

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

November 21st, 2021 6:30 P.M.

Zoom Conference Call

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

Passcode: 04729484

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Approval of the Minutes: Senator Walton (85), seconded by Senator Tomte (96)

Officer Reports:

- Chair:
 - Make sure your senator number is before your name, for records. Senators are required to stay in the meeting from beginning to adjournment. General assembly is the only required expectation of senators and therefore we expect senators to be in attendance and remains so for the entirety of the meeting.
- Vice-Chair:
 - Attendance: please submit committee meeting forms.
- Secretary:
 - Nothing new to report.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs:
 - Senator Nabhan (123): Newsletter is almost ready and should come out December 1st. It will include graduate student events, scholarship events, academic/scholarship deadlines, etc.
- Development & Philanthropy:
 - Senator Barnett (38): Discussed roll out of philanthropic events. Food pantry drive boxes have been distributed, and Senator Barnett encouraged everyone to contribute.
- External Affairs:
 - Senator Ulrich (11): Nothing new to report
- Human Diversity:
 - Senator Tomte (96): Met with an individual in the office of DEI who handles inclusion to discuss diversity and inclusion initiatives across campus.
- Internal Affairs:
 - Senator Norris (112): Nothing new to report.
- International Student Affairs:
 - Senator Alo (58): Deliberated with committee on meeting with the chair of the International Studies Department about initiatives to support international students on campus.
- Public Relations:
 - Senator Long (13): Reminders to email GSSPR@ou.edu with Instagram content requests. The Graduate Student Senate Instagram handle is @OUgradsenate.
- Sustainability:
 - Senator Tinney (91): Working on a Bylaws change that requires a member of the Sustainability committee to attend SEC meetings.
- Ways and Means:

- Senator Walton (85): Follow up on grading report rubric finalization for grants and travel funding. Committee covered what is necessary to get applications up and running for the spring semester.

Special Orders:

- DACA + science funding public comment letter
 - Author is asking for a single signature from the Graduate Student Senate body on both a public comment on DACA and a letter on science funding provisions.
 - Call for general questions
 - Senator Hamilton (82): Broad question about how many students were affected by DACA (how many individuals fall under the DACA program at OU?).
 - George Ahmadi: Will make an inquiry into the number of students at OU in DACA.
 - Floor open for comments.
 - GSS chair moved to a roll call vote
 - Roll call vote on signing public comment on DACA
 - Yay 39
 - Nay 0
 - Abstain 4
 - Motion passes
 - Roll call vote for science funding provisions letter
 - Yay 39
 - Nay 0
 - Abstain 3
 - Motion passes

Old Business:

New Business:

- GF21-20 Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2021-2022
- GF21-24 Auxiliary Allocation 9 Act of 2021-2022
- Motion to move GF21-20 Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2021-2022 and GF21-24 Auxiliary Allocation 9 Act of 2021-2022 to the floor as a block by Senator Walton (85)
 - Seconded by Senator Long (13)
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- Block: GF21-20 Auxiliary Allocation 8 Act of 2021-2022 and GF21-24 Auxiliary Allocation 9 Act of 2021-2022.
 - Author Lauren Patton, Chair, SGA Budget Committee: The purpose of these acts is to appropriate the funds of the University of Oklahoma Student Government Association to the organizations mentioned within. Last auxiliary allocation acts of the fall semester.
 - Yields time for question
 - Senator Walton (85): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- GF21-21 Graduate Student Senate Chair Service Responsibilities Modification Act

- GF21-22 Graduate Student Senate Vice Chair Responsibilities Modification Act
- GF21-23 Graduate Student Senate Graduate Council Representative Nomination Act
- Motion to move GF21-21 Graduate Student Senate Chair Service Responsibilities Modification Act, GF21-22 Graduate Student Senate Vice Chair Responsibilities Modification Act and GF21-23 Graduate Student Senate Graduate Council Representative Nomination Act to the floor as a block by Senator Ulrich (11)
- Seconded by Senator Walton (85)
 - No objections
 - Motion passes
- Block: GF21-21 Graduate Student Senate Chair Service Responsibilities Modification Act, GF21-22 Graduate Student Senate Vice Chair Responsibilities Modification Act and GF21-23 Graduate Student Senate Graduate Council Representative Nomination Act.
 - Author Graduate Student Senate Internal Affairs Committee Senator Crider (43): The purpose of this Act shall be to amend the Bylaws of the Graduate Student Senate (GSS) in adding additional responsibilities to the duties of the GSS Chair, GSS Vice Chair, and adding additional nomination requirements for standing committees.
 - Yields time for questions
 - Senator Tinney (91): Motion to pass by unanimous consent.
 - No objections
 - Motion passes

Announcements:

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Senator Jarvis (39), seconded by Senator Dorman (19).

Adjournment:

Time: 7:28 PM