



## **Student Body Senate Agenda**

Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 7:00pm

Student Union, Case Study 2

- I. Call to Order** of the Student Body Senate of the Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University
- II. Roll Call**
  - a. Swearing in of New Senators, Supreme Court Justices, and Executives:  
“I, *state your name*, do solemnly affirm that I will discharge to the best of my ability, the responsibilities entrusted to me, as an officer of the Student Government Association of Oklahoma State University”
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Minutes** of the Previous Meeting
  - a. January 23, 2019
- V. Guest Speakers and Student Concerns**
  - a. **Tod Halvorsen, New York Times**
- VI. Advisor(s) Report** – Dr. John Mark Day/Melisa Echols
- VII. President’s Report**- Chase Blevins
- VIII. Vice President’s Report**- Vanessa Wiebe
- IX. Unfinished Business**
- X. New Business**
  - a. **S19BL001: A bill amending the process of the election agency outlines in Title X.**
- XI. Recess for Legislation** to be Forwarded to Committees
- XII. Executive Reports**
  - a. Cabinet Executives
- XIII. Supreme Court Report(s)**
- XIV. Senate Reports**
  - a. Committee Chairs
    - i. Budget – Jessie Hickey
    - ii. CSO – Mason Martin
    - iii. Internal Affairs – Noah Murphey
    - iv. PAC – Misael Hernandez
    - v. University – Stephanie Rojo
  - b. **Constituency Reports**
  - c. **Other Senate Reports**
    - i. Liaisons
      - 1. OSU Tulsa – Yuki Clarke
      - 2. OSU Institute of Technology – Vacant
        - a. Nominations
          - i. Amanda Botts
      - 3. OSU OKC – Vacant

- 4. GPSGA – Jessie Hickey
- 5. FRC – Vacant
  - a. Nominations
    - i. Ashley Gin
    - ii. Kayleigh Crane
    - iii. Stephanie Rojo
- 6. OU – Jessie Hickey
- ii. Representatives**
  - 1. Board of Regents for A&M Colleges – Marcus Heald
  - 2. Board of Regents for Higher Education – Vacant
    - a. Nominations
      - i. Jacob Auer
  - 3. Faculty Council – Vacant
    - a. Nominations
      - i. Samuel Smith
      - ii. Ashley Schultz
  - d. Vice Chair’s Report – Jaden Kasitz**
  - e. Chair’s Report – Holland Gray**
- XV. Announcements**
- XVI. Informal Discussion**
- XVII. Adjournment**

This agenda shall not be construed as preventing: The introduction of new legislation not listed, the reconsideration of any motion of the immediately preceding Senate meeting, or any regular procedural motion or any motions by an appropriate majority which allows the introduction and final consideration of Legislation in the same meeting so long as that legislation is listed in this agenda. Posted at 6:00pm on January 29, 2019 by Holland Gray, Student Body Senate Chair  
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OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION  
STUDENT BODY SENATE  
FALL 2018

1 **Bill:** S19BL001  
2 **Date:** 1/23/19  
3 **Committee:** Internal Affairs  
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5 AS INTRODUCED  
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7 A bill amending the process of the election agency outlined in Title X; providing for short title,  
8 providing for an effective date.  
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENTS OF OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY THAT:  
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12 **Section 1:** AMENDATORY: Title X of the Student Government Association Bylaws shall be  
13 amended as follows:  
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15 **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS:**

- 16 1.1. Election Agency EA: A board strictly directed by the bylaws to organize and certify elections (See  
17 Title 9-10 Section 2).  
18 1.2. Intent to Run Filing: A filing announcing a candidate or candidate pair's intent to run for an office  
19 (See Title 9-10 Section 3).  
20 1.3. Candidate: Someone running for a senate seat or part of a candidate pair.  
21 1.4. Candidate pair: Two individuals running together as a ticket for the offices of President and Vice  
22 President.  
23 1.5. Campaign budget: An itemized budget including all campaign expenses and receipts.  
24 1.6. Technological difficulty: A computer problem that inhibited voters from casting votes, that  
25 caused votes to be duplicated, or that did not accurately count casted votes.  
26 1.7. Meaningful impact: Something that causes or could cause election results to appear as though a  
27 candidate won an election in which the candidate did not actually win.  
28 1.8. Popular vote: A vote in which the entire student body of Oklahoma State University may  
29 participate.  
30 1.9. Academic units: The College of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources, The College of  
31 Engineering Architecture and Technology, The College of Arts and Sciences, The College of  
32 Human Sciences, The College of Education, The Spears School of Business, and The University  
33 College.  
34 1.10. Living Groups: Greek Life, Off-campus, and Residential Life  
35 1.11. Polling Station: Official SGA Constituency Day Table.  
36 1.12. Enticement: Any tangible object given by a candidate/candidate pair for the sole purpose of  
37 persuading the recipient. Examples are, food, drinks, gifts, etc.

1 1.13. Advertisement Materials: Physical or digital objects that state the candidate/candidate pair's  
2 name and/or the position for which they are seeking election. Examples are, buttons, flyers,  
3 promotional t-shirts, etc.

4 **SECTION 2. Election Agency:** Election Agency (EA) - Shall implement the provisions set forth in Title 9  
5 10 of the Student Government Association bylaws and those set forth in the Student Government  
6 Association Constitution.

7 2.1. COMPOSITION – The EA shall be composed of members of the Graduate and Professional  
8 Student Government Association.

9 2.1.1. The students serving on the EA shall be nominated by GPSGA and then approved by the  
10 Senate.

11 2.1.2. No candidate for office shall serve on the EA. If a member of the EA resigns for the  
12 purpose of running for office, GPSGA will nominate a replacement candidate who will  
13 then be approved by Senate.

14 2.1.3. No member of SGA leadership, including, but not limited to members of the executive,  
15 legislative, or judicial branch shall serve on the EA.

16 2.1.4. No Member of the EA shall endorse a candidate/candidate pair.

17 2.1.5 The GPSGA Intergovernmental Liaison shall be the chairperson of the EA.

18 2.1.6 A Graduate Assistant from the department of Leadership and Campus Life shall serve as an  
19 ex officio, non-voting adviser for the Election Agency.

20 2.1.6.1 A Graduate Assistant from the department of Leadership and Campus Life shall  
21 be present at all Election Agency meetings.

22 2.1.6.2 If No Graduate Assistant from the department of Leadership and Campus Life is  
23 available to serve as an ex officio, non-voting adviser for the Election Agency then the  
24 GPSGA Intergovernmental Liaison will serve as the ex officio, non-voting adviser for the  
25 EA and the EA would then elect a chair within the EA.

26 2.1.7. The Coordinator for SGA Programs shall serve as an ex officio, non-voting Administrative  
27 Advisor to the EA

28 ~~2.1.58. The Graduate Assistant of Leadership and Campus Life~~ Coordinator of SGA Programs  
29 shall facilitate the training of the GPSGA Intergovernmental liaison of new members of  
30 the EA.

31 2.1.5-8.1. Training shall consist of a thorough education of the bylaws pertaining  
32 to the election, how to run a meeting, and a brief overview of the Oklahoma  
33 Open Meetings and Open Records Acts.

34 2.1.8.2 The Intergovernmental Liaison is then responsible for training the  
35 remainder of the election agency.

36 2.1.9 IN THE CASE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION– The EA shall follow all rules outlined in sections  
37 2.2.6, 2.2.7, and 2.2.8.

38 2.1.9.1 In the case of a Special Election before the EA can be chosen by GPSGA and  
39 confirmed by the senate, the EA shall consist of three (3) members of the GPSGA  
40 Executive team, excluding the Intergovernmental Liaison who is still the chair of the EA.

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42 2.2. RESPONSIBILITIES – Responsibilities of the EA shall include:

43 2.2.1. ACCEPT INTENT TO RUN FILINGS – The ~~EA~~ Coordinator of SGA Programs shall accept  
44 intention to run filings from any student of Oklahoma State University.

45 2.2.2. VALIDATE INTENT TO RUN FILINGS – The ~~EA~~ Coordinator of SGA Programs shall validate  
46 each potential candidate/candidate pair's intent to run filing to ensure that the  
47 candidates meet the minimum requirements outlined in Title 9 10 of the Student

1 Government Association bylaws and those outlined in the Student Government  
2 Association Constitution.

3 2.2.3. CREATION OF BALLOT – The EA Chair shall work with the ~~Senior Administrative Support~~  
4 ~~Specialist~~ Coordinator of SGA Programs to create a ballot composed of those  
5 candidate/candidate pair(s) whose intent to run filings were validated in accordance  
6 with section 2.2.2., the ballot should also include any constitutional amendments that  
7 have been approved for consideration by the student body.

8 2.2.4 HEAR REPORTS OF CAMPAIGN VIOLATIONS – The EA shall hear reports of campaign  
9 violations and misconduct and determine within 48 hours of receiving the complaint if  
10 enough evidence exists for a formal Supreme Court hearing.

11 2.2.4.1. The EA shall not determine guilt or innocence only if enough evidence  
12 exists to warrant a Supreme Court hearing.

13 2.2.4.2. IF it is determined that the complaint is valid and enough evidence  
14 exists for a trial; THEN the EA shall inform the Attorney General and the  
15 Supreme Court Chief Justice.

16 2.2.4.3. IF the EA determines that not enough evidence exists for a Supreme  
17 Court trial; THEN ~~the~~ That decision cannot be appealed.

18 2.2.5. ACCEPT CAMPAIGN BUDGET(S) – The ~~EA~~ Coordinator of SGA Programs shall accept  
19 campaign budgets from every candidate/candidate pair.

20 2.2.5.1. VALIDATE CAMPAIGN BUDGET(S) – The EA shall validate each  
21 candidate/candidate pair’s campaign budget at 5:30 pm CST on the last Election  
22 Day.

23 2.2.5.2. The EA shall ensure that each candidate/candidate pair’s campaign  
24 expenditures are less than or equal to the maximum campaign expenditure  
25 outlined in Title 9 10 Section 4.2 of the Student Government Association bylaws.

26 2.2.5.1.1. IF a candidate/candidate pair is found, by the EA, to have exceeded  
27 the allowed campaign expenditure as outlined in Title 9 10 Section 4.2 of the  
28 Student Government Association bylaws, THEN that candidate/candidate pair  
29 shall be automatically disqualified.

30 2.2.67. VALIDATE ELECTION RESULTS – The EA will be provided the results by the Coordinator of  
31 SGA programs and shall validate the election results by determining that no technical  
32 issue affected the election results.

33 2.2.67.1. The EA shall investigate any report of technological difficulties to  
34 determine if the technological difficulty had a meaningful impact on the election  
35 results.

36 2.2.67.2. IF the EA finds that a technological difficulty did meaningfully impact the  
37 election results THEN the EA shall use its discretion to remedy the issue.

38 2.2.7 8. DECLARE ELECTION WINNER(S) – The EA shall review the validated election results and  
39 the validated campaign budget(s) to declare an election winner.

40 2.2.7 8.1. DECLARATION OF PRESIDENTIAL/VICE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION WINNERS –  
41 The Presidential/Vice Presidential candidate pair must receive a majority to be  
42 declared the winner unless a candidate pair’s budget is not validated.

43 2.2.7 8.1.1. IF a candidate pair has received greater than 50% of the  
44 popular vote as reported in the validated election results AND the  
45 candidate pair’s campaign budget **WAS** validated AND each candidate of  
46 the pair is in good standing with the University THEN that candidate pair  
47 shall be declared the election winner.

1 2.2.7 ~~8~~.1.2. IF a candidate pair has received greater than 50% of the  
2 popular vote AND the candidate pair’s campaign budget **WAS NOT**  
3 validated OR either candidate of the pair is not in good standing with  
4 the University THEN that candidate pair shall be disqualified.  
5 2.2.7 ~~8~~.1.3. IF no candidate/candidate pair received greater than 50% of  
6 the popular vote AND there are more than one (1) candidate/candidate  
7 pair whose campaign budget was validated AND each candidate of each  
8 candidate pair whose budget was validated is in good standing with the  
9 University THEN a runoff election shall be held in accordance with Title  
10 9 Section 5.4 of the Student Government Association bylaws.

11 2.2.7 ~~8~~.2. DECLARATION OF SENATE ELECTION WINNERS - Senators shall be elected on  
12 a plurality basis.

13 2.2.7 ~~8~~.2.1. IF the number of validated senate candidates from any  
14 constituency are less than or equal to the total number of available  
15 seats THEN all candidates shall be declared winners.

16 2.2.7 ~~8~~.2.2. IF the number of validated senate candidates from any  
17 constituency is greater than the number of available seats THEN the  
18 available seats shall be filled with the candidates who have the largest  
19 percentages of the popular vote and those candidates shall be declared  
20 winners.

21 2.2.7 ~~8~~.3. ADOPTION OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS – Constitutional  
22 amendments shall be adopted if the proposed amendment received the majority.

23 2.2.8 ~~9~~. NOTIFY MEDIA OF ELECTION WINNER(S) – Upon declaring election winners the EA Chair  
24 shall notify the O’Colly.

25 2.3. MEETINGS – The EA shall hold meetings as necessary to fulfill the responsibilities outlined in  
26 2.2. of Title ~~9~~ 10 of the Student Government Association Bylaws.

27 2.3.1. A quorum (50% plus 1) of the All members of the EA shall be present in order to  
28 hold ~~and~~ meeting and transact business.

29 2.3.1.1 Failure to attend a scheduled meeting without extenuating  
30 circumstances, as determined by the EA Chair ~~or University Chair~~, shall  
31 result in removal from the EA.

32 2.3.2. The EA Chair ~~who is to be selected by their fellow EA members~~ shall be  
33 responsible for posting an agenda at least 24 hours before any EA meeting, for  
34 recording minutes of any EA meeting, and for ensuring that any EA meeting is in  
35 compliance with any State or Federal laws that are applicable.

36 2.4 CANDIDATE INFORMATIONAL MEETING – The Election Agency shall host a non-mandatory  
37 informational meeting to review Title ~~9~~ 10 in its entirety with all candidates as soon as possible  
38 after campaign filings have been made.

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40 **Section 2:** Upon passage and approval, the Attorney General is hereby directed to update the By-  
41 laws to reflect these changes.

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43 **Section 3:** This bill shall be forwarded to:

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45 Chase Blevins, SGA President  
46 Vanessa Wiebe, SGA Vice-President  
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