

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION
GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE
Minutes**

8 February 2009, 7:00 P.M.

Call to order at 7:08 pm: 96 seconded 71

Approval of Minutes: meeting January 25, 2009 motion by sen 22, seconded sen 72. No objections.

Officers' Reports:

- Chair: Met with Dean Straus's office as part of the budgetary review committee. Aspects of student activity fees were discussed. However specific numbers can't be released until the budget is finalized. Items discussed include 7 graduate student assistant positions funded by activities fees. 3 new positions are being discussed. We have begun to work on our P.R starting with the question "why we exist as a body". We have been contacted by various institutions about the our work as a body interacting with the undergraduates as well as faculty.
- Vice Chair: Still some glitches with the email list of GSS due to transition period between old secretary and new.
- Secretary: No report.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Affairs: Pick a prof survey is going to be available with the next two weeks.
- External Affairs: No report
- Human Diversity: Film series votes are in. Swank films is the company we will purchase film rights from. There is a possibility that we will be teaming up with OU I love you.
- Internal Affairs: Officer elections for the position of Secretary to be held this meeting (8th Feb).
- Problems and Projects: Dates for the brown bag with the dean are Feb 18 and Mar 24, 12-1pm.
- Ways and Means: no report
- Public relations: Are devising ways of reaching the mass of OU grad students. Committee chair is meeting with other chairs to see what P.R. needs are to be met.

Special Orders:

- Election of Secretary: Catherine Cox ran unopposed and was voted in by acclamation motion by Sen14 seconded by Sen 78. Election was conducted by the internal affairs chair.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- GS09- Election supervisor bill. Passed by consent Motion Sen 11, Seconded Sen 96
- Motion to previous bills that had been assigned to committee by executive body to floor, Sen 14 second Sen 94.

Announcements:

- Next Meeting – February 22, 2009

Adjourn:

Sen 96, seconded Sen 4.

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