The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:30 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 75 senators present.

Not there for roll call:
- Adams
- Boone
- Chan
- Dhir
- Dubinsky
- Esperanza
- Fatzinger
- Garcia
- Gorshein
- Harris
- Holloway
- Horland
- Jones
- Nguyen
- Perez
- Santalo
- Shen
- Walters
- Watson
- Wilson

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:
- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:
- Chairwoman Dempsey moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1000: Resolution Recognizing VENSA’s and the Hispanic Student Association’s continued efforts to spread awareness and fundraise through the #GATORSFORVZLA Campaign by unanimous consent. Approved.
• Chairwoman Dempsey moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1001: Resolution Sharing the Importance of Political Awareness in relevance to the Net Neutrality Act by unanimous consent. Approved.
• Majority Party Leader Schaettle moves to approve R&A committee recommendation for open District D, Whitney Nguyen by unanimous consent. Approved.

PUBLIC DEBATE:
• Senator Hudson yields his time to Majority Party Leader Schaettle.
• Senator Nickas yields his time to Majority Party Leader Schaettle.
• Senator Kratt yields his time to Minority Party Leader Morse.
• Senator Muller yields her time to Senator Lima.
• Senator Shaw yields her time to the chair.
• Senator Dunn yields his time to the chair.
• Senator Lanoue yields his time to Majority Party Leader Schaettle.
• Senator Pearson yields his time to Minority Party Leader Morse.
• Senator Calvin yields his time to Senator Lima.
• Senator Murphy yields his time to Majority Party Leader Schaettle.
• Major Party Leader Schaettle yields his time to chair.
• Senator Birnholz yields her time to Senator Gatos.
• Senator German yields his time to Minority Party Leader Morse.
• Minority Party Leader Morse:
  ○ New minority party leader for Inspire party in spring semester.
  ○ During the fall semester accomplished:
    ■ Helping lead the expansion of social media for elections.
    ■ More funding for council members of Counseling and Wellness center.
    ■ Took a stand against racism and bigotry.
    ■ Met with student body officials to make libraries open 24 hours.
  ○ Goals for this semester include solutions for health and accessibility on campus such as:
    ■ Improving bus routes.
    ■ Free supply of menstrual hygiene products.
    ■ Secure remainder of funding at Counseling and Wellness Center.
    ■ Increasing the dollar amount between minority groups in SG in administration.
    ■ Advocating access to healthy food.
  ○ Caucus will further these initiatives, plus others.
  ○ Senator Lima and Senator Gatos are presenting initiatives that they are passionate about.
• Offers for those who want to help to reach out to him.
• Looks forward to working with everyone.

• Senator Lima:
  • Streaming the senate meeting on Facebook Live.
    ■ Members of Inspire introduced livestream in the Transparency and Accountability Act last year.
    ■ Its future remains uncertain.
  • Want I&C committee to stream all senate meetings for accountability.
  • Live streaming will allow feedback for more informed voting during elections.
  • Accountability: held to higher standard by constituents. Allowed to provide transparency.
  • Transparency: imperative to give every student ample opportunities to access the organizations that allocates their student fees.
  • States it is an easy step to start live streaming senate meetings.
  • Allows students to engage with senators when unable to attend meetings every Tuesday.
  • If interested in helping, reach out to Senator Lima.

• Senator Gatos:
  • Hopes everyone had a good winter break.
  • He is the SAI liaison.
  • Learned a lot about Senate and SCI.
  • Wants to talk about possible development of liaison within Student Senate.
  • There is currently no bridge between senate and cultural affairs.
  • Understands the importance of ethnic diversity and different cultures on campus. Believes it is important to recognize them.
  • Senator Lima and Minority Party Leader Morse have been discussing with people to further this project.
  • Reach out to Senator Gatos if willing to help.

• Senator Rauseo yields his time to the chair.

• Brandon Rosenthal:
  • Commends the inspire party for their new choice of leadership.
  • With change: Inspire party has taken a step forward in rejecting:
    ■ Divisiveness
    ■ Stubbornness
    ■ Partisanship
  • Has great confidence in Senator Morris.
  • Confident with work across the aisle and with the executive branch.
o Wants to work with Minority Party Leader Morse in regards to engineering students.

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

OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

- Erica Baker
  - Speaking about the contingency plan for elections.
  - Baker presents contingency plans in case of unexpected incidents
  - If less half of voting locations down: poll workers will direct students to a working polling site.
  - If there is campus wide problem with more than half of voting locations are down:
    - Less than 1 hour: Time loss will not be made.
    - 1-6 Hours: Time loss will be added onto Tuesday up to 3 hours, if more than 3, then remaining time will be added to Wednesday.
    - Over 6 Hours: Additional day of voting will be added, as many polling locations as possible will be added in this case.

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

- Student Body President Meyers welcomes the senators:
  - Library West is now 24/7, feels it meets the needs of students.
  - Scooter parking has been expanded by Library West. Can fit 40 to 50 scooters.
    - Right by chemistry building.
  - Proud that Impact party could fix these problems.

SENATE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Senate President Green welcomes the senators.
- Hopes everyone had a great break.
- Office Hours:
  - Monday/Wednesday: 12:00-1:30pm
  - Tuesday/Thursday: 12:30-2:30pm
  - Friday: 1:00-3:00pm
- Encourages senators to stop by during these times.
- Gives a quick Reitz Union update.
  - Both Subway and Starbucks are being renovated and will not be done until February.
  - Wendy’s will have coffee during the time.
• States there is a new Dean of Students, Heather White.
• Excited to announce the new Ad-Hoc Revisions Committee:
  o Committee chair is Senator Nickas.
  o Members are Senator German, Hernandez, Libby Shaw, Batten, Snyder, Ritterband, Hasan, Hurdle.
• January 31st, 10:00am-2:00pm: Student Organizational Fair.
• Reach out to constituents.
  o It is urgent that students find a home at the University of Florida.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:
• Senate President Pro-Tempore Moodie welcomes the senators and wishes everyone a happy new year.
• Open permanent seats, District A and Vet-Med are open for two weeks.
• Begins speech titled, “My Declaration”
  o No longer affiliated with Impact party, Senate President Pro-Tempore Moodie resigns her office and senate seat in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, effective today.
  o “Leadership is not ownership, it is stewardship.”
  o Understands consequences of resignation.
  o As four years as a senator she has been the only black female senator elected.
    ■ There is a diversity problem.
  o On a mission to shake up the current culture.
  o To family and friends: “I could not have done this without you.”
  o Friends in the greek community:
    ■ Thankful for those relationships that showed her the meaning of those letters.
  o To Lisa: “Thank you for being the first one to listen.”
  o Thanks various senators who made the past few months bearable.
    Passes on the baton for them to carry on her mission.
  o “Ask yourself what you want to be remembered by.”
  o Senior advice: don’t regret looking back on your time here and not standing up for what you believe in.
  o Wants to metaphorically break down the wall “down this aisle.”
  o Standing on a more solid foundation after what she has endured.
  o Hopes that this will change the reserve.
  o “As always, go Gators.”

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:
• Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
• Wishes everyone a wonderful break.
• Sending out budget calls tomorrow to all student organizations.
• Wishes everyone a great syllabus week.
ALLOCATIONS:
- Chairman Stanford welcomes the senators.
- Allocations committee did not meet over break.
- Received three requests today, so it is important for them to meet soon.
- Please reach out with any questions for committee.

JUDICIARY
- Chairwoman Dempsey welcomes the senators.
- Invites down HSA VP David Enriquez and Senator Rangel:
  - From Venezuelan student body.
  - States that we forget how blessed we are to live in a place where we are protected by our Constitution.
  - Human rights situation in Venezuela is getting worse than it already is.
  - The resolution is small but very meaningful.
  - The way we use our time outside the University of Florida echoes throughout our nation.
    - Echoes all the way to the Oval Office one day.
  - When voting on the resolution, please dare to dream.
  - Make a small push in the tremendous fight for freedom.
  - The Venezuelan people deserve constitutional liberty.
  - Committed to fighting the good fight.
- Senator Hernandez:
  - Thanks senators and wishes everyone a good evening.
  - Hopes for a good break.
  - Net Neutrality: Prevents providers from being allowed to charge more fees on sites we use.
  - US government has passed an act to revoke net neutrality.
  - The bill is currently going through Judicial branch,
  - Committee will be meeting this Sunday, time to be released later.

RULES & ETHICS:
- Vice-Chairman Hasan welcomes the senators.
- Constituency has reset.
- Please feel free to reach out to anyone on committee to ask about constituency events.
- Absences will start over after Spring elections.
- Black Student Union will be having a theme releasing event for Black History Month on Jan 12th from 10:00am-2:00 pm in Turlington Plaza.
- Submit constituency 7 days after attending.
- Committee will be meeting this Friday morning.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:
- Chairwoman Grosse welcomes the senators.
- Thanks those who came to senate social.
- Meeting on Monday at 6:00 PM
- Will be planning a social with Cabinet.
SECOND READING
● There were none.

FIRST READING:
● There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:
● There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
● Chairwoman Dunson announces “Dogs for DM” event this Wednesday, 8:00pm-12:00am, in Midtown.
● Senator Pearson:
  ○ This Thursday: Engineering Spring kickoff meeting at 6:30pm in Reitz Union
● Senator Gardezi:
  ○ Ice Cream and Chill at Graham.
  ○ Jennings Day Off.
  ○ Hot Chocolate and Smores event.
  ○ Game-show Night.
  ○ Dodgeball Tournament.
  ○ Murph Mafia.
● Senator Gatos:
  ○ Next Thursday from 12:00pm-3:00pm the SCI will be having an event with various campus programs.

ROLL CALL:
● A motion to use voting records for final roll by unanimous consent. Approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED:
● The meeting adjourned at 8:19 PM.