

**The Student Government Association of the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma**

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**Inclusive Bathrooms Resolution**

WHEREAS: The Student Association Senate is the representative body for the students of the University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma and the unified voice that affirms students' concerns; and,

WHEREAS: The University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma states in the 2025 Strategic Plan: "USAO is committed to a diverse student body that fosters an integrated and personalized student experience" and that the University will "[c]ontinue to solidify the importance of new and existing programs that address diversity and inclusiveness with dedicated resources and support"; and,

WHEREAS: Gender-neutral restrooms benefit a diverse student population, aiding both students outside the gender binary as well as cis-gender students by providing accessibility to more restrooms across campus; and,

WHEREAS: The University has previously set the precedent for creating gender-neutral bathrooms on campus, i.e., Lawson Clubhouse, Trout Hall, Gary Hall, and Canning Hall.

**NOW THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND ARTS OF OKLAHOMA THAT:**

SECTION 1: The Student Government Association will urge the University to transform the Davis Hall second floor women's restroom beside the costume closet into an inclusive, gender-neutral restroom:

- a. The University is urged to replace the signage on the door to a gender-neutral bathroom sign.
- b. The University is urged to provide a lock on the external door to align with all-gender bathroom regulations.

SECTION 2: The Student Government Association will urge the University to transform the Austin Hall second floor restrooms, both men and women's, into inclusive, gender-neutral restrooms:

- a. The University is urged to replace the signage on the doors to gender-neutral bathroom signs.
- b. The University is urged to provide a lock on the external doors to align with all-gender bathroom regulations.
- c. The University is urged to provide receptacles in the restroom previously

36 denoted as "men's" for menstrual hygiene products.

37 SECTION 3: The Student Government Association will urge the University to transform the  
38 Nash Library basement restrooms, both men and women's, into inclusive, gender-  
39 neutral restrooms:

- 40 a. The University is urged to replace the signage on the doors to gender-neutral  
41 bathroom signs.  
42 b. The University is urged to provide a lock on the external doors to align with  
43 all-gender bathroom regulations.  
44 c. The University is urged to provide receptacles in the restroom previously  
45 denoted as "men's" for menstrual hygiene products.

46 SECTION 4: The Student Government Association will leave the timeline of implementation up  
47 to the discretion of USAO's Maintenance Department; we recommend this occur  
48 before the Fall 2025 semester.

49 SECTION 5: Copies of this act shall be distributed to the following: All Current members of the  
50 USAO Government Association (SGA) Senate, all current members of the SGA  
51 Executive Council, all current members of the SGA Supreme Court, all current  
52 advisors of the SGA, the Coordinator for Accessibility Support & Wellness, and the  
53 USAO Maintenance Department.

54 Committee Recommendation: Due Pass

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56	Harry Cracknell	Luke Cantrell
57	SGA President	SGA Vice President

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