allegations about Muslims.
- Accusing Muslims as a people of being responsible for real or imagined wrongdoing committed by a single Muslim person or group, or even for acts committed by non-Muslims.
- Accusing Muslim citizens of being more loyal to the alleged priorities of Muslims worldwide, than to the interests of their own nations.

Section 5: Copies of this resolution will be sent to:

- President Joseph Harroz
- Dr. Belinda Hyppolite, Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
- The University of Oklahoma Board of Regents
- Dr. David Surratt, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students
- Quy Nguyen, Director of Student Life
- Dr. Deonnie Moodie, Religious Studies Department Chair
- The OU Daily
- The OU Nightly
- All OU Norman Campus Students

Author(s): Nathanael Reese, Engineering Representative

Co-Author(s): Carolyn Berggren, Human Diversity Committee Chair

Co-Sponsor(s): Razann Ghazal, Social Science Representative
Yara Kataneh, University College Representative
Hope Rhoads, University College Representative

Submitted on a motion by: Representative Ghazal seconded by Representative Rhoads

Action taken by Congress: 23-0-0 Unanimous Pass

Verified by Chair of Congress: _____ Date: _____

Submitted on a motion by:

Action taken by Senate:

Verified by Chair of Senate: _____ Date: _____

⁴ Hafez, Farid, and Arsalan Iftikhar. “What Is Islamophobia?” Bridge Initiative. Georgetown University, 2018. <https://bridge.georgetown.edu/about-us/what-is-islamophobia/>.

Approved by SGA President: _____ Date: _____

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT CONGRESS
CONGRESSIONAL SESSION CVIII

January 24th, 2023

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
SENATE SESSION GS23

January 26th, 2023

CONGRESSIONAL BILL AB-108-07
SENATE BILL NO. GS23-04

AS INTRODUCED

An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating Auxiliary Funding for the 2022-2023 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 7 Act of 2022-2023”
- 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
Crimson Robotics	700			700
Association of Southeast Asian Nations	400			400
Chi Alpha Campus Ministry	690			690
Friday Accounting Meeting	600			600
Crimson Robotics	5.99			5.99
Public Health Initiative	250			250
Gamma Beta Fraternity	700			700
Geographic Information Science Student Organization	200			200
AME Graduate Student Community	1000			1000
SGA Graduate Student Senate	100			100
Grant Writers Association of Oklahoma	740			740
OU Equestrian Club	916.55			916.55
International Advisory Committee	260			260
India Student Association	300			300

Kidney Disease Screening and Awareness Program	500			500
Iranian Student Association	2000			2000
Big Event	2130.43			2130.43
Futsal Club	210			210
OU Men's Baseball Club	400			400
Psychology Club	630			630
Christians on Campus	800			800
Model United Nations	720			720
Spanish Language Club	235			235
OU Food Pantry	2000			2000
Well Read Book Club	647.64			647.64
Big Event	1144			1144
TOTAL:				18279.61

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, 2023

Section 6: All unspent money remaining in the accounts listed in Section 3 shall revert to the SGA General Account after May 6, 2023, and the remaining appropriations shall be canceled.

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

Author(s): Demetri Papahronis, Chair, SGA Budget Committee; Brandon Chenevey, Vice 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: _____