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 79 senators present.

**Not there for roll call:**
- Dhaliwal
- Dormeus
- Gant
- German
- Goel
- Gabriela Hernandez
- Honeycutt
- Iyamu
- Jesurajan
- Joachim
- Karimi
- Kaufman
- Smith
- Stein
- Stephens
- Weiskopf
- Weninger

**PUBLIC DEBATE:**
- Captain Sasser:
  o Captain at the University Police Department.
  o Wanted to introduce herself to the chamber.
  o Has been working with Joel Kratt, the UPD Liaison.
    - Gave her an extensive list of concerns and has been working with him to address those concerns.
    - Will not be going over all of the concerns tonight, however, hopes to find a date in the summer where all the concerns can be discussed.
  o Knows a main concern in the chamber is sexual assault, and would like to let everyone know that every case is taken seriously
  o Everyone at the University Police Department is trained in this; training in crisis intervention as well as trauma informed response and investigations.
  o Have victim advocates that respond to these cases and provide all the necessary information about what their options are.
  o The police department is separate from Title IX.
  o The Title IX concerns would need to be addressed by the Title IX office.
  o Has provided Joel Kratt with that information.
Plans to coordinate with Title IX, Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, and the Gainesville Police Department to ensure that all concerns can be addressed properly.
Gives Senate President Shaw her business card if anyone would like to contact her or express any separate concern.

- **Greg Wolf:**
  - Serves as the chairman of ACCENT Speakers Bureau.
  - As this is the final address as chairman, would like to recap this spring semester.
  - States that none of ACCENT’s shows in the spring were held on a Tuesday.
  - Hosted John Kasich to kick off the spring semester.
    - Sold out crowd of 850 students.
    - His speech touched his personal journey of public service and focused on the power of each of us as individuals.
    - Used his platform to encourage students to be proactive and fight for what they believe in “in a constructive and mutually beneficial manner”.
  - In March, ACCENT hosted Mr. Wonderful, Kevin O’Leary at the Phillips Center.
    - Spoke to a sold out crowd of almost 1,800 students.
    - Delivered a keynote presentation on how Shark Tank works behind the scene, told stories of famous deals that, according to O’Leary, changed Shark Tank forever, and gave students investing tips for young adults.
    - Students across the center were taking notes.
    - States that Kevin O’Leary is nicer than he lets on in Shark Tank.
  - Last week, ACCENT hosted Hassan Minhaj at the Phillips Center.
    - This show sold out almost 1,800 tickets in only 2 hours, ACCENT’s fastest in recent memory.
    - Honored to host various cultural and interfaith organizations for priority seating.
    - “It was an evening of celebration, laughter, and incite from one of the talent industry’s fastest rising stars.”
  - ACCENT’s mission of bringing a prominent, influential and controversial speakers to engage the University of Florida community has never been more important than now.
  - Thanks the entire student body for the continuous support in helping ACCENT achieve this mission.
  - Looks forward to the memories ACCENT will create in the upcoming years.

- **Christina Pugliese:**
  - Senators might remember her after waiting for a very long time to speak last week on behalf of the legislation that is to be approved tonight.
  - Has been waiting for a little over a month to get legislation passed.
  - Is a survivor of sexual assault.
    - Shares the story of when she was sexually assaulted.
  - After the assault, she began to deal with the effects of it. Panic dreams, trust issues, nervous shakes, and mental breakdowns.
  - She attended therapy to deal with the issue.
  - Trigger warnings now mean something, she carries mace with her, and the blue lights on campus are important when walking home.
These blue lights cannot be seen by fraternity row.

Cristina often wonders what would happen if she became victim to sexual assault again while in college.

States that various thoughts have been running through her mind when on campus regarding sexual assault.

Currently lives off campus, but because of a group did not want to help her and believes that her situation is not relevant anymore, she holds her mace extra tightly.

Is disgusted by the actions of the Judiciary Committee for failing this legislation.

Hopes that the members of the committee told their mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunts, and friends what they did and wonders if they are ashamed of their actions.

States that her safety is being put second to the interest of fraternity presidents.

The blue lights can help more than survivors of sexual assault. These blue lights can help in any type of medical emergency.

“Why are you against safety?”

Elected the chamber to be representatives for the UF campus, yet the elected officials have failed the constituents.

Can prove to the constituents that you care about your job and the wellbeing of others by passing this legislation.

Voted for a prominent member of the Impact Caucus in hopes that she would protect Christina’s safety on campus, but has lost faith in this person as well as her former party.

Do not insult your constituents by calling them a “token.”

Has been through enough already and does not deserve for her issues and her hard work to overcome those issues to be belittled.

“Elected officials are supposed to serve the constituents, not insult them.”

“All we ask for is someone to care.”

Uses the remainder of her time to let the chamber get a good look at what she looks like, so that the chamber will remember her face when making a vote tonight.

Jordan Brown:

Was not able to make it to Senate last week, despite her concerns.

Was watching the Senate meeting livestream in support of her friend Christina, the previous speaker.

“Seeing as all of you wasted her time last week, I’m going to use the rest of my time to waste your time and read you a couple pages from my textbook about cities of the world.”

- Reads one of her courses’ textbooks for the remainder of her allowed time.

Motion to extend speakers time by four minutes by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.

Senator Lima moves for a roll call vote. That motion passes.

Roll Call Vote:

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

In a roll call vote of 43 to 32, that motion passes.

• Ryan Wilder:
  o Would like the chamber to think about their own role when sexual assault happen.
  o Hopes that if anyone is witness to it, they will intervene. Hopes that the chamber does not condone any behavior that could lead to sexual assault. Hopes that everyone tells themselves that those behaviors have no place on this campus or any campus.
  o “What happens when calls for help have no ears to hear them?”
  o The implementation of blue lights on fraternity row could be the only way to prevent an act of sexual assault from happening.
  o “Blue lights could save a life”
    ▪ Those blue lights can keep people from needing years of therapy.
  o Certain members of this governing body have decided it is not worth it.
  o The misguided decision caused students to come up here to open “once sealed wounds.”
  o “You don’t care unless the law tells you to.”
  o The arbitrary lines separating people from protection should never exist, but some people believe they should.
  o On transgender awareness week, a bill that would allow trans candidates to run under their chosen name was struck down.
  o To not recognize all students in Gator Nation is choosing not to represent all students.
  o “How can we claim to be one of the best universities in the nation when we cannot do the bare minimum to prevent discrimination and assault?”
  o Does not know what it will take to incite change.
  o Whatever the solution may be, the fight does not end, it will continue.
  o According to Washington Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs, “a woman becomes a survivor of sexual assault every two minutes.”
  o Everyone here can do something to mitigate that number.
  o Stands here so that the campus can be better for future classes.
  o Stands to talk to make sure that everyone knows their voices can be heard and for those who cannot speak for themselves.
  o Thanks everyone for allowing him to speak and for coming to share your stories.
  o Sat in the back of last week’s meeting and was told that every second of those four hours meant nothing. Was told by the student government that sitting at the meeting on behalf of those who couldn’t for issues he cares about equated to being a prop and a token.
  o “I will keep waiting until it is my turn to speak.”
  o Will do everything in his power to make sure that the people who brought him here today face the consequences of their actions.
Jennifer Moscovitch:
- Does not know anyone her story.
- States that she will spare the details of her story and her experience with sexual assault.
- Shares her story of being sexually assaulted during her freshman year on fraternity row.
- Lived near fraternity row in her freshman year at UF and often hung out with fraternity brothers with her sorority sisters.
- Grew up learning that no means no and that clothing does not indicate desire or lack thereof.
- Knows that alcohol impairs judgment and she did not want to be taken advantage of.
- Did not come forward with her story until a year later due to the stigma associated with sexual assault and the backlash of the Greek community.
- Was consoled with open arms when sharing her story.
  - Many of their assaults occur on Fraternity Row.
  - Many sisters did not want to share their story in the case of wanting to participate in organizations such as Student Government and ACCENT.
- States that every Panhellenic woman that she talked to had a story, but felt silenced.
- The University of Florida Panhellenic Sister Support Ambassador Program reached out when she told her story to help her.
  - The fact that this happens so often that Panhellenic woman are trained to help survivors of sexual assault cope is a problem.
- 914 people live in the Keys Complex and Springs Complex.
- There are 474 women in both complexes and some may have to park at Fraternity Row and walk home at night without a safety net.
- Chose UF because of how safe it was and because the school was filled wonderful individuals and opportunities.
- Never expected that she would be sexually assaulted on Fraternity Row.
- “There was no blue light. There was no escape. I was frozen and hopeless.”
- Went to the CWC after the attack, but it did not repair the wounds.
- The wounds are not healed and can feel it as if the attack happened just minutes ago.
- “What happened to me, could have happened to anyone.”
- Was supported with open arms when she told her chapter about the attack.
- The fraternity president reached out within an hour of her sharing her story.
- The president stated that the actions of the chapter brother was unacceptable and had since faced consequences for his actions by the fraternity’s personnel board.
- Not here to say that IFC is the problem nor is she asking for them to be punished.
- Urges the chamber to pass the legislation for blue lights on Fraternity Row.
- Is not speaking to shame the individuals who perform acts of sexual assault.
- Speaking tonight for help.
- States that as a member of the Greek community, they support one another and asks that the chamber give fraternity men the opportunity to support women.
Should not be speaking as a 21-year-old on her 18-year-old self, recounting her experience of sexual assault.

Nathan Quinn:
- Current Pride Student Union President.
- Here to talk about the “Respect Students’ Identities Bill” which was been failed by the Judiciary Committee.
- Would like to talk about why this legislation matters to him personally as well as why it should matter to everyone else in the chamber.
- The bill would allow trans students to run in elections using the name they have chosen for themselves and feel comfortable with, regardless of their legal name.
- If a student is transgender, and do not use their legal name anymore, this bill would allow them to not only change their name in One.UF, which they are already allowed to do, but also run using this name.
- If they have chosen to update their name, there would be an affidavit process slowing them to use the name they are comfortable with to run for SG.
- Changing a legal name is not easier.
- Changing a legal name requires getting fingerprinted and background checked which takes a lot of time and money.
- It is not that hard to pass the bill and there is no reason not to pass it.
- An affidavit can be written up in about 10 minutes.
- This could be such a simple process, and it could help so many underrepresented students to run for SG office.
- Mentions how painful it is to be associated with a name that is a part of your past in this capacity.
- Lived as a female for the first 17 years of his life very uncomfortably and painfully.
- Recounts on the moment he was able to be himself and identify as Nate.
- “This is a life-changing and necessary thing for people to do.”
- The easiest thing you could do is allow them to have the correct name on paperwork and for elections.
- Started a campaign in high school and it took four years to get everything passed.
- Will continue to speak in the years come until this legislation is passed.

Senator Barocas:
- Felt it was his duty to remind the chamber about an important moment in history: “Reed Rules”.
- Thomas Brackett Reed was the 32nd Speaker of the House who expanded the role.
- Thomas Brackett Reed famously declared the intent for his tenure was to have one party to govern and the other party watch.
- Since the exception of Thomas Jefferson’s Rules and Proceedings for the U.S. House of Representatives, members of a minority party have been able to express their descent and their opposition to the majority party.
- Representatives who did not answer a quorum call were not marked as present in the chamber. This helped balance the majority and minority power within the House.
- On January 28th, 1890, 100 years of procedural rules had been thrown out the window.
The votes that place a minority in power and the constituents behind the votes lose their democratically-endowed powers when the majority party takes a page from Reed’s book and attempts to strip such powers.

This is similar to the vote change proposed in the 200 Comprehensive Code Revision bill.

States that senators should not follow in Reed’s footsteps and cannot ignore the basics of Rules and Procedures.

**Senator Ragan:**
- Is writing legislation on affordable housing in Gainesville and asks the chamber for comments or sponsors on the legislation.
- Legislation is about supporting the City of Gainesville in providing affordable housing.
- The Alligator has recently been writing articles about affordable housing in Gainesville as it relates to permanent residents.
- Six new luxury apartment complexes will be built by 2020.
- This is a nonpartisan initiative supporting Gainesville in being able to provide affordable housing for both students and permanent Gainesville resident.
- Would like to help the permanent residents of Gainesville who may be pushed out of their current home due to new apartment complexes being built.
- The University of Florida has a large economic influence in Gainesville and believes we should use our power and be responsible with it to support every resident and conscientious of every gator.
- As an author on the failed Title IX resolution, is disappointed that the legislation was not passed.
- Has spoken to numerous students on different university campuses who are in support of such legislation.
- The University of North Carolina campus has passed legislation with a similar sentiment.
- Believes this legislation could be a step in creating tangible change.

**Senator Wilson:**
- Would like to remind the chamber that there are new posts on the Senate Facebook page. Encourages everyone to like, comment, and share the posts.
- This was originally written last week, but it has been updated.
- One of the authors of Publicization of Senate meetings bill, and was disappointed when it failed so quickly in the Judiciary Committee.
- This bill was a code revision for the I/C portion of the codes.
- I/C chairperson is required to keep a calendar with all upcoming Senate events.
- Living in a digital age and need to ensure that the way the Senate is communicating with constituents reflects that.
- This bill would have made it possible for the calendar to be uploaded to the website, in easy access for all students.
- This legislation has already been edited by Senator Wilson based on the comments made by the Judiciary Committee and will resubmit the bill for the upcoming meeting.
- Plans on working on more communication-related bills.
- Would like to emphasize the importance of the bill.
There is a term in advertising known as “frequency,” which is known as the number of times a consumer sees a message.

Correlation has been shown in awareness of a brand and the intent to act on that brand in some way.

In order for people to act on a brand, in this case Student Government, people must first be aware of it.

This bill will add to the frequency of posts as well as important content being posted.

Mentions the blue light legislation that failed. Tells a story about a group of people upset about the legislation being failed.

- Overheard two girls discussing the failed legislation and they expressed their thoughts on the issue.
- They did not believe the reasons given for failing the legislation were legitimate.
- The main issue they found was Judiciary claimed people had not talked to fraternity presidents about the legislation.

Judiciary Committee is supposed to consider legislation based on legality, clarity, format, constitutionality, and implication.

That reason does not fall under any of these factors.

Although it is called “Fraternity Row”, the area consists of multiple parking lots, dorms and other public areas. In addition, UF owns the sidewalks.

It is the responsibility of Student Government to protect all students and make them feel safe.

Nicole Smith:

- Part of the speech she was going to give last week, however, she was not given the time.
- Hear to speak on the Title IX changes, and what they would do to the already low sexual assault report rate.

Some of the changes are as follows:

- Limiting the definition of sexual harassment that gives rise to investigations. Schools only need to investigate unwanted conduct on the basis of sex that is so severe that it effectively denies a person’s access to education.
- Colleges and universities are only required to take action if students make complaints to high-level school officials. Nicole believes students should be able to confide in anyone whom they feel comfortable with as it is daunting enough to speak up.

Harassment can lead to lower attendance and a decrease in grades.

The Department of Education has a responsibility to protect all students yet legislation is being passed that puts trans students at risk.

Sexual harassment can happen to anyone, however this issue targets mostly women, people of color, people with disabilities and people in the LGBTQ community.

Would like to know that her Student Government will vote to pass legislation that protect all students.
- Last week, a majority of senators refused to table a piece of legislation in order to give people a chance to talk in public debate.
- In addition, a current senator encourage inappropriate jokes about sexual assault on line and a future Student Government official laugh reacted to a post about sexual assault legislation.
- “Is this a joke to you?”

- **Samantha Steiner:**
  - Supports her friend, Christina, and other survivors of sexual assault. Here to speak on the failing of the blue lights legislation and why it is important to pass it for the sake of protecting others.
  - Would like to spend her time reading a research report on the Sexual Health Initiative to Foster Transformation, otherwise known as SHIFT.
  - This is a project conducted by students at Columbia University and Barnard College on sexual assault.
  - Reads the SHIFT survey report and results.

- **Alex Zawadzki:**
  - Would like to address what an Impact senator said while they were waiting hours to speak during public debate.
  - Has been to multiple Senate meetings before and has never seen such an obvious attempt of silencing student voices.
  - While waiting for four hours to speak, an Impact senator chose to call us “tokens” of the minority party.
  - This comment shows how little the senator values free speech, an important factor of democracy.
  - Addresses the fact that people have chosen to speak on personal stories and some senators choose to sit on their computers and scroll through Facebook.
  - Senator last week seemed to be surprised that constituents had valuable information to contribute.
  - Highly disappointed in senators who put their partisan gains above anything else at last week’s meeting.
  - Recognizes that as he speaks on these topics, he realizes that he cannot speak on what he wanted to speak on last week.
  - “Odds are, frankly, you don’t care.”
  - After last week’s meeting, there were at least 10 Inspire senators that reached out to apologize for him not getting a chance to speak, however, no Impact senators reached out.

- **Maya Levkovitz:**
  - Resident in Springs Complex.
  - Never spoken in public debate before, but was reserving this right to thank the Senate for passing a legislation urging blue lights to be put on Fraternity Row, however, that did not happen.
  - Would like to talk about how the bill came to be.
  - States that it is reasonable for there to be blue lights near Springs Complex, seeing as though it is near the edge of campus and is susceptible to non-residents lingering outside.
Had voiced these concerns to Zachary Amrose before he became a senator this spring.
In speaking with Senator Amrose, he said that dealing with sexual assault was going to be a priority of himself, and he did so.
Senator Amrose reached out just weeks after getting elected to inform Maya that he, along with a few other senators, would be working on a piece of legislation to encourage the installation of blue lights on Fraternity Row.
After working countless hours on this legislation, the authors never expected this legislation to be failed.
This legislation had gained widespread support, not only from the minority party, but from majority and independent affiliated senators as well, including the Senate President.
Was “heartbroken and hurt” when she found out the bill was failed in the Judiciary Committee.
This bill was rejected on the basis that the authors of the bill had not communicated with fraternity presidents on their intent to place blue lights on Fraternity Row.
Mentions that the parking lot in front of Fraternity Row is not property of fraternities, but rather the University of Florida.
States that it is greatly concerning that members of the Judiciary Committee were not able to find the same information.
Hopes that fraternity presidents accurately represent the four pillars: scholarship, leadership, service and community.
Sees no reason as to why a fraternity president would want to object to this bill being passed.
Not a fan of needless partisanship on either side.
Believes that what happened at the Judiciary Committee meeting was disguised prioritization of partisanship over protection of constituents.
“Please realize that your vote tonight actually matters.”
The seats you are sitting in give you the power to create change.
“Make it count.”

Claudia Tio:
Wants to comment that she is extremely disgusted by Senator Pearson objecting to the opportunity for a speaker to speak for 5 minutes in Public Debate.
Somewhat involved in Student Government having worked on legislation and livestream for committee meetings.
Would like to speak in support of the Committee Meeting Transparency Act that was failed by the Judiciary Committee.
Believes that passing the code revision is critical to upholding the principal of transparency, something that she believes Student Government needs much more of.
It is very difficult for students to gain information on committee meetings.
You are able to attend the committee meetings in person, however, these meetings are not well advertised. Even then, it is difficult for students to find time in their busy schedules to attend these meetings.
These committee meetings are also available via livestream, but you must know who is livestreaming the meeting and when and there must be volunteers able to stream the meeting.

You can request committee meeting minutes, but it is not as easy as it seems.

The students deserve to know what happen at committee meetings and deserve to have the information readily available in a convenient matter.

It is concerning that the Judiciary Committee does not seem to take the concerns of students into account when reviewing legislation.

This transparency act would require the audio recordings of committee meetings and would make minutes more easily accessible.

Would love to hear the reasoning from the Judiciary Committee as to why they failed this bill.

Urges senators to support this act.

“Your constituents are counting on you.”

Senator Berrocal:

Tonight, students are talking about themselves and expressing their disappointment for pieces of legislation failing.

After listening to all the speeches, Senator Berrocal asks the chamber to reflect on why those specific pieces of legislation failed.

Was the reason the Title IX resolution failed because we did not want to protect students from sexual assault?

Why did the code revision that would help trans students feel more comfortable fail?

Is it not considered odd that with over 240 blue light phones around campus, there is not one on Fraternity Row?

Many senators think there is a legitimate reason as to why these pieces of legislation failed, however, it is just petty politics.

Party politics aside, “do you really agree that it is okay to fail all these resolutions that would ultimately help the student body?”

Senator Amrose:

The speech being read off was the same speech that was made last week.

Hopes that the chamber is considering the voices that have spoken tonight.

“This senate is a deliberative legislature.”

Senate has the responsibility to represent the rights and interests of students to the University and the government.

Has written and introduced legislation that has not only benefits the student body, but also works across the aisle.

Loves working across the aisle.

Believes that the chamber agrees on much more than we disagree on.

Has been pursuing the legislation regarding the installation of blue lights on and adjacent to Fraternity Drive.

This bill has been sponsored by members of the Impact Party, the Inspire Party, and Independent-affiliated senators.

Lists the different criteria in which the Judiciary Committee must consider a piece of legislation.
Senator Amrose believes this legislation satisfies each of the five criteria, and is wondering why various members of the Senate sponsored the legislation. 

Finds it strange that a number of senators would sponsor a bill if it did not satisfy all five criteria. 

Finds it nearly impossible that such a wide variety of senators would fail to find a flaw in the legislation that was found by the Judiciary Committee. 

Wonders why it is such a problem for the Senate to support getting a blue light on fraternity row. 

Seems to not be the only person confused. 

In his opinion, Even the Replacement and Agenda Committee seems to be confused. 

Last week the R/A Committee allowed for special rules on the agenda in order for this legislation to be considered despite the Judiciary Committee failing it. 

- Stefan Adams: 
  - Sexual assault is a very important topic. 
  - Does not understand why the topic is being debated. 
  - “It is not a partisan issue, it is a gender issue.” 
  - Would like to aim the speech at the men in the room considering the legislation to be considered deals with the installation of blue lights on Fraternity Row. 
  - Men in the room sit here tonight and disregard what others think they should do. 
  - Gives an example from “The Players Club” in which a woman is brutally raped and a crowd of men stand around and do nothing to help her. 
  - Discussing whether men can put party politics aside for the greater good of everyone on campus. 
  - It is about whether or not everyone on this campus is proud to be a Florida Gator. 
  - “We will never be a top ten university unless we conquer this issue.” 
  - Urges the chamber to do something to solve this issue. 

- Joel Kratt: 
  - Is the UPD Liaison. 
  - Has been working on a few projects recently which have been failed by the Judiciary Committee. 
  - Addresses the concerns of the committee, and why there are wrong. 
  - The only concern from the Judiciary Committee for the blue lights legislation was that it would be an infringement on conservation property. 
    - This is not an actual issue as the parking lots are right there. 
  - The second legislation is regarding opposing the Title IX rule changes. 
    - Does not make sense to have passed legislation during a time in which senate does not meet for a long period of time considering it was during winter break. 
    - Regardless of whether or not the Department of Education thought of that issue, shows how out of touch they are with students and emphasizes how important this piece of legislation is. 
  - Will be re-submitting the legislation to the Judiciary Committee this week. 
  - Asks those who support the legislation to become a sponsor and talk to him about it.
- Encourages others to come to the Judiciary Committee meeting on Monday and speak in support of it.

**Jessica Martinez:**
- 23.1% of females and 5.3% of males experience sexual assault during undergrad.
- Being at the University of Florida for eight months, she has already known two women who have been sexually assaulted.
- It is unbelievable that the legislation regarding blue lights on Fraternity Row was failed.
- This piece matters and affects countless amounts of women who might not be a victim of sexual assault, but constantly feel the threat.
- Failing this legislation makes her feel as if people do not care or hear them and that the excuses are not enough.
- These pieces were here to protect vulnerable groups on campus but were failed and no one received an adequate reason why.

**Senator Lima:**
- Would like to thank everyone who came to the meeting tonight to speak and share their stories.
- Every person’s comments and criticism matters.
- Before voting on any legislation, we should be listening to the public.
- Before anything is heard, there should be public debate.
- Our government needs to be as accessible as possible.
- Has been working on some pieces of legislation and was disappointed that they were failed.
- Was disappointed with the results of this past Judiciary Committee meeting.
- Explains what two of the pieces of failed legislation were intending to enact.
- Would like to mention that the process of the bills being failed was also disappointing.
- These pieces of legislation should receive a thorough hearing and should have an opportunity to be amended.
- “Why not try to fix legislation in committee?”
- Proud of the work that the senators and constituents have put into these pieces of legislation.

**Senator Espinoza**
- Thanks all speakers for coming to share their stories tonight.
- Would like to speak on the history of lobbying by Student Government.
- There has been legislation that has been passed feeding into the political narrative of the past.
- Last Judiciary Committee, a bill was proposed regarding those who do not want to disclose their citizenship status on the upcoming 2020 census.
- Asks both sides of the aisle, who are, or are children and grandchildren of immigrants to “think about our families” and how comfortable they would be to fill out citizenship status on the upcoming census.
- Many people refrain from participating in the census due to this question of citizenship, due to fear and uncertainty and it can significantly affect the census results. This can result
- Would like to echo the sentiment of the proposed legislation.
This resolution to all students unwilling to report citizenship status regardless of their status.
- This an issue of personal safety and privacy.

**Senator Jackson:**
- Thanks the Student Pride Union President for coming to speak to the chamber.
- Helped found the LGBTQ+ Caucus 2 weeks ago.
- Proposed a 700 codes revision, in which it would allow students to identify as any name they choose to do so.
- States that the language within the 700 codes is not inclusive to all students on the UF campus.
- “I feel uncomfortable in this chamber,” for failing the legislation along with the reasons why.
- Failing this legislation with the reasons given isolates the student body.
- This also isolates other senators in the room.
- Writers of this legislation did not write this for fun.
- The Senate chamber needs to be a place where everyone feels comfortable and welcome.
- Going to the registrar to change their name seems simple, but it has already been explain why this is not easy.
- The path to slating should be equal for all students.
- Takes blame, and was not able to present the legislation.
- Plans on presenting this legislation again, and asks that this be approved in spirit of Diversity Week.
- Asks to stand alongside constituents in order to pass this legislation.
- If there are any questions, feel free to reach out to Senator Jackson.

**Senator Gatos:**
- Thanks to all who have shared their stories, and appreciates this much input as a senator. Thankful to have input to write legislation, even though it might not pass.
- Would like to switch gears on the focus of the meeting.
- Announces the creation of a new student organization, and is asking the chamber for help with the outreach.
- Wall Street is not very diverse, and Senator Gatos wants to change that.
- Starting a new student organization to help international students with getting involved into investment banking.
- The main reason why Senator Gatos is here is to ask senators to share a Google form with anyone willing to contribute to the mission of this organization.
- Going to send out a Google form in the Senate listserv if anyone is interested in a career in investment banking.
- Feel free to reach out to Senator Gatos with any questions on the initiative.
- Hopes to bridge the gap between internships and careers and international students.
- As a senator, it is important to recognize constituents and their needs.
- It is SG’s Diversity Week and there is legislation being failed that would help diverse groups of students.
- “This is not what we stand up for.”
- Urges senators to stand up for your constituents.
“The campaign trail doesn’t end.”

- Gouthami Gadamsetty:
  - Thanks everyone who has spoken in front of the chamber tonight.
  - Here to talk why Student Government and the decisions being made here truly matter.
  - Will be speaking on heavy topic, including mental health and suicide.
  - About two weeks ago, Sophia Visent, a University of Florida student took her own life.
  - Mental health and suicide has affected so many college students to some degree.
  - Two weeks ago was one of the multiple times she has read an article in which a student desperately searched for resources.
  - Quotes the Independent Alligator, “UF didn’t do enough to help Visent. Visent tried to go to the Counseling and Wellness Center but was stopped by issues with insurance or availability of counselors.”
  - “Sophia’s dying has to be the reason that maybe UF contemplates actually looking at this,”
  - Providing more resources to the Counseling and Wellness Center is something that is on the agenda every semester, yet there has been little change that has happened.
  - There is a student who didn’t get the resources she needed, and she was actively searching.
  - What happens in this chamber matters.
  - Visent was a student here, and “was one of us.”
  - “You all have the power to make a difference.”
  - “You take actions with real repercussions.”
  - It is your responsibility to understand that Student Government matters and that students matter.
  - Hopes for changed, and hopes that the chamber keeps in mind what they have heard today.
  - What this chamber is doing can really make a difference.

- Coalition Leader Calvin:
  - Gives a history account of the day April 16th throughout the centuries.
  - “What will April 16th, 2019 be known for?”
  - “You are looking at two pieces of legislation in front of you that have my sponsorship.”
  - “There are saints for those who suffer.”
  - It is our job those who have the least.
  - “It’s our job to help those who need help the most.”

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski:
  - “Be the person you need when you were younger.”
  - Who did you need when you were younger?
  - Filling in the blank to that question, showcases a privilege not everyone has.
  - While you were worried about who you needed when you were younger, there are students who need someone right now.
  - “There are dragons all around us.”
  - Sexual assault knocks the breath out of you and takes your voice away.
Upsets her when Senators who could raise their voice and speak on this matter, do not.

Appreciates those who have said that party actions bothers them.
- “When are you going to do something about it?”
- Until you stop from being silent, that “knot in your stomach” will grow and consume you.
- Questions chamber on how many times they will vote one way just because they were told to or too afraid to speak up.

How would you feel if you found out someone was sexually assaulted on fraternity row and you voted against the blue light legislation?

When these positions are filled with people who actually care, things will be done.

Thanks and gives shout out to Internal Affairs Chairman for genuinely caring about sexual assault victims.

Believes the 200 codes revision removes the checks and balances system. And will remove representation of students.

If you vote to approve this revision, it will be in effect for years.

Asks the chamber to use their voice to make a difference and stand up against this piece of legislation.

- Colin Solomon:
  - Thanks each member of the public and senator who came to speak in front of the public.
  - Would like to announce a piece of legislation that he will be submitting to the Judiciary Committee.
  - The Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris began to burn down, in which it was almost instantly engulfed in flames.
  - Was devastated by the news.
  - Less than a year ago, he earned enough money to visit the Notre Dame Cathedral after many years of hard work to save the money.
  - Lit three candles, one for his mother, one for his father, and one for his French-Canadian *inaudible French word*, whose dream was to visit the city of lights.
    - Had no idea that those three flames would contribute to this disaster.
  - Also received two rosaries while there. Tells story of their meaning and their weight.
  - It killed him to learn that this cathedral fell this past week as it is part of his culture and religion.
  - Proud to announce a piece of legislation that will stand in solidarity with the people of France in this trying time.
  - Grateful for Senator Bond for co-authoring and others for sponsoring and proofreading the legislation.
  - Speaks in French:
    - Translation: “If there are any senators who speak French, that adore France, or the Norte Dame I plead for your support.”
  - Thanks everyone.

- Senator Sneh Patel:
  - Would like to speak on sexual assault and sexual assault awareness.
It is important to pass pieces of legislation that are supporting strides towards dealing with sexual assault.

It is incredibly important to make each survivor of sexual assault have the chance to have their voice heard.

Wants everyone to vote in favor of this legislation, as it is important to make that these students’ voices are heard.

Believes that it is important to stand up for students to move forward as a top five public university.

Strongly hopes to see these pieces of legislation passed.

Senator Jenkins:

Would like to speak about the Judiciary Committee and their previous meeting.
  - Committee failed an act he proposed.
  - Act would create a listserv with constituents.
  - Feels that the act would create a two way conversation between constituents.

Was told by Senator Pearson that part of the reason for the legislation failing was because of Senator Jenkins not consulting Senior SG and Operations Advisor, James Tyger.

There are over 10,000 constituents on the listserv.

Believes he does not need permission from anyone to try to pass something for the public.

Chairman Sandifer stated that there could be discrepancies in different emails sent out by different senators.
  - Believes multiple points of view allow more transparency.

Feels that Judiciary committee continues to act in an un-democratic manner and insert their own opinion instead of following criteria.
  - Gives example of Senator Pearson saying in a meeting that resolutions that are passed should be purposeful and meaningful. Questions Senator Pearson, on how someone can tell another person what is meaningful or purposeful to them.

Mocks piece of legislation that was passed last summer congratulating the baseball team.

Believes Judiciary committee fails legislation without proper transparency, in turn hurting people that senators represent.

Thanks everyone for their time.

Mark Merwitzer:

Would like to thank those who came to the meeting to speak about their stories.

Here to represent two pieces of legislation that would expand the ethics, transparency, and integrity of this institution that serves tens of thousands students which they represent.

After being ignored by the Judiciary Committee for weeks, all three pieces were failed for a “dodgy” reason.

States definition of executive and their duty to serve.

Talks about system of democracy at UF.

Some of the people told to reach out to will be finishing their terms in two weeks, in which they will not even touch this legislation.
Mentions who talked to everyone he was told to talk to, and followed all the steps that he was told he had to do.
The fact that the legislation was failed on these grounds is worrisome to him.
Asks those in chamber to stand up for their constitutions.
Invites chamber and public to reach out to him at his personal number.
Thanks everyone.

Sophia Ahmed:
Wants the senators to look at her as she speaks.
Reads mission statement and information that is found on the SG website.
Believes and feels this is not being achieved by UF SG.
Talks about low voter turnout on campus.
People think it is worthless to care about what Student Government is doing.
Had to convince coworkers to vote even though they are so disappointed with circumstances on campus because they feel like they are not heard.
It seems as though Student Senate is catering to the elitists.
“Have a sense of empathy,” and respect the students who come here to speak about various initiatives.
Speaks on personal stories of students who are marginalized, including herself.
“Is this a joke to you?”

Senator Bindi:
Would like to thank everyone who came to speak at the meeting tonight.
Today chamber will be voting on amendments to Student Senate Bill 2019-1046: 200 Comprehensive Code Revision
Would love to be able to debate legislation, but cannot when people are undermining democracy during these meetings.
Explains the importance of various agencies in the executive branch.
Hopes that he does not need to explain why students standing up to racism is important.
We need debate on these positions to ensure that the candidate is the best qualified for the position.

Senator Chou:
Don’t just listen because he is speaking, listen because he is speaking in representation of a student organization on campus which have asked him to deliver a statement.
Speaking on behalf of CHISPAS, recites a prepared statement.
It is the duty of the student leaders and the university as a whole to advocate for each student.
Brings up and talks about the Independent Alligator Letter to the Editor: SG Allows ICE Presence at UF.
States that people are still waiting on an apology from President of Student Body, Ian Green.
Talks about the 200 codes revisions and his view.
Feels that majority party is on their way out of chamber, and warns people to be careful about who they are protecting.
Has noticed that this is supposed to be a “comprehensive” code revision, but there is no mention of other student organizations.

Feels that legislation that were failed, excludes marginalized identities.

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

Quorum Check:

Not there for roll call:

- Dormeus
- Gant
- German
- Gabriela Hernandez
- Honeycutt
- Iyamu
- Jesurajan
- Karimi
- Kaufman
- Stein
- Stephens
- Weiskopf
- Weninger
- White

Quorum has been re-established with 82 senators present.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:**

- There were none.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

- Majority Party Leader Emmett moves to approve the Replacement and Agenda Committee recommendation for the open District A seat: David Gunby by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
- Chairman Brown moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1044: Line Item Transfer for Volunteers for International Student Affairs to Food by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
- Chairman Brown moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1045: Line Item Transfer for Black Graduate Student Organization to Food by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
- Chairman Sandifer moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1048: Resolution Supporting Additional Title IX and Sexual Assault Prevention Resources on the University of Florida Campus by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Chairwoman Hernandez moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1049: Gator Billiards Club Allocations Request by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Chairwoman Hernandez moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1050: Gators National Organization of Women Allocations Request by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Chairwoman Hernandez moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1051: Funding for Sky by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Chairwoman Moris moves to hear approved absences as a block by unanimous consent. That motion was objected.
• Chairwoman Moris moves to hear failed absences as a block by unanimous consent. That motion was objected.
• Chairman Sandifer moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1046: 200 Comprehensive Code Revision by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Chairman Sandifer moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2019-1047: Resolution Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of Dance Marathon at the University of Florida by unanimous consent. That motion is objected.
• Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to add Student Senate Bill 2019-1051: Resolution Recommending Installation of Emergency Blue Light Phones Along and Adjacent to Fraternity Drive to first reading. That motion cannot made due to the fact that it was not made available to public before 9:00am this morning, and it was placed on the agenda by the Replacement and Agenda Committee.
• Minority Party Leader Grabowski states that due to the legislation being able to be available to the public, it should be allowed to be placed on the agenda.
• The Parliamentarian declared that the bill could not be added to the agenda.
• The motion was seconded, but rescinded the second.
• That motion was rescinded.
• Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to suspend rule III of the Student Senate Rules and Procedures.
  • Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves a roll call vote. That motion is approved.

In a roll call vote of 50 to 32, that motion fails.

• Senator Lima moves to reconsider the vote.
  • This is a debatable motion.
• Chairwoman Hernandez moves to call the previous question. That motion is seconded.
  • There was a motion to conduct a roll call vote. That motion is approved.

In a roll call vote of 33 to 49, that motion fails.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to suspend the Senate Rules and Procedures add Student Senate Bill: Resolution Opposing Proposed Changes to Title IX Regulations.

  Senate President Shaw rules that if this motion fails, there will no further motion to suspend rule III of the Senate Rules and Procedures.
There was a motion to conduct a roll call vote. That motion is approved.

In a roll call vote of 33 to 50, that motion fails.

- Senator Amrose moves to reconsider.
  - Senate President Shaw rules this dilatory.
  - Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to appeal the decision of the chair.
  - There is motion to conduct a roll call vote. That motion is approved.
In a roll call vote of 26 to 57, that motion fails.

- Majority Party Leader Emmett moves to move Student Senate Bill 2019-1046: 200 Comprehensive Code Revisions on the agenda to after Amendments to the Agenda, and before Student Body Officer Reports. That motion is seconded.
  - This motion is debatable.

First round of con:

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Moving to consider a blatantly partisan piece before others is ridiculous.
- Senator Amrose: This body has objected to other bills, and finds it strange that this particular bill is being pushed to the front when others are not.

First round of pro:

- Chairwoman Hernandez: The issue of moving the bill has nothing to do with the content of the bill. It is important to be partisan, and not create dilatory motions that prevent anything from getting anything done.
- Senator Pearson: This bill is very time sensitive and must be passed through first reading tonight.

Second round of con:

- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: There was a claim that having conversation on sexual harassment is partisan, when the opposite was considered nonpartisan sounds ridiculous.
- Senator Diaz: The purpose of this legislation is not grammatical changes, but rather a change from a ⅔ to ½ majority vote.

Point of order. Chairwoman Hernandez states that the senate is debating on the motion itself and not the contents of the vote.

Second round of pro:

- Senator Pearson: Emphasizes the time sensitive nature of this bill, the student body deserves for this bill to solve any complications in the codes.
- Senator Sandifer: This is a very time sensitive manor.

There is a motion to conduct a roll call vote. That motion passes.
Coalition Party Leader objects to considering the question.

There is a motion to conduct a roll call vote. That motion passes.

The Parliamentarian declares that Coalition Leader Calvin’s motion is invalid.

In a roll call vote of 55 to 27, that motion passes.

Senator Amrose moves to reconsider the question.

First Round of Con:

- Chairwoman Hernandez: This should not be reconsidered because an agenda is being pushed by the minority party.
- Senator Pearson: Partisan activity has been made obvious, and these motions are nothing more than wastes of time. There has been an unprecedented amount of partisanship in this office.

First Round of Pro:

- Senator Lima: Is “pushing through” a piece of legislation the way we want to conduct business? If a senator would like to reconsider the vote, a senator should have the right for that vote to be reconsidered.

Second Round of Con:

- Chairwoman Hernandez: The purpose of reconsidering is in order to make sure the Voter Record displays your vote, this motion is dilatory due to the lack of minority voting senators speaking.
- Chairman Sandifer: Wasting people’s time seems to be the minority party’s prerogative.

Second Round of Pro:

- Coalition Leader Calvin: If a piece of legislation is truly needed to be heard, then a special meeting can be scheduled.
- Senator Amrose: In order to declare a motion dilatory, one must certain that a voter is not debating on their vote, which simply cannot be assumed by another person.

There was a motion for a roll call vote. That motion passes.

In a roll call vote of 27 to 55, that motion fails.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to consider Student Senate Bill 2019-1047: Resolution Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of Dance Marathon at the University of Florida directly after amendments to agenda.

Senate President Shaw rules this motion dilatory.
Minority Party Leader Grabowski moves to appeal the decision of the chair.

Senate President Shaw rules this motion dilatory.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski motions to add legislation submitted by constituent Mark Werwitzer to the agenda.

Due to the legislation being unable to be added by a non-senator, this motion is invalid.

Chairwoman Hernandez moves to have a 5 minute recess for consultation by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

**Quorum Check**

**Not there for roll call:**
- Dormeus
- Gant
- German
- Gabriela Hernandez
- Honeycutt
- Iyamu
- Jesurajan
- Karimi
- Kaufman
- Stein
- Stephens
- Weiskopf
- Weninger
- White

Quorum has been re-established with 82 senators present.

Coalition Leader Calvin moves to grant Mark Merwitzer floor privileges.

Due to not hearing the legislation authored by Merwitzer at the moment, this motion is dilatory.

Senator Lima moves to add legislation by Mark Merwitzer to the agenda.

That motion is ruled dilatory for the same reasons stated previously.

Because of Merwitzer not being a senator, he cannot have intent to add legislation, and therefore this motion to add the bills are dilatory.

**Reading of Student Senate Bill 2019-1046:**

**5 Minutes of Presentation:**
To amend clear conflict in student body law.
Bill fixes numbering issue.
Bill also will make process of election of executive nominations clearer.
Yields his time to chair.

Questions and Answering

Chairwoman Hernandez: Can you point out in the legislation where the vote is being changed to “majority”?
Majority Party Leader Emmett: 215.8, 216.41, 217.41, 218.41, 219.41, 220.41, 221.41, 222.41, 223.41, 224.41, 225.41, and 227.41
Chairman Sandifer: Can you talk about the change to the numbering in chapter 5?
Majority Party Leader Emmett: Numbering was off. Lists off the ways they want them to be listed.
Senator Pearson: Can you talk about the executive branch members who you spoke with in making these changes.
Majority Party Leader Emmett: The only sponsor on this bill is Student Body President-Elect Michael Murphy. He wanted to ensure that the revision was as comprehensive as possible. Wants them to be accurate throughout entire code.
Senator Zelin: Please elaborate more on the conflict you spoke about earlier.
Majority Party Leader Emmett: The conflict is with the voting threshold. The main point was to make sure the threshold was consistent and the same throughout the entire codes.
Chairwoman Jones: Can you talk about changes made to the executive cabinet nominations?
Majority Party Leader Emmett: Talks again on the threshold of votes necessary for approval.

Senator Bindi moves to suspend the Senate Rules and Procedures and vacate the chair.

There was a motion for a roll call vote. That motion passes.
In a roll call vote of 23 of 57, that motion fails.

Senator Chou proposes an amendment to Student Senate Bill 2019-1046: 200 Comprehensive Code Revision.

Senate President Shaw recognizes this amendment as in-germane.


Senate President Shaw calls for a vote to decide if the proposed amendment is in-germane.
There was a motion for a roll call vote. That motion passes.
In a roll call vote of 27 to 54, that motion fails.

First round of con:
- Senator Jackson: Nothing else in the codes is actually changing other than the Assistant Treasurer section.
- Senator Gatos: There are many other things that should be incorporated into these 200 codes. Why pass this bill when another one will be passed in the coming ways.
- Senator Wilson: Calling this legislation comprehensive is ridiculous. An Ad-Hoc committee should be formed for the 200 codes.

First round of pro:
- There were none.

Second round of con:
- Senator Witte: Agrees that the bill is imperfect.
- Senator Lima: This bill is absurd. The bill blatantly takes away the rights of the minority party. There has been no communication or discussion between the authors and the minority party.
- Minority Party Leader Grabowski: Is not comfortable with the only sponsor of the bill “laughed reacted” the comments on sexual assault.
- Senator Jackson: The fact that there is only one author and one sponsor makes her uncomfortable in supporting of this bill.

Second round of pro:
- There were none.

Minority Party Leader Grabowski has been ruled constructively absent.

Third round of con:
- Senator Lima: *Senator Lima’s comments are inaudible.*

Third Round of pro:
- There were none.

Final round of con:
- Senator Espinoza: Would like to see more bipartisanship in drafting this legislation.
- Senator: Does not understand what is going on. There is no debate here.
- Senator Wilson: Blatant issues are being ignored when drafting this legislation.
- Senator Espinoza: Wants to see agencies, such as Bridges being incorporated into the 200 codes. It would make more sense to amend the codes for all to say “2/3” instead of “majority.”
- Coalition Leader Calvin: “Wellbeing” is not recognized as a word in the English language.

Final round of pro:
- There were none.

Final Privilege:
• Majority Party Leader Emmett yields his time to the chair.

There was a motion for a roll call vote. That motion passes.

In a roll call vote of 53 to 21

**ADJOURNMENT:**
• The meeting was adjourned at 12:51am.