

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

October 24, 2017

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. and announced that the meeting may be filmed or audio recorded and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called and quorum was established with 71 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Astudillo
- Belinski
- Boone
- Brannan
- Brock
- Carnes
- Coppock
- Gardezi
- Harden
- Jiron
- Krause
- Lanoue
- Morse
- Murphy
- Pope
- Ritterband
- Santalo
- Shah
- Shaw
- Toplak
- Vista
- Walters
- Zavala
- Zeisloft

AMENDMENTS TO THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Schaettle moves to strike the R&A recommendation Preston Jones for the permanent replacement Liberal Arts & Sciences seat by unanimous consent from the agenda. Approved.
- Majority Party Leader Schaettle moves to approve the R&A recommendation James Fatzinger for the open Graduate seat by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Senator Robusto moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1079: Funding for Delight by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Senator Birnholz moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1080: Funding for Project Rousseau by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Stanford moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1081: Funding for Gator Billiards by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Stanford moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1082: Funding for Generational Relief in Prosthetics (GRiP) by unanimous consent. Approved.

PUBLIC DEBATE:

- Senator Sanguyo
 - One of the directors of Asian Kaleidoscope Month
 - A whole month dedicated to celebrating Asian and Asian-American people, culture, and achievements.
 - More info on the AKM Facebook event or on his personal Facebook page.
- Senator Rauseo - yields their time to Senator Chou.
- Senator Mueller yields their time to Senator Chou.
- Senator Birnholz - yields their time to Senator Chou.
- Senator Kratt- yields their time to Senator Chou.
- Senator Chou
 - Wishes to speak on the CWC issues.
 - He has informed himself more on the topic.
 - He believes there to be 3 narratives on the event:
 - Affordability - did not want to increase tuition for students.
 - Rick Scott - would've struck down the bill to increase funding.
 - More counselors than proposed - Meeting of organizer and SB President Smith Meyers. Wanted more than 12 counselors, and did not have on the budget for an increase.
 - He asks that someone helps him with finding the minutes from the local fee committee.
 - He finally asks why the narrative on this issue continues to change.
- Senator Victorianne - yields their time to Senator Lima.
- Senator Wiley - yields their time to Senator Lima.
- Senator Berrocal - yields their time to Senator Lima.

- Senator Lima
 - Rises today to support increased funding for CWC.
 - Dozens of students shared heart-breaking stories showing emergency of situation.
 - How can we as a student body do something on combatting mental health issues.
 - Working on Resolution with Senator Pearson to get this idea moving amongst the body
 - Still in search for a long term solution that everyone can support.
 - Local Fee Committee could raise the ? fee if no other avenues are available
 - “Lives are at stake”; this issue is too important to do nothing about.
 - Reach out to him or senator Pearson if you would like to sponsor the resolution or would like to work on it with themd

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OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

- Student Body President Meyers welcomes the senators.
- Accent Show in University Auditorium.
 - R.L. Stein, author of *Goosebumps* series will be speaking tonight at 8:00pm.
- Wanted to let senators know that Nick Meno has stepped down from Chief of Staff due to personal reasons.
 - Santiago Guitierrez will be replacing him as Chief of Staff.
- Communicated with author of petition
 - Local Fee decision did not affect the number of mental health providers, 12 new counselors will be hired over next 3 years, but this decision did not provide funding for them after 3 years.
 - Committee voted on 0 percent increase because the committee has three years to find funding not from students’ pockets
 - Shows that SG is passionate about providing for the student body’s mental health without going into the student’s pockets.
- He tells Senator Chou that he will see to it that he will get the minutes.
- As seen last week Mental Health is a very pressing issue on campus
 - Student Mental Health Task Force.
 - Valeria Hernandez will be the chairwoman of this task force.
 - Please reach out if you would like to get involved
- Q: Senator Chou asks if the minutes are public?

- A: Student Body President Meyers: You can make a public request for the minutes.
- Q: Senator Chou: So are the minutes available online?
- A: Student Body President Meyers: I cannot speak on behalf of the committee but they are subject to the Sunshine laws requiring them to be made available as a result of public request.
- Q: Last week it was said that the minutes were public for senator Chou, did you feel bad knowing that I was criticized for not reading minutes “made publicly available to me” even though I would have to jump through these hoops to get access to these minutes.
- A: He was unaware of the process required to access these minutes.
- Q: Can you give an update after speaking to the CFO and Overhead cost?
- A: Will be meeting soon to discuss this

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Senate President Green welcomes the senators.
- Will be going over Legislative Agenda next week for internal goals and external goals next week.
 - Liaisons will be giving monthly reports on the work they are doing for the university.
- Fall Wellness Fair tomorrow at 12pm in the plaza of the Americas
- Islam on Campus Fast-a-thon will be in the O’Connell Center on 6-9PM
 - Free 3 c
- If you are able to attend to R.L. Stein accent show, he encourages senators you to attend

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Moodie welcomes the senators.
- Thanks all senators for doing outreach on their social media, there has been a lot of applicants with good ideas
- Liberal Arts and Sciences Seat was not filled due to ineligibility.
 - Liberal Arts and Sciences Seat will be open again.
- Open Seats:
 - Building Construction
 - Dentistry
 - Graduate
 - Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Continue to send event updates to her.
- Congratulates new Senator Fatzinger for joining senate
- Congratulates Noah Harden on being elected Vice-Chair

- Shout out to Research Symposium that happened today, there were over 500 people that signed up
- Research Symposium was a great success.
- Office hours
 - Tuesday and Thursday 11:30-3PM
 - Wednesday 9-12PM
- Q: Senator Pearson asks if senators who have more than 4 absences will be resigning due to absences will have their seat filled?
- A: Chairwoman Moodie replies explaining the process behind replacing resigned senators.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Updates:
 - Furthering outreach program by contacting all funded organizations on campus
 - Encourages senators to attend SG funded event, Fast-A-Thon
 - Encourages senators to attend Gators Salsa Club, they have salsa lessons every week and no prior experience is required
- Congratulates Senator Lo on being selected as Vice-Chair!

ALLOCATIONS:

- Chairman Stanford welcomes the senators.
- Met this past Sunday, from 12-4:30PM
- Heard multiple requests and 4 organizations received funding.
- Congratulates his new Vice-Chair, Senator Pope.

JUDICIARY

- Chairwoman Dempsey welcomes the senators.
- Presentation on how to write and submit legislation

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- Always willing to seat down with any of the senators and help with writing a bill
- Q: Senator Pearson asks if someone wanted to change the Rules & Procedures, would it follow the same format?
- A: same format
- Q: Senator Pearson asks if a bill is submitted, can the author send someone to speak on behalf for the Judiciary Committee Presentation
- A: The person that presents has to be an author
- Committee will be meeting this Sunday at 5PM, and legislation will be due this Friday at noon

- Senator Nickas will be Vice-Chair

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Holloway welcomes the senators.
- Announces Senator Hernandez as Clerk
- Announces Senator Hasan as her Vice Chair.
- She invites Vice Chairman Hasan to present a few events that fulfill constituency requirements.
- Events for COntituency:
 - Fast-A-Thon: tomorrow at 6-9PM @ O'Connell Center
 - Indian Student Association Diwali Show, Oct 27th at 4-11Pm @ Phillips Center
 - Freshmen 15 wellness Resource Fair, Oct 25th 12-3 Pm @ Plaza of the Americas
 - Disability Resource Center Expo, Oct 26th 10:30-3PM @ Plaza of the Americas
 - Student Honor Code Conflict Resolution Week Oct. 30th 10-4PM @ Turlington
 - Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Grand Rounds presents: "Critical Limb Ischemia" November 15th 6120 Shands North Tower
 - For professional senators except Law
 - Tabling opportunities this week :
 - Wed. 9-3 PM @ Turlington
 - Thurs. 9-12 PM @ Turlington
 - Fri. 9-3 PM @ Turlington
- She will be having Senators from her committee present every week to help senators fill their requirements.
- Will be meeting this Thursday, October 26th in the SG conference Room
- Q: Senator Pearson: Will all the announced events be sent out?
- A: Will send events to Senate Pro-Tempore Moodie to send out after meeting

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairwoman Grosse welcomes the senators.
- She announces Senator Stephanie Watson as her Vice-Chair.
- Mentorship Program will be happening very soon, will send out questions to better pair senators
 - Great way to make friends and to meet people in Senate.
 - Apps due November 7th, will find out mentorship pairs on November 14th.
- Avichaim Snyder mentions a form will be sent out tomorrow for official nametags, they will be \$12
- Tabling this week
 - Sign up now, because she is not sure if there will be much availability to table at the end of the semester.
 - Thursday will an SG Event instead of Tabling
- Will be hosting War for the Oar Event after tabling 12:30 to 2:30

- Q: Senator Chou asks if T-shirts will also be made?
- A: Chairwoman Grosse asks if anyone would like to help her design shirts!
- Q: Senator Pearson asks about activation of senate email accounts.
- A: Chairwoman Grosse will send out a detailed PDF with instructions on how to set them up.

SECOND READING

- There were none

FIRST READING:

- There were none

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

- There are no bills pending signatures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senator Stephanie Watson - Florida Players first show of the semester will be this Friday in the Phillips Center, tickets are free
- Chairwoman Dunson
 - Moralloween benefiting Dance Marathon tomorrow from 5-7.
 - Tickets are \$7 at the door.
- Senator Martinez
 - There are Big Event Delegate applications opening soon
- Senator Lee
 - FSA hosting Defcon Jam dance show at the Phillips center. Event starts at 7pm.
- Senator Rangel
 - 2nd General Body Meeting will be happening this Thursday, 7-8PM
- Senator Allie Watson
 - Pro-bono week at the Law School, there will be multiple speakers
 - Also doing a Blood Drive
- Senator Lima Baughman Center for Public Service will be hosting an event tomorrow. Will host multiple speakers
- Pro-Tempore Moodie
 - Please email her the events that were announced.
 - December 5th is the last senate meeting, just around the corner.
 - Constituency is due very soon, plan on going to these events
 - Remember to strike Liberal Arts & Sciences seat from Vote Record, and yes on everything else.

ROLL CALL:

- A motion to use voting records for final roll call passed.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- The meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.