

THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION

GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE

SENATE SESSION GF07
SENATE BILL NO. GF07-35

AS INTRODUCED

An Act amending the Graduate Student Senate By-Laws,
GF07-23, to clarify Section 3 Defined Terms.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT SENATE:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known as the “Graduate Student Senate By-Laws Act of 2007 Defined Terms Amendment”.

SECTION 2. Stricken words or phrases are shown by strikethrough and added words or phrases are shown by italics.

SECTION 3. Sections 3.E (defining “Excused Absence”) and 3.P (defining “Unexcused Absence”) are hereby deleted and the remaining Defined Terms re-alphabetized accordingly.

SECTION 4. Section 3 Defined Terms is hereby amended by adding a new subsection A and the previous subsection A and all subsequent subsections re-alphabetized to show the following change:

A. *“Absence” is the absence of a Senator from a Committee Meeting or Meeting unless a Proxy has been sent in the absent Senator’s stead.*

SECTION 5. Section 3 Defined Terms is hereby amended by adding a new subsection B and the previous subsection B and all subsequent subsections re-alphabetized to show the following change:

B. *“Active Membership” means all non-expelled Senators who have a current Senator Credential Form on file with the Secretary.*

SECTION 6. Section 3.C., formerly Section 3.B., defining the term “Bad Standing” is amended as follows:

“Bad Standing” means that a Department so labeled shall be ineligible for conference and research grants beginning the semester following the semester in which the Department fell into Bad Standing and until the Department returns to Good Standing.
1. A Department in Bad Standing shall remain in Bad Standing until the Department has sent ~~at least one Senator~~ *its allotted number of Senators* for a full semester without an individual Senator accruing more than two ~~Unexcused~~ Absences at regularly scheduled Meetings or Committee Meetings in the semester.

SECTION 7. Section 3.K., formerly Section 3.J., defining the term “Legislation” is amended as follows:

“Legislation” includes all acts, motions, and resolutions brought before the Senate for consideration.

1. *All Legislation—excluding expulsions of Senators, officer elections, dismissals of officers and committee chairs, amendments to the UOSA Constitution and By-Laws, adoption of Standing Rules of Order and amendments to Standing Rules of Order—require only a majority vote of the Active Membership present to pass. This does not affect voting requirements found elsewhere in these By-Laws for excluded Legislation.*

SECTION 8. Section 3 Defined Terms is hereby amended by adding a new subsection L and the previous subsection L and all subsequent subsections re-alphabetized to show the following change:

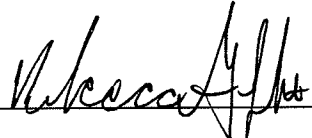
L. “Quorum” shall be defined as at least 33% of the Active Membership present.

SECTION 9. This act shall become effective immediately upon passage in accordance with the University of Oklahoma Student Association Graduate Student Senate bylaws.

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Submitted on a motion by: Senator Fetty (64), seconded by Senator Reimer (59)

Action taken by Senate: Passed by consent.

Verified by Chair of Senate:  Date: 3/14/09

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