The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:30pm 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 87 senators present.

Not there for roll call:
- Adan
- Cornair
- Haffey
- Herman
- McCreary
- Shan
- Singleton
- Stephens
- Weninger

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:
- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:
- Majority Party Leader Emmett moves to hear the Replacement and Agenda Committee recommendations for the open Rules and Ethics Committee seats as a block, excluding Alexa Entringer by unanimous consent. Approved.
  - Move to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Majority Party Leader Emmett moves to approve Replacement and Agenda Committee Recommendation for Graduate and Family Housing: Logan Russell by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Sandifer moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1042: Resolution Supporting the Alachua County Labor Coalition’s Renters’ Rights Campaign by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Brown moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1043: Line Item Transfer for Gator Gaming to Awards by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to rescind Meryl Jones as the Information and Communication Chair. Motion is seconded. Two rounds of con and pro debate commences.
  - First Round of Con:
    - Senator Pearson: Chairwoman Jones has done an amazing job throughout her first term as the Information and Communication Chair. She was able to revamp the SG social media pages and launch a social media campaign that increased engagement on both Facebook and Instagram. She has also worked hard on a variety of initiatives, including livestreaming. It is vital that we keep Senator Jones as the I/C chair so that she can continue to do an outstanding job as chairwoman.
Chairwoman Hernandez: Believes Chairwoman Jones has done an amazing job as the I/C chairwoman. Has been able to collaborate with Chairwoman Jones on an Allocations Committee graphic. Has been able to sit down with her to discuss what is wanted for an Allocations media campaign. Believes that she has been very “meticulous” in all that she has done, something that has not been seen from other candidates.

First Round of Pro:

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: We have received information that Chairwoman Jones has given preferential treatment for candidates preparing for interviews. Does not believe this is a way of showing bipartisanship, and has the evidence to prove it. States that it is unacceptable and that all candidates should be treated equally if reaching out to the chair for advice. Also notes that she has given false information about senators, including saying that Senator Chou had not liked the Student Government Facebook page. States that there is no record of Chairwoman Jones issuing Senator Chou an apology. This is an issue of integrity.
- Senator Lima: Would like to echo the sentiments of Minority Party Leader Grabowski.

Second Round of Con:

- Chairwoman Morris: First semester as a chair, and so far, Chairwoman Jones has been the easiest chair to communicate with. It is vital that new senators receive the information necessary for them succeed while in Senate. Believes that Chairwoman Jones has been the best person to ensure that there is successful communication to new senators.
- Chairwoman Hernandez: Another responsibility of the Information and Communication chair is to educate new senators. In recent collaboration, we talked about how each member of a committee can be best educated in fulfilling their roles on each respective committee.

Second Round of Pro:

- Senator Lima: This is a solemn motion. This motion is being made because there have been multiple instances in which the chair has not acted in the best way to benefit the constituents. Whether it is making a false statement about a senator or not fulfilling the duties of the position, it is something that needs to be acted upon as representatives of the student body. This is the reason we must go forward with this motion.
- Senator Bindi: Gives the definition of corruption stated in Black’s Law Dictionary. States that if someone is to do their job successfully, however it is in a corrupt way then that is ground for removing them from their position.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves for a roll call vote. That motion is second. That motion passes.

Point of Information: For some senators, may we have the evidence that is in favor of rescinding Senator Jones as the I/C Chair?
- Senate President Shaw states that she does not have that information.
- Senator Bindi: May you request that information from a senator who may have it?
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski Point of Order: It cannot be forced upon you, but you do have the right to request the information.
- Senate President Shaw states that they will be moving on with the vote.

- **Point of Information:** You will not be asking for the information in favor of rescinding the nomination?
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: That is not a question.
  - Senator Bindi: Point of Order then.
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: That is not a correct use of point of order.
  - Senator Bindi: My mistake. What is the correct term I should use?
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: Correcting something she has done incorrectly procedurally.
  - Senator Bindi: I am just asking for a clarification.
  - Senate President Shaw: What is the question?
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: A point of order would be that the chair must provide the information to a point of information. They do not have the right to refuse it. If you do not have an answer, you are required to seek it out.
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: We went through this last time.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: I have done research and I can prove it.
  - Senate President Shaw: We are moving on to the vote.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: That is a violation of parliamentary procedure.
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: You are welcome to appeal her decision.

- **Point of Information:** What is the parliamentarian’s relation to Chairwoman Jones?
  - Senate President Shaw: He is not biased, we are moving on.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: That is not the point of information.
  - Parliamentarian Preston Jones: I am her biological older brother.

**Roll Call Vote:**

- Adan: Absent
• Alexander: No
• Amrose: Yes
• Barocas: Yes
• Berrocal: Yes
• Bindi: Yes
• Blomeley: No
• Bond: No
• Brittain: No
• Brown: No
• Calvin: Yes
• Chou: Yes
• Cordover: No
• Cornair: Absent
• Dhalliwal: No
• Diaz: Yes
• Dormeus: Yes
• Dubois: No
• Dunson: No
• Emmett: No
• Entringer: No
• Espinoza: Yes
• Evans: No
• Fernandez-Valle: No
• Freedman: No
• Gant: Yes
• Garner: No
• Gatos: Yes
• German: Absent
• Girschick: No
• Glover: No
• Goel: No
• Goren: No
• Grabowski: Yes
• Haffey: Absent
• Heriveaux: No
• Herman: Absent
• Gabriela Hernandez: No
• Katelyn Hernandez: No
• Honeycutt: No
• Iyamu: Yes
• Jackson: Yes
• Jenkins: Yes
• Jesurajan: No
• Joachim: Yes
• John: Yes
• Jones: No
- Kaighin: No
- Kanouse: No
- Karimi: Yes
- Kaufman: Yes
- Kendrick: No
- Lai: Yes
- Levy: No
- Li: No
- Lima: Yes
- Longland: No
- Lovesky: Yes
- Manitii: No
- Manuszak: No
- Martin: No
- Martinez: Yes
- Matei: No
- McCreary: Absent
- Meyer: No
- Miller: No
- Morris: No
- Orban: No
- Dilan Patel: No
- Shaan Patel: No
- Sneh Patel: Yes
- Pearson: No
- Pepple: No
- Perez: No
- Portugues: No
- Prieto: No
- Ragan: Yes
- Ramos: No
- Rodriguez: Yes
- Sandifer: No
- Scurry: Yes
- Shan: Absent
- Shaw: No
- Singleton: Absent
- Smith: Yes
- Stein: No
- Stephens: Absent
- Weiskopf: No
- Weninger: Absent
- White: No
- Wikan: No
- Wilson: No
- Witte: Absent
In a roll call vote of 30 to 55, that motion fails.

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to rescind Senator Wikan for the Budget and Appropriations Seat. Motion is seconded. Two rounds of con and pro debate commences.
  - First Round of Con:
    - Chairman Brown: Senator Wikan shows a great level of passion for this committee and Chairman Brown believes she will be a great member to the committee. Is confident in her ability to be a member of the Budget and Appropriations Committee.
    - Chairman Sandifer: Speaking on Senator Wikan’s qualifications, she previously mentioned that she was Treasurer of her high school FBLA chapter. Does not believe that should be discounted in any way. Believes that her qualifications qualify her to be a part of the Budget and Appropriation Committee. There is no reason that someone on the committee with direct experience should be removed.
  - First Round of Pro:
    - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Through a public records request of the Florida Legislature, it has been made apparent that Senator Wikan never served as a district secretary, which falsifies her resume. States that falsifying any qualification to gain a seat on a committee that controls a $21 million budget is unacceptable. This should not be tolerated. Would fully support if Senator Wikan was removed from the committee and reapplied with her accurate qualifications. Appointments cannot be made on false information and we have the evidence to prove it, if someone would like to request a point of information.
    - Senator Bindi: Lying on an application for any position in any organization is wrong. That should further terminate your acceptance into that position and your acceptance into that organization, especially if it gains you access to a committee that controls $21 million. If she is as qualified as others are claiming she is, Senator Wikan will stand with an accurate representation on her resume.

- Point of Information: Can a request be made for Senator Grabowski to give the information of the public records request that she mentioned in her speech?
  - Senate President Shaw: What are you requesting?
  - Senator Bindi: I requesting that you request the information from her, if that is how it works. I am not an expert on parliamentary procedure so I am not completely sure.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Senate President Shaw has it on her email.
• Point of Information: (directed at Senate president Shaw) You should have the evidence in your email.
  o Senate President Shaw: I do not see anything.
  o Minority Party Leader Grabowski: It may take a moment to send.
  o Senate President Shaw: For now we will move on to the second round of con.

  o Second Round of Con:
    ▪ Chairwoman Hernandez: Senator Wikan has not perjured herself in any manner. Believes that the qualifications spoken about at the last meeting prepared Senator Wikan for this position in the best way possible. Adds that Senator Wikan has already served on the Budget and Appropriation Committee, and to rescind her nomination would only delay the progress of the Budget Committee.
    ▪ Senator Pearson: The chamber has already debated Senator Wikan’s qualifications. It is clear that she is “head and shoulder” above the other candidates. Fully support Senator Wikan remaining on the Budget and Appropriations Committee due to her various qualifications. Since she has been appointed, the committee has already had a meeting and passed a line item transfer. Senator Wikan is already being incorporated into the committee, slowly but surely, and believes it would be a detriment to the committee to rescind her nomination.

  o Second Round of Pro:
    ▪ Minority Party Leader Grabowski: When discussing her qualifications, they made a decision based on something false. Senator Wikan claimed to serve as a district senator and it was in all of her resumes and social media bios. Senator Wikan was a clerk, an assistant to the secretary and never managed any type of budget. There is proof of this from the Florida Legislature. That is falsifying information and that is unethical.
    ▪ Senator Diaz: If the evidence presented is true, that is very worrying. Regardless of the qualifications that senator Wikan may hold, falsifying information is cause for removing someone from a committee. Does not believe that is a precedent that the Senate Body should want to set.
    ▪ Senator Bindi: Would like to reiterate the previous sentiments.

• Point of Information: Did you receive the email and can you recite the information?
  o Senate President Shaw: To be fair, if you have any information (regarding Senator Wikan) and someone would like to Point of Information you so that there is evident from both sides, that is allowed.

• Point of Information: Can Senator Wikan distribute any information she may have to uphold her qualifications?
  o Senate President Shaw: It must be a point of information for me.
  o Chairwoman Hernandez: May you request that information from her?
  o Senate President Shaw: If I have the information, then yes.
  o Senate President Shaw: (Directed at evidence against Senator Wikan) This is an 88-page document.
Minority Party Leader Grabowski: I can provide citations if you would like.

Senate President Shaw: Would you like to tell me where to look

Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Page 2 has her direct position. Page 21 has her application where she admits that she is not applying to be District 31 secretary, but rather applying for an internship and also states her intent for the position.

Senate President Shaw: On page 2 it states that Senator Wikan received approval to be employed as an OPS clerk from April 2018 to June 2018. Page 21 states that Audrey Wikan has an intention of interning with the District Secretary until the start of college.

Senate President Shaw: (Directed at evidence in favor of Senator Wikan) Reads part of a letter from Jennifer Sullivan, a representative in the Florida House of Representatives. States that Audrey was trained to and handled the budget. Further explains Senator Wikan’s responsibilities as it pertains to the budget.

- Point of Information: Does any part of that document state that she served as District 31 Secretary?
  - Senator Wikan: On my application it states the position I am applying for is the District Secretary position.

- Point of Information: Is there anything that states that she was appointed to that position which she applied for?
  - Senate President Shaw: States that Senator Wikan was trained in the District Secretary position.

- Point of Information: Does any part of that letter state that she served as District Secretary. Being trained could mean that she was internship for that role.
  - Senate President Shaw: I feel it is clear that she was.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski: I disagree due to the information on page 2 in the document referenced earlier.

- Point of Clarification: Based on basic grammatical sentence structure, if you are trained to fulfill a position, in her case she was trained until she fulfilled the position. That is how sequential grammar works.

- Point of Information: I graduated with an English degree from the University of Florida and that is not correct.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves for a roll call vote. That motion is seconded. That motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

- Adan: Absent
- Alexander: No
- Amrose: Yes
- Barocas: Yes
- Berrocal: Yes
- Bindi: Yes
- Blomeley: No
- Bond: No
- Brittain: No
- Brown: No
- Calvin: Yes
- Chou: Yes
- Cordover: No
- Cornair: Absent
- Dhaliwal: No
- Diaz: Yes
- Dormeus: Yes
- Dubois: No
- Dunson: No
- Emmett: No
- Entringer: No
- Espinoza: Yes
- Evans: No
- Fernandez-Valle: No
- Freedman: No
- Gant: Yes
- Garner: No
- Gatos: Yes
- German: Absent
- Girschick: No
- Glover: No
- Goel: No
- Goren: No
- Grabowski: Yes
- Haffey: Absent
- Heriveaux: No
- Herman: Absent
- Gabriela Hernandez: No
- Katelyn Hernandez: No
- Honeycutt: No
- Iyamu: Yes
- Jackson: Yes
- Jenkins: Yes
- Jesurajan: No
- Joachim: Yes
- John: Yes
- Jones: No
- Kaighin: No
- Kanouse: No
- Karimi: Yes
- Kaufman: Yes
Kendrick: No  
Lai: Yes  
Levy: No  
Li: No  
Lima: Yes  
Longland: No  
Lovesky: Yes  
Maniti: No  
Manuszak: No  
Martin: No  
Martinez: Yes  
Matei: No  
McCreary: Absent  
Meyer: No  
Miller: No  
Morris: No  
Orban: Yes  
Dilan Patel: No  
Shaan Patel: No  
Sneh Patel: Yes  
Pearson: No  
Pepple: No  
Perez: No  
Portugues: No  
Prieto: No  
Ragan: Yes  
Ramos: No  
Rodriguez: Yes  
Sandifer: No  
Scurry: Yes  
Shan: Absent  
Shaw: No  
Singleton: Absent  
Smith: Yes  
Stein: No  
Stephens: Absent  
Weiskopf: No  
Weninger: Absent  
White: No  
Wikan: No  
Wilson: No  
Witte: Absent  
Wright: Absent  
Zelin: Yes  
Zlatanoff: No

In a roll call vote of 31 to 54, that motion fails.
PUBLIC DEBATE:

- Alfredo Ortiz:
  - Freshman at the University of Florida.
  - Have been involved extensively in extending waivers to those who have been affected by the Hurricanes in Puerto Rico, specifically to the incoming freshmen.
  - In the past, waivers have been extended to those who have been personally affected by natural disasters.
  - People tend to forget that this problem has not been healed.
    - “It is still September 21st, 2017.”
  - Puerto Ricans have had a difficult time recovering from the hurricane.
  - Have been involved in this project, and notes the progress that has been made by the Student Senate.
  - Recently got off the phone with a Florida legislator, saying that if he were draft a bill regarding this issue, it would be presented in front of the Florida legislature.
  - Does recognize that there is a lot of talent in this room. If anyone wishes to figure the language of this possible law, please reach out to Ortiz.
  - Asks senators to approach him if interested in helping with the resolution at any capacity.
    - “We cannot leave our brothers and sisters behind.”
  - Hopes to hear from senators in the near future.

- Senator Freedman:
  - LGBTQ+ Caucus to be started.
  - Created this caucus so that these people in this community can feel welcome in the chamber.
    - Also wants be able to address problems within this community.
  - Reach out to Senator Freedman if involvement is wished to be kept anonymous.

- Senator Bindi:
  - Congratulates those who participated in this year’s Dance Marathon.
  - Last meeting, gave a speech on a topic that meant a lot to me, and hopefully to a lot of you.
  - At the end of the speech, many people applauded and spoke positively about what was said.
  - Things have only gotten worse. This senate has continued to lose credibility.
  - Spoke to another senator recently who claimed that the Student Senate does not have a lot of power.
  - Provides the Black’s Law Dictionary definition for corruption, official misconduct, misfeasance, slander, defamation, and misrepresentation.
  - “Corruption is using your position as a senator to benefit yourself or someone else inconsistent with your duties for others.”
  - Lying in senate is misrepresentation.
  - Slander is corruption.
  - Sincerely hopes that everyone in the chamber cares about Senate enough to not let corruption root itself on this campus.
If you are guilty of these actions, you are guilty of corruption, and should not be allowed to continue in Senate. It is your duty to fight against corruption if you know about corruption.

If you are voting for these things knowing they are corrupt, “I don’t know how you sleep at night.”

**Senator Espinoza:**
- Spoke with a senator that expressed concern in what has happened in senate in the past few meetings. Notes that the things that have been done during the meetings do in fact matter.
- From the moment that senators are elected, they become representatives of the student body. Everything that we do is something that matters.
- Nine people and a committee chair control $21 million in funds, referring to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.
  - If these senators fail to handle this responsibility, then they have failed the student body.
- The Senate is currently under litigation involving the budget.
- When there are senators on the Judiciary Committee that lack experience, the legislation passed by the committee and the Student Senate lack credibility.
- Believes that the Student Government Constitution, Rules and Procedures and codes are laws, and should not be ignored.
- If the Rules and Procedures are followed in the first place, there would be no reason for “Point of orders.”
- If the most qualified candidates are elected to the committees, there would be no reason for objections.

**Senator Amrose:**
- Currently working on legislation regarding inclusion for transgender students, installation of blue lights, and more.
- Not here to engage in partisanship, however, it must be addressed when necessary.
- The Inspire Caucus attempted to remove Chairwoman Jones based on 3 counts.
- Through a Public Records Request, the Inspire Caucus learned that Chairwoman Jones has not sent an email regarding livestreaming of meetings since October of 2018.
- During deliberations for the new Senate President, Chairwoman Jones mentioned that Senator Chou has not liked the Student Government Facebook page, when in fact is he has.
- Chairwoman Jones has used her office to ensure that candidates for the Information and Communication were in the best interest of the Impact Party.
- Mention that Chairwoman Jones was unable to meet with an Inspire candidate before the interview.
- Asks the Senate to move forward with a fair Information and Communication Chair.
- Presents conversations between the two candidates before the interviews via projector.

**Point of Information:** When did these conversations occur?
Senator Amrose shows the time on the projector.

- **Senator Gatos:**
  - Tonight the Inspire Caucus objected to a recommendation for a Rules and Ethics Committee Seat.
  - There was a candidate that was passed unanimously and put on the agenda for the Senate Meeting that occurred on March 19th, 2019, however the committee recommendations were recommitted to the Replacement and Agenda Committee. This candidate was not approved after the recommendations were recommitted.
  - This happened after the Inspire Caucus objected to some of the Impact Party’s recommendations.
  - Does not believe this is proper behavior from a party that ran on bipartisanship.
  - Senator Gatos would respect this change if there was a reason given as to why she was removed from the recommendations.
  - Believes that the chamber can do better.

- **Colin Solomon:**
  - Served in the United States Senate as a page.
  - Mentions Rod Blagojevich, former Illinois Governor who is serving 14 years in prison for appointing senate seats based on corruption.
  - Corruption is not a laughing matter.
  - Attended the Replacement and Agenda Committee Meeting two weeks ago.
  - States that the Rules and Procedures outlines the grounds on which candidates should be recommended for committees.
  - Talks about the greatness of both parties of appointing a candidate to the Rules and Ethics Committee.
  - Would like to have full faith in the R/A Committee, however this faith is in question after some of their actions.
  - Says that the Majority Party decided to punish the minority party exercising Senate procedures.
  - Begs the Student Senate to reconsider the recommendation for the Rules and Ethics Committee seat.
  - More students do not vote in the election because “They have lost faith in you.”
  - “Make your constituents proud.”

- **Jesse Cosme:**
  - Here to speak on Student Senate Bill 2019-1042: Resolution Supporting the Alachua County Labor Coalition’s Renters’ Rights Campaign.
  - Works for the Alachua County Labor Coalition.
  - Reads an endorsement letter from Graduate Assistants United.
  - As University of Florida Students, we must keep in mind of renters’ practices, especially regarding rent prices.
  - This unregulated can result in swelling homeless population.
  - Urges the Senate body to look at these issues when considering the legislation.

- **Jake Locke:**
  - 4th year graduate student at the University of Florida.
  - Here to speak about the Alachua County Labor Coalition and why the Renter’s Rights Campaign is important to him.
  - This initiative has been created to protect the rights of renters.
- The affordable housing campaign is fighting to make sure renting conditions are fair and safe to those living in properties on campus.

- **Senator Jackson:**
  - Wants to speak about the Replacement and Agenda Committee interview before and after the recommitting in this past meeting.
  - Came in prepared to the second interview with more materials than the first interview.
  - “If I were unprepared for the position, I would understand.”
  - Wants to serve the student body as best as she can.
  - Does not want the Senate chamber to be a place where senators feel unwelcome.
  - Has extensively experience in problem solving and large crowd control.
  - Has experience with removal by nonattendance and its appeals, and doing this even to friends.
    - Is not always the “bad guy.”
  - Works to empower appointed positions. “Not always the bad guy.”
  - Has been on multiple hiring committees since high school.
  - Wished to have heard why Senator Jackson is now unqualified for the Rules and Ethics seat.
    - Wishes for transparency.
  - The Student Body deserves clarity.

- **Mark Merwitzer:**
  - Have been to Tallahassee multiple times since last speaking in front of Senate.
    - Has been to the Florida Legislature in hopes of passing a bill regarding distracted driving.
  - The bill that has been introduced by the Florida Legislature is likely to be passed by both houses.
  - The bill is likely to be passed due to the Student Senate’s positive impact on this topic.
  - Mentions that ethics classes should be brought to all senators and staff on the University of Florida Student Senate.
  - Introduces a “Sunshine Law with teeth.”
  - “If public matters are discussed, the public has a right to know what we are discussing.”

- **Senator Diaz:**
  - Wanted to discuss two points
  - One of Senator Diaz’s professors approached him about bargaining for better salaries and paid leave.
    - Expressed a lot of enthusiasm in having Student Government take part in this initiative.
  - Would like to touch on an issue brought up recently about the Rules and Ethics Committee seat.
  - Explains what happened between the past two meetings, regarding the recommitting of the Rules and Ethics Committee.
  - Tries to never believe things blindly. However, when everyone re-interviewed, the minority party candidate, Senator Jackson, was not recommended again. Instead, a majority party senator was given the recommendation.
Mentions that Senator Jackson not only sent the same resume, but added new ideas from the previous interview.
Wishes to hear valid reasoning as to why this has occurred.
  • Does not believe that this is fair currently.
  • Did not hear this in the livestream on Sunday.

Senator Ragan yields her time to the chair.

Senator Barocas:
  • A comment was made a few meetings ago, and took offense to it.
  • Last weekend, when discussing Senate with a constituent, this comment was brought up again.
  • The comment was heard on the livestream, and the constituent believes it to be a reason as to why they do not participate in Student Government.
  • The comment claimed that a certain senator was not adequately qualified for a committee position because they did not express emotion when writing drafting pieces of legislation.
  • The lack of emotion is not a legitimate reason to claim a senator is not qualified for a position.
  • It should not be up to someone what is in the hearts and minds of another.
  • Not everyone is comfortable in a public space and not everyone is comfortable talking about their passions in a public sphere.
    • “We should do our best to change this.”
    • Wants to make these people comfortable in the chamber.
  • Perfectly reasonable to criticize the information in a speech, however, this chamber deserves better than criticizing the method of that speech.
  • To hold out constituents to a level of brash passion is unreasonable, privileged and exclusionary.

Senator Wilson:
  • Has spoken in the past on how she had followed UF Student Senate since before she attended the university.
  • Mentions having both pro and con debates in speech/debate teams in high school, forcing her to see an issue from both sides.
  • Appreciates that in Senate, parties aside, many of the senators have similar ideas when it comes to the students.
  • The main reason Senator Wilson comes back to Senate is because she has learned how strongly she feels on certain moral issues.
  • When there are people conducting themselves in different ways towards different people, Senator Wilson claims she “cannot stand for that”.
  • When you reject listening to the other side, “I am not okay with that.”
  • States that every senator is an elected representative.
  • If you do not have the “moral backbone” to see what is objectively true and objectively right, you do not belong in Senate.
  • Would like to focus on legislation and ensuring that all students are well-informed.
  • When “stuff like this happens” it distracts us from our purpose.
  • If you break the rules, people are going to stand up for what is right.
When things like this happens, it distracts the chamber from doing more productive things.

There were new Facebook posts made yesterday. Encourages senators to like and share the posts.

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski
  - Would like to speak on why the Inspire Caucus moved to rescind Chairwoman Jones’ appointment to Information and Communication chair.
  - Do not wish to attack people on personal issues.
  - One main reason is that she acted partisan in her role as chair.
    - Claims that Chairwoman Jones was found giving a member of her party tips for applying to the Information and Communication Committee.
    - This treatment was not given to another candidate for the same position. That candidate was not from her party.
    - Shows picture evidence to back up her claims.
    - States that Chairwoman Jones offered to meet with the member from her party to discuss the committee.
    - The other candidate asked to meet with her as well and Chairwoman Jones stated she could not due to her family being in town.
    - “That is not right”
  - Chairwoman Jones is supposed to act in a nonpartisan way, however, she did not.
  - Chairwoman Jones also claimed during Senate Presidential elections that Senator Chou did not like the Senate Facebook page.
    - This, however, is not true seeing as though Senator Chou has liked the page since 2016.
    - States that this is slander against a public official in a public meeting and Chairwoman Jones has done nothing to remedy that statement.
  - Speaks on why they motioned to remove Senator Wikan from the Budget and Appropriations Committee.
  - States that during con and pro debate, Senator Wikan stated that she applied for the position of District Secretary, however, “that does not mean anything”.
  - This happened on April 23rd and on April 24th, Representative Sullivan released a memorandum that stated Senator Wikan served as an OPS clerk, not a District Secretary.
  - Gives proof that Senator Wikan was a clerk, not a District Secretary.
  - States that Senator Wikan claimed she held the position of District Secretary on multiple occasions and was a large part of why she was appointed onto the Budget Committee.
    - This position is usually given to people graduating college.
    - A District Secretary holds different responsibilities than a clerk and requires different qualifications.
    - Serving as an intern is not the same as serving a District Secretary.
  - Displays the number of times Senator Wikan has claimed that she served as District Secretary in writing.
  - The Budget Committee handles a $21 million budget and appointments are not to be taken lightly.
Would have no problem with Senator Wikan being removed from the committee and reapplying with her accurate qualifications. “That would be ethical.”

Simply claiming that what she did was unethical.

Talks about why they objected the Rules and Ethics recommendations.

States that a few weeks ago, the Replacement and Agenda Committee members unanimously voted in favor of appointing Senator Jackson onto the Rules and Ethics Committee, when suddenly, majority party affiliated members decided to vote in favor of Senator Entringer.

Senator Entringer had applied the first time and re-applied with the same material the second time yet the committee members’ minds still changed.

The reason may have been because the minority party spoke out at the previous meeting, but that does not change that fact that they will stand up against something that is not right.

The Rules and Ethics seats were recommitted without cause.

- **Chairwoman Jones:**
  - Thanks Senator Wilson for promoting the UF Senate social media pages during her speech.
  - Would like to touch on the claims made during the meeting as to why she is not qualified to hold her position as Information and Communication Chair.
  - “It is disheartening to me that so many senators have a problem with the manner in which I run my committee only three weeks into this term.”
  - Notes that no one has reached out to Chairwoman Jones with issues in how the committee was being ran.
  - Touches on the claim that she has acted in a partisan manner while chair.
  - States that she communicated with two senators looking to gain more information on the Information and Communication committee.
  - Claims that the Inspire senator that reached out, reached out on Thursday, March 14th while the other senator reached out after the Senate meeting that week, a full two days earlier.
  - The senator who had reached out first asked for any documents that could help in the process. Chairwoman Jones states that she texted the senator the next day to follow up and answer any of the questions she had the night before.
  - Mentions that she sent a document with points directly copied and pasted from the Rules and Procedures.
  - Reads some of the bullet points included in the document.
  - Claims that she provided the Inspire senator with ideas for the committee.
  - Sees discrepancies in the information provided and what has been alleged.
  - Would like to point out that she never met with the Impact senator for the same reason she gave the Inspire senator. Chairwoman Jones had family in town.
  - Would like to be the first to admit that she has made small grammatical error on some of the social media posts.
    - Directs her speech at Senator Chous and asks him to reach out personally before attempting to publicly humiliate her for her mistakes.
    - Has battled dyslexia her entire life and tries her best to overcome the challenges.
  - Is respectful to those in the chamber and expects the same in return.
• Senator Wikan:
  o Here to touch on the concerns mentioned within the chamber.
  o Has a signed a statement from State Representative Jennifer Sullican that ensures that Senator Wikan did not lie on her resume when applying for the Budget and Appropriations Committee. Recites the letter and invites the chamber to take a copy.
  o The letter states that Senator Wikan was an honest and dedicated worker during her time serving as District Secretary.
  o Finds it “despicable” that members of the Inspire Party would go to such lengths to accuse her of providing misinformation to the Senate body.
  o As an elected representative, Senator Wikan claims that she has provided nothing but the truth since being elected.
  o Senate is supposed to be a productive place where senators can work towards achieving the goals promised to the student body.
  o States that last week, the Inspire party public records requested that Senator Wikan’s Facebook bio be changed. “Does this sound productive to y’all?”
  o Her basic understanding of public records requests is that they are to be used for business, not for requesting a change to her personal Facebook page.
  o This is big waste of time for the Student Government directors and her state representative, who had to take the time out of her day during session to write the letter.
  o If a signed statement claiming that Senator Wikan served as a district secretary verifies her qualifications, she does not know what will.

• Majority Party Leader Emmett:
  o On behalf of the Impact Party, wants to address the apparent lack of respect in the chamber.
  o In the last Senate meeting, we saw the minority party disrespect the Impact party in regards to treatment to the Inspire Party.
  o Notes that the minority party says that they respect and enjoy various members, then turns around and berates them during debate.
    o Asks why the Impact Party would work with a party with such negativity.
  o Bipartisanship is not taking 20 minutes to shame the people who voted for who they thought was the most qualified candidate.
  o Points to various examples of the minority party’s disrespect.
  o Another point that has been touched on is that the Replacement and Agenda Committee does not read resumes.
    o Mentions the importance of giving the candidates time to put a face to the name.
  o Mentions that although the minority party claims to vote for the most qualified candidates, they still vote down party lines for a Senate President Pro-Tempore who would not be here for the summer, and a member at large who has never even served as a Senator before.
  o There is a tendency of using the word “bipartisanship” whenever one pleases.
  o Speaks to all senators when he says that true bravery is sitting and enduring the constant attack that has occurred in the past few meetings.
Looking at the past two meetings, if the change that was promised by the Inspire Party is “petty politics, name calling and flagrant displays of aggression,” then they have accomplished this goal.

“Looking forward, Impact will not tolerate this type of behavior in the chamber.”

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT:

Andrew Kelly: Student Government Productions Chairman

Parliamentary Inquiry. How many times is a Senator warned of speaking to the chair before he is removed?
- It is two times before he is removed.

Point of Information. Has the chair ever been accused of being an antifeminist?
- I would have to check, but I believe not.

Andrew Kelly: Student Government Productions Chairman

- Appreciates the chamber sharing their time with him.
- Touches on what SGP has done since the fall semester.
- The Upcoming Black History Month Concert will feature 21 Savage.
  - Previous Black History Month concerts featured Wiz Khalifa and Big Sean.
  - Touched on the budget given to each of these shows, ticket sales, and the time it took for tickets to sell out.
  - 21 Savage concert sold out in 6 hours, the second fastest sell out time in O’Dome history.
- Touches on complaints he receives on artists brought in to perform.
- Shares survey results from a study conducted earlier on in the year.

Isabella Romance: Student Honor Code Chancellor:

- The week of March 12-15, “Ethics Week” was hosted with Campus Diplomats. The events included.
  - Kickoff Carnival on March 12th
  - Talk with Dr. Brian Ray of the Heavener School of Business on March 13th
  - Coffee and Civility event on March 14th.
  - Sweets with SCCR on March 15th.
- Has been moving forward with proctoring service on campus.
- Have assisted 73 students through advising services.
  - Services include helping students who are in the Honor Code process and workshops to avoid plagiarism.
- Will be holding two more tabling events to promote academic integrity, heading into Finals week.
OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT:

SENATE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:
- Was able to travel to Washington D.C. with Pro-Tempore Dunson to discuss the problems with sexual assault on college campuses.
- Attended conference after, where the University of Florida won the Student Government of the Year award.
- Senior Class President Trevor Pope also won an “Outstanding Leader of the Year” award.
- Joint City Commission Meeting will be held next week. Senate will start at 7:00 pm instead of 7:30 pm next Tuesday.

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

Rules and Ethics Committee Seat: Alexa Entringer

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to open the floor to nominations by roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote:
- Adan: Absent
- Alexander: No
- Amrose: Yes
- Barocas: Yes
- Berrocal: Yes
- Bindi: Yes
- Blomeley: No
- Bond: No
- Brittain: No
- Brown: No
- Calvin: Yes
- Chou: Yes
- Cordover: No
- Cornair: Absent
- Dhaliwal: No
- Diaz: Yes
- Dormeus: Yes
- Dubois: No
- Dunson: No
- Emmett: No
- Entringer: No
- Espinoza: Yes
- Evans: No
- Fernandez-Valle: No
- Freedman: No
- Freedman: No
- Gant: Yes
- Garner: No
- Gatos: Yes
- German: Absent
- Girschick: No
- Glover: No
- Goel: No
- Goren: No
- Grabowski: Yes
- Haffey: Absent
- Heriveaux: No
- Herman: Absent
- Gabriela Hernandez: No
- Katelyn Hernandez: No
- Honeycutt: No
- Iyamu: Yes
- Jackson: Yes
- Jenkins: Yes
- Jesurajan: No
- Joachim: Yes
- John: Yes
- Jones: No
- Kaighin: No
- Kanouse: No
- Karimi: Yes
- Kaufman: Yes
- Kendrick: No
- Lai: Yes
- Levy: No
- Li: Absent
- Lima: Yes
- Longland: No
- Lovesky: Yes
- Maniti: No
- Manuszak: No
- Martin: No
- Martinez: Yes
- Matei: No
- McCreary: Absent
- Meyer: No
- Miller: No
- Morris: No
- Orban: Yes
- Dilan Patel: No
- Shaan Patel: No
- Sneh Patel: Yes
- Pearson: No
- Pepple: No
- Perez: No
In a roll call vote of 33 to 52, that motion fails.

**3 Minutes of Presentation:**
- States that it is her privilege to sit in the chamber every week as senator to make a difference at UF.
- Claims that Rules and Ethics Committee members should exhibit certain characteristics, like organization, following procedure, and being unbiased. Believes she embodies all of these characteristics.
- Believes that Senator Entringer has met these requirements.
- Mentions experience with the Student Council of her former high school, also serving as the secretary.
- Also mentions her experience as an officer of the National Honor Society Chapter in her high school, where she was responsible for 100 students completing activities very similar to constituency.
- As an officer of NHS, she was given a group of several students each year in which she was responsible for.
  - While in NHS, each member would need to acquire a certain number of points in order to stay in the club.
  - As a leader of the students, Senator Entringer had to keep tally of all points held by each student.
  - This responsibility greatly compares to the constituency requirements for each senator.

**3 minutes of questions and answers:**
Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Did you submit a different application between the two interviews?
Senator Entringer: No.
Chairwoman Morris: Can you explain what resignation by nonattendance means?
Senator Entringer: This is when a senator accumulates either 4 excused absences, or 3 unexcused absences.
Senator Amrose: Have you served in an SG organization before?
Senator Entringer: No.
Chairwoman Hernandez: Can you explain your constituency requirements for Springs?
Senator Entringer: You must go to an SG funded event, an IHRA event, attending a Springs event, and tabling for two hours
Senator Amrose: Did either of the previous senators inform you that they were going to ask you those questions before the meeting?
Senator Entringer: I do not think so.
Chairwoman Morris: Can you elaborate on your ideas that you touched on?
Senator Entringer: I believe that constituency should be more transparent. An example would be to send confirmation on events being approved or unapproved. Also an online constituency tracker would be immensely helpful.
Senator Gatos: Can you talk about specific examples where you acted unbiased?

First Round of Con:
- Senator Lima: I believe that when considering all candidates, it is important to look at the most qualified in comparison to all other applicants.
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Appreciates that Senator Entringer took the time to answer questions. Believes that in time, Senator Entringer will be qualified for the position at hand, however, at this time, Minority Party Leader Grabowski does not believe she is the most qualified.

First Round of Pro:
- Chairman Brown: Notes the benefit of implementing an online tracker, and because of this Senator Entringer would be a very valuable addition to the Rules and Ethics Committee.
- Senator Pearson: Believes that the idea of constituency groups is a great idea. This would prove to help senators learn more about the needs of constituents.
- Chairwoman Hernandez: Serving as a Rules and Ethics scribe, she believes that Senator Entringer’s high school experience will serve her well as a Rules and Ethics Committee member.
- Chairwoman Morris: When meeting with Senator Entringer before the interview, she demonstrated a great passion for the Rules and Ethics Committee. Also touched on the fact that she has served in a position in which attendance is important.

Second Round of Con:
- Senator Ragan: Would like more concrete ideas of how to actually implement some of Senator Entringer’s ideas.
Coalition Leader Calvin: Understands why the question of constituency requirements was asked, however, believes that all senators should know this and is not an outstanding qualification for the Rules and Ethics Committee seat.

Senator Lima: We must reframe the question from “Is she qualified?” to “Is she best qualified?” She is not the only applicant to apply. Cannot vote for someone who is not most qualified.

Senator Wilson: main concern is the fact that Senator Entringer’s administrative duties occurred in high school. Is concerned as to why there has not been more involvement if her seat is a fall seat.

Second Round of Pro:
- Chairman Sandifer: Qualifications are subjective. It is important to remember that there is not a specific criteria that all candidates should be tested by.
- Senator Pearson: Must place senators on the Rules and Ethics Committee that have always abided by the rules. Senator Entringer has always abided by the rules and acted in an ethical manner. Believes this is the most important characteristic for this committee seat.
- Chairwoman Hernandez: Thinks that the biggest components of Rules and Ethics are outreach and being unbiased. Senator Entringer shows this through her experience, regardless of it being in high school.
- Chairwoman Morris: Appreciates that Senator Entringer’s ideas were to hold senators accountable.

Final Round of Con:
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: The ability of doing a good job on the committee is not the question. Abiding by the rules would be to pick one who is the most qualified.
- Senator Iyamu: Must not forget that Senator Entringer was a candidate that was not previously nominated to fill this seat.
- Senator Berrocal: Looking for most qualified, and if one is not, then it should not be a question.
- Senator Gatos: Senator Entringer was not appointed in the first place, and there has not been any reasoning as to why the recommitting took place last meeting.
- Senator Wilson: Would like to echo what Senator Gatos said. It has been two weeks since the Replacement and Agenda Committee came to the chamber with a recommendation for a Senator with a unanimous vote.

Final Round of Pro:
- Chairwoman Morris: Wants to reflect the sentiment that the senators should only discuss Senator Entringer and no other candidates who interviewed. As the committee chair, she believes that Senator Entringer is in fact the most qualified candidate who applied.
- Senator Pearson: Echoes the sentiments of Chairwoman Morris. Is confident in the Replacement and Agenda recommendations. One of reasons for recommitting the seats last meeting was due to someone violating election codes. Senator Entringer has always abided by the rules and acted ethically.
- Senator Girschick: Having a leadership position in high school, especially that of a secretary, requires one to listen and work well with others.
Two Minutes of Final Privilege:
- Appreciates everything said within the chamber.
- Promises to remained unbiased and adhere to procedures as member of the Rules and Ethics committee.
- Does not think it fair that senators look down upon her due to the fact that she is a freshman, and her experiences in high school are quite valuable.
- Even if high school involvement does not apply, Senator Entringer still has plenty of room to grow because of her age.

Senator Amrose moves to recommit the Replacement and Agenda Committee’s decision for the open Rules and Ethics Committee Seats. Motion is seconded.

First Round of Con:
- Chairwoman Hernandez: Believes recommitting the seat would be a waste of time
- Chairman Sandifer: Finds it convenient that although a majority party Senator was removed from the recommendations, it was never mentioned. Rather, only the minority party candidate has been talked about being left off the agenda.

First Round of Pro:
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Clarifies that the same senator not added to the agenda could not attend an interview session. The reason why this happened in the first place claims that there is a valid reason to recommit the seat back to Replacement and Agenda Committee.
- Senator Bindi: Believes that there should be full representation within the committee when considering committee seats. Seeing as though Senate President Shaw was not present at the last R/A meeting, Senator Bindi believes it important that she is present for the deliberations because she nominated Senator Jackson in the first meeting.

Final Round of Con:
- Chairwoman Hernandez: It was mentioned that a candidate did not come in for an interview, notes that on St. Patrick’s Day Weekend, Minority Party Leader Grabowski was in disdain during the mention of one Senator’s name.

Final Round of Pro:
- Coalition Leader Calvin: Regarding ethical issue violations, it is unfair to consider ethical conflicts, because why would any senator disclose this information.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves for a roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote:
- Adan: Absent
- Alexander: No
- Amrose: Yes
- Barocas: Yes
- Berrocal: Yes
• Bindi: Yes
• Blomeley: No
• Bond: No
• Brittain: No
• Brown: No
• Calvin: Yes
• Chou: Yes
• Cordover: No
• Cornair: Absent
• Dhaliwal: No
• Diaz: Yes
• Dormeus: Yes
• Dubois: No
• Dunson: No
• Emmett: No
• Entringer: No
• Espinoza: Yes
• Evans: No
• Fernandez-Valle: No
• Freedman: No
• Gant: Yes
• Garner: No
• Gatos: Yes
• German: Absent
• Girschick: No
• Glover: No
• Goel: No
• Goren: No
• Grabowski: Yes
• Haffey: Absent
• Heriveaux: No
• Herman: Absent
• Gabriela Hernandez: No
• Katelyn Hernandez: No
• Honeycutt: No
• Iyamu: Yes
• Jackson: Yes
• Jenkins: Yes
• Jesurajan: No
• Joachim: Yes
• John: Yes
• Jones: No
• Kaighin: No
• Kanouse: No
• Karimi: Yes
• Kaufman: Yes
In a roll call vote of 32 to 51, that motion fails.
Point of Information. Is newly elected senator Logan Russel able to vote in this?

- The answer is yes.

In a standing vote of 51 to 31, Alexa Entringer is approved for the Rules and Ethics Committee.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:**

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Talks about the trip that Pro-Tempore Dunson and Senate President Shaw was on this past week. Asks to keep up with the SG social media pages to learn more about the trip.
- Encourages all senators reach out to representatives.
- One open permanent replacement Senate Seat:
  - District A
- Will be implementing one-on-ones during time as Senate President Pro-Tempore.

**MINORITY PARTY REPORT:**

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski welcomes the senators.
- Raises the question if the Replacement and Agenda Committee works fairly, unbiased, etc.
  - Believes that the answer is no.
- Refutes the claim that Minority Party Leader Grabowski called Senate President Shaw an “antifeminist.”

Senate President Shaw asks Minority Leader Grabowski to keep the report in lines with Replacement and Agenda business. Minority Party Leader Grabowski explains that this is related to how the committee conducts business.

- Was not given access to the resumes and applications for the 21 open committee seat candidates a few weeks back.
  - Consistently had eyes rolled, and cut off during the entire meeting, including deliberations.
- Believes it is important to collaborate.
- Has no tolerance for not reciprocated respect.
- Has no tolerance for mistruths, slander, and continuous violations of the Senate Rules and Procedures.
- Believes it is time for action to be taken.
- Has previously submitted numerous Public Records Request in order to gain information before bringing it before the Senate chamber.
- Claims that she has been continually ignored during Replacement and Agenda Committee meetings when inquiring about candidates’ qualifications.
- Senators have the chance to positively impact students’ lives.
- Does not have a problem with selecting a new candidate for a committee, but has a problem with the reason why the Rules and Ethics committee seats were recommitted.
- It is time that senators should be held accountable.
• Presents a PowerPoint that expresses the unfair treatment of candidates by Information and Communications Chairwoman Jones, as well as Senator Wikan’s resume.
• Sick and tired of the motions on the floor not being taken seriously.
• Wishes senators could treat these Tuesday night like something more important.
• If Replacement and Agenda does not change, and the parties do not, this chamber is not doing what it should be.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:
• Chairman Brown welcomes the senators.
• Gives an explanation as to what a Line-Item Transfer is.
• Committee will be meeting this week to work with other line item transfer.

ALLOCATIONS:
• Chairwoman Hernandez welcomes the senators.
• Nothing came through the committee this past week.
• Did release an Allocations graphic, but very few have actually engaged with the post on social media.
  o Asks the senators to engage with these posts to share valuable resources for students.
• Will be expecting an influx of allocations requests.
• Allocations test forms can be distributed to train senators.
• Office hours: tomorrow at 10:30am with Chairman Brown.
• On June 30th, the fiscal year ends. A big push should happen now.

JUDICIARY:
• Chairman Sandifer welcomes the senators.
• Legislation for this week will be due on Friday at 12:00pm.
• Meeting time is to be determined soon.

RULES & ETHICS:
• Chairwoman Morris welcomes the senators.
• Congratulates all senators who were approved for the Rules and Ethics Committee.
• The tracker will be updated as soon as a meeting takes place.
• In order to get full attendance, the voter record must be correct.
• Constituency is due at the gavel hit of the last meeting of the semester.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:
• Chairwoman Jones welcomes the senators.
• Senate Retreat will be April 11th at 6:00 pm. Retreat will be finished before 7:00 pm so that everyone can make it to the Accent show that same night.
• The committee will not be meeting this week, but will be next Monday at 7:00pm.
• Like and share the posts on the Senate Facebook page.
• Wants to shout-out the current committee for the work that has been done thus far.
• Email Chairwoman Jones at info@sg.ufl.edu

SECOND READING
• There were none.
FIRST READING:
- There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:
- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
- Senator Martinez:
  - Walk for Suicide Prevention: April 7th at 9:00am at Flavet Field.
- Chairwoman Hernandez:
  - Asks all senators who have been selected as a Gator of Tomorrow to come to the front to take a picture.
- Senator Perez:
  - This Friday is the HSA Noche De Gala 2019 celebration for the Hispanic and multicultural community here at the President’s House.
  - Also notes thanks the senate for passing Student Senate Bill 2019-1038 Resolution Urging the University of Florida Administration to Remove Wendy’s from Campus Until it Joins the Fair Food Program.
- Senator Stein:
  - This week is Graduate Student Appreciation Week.
- Coalition Leader Calvin:
  - Alfredo Ortiz and Mark Merwitzer are still in the chamber to work on legislation.
- Senator Gatos:
  - The Involvement Awards will be held next week on April 11th.
- Senator Ragan:
  - Tomorrow until Sunday: Spring BFA Dance Showcase.
- Senator Jackson:
  - Reminds the chamber of the LGBTQ+ caucus forming.
- Senator Manitii:
  - This Sunday at 7:30pm, Fashion Show in the Reitz Rion Ballroom.
- Senate Pro Tempore Dunson:
  - Provides an example of a correct voter record.

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

ADJOURNMENT:
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 pm.