

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

January 30th, 2018

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:31 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 78 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Batten
- Brannan
- Cohen
- Dubinsky
- Fine
- Garcia
- Snyder
- Vista
- Allie Watson
- Wilson

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Senator Hassan moves to table Student Senate Bill 2018-1010: Resolution Supporting Improved Cleanliness of the J. Wayne Reitz Union Reflection Room by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Dempsey moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1011: Resolution Supporting the Efforts of Camions of Care and the Field and Fork Pantry by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Senator Pearson moves to approve the amendment to Student Senate Bill 2018-1012: Public Debate Act - Senate Rules and Procedures Revision by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Dempsey moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1012: Public Debate Act - Senate Rules and Procedures Revision by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Stanford moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1013: Funding for Gator Guard Drill Team by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Stanford moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1014: Funding for Democracy Matters by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Stanford moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1015: Funding for Generational Relief in Prosthetics by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Nickas moves to approve R&A committee recommendation for open Graduate seat, Maria Arboleda by unanimous consent. Approved.

- Chairman Nickas moves to approve R&A committee recommendation for open permanent Liberal Arts seat, Lisette Pellet by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Nickas moves to approve R&A committee recommendation for open Allocations committee seat, Katelyn Hernandez by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Nickas moves to approve R&A committee recommendation for open Rules & Ethics committee seat, Sydney Honeycutt by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Holloway moves to hear the approved absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent. Approved.
 - Motion to approve the aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Holloway moves to hear the failed absences petitions as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motion to approve the aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.

PUBLIC DEBATE:

- Senator Anmol Shah:
 - Was told that senators are on their phones and laptops for reasons unrelated to Senate.
 - Asks all senators to shut their laptops and put away their phones for the rest of the meeting.
 - Asks to give speakers their undivided attention.
- Senator Calvin yields his time to Minority Party Leader Morse.
- Senator Belinski yields her time to Senator Jenkins.
- Senator Rauseo yields his time to Senator Jenkins.
- Senator Jenkins:
 - Felt that in first semester, he did not communicate efficiently with constituents.
 - Created District C listserv to inform constituents about events, bills, and meeting summaries to more effectively communicate with over 6,000 constituents.
 - Listserv will hopefully initiate a two way conversation between District C senators and constituents.
 - If successful, this listserv can be applied to other districts and seats.
 - If you want to sub, email lists@ufl.edu with "subscribesg_senate_C-L(first and last name) in the body text.
 - Will be holding office hours with District C Senator Belinski and district D Senators Gatos and Rauseo.
 - Will be held Tuesday: 11:30am-1:30pm.
 - Will be held in the chairs outside the SG portal.
 - Scheduling a meeting is also accepted.
 - A new location will be pursued in hopes of making office hours more accessible in the future.
 - Will respect and listen to anyone and everyone.

- Will act upon things mentioned to him.
- Listserv and office hours will provide a transparent and robust democracy.
- A new location will be pursued in hopes of making office hours more accessible in the future.
- Senator German yields his time to Minority Party Leader Morse.
- Minority Party Leader Morse yields his time to the chair.
- Senator Chou yields his time to the chair.

*****If you wish to hear any speeches given during public debate please request the recordings from senatesecretary@sq.ufl.edu*****

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

- Task Force Chairwoman Hernandez:
 - Gives reminder that we focus so much on giving that we forget to take care of self.
 - “Without a healthy you, there would not be a senate.”
 - Counseling and Wellness Center will be having a survey regarding mental health on campus.
 - Mental Health Advocacy Task Force invites students to participate in a letter writing campaign to raise awareness for mental health.
 - One is able to sign a pre-made letter or create one his or herself.
 - Feb 7th: 11:00am-3:00pm.
 - Will be held at the Reitz North Lawn, Turlington, and Plaza of the Americas.

SENATE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Senate President Green welcomes the senators.
- New Reitz Union liaison report:
 - Wishes the senators a good evening.
 - Orange elevators are currently being repaired.
 - Starbucks and Subway will be open soon.
 - On the Reitz North Lawn:
 - The east end should be finished in February.
 - The west end should be finished in May.
 - 240 walk-ins at the Arts and Crafts festival, was a success.
 - Updates on anything else will be provided.
- Action SG sponsored an event with the SG Graphics and Copy Center.
 - For Career Showcase, they printed free resumes.
 - Over 380 Gators were able to print their resumes.
- YLC will be happening this upcoming weekend.
 - Make incoming high schoolers who will be bright eyed and inspired a big Gator welcome on campus.
- This Thursday begins Black History Month.
 - Reminds senators to reflect during this time.
 - Black history is American history.
 - Marks the 40 year anniversary of celebrating Black History Month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Schaettle welcomes the senators.
- Very happy with the replacements chosen this week.
- Number of seats open:
 - Beaty, Engineering, and Graduate seat will be due this February 9th.
 - Dentistry, Health and Human Performance, and Vet-Med seats are due this Friday at 12:00pm.
 - I&C committee seat application is due this Friday.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Committee met this past week and voted to pass a PSU line transfer.
 - Will be presented next week.
- Wishes the senators a good week.

ALLOCATIONS:

- Chairman Stanford welcomes the senators.
- Thanks Lizette for the Reitz report.
- Congrats to Senator Hernandez for her committee seat.
- Approved 3 fundings at last meeting.
- Get your requests in ASAP because committee cannot meet two weeks prior to elections.

JUDICIARY

- Chairwoman Dempsey welcomes the senators.
- Invites down Senator Shaw and Senator Astudillo to talk about Student Senate Bill 2018-1011: Supporting Resolution Supporting the Efforts of Camions of Care and the Field and Fork Pantry.
- Senator Shaw and Senator Astudillo:
 - Wrote resolution to thank both Field and Fork Pantry as well as Camions of Care for providing free feminine hygiene products, and benefitting the student body.
 - Resolution is also to show student body that senate is listening.
 - Thanks senate for passing resolution.
- Please reference Senator Pearson's amendment to 1012: Public Debate Act - Senate Rules and Procedures Revision.
- Committee will be meeting Sunday at 5:00pm, legislation will be due that day at 12:00pm.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Holloway welcomes the senators.
- Congratulations to Senator Honeycutt for her committee seat.
- Senators have until tomorrow to submit probation forms.

- SG-Funded Events:
 - BSU: “Get Fit-Stay Lit” fitness event on February 5th, 5:00pm-8:00pm at Southwest Recreation Center.
 - Islam on Campus will be having a table for World Hijab Day at Turlington on both January 31st and February 1st from 10:00am-2:00pm.
 - Benton Engineering Council will be having a budget planning event on February 1st at 6:30pm-8:30pm in room 3320 in the Reitz Union.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairwoman Grosse welcomes the senators.
- Remember to sign up for tabling.
- Sign up for quarter zips, they are due Thursday at midnight.
- If you would like to participate in OneUF focus group, please see Chairwoman Grosse after the meeting.

AD-HOC REVISIONS:

- First meeting on Sunday.
- Went over general formatting for submitting code revisions.
- Code Revisions by senator:
 - 100s by Senator Snyder.
 - 200s by Senator Batten.
 - 300s by Senator Hurdle.
 - 400s by Senator Shah.
 - 500s by Senator Hernandez.
 - 600s by Senator German.
 - 700s by Senator Ritterband.
 - 800s by Senator Hassan and Chairman Nickas.
- Will not be meeting this week so the committee members have at least 10 days to go through their respective section.

SECOND READING

- There were none.

FIRST READING:

- There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Chairwoman Dunson:
 - Visit Floridadm.org/dancers for registration
 - January 29th- February 11th is the last day to sign up for Dance Marathon.
- Senator Warner:
 - Project Makeover.

- An elementary school in the Gainesville area is chosen to be renovated and improved.
 - February 23rd-25th.
 - 3 hour shifts
 - Believes that Student Senate should come together and signup for a great cause.
- Senator Lee:
 - CPR Certification Classes:
 - February 25th and 26th.
 - Half of proceeds will go towards Dance Marathon.
- Chairman Stanford:
 - “You Matter, We Cocoa” will be giving out free hot chocolate in Turlington from 12:00pm-2:00pm.
- Senator Jenkins:
 - Thanks the senate for passing Student Senate Bill 2018-1014: Funding for Democracy Matters.
 - Democracy Matters will be hosting meeting tomorrow from 6:30pm-7:30pm in Matherly Room 104.
- Senator Hassan:
 - ‘Hijabathon After Hours” from 6:00pm-9:00pm tomorrow in Rion Ballroom.
 - There will be a dinner and discussion about experience wearing hijab.
 - Wants to congratulate Senator Astudillo for creating her own club.
- Senator Gatos
 - SAI Student Organization Fair will be tomorrow, January 31st at 10:00am.
 - Encourages senators to come out and meet constituents.

ROLL CALL:

- A motion to use voting records for final roll call by unanimous consent. Approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.