

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA STUDENT ASSOCIATION**  
**GRADUATE STUDENT SENATE GF08**  
**Minutes November 16, 2008**  
**Adams Hall, Room 255**  
**7:00 pm**

**Call to order at 7:08 PM**

**Approval of Minutes** from November 02, 2008.

Motion to approve the minutes by Sen. Harrison, seconded by Sen. Hardman. No objections.

**Officers' Reports:**

Chair (Susan Adams-Johnson):

- i. Joint report with UOSA V.P, Kwanzaa ball upcoming and GSS is sponsoring a table

Vice-Chair: (None)

Secretary (Frank Yepez Castillo)

- i. No report.

**Committee Reports:**

**Academic Affairs:** No Report

**External Affairs:** No report

**Human Diversity:** Film festival set for 9-13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009. Addition of discrimination clause.

**Internal Affairs:** No report

**Problems and Projects:** Brown bag with the dean, mixer next semester

**Public Relations:** No report

**Ways & Means:** Grants funds to be allocated

**Special Orders:**

Motion to move GF08-24, GF08-25, GF08-32, GF08-33, GF08-34 to New business by Sen. Harrison, seconded by Sen. Burkholder

**GF08-24.** An act of legislation allocating Conference and Creative Exhibition Grant Awards for the 2008 Fall semester consent 23, 4

**GF08-25.** An act of legislation allocating Research and Creative Activity Grant Awards for the 2008 Fall semester consent 21, 71

**GF08-32** A resolution commending President David Boren, Kurt Davidson, Matthew Gress, UOSA Student Congress, College Republicans, Young Democrats, and the Carl Albert Center for their tireless work on the "OU Votes" initiative consent 59, 74

**GF08-33** An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2008-2009 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date (Emergency allocation 2) consent 74, 21

**GF08-34** An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2008-2009 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date (Emergency allocation 3) passed by consent 14, 74

*No old special orders*

**Old Business:**

**GF08-17.** An Act amending the UOSA Graduate Student Senate By-Laws; amending several terms defined on Section 1; assuring consistency within the bylaws of the UOSA Graduate Student Senate; and providing for an effective date

Motion to table the bill by Sen. Harrison and Sen. Chavhan

*No old business*

**New Business**

**GF08-19.** An act amending the UOSACA Title II, Chapter 1, Section 9.  
Senator Harris added as co-author, friendly amendment rejected.  
Motioned by Sen. Harrison, seconded by Sen. Averbeck  
Passed by consent

**GF08-20** A Joint Resolution Commending George R. Thomas and Information Technology  
Motioned by Sen. Bernard, seconded by Sen. Harrison  
Passed by Consent

**GF08-21** A Joint Resolution Commending Sue-Anna Miller and Physical Plant  
Motioned by Sen. Bernard, seconded by Sen. Harrison  
Passed by Consent

**GF08-22** A Joint Resolution Commending Dave Annis and Housing and Food Service  
Friendly amendment to title language “and directing distribution” added to all 3 bills (GF08-20, GF08-21, and GF08-22).  
Motioned by Sen. Bernard, seconded by Sen. Harrison  
Passed by Consent

**GF08-23** An act advising and consenting to the appointments to the Academic Appeals and Misconduct Boards for the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 semesters.  
Motioned by Sen. Averbeck, seconded by Sen. Miller.

- Passed by Consent
- GF08-26** An act of procedure increasing the Conference and Creative Exhibition Grant award limit; and providing with an effective date.  
Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Rana  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-27** An act of procedure increasing the Research and Creative Activity Grant award limit; and providing with an effective date.  
Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Lerner  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-28** An act of procedure amending the Graduate Student Senate Standing Rules of Order concerning legislation considered in standing committees; providing for a discharge procedure; and providing for an effective date.  
Motion for debate by Sen. Harrison, seconded by Sen. Hoang  
Motion to end debate by Sen. Averbeck, seconded by Sen. Nwosu.  
Vote on the bill as a whole: For 32, against 5, abstentions, 7. Bill passed by majority vote.
- GF08-29** An act of procedure expelling Sen. Jerod Shadid from the Division of Landscape Architecture for excessive absences  
Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Averbeck  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-30** An act of procedure expelling Sen. Nicole James from the Division of Business for excessive absences  
Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Averbeck  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-31** An act of procedure expelling Sen. Soma De from the Homer L. Dodge Department of Physics and Astronomy for excessive absences  
Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Averbeck  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-24.** An act of legislation allocating Conference and Creative Exhibition Grant Awards for the 2008 Fall semester  
Motioned by Sen. Ralston, seconded by Sen. Rana  
Passed by Consent
- GF08-25.** An act of legislation allocating Research and Creative Activity Grant Awards for the 2008 Fall semester

Motioned by Sen. Averbeck, seconded by Sen. Lerner

Passed by Consent

**GF08-32** A resolution commending President David Boren, Kurt Davidson, Matthew Gress, UOSA Student Congress, College Republicans, Young Democrats, and the Carl Albert Center for their tireless work on the “OU Votes” initiative

Motioned by Sen. Garner, seconded by Sen. Miller

Passed by Consent

**GF08-33** An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2008-2009 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date (Emergency allocation 2)

Motioned by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Averbeck

Passed by Consent

**GF08-34** An act relating to appropriations; providing for short title; stating purpose; appropriating emergency funding for the 2008-2009 process; stating appropriation guidelines; establishing expiration deadline; directing transfer of unused funds by deadline; and providing an effective date (Emergency allocation 3)

Motioned by Sen. Harrison, seconded by Sen. Miller

Passed by Consent

*Any new business not available at the time of posting*

## **Announcements**

**Next Meeting** December 7, 2008

Motion to adjourn by Sen. Miller, seconded by Sen. Bufford. No objections

Meeting adjourned