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A Resolution urging the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to require that any student at risk of failing a semester must locate, challenge, and defeat their institution's mascot (the actual animal or person) in hand-to-hand combat before final grades are issued.

- WHEREAS, academic failure can negatively impact student motivation, retention, GPA, and general vibes; and
- WHEREAS, traditional academic intervention strategies such as tutoring, office hours, and academic advising have not fully leveraged the motivational power of light, supervised mascot-based combat; and
- WHEREAS, college mascots represent school pride, school spirit, and in many cases are physiologically capable of light sparring; and
- WHEREAS, allowing students the opportunity to fist fight their university mascot provides a constructive outlet for academic frustration, enhances physical wellness, and teaches resilience, determination, and footwork; and
- WHEREAS, the likelihood of students choosing to fail decreases dramatically when the alternative is squaring up with a seven-foot lion, cowboy, panther, ram, or anthropomorphic vegetable; and

WHEREAS, mascots themselves may benefit from the additional cardio;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OKLAHOMA STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION THAT:

1. The Oklahoma Student Government Association urges the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to mandate that any student receiving a failing grade at midterm or semester's end must locate their campus mascot and engage in a fair, structured fist fight in accordance with institutional safety guidelines.

- 2. A copy of this resolution be sent to the following individuals:
 - Savannah Alldredge, President, Oklahoma Student Government Association
 - Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education
 - Chair, Oklahoma House Higher Education Committee
 - Chair, Oklahoma Senate Education Committee
 - Presidents of all Oklahoma public colleges and universities
 - Every mascot in the state of Oklahoma, including but not limited to lions, bison, cowboys, tigers, bronchos, bulldogs, roadrunners, and whatever OSU calls Pistol Pete.

Reviewing Committee(s):	ELPHABA
Committee Recommendation:	NO RECOMMENDATION
Action Taken by Congress:	PASSED
Mason Alldredge, Chair of Congress	Date
Savannah Alldredge State President	