STUDENT SENATE MINUTES
April 4th, 2017

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and announced that the meeting may be filmed or audio taped and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:
Roll was called and quorum was established with 83 senators present.

Not there for roll call:
- DellaBella
- Fakhri-Medrano
- Felder
- Garcia
- Hernandez-Garcia
- Le
- Luse
- Morgan
- Niergarth
- Waldron
- Walters
- Zeisloft

AMENDMENTS TO THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:
- No amendments were made to the previous minutes.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation Stefan Kostas for District A seat by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation Emily Washler for District A seat by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation Erick Mendez-Boldt for I&C committee seat by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation Samantha Fining for I&C committee seat by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Green motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1021 Allocation of Reserves to SG ADA by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairman Green motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1022 2017-2018 Student Government Funded Academics Budget by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairman Green motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1023 2017-2018 Student Government Funded Organizational Budget by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1024 Funding for Generational Relief in Prosthetics (GRiP) by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1025 Funding for LEAD by Innovation Academy by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1026 100 Code Revisions by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2017-1027 200 Code Revisions by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Muncan motions to hear the Approved R&E Absence Petitions as a block by unanimous consent. Approved.
  ○ Motion to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.
● Chairwoman Muncan motions to hear the Failed R&E Absence Petition for Z. Chou by unanimous consent. Approved.

PUBLIC DEBATE:
● Alexander Orta, president of the Entrepreneurship club.
  ○ He introduces himself and the new president-elect Rachel Braun.
  ○ He announces about the Idea Roll-Out program, a new program started by the club to encourage students to present their ideas and get feedback.

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT
● John Kim, Agency Head, Students Taking Action Against Racism
  ○ Documentary viewing for Dr. Schueller’s documentary, In His Own Home, addressing racism and over-militarization of the police.
  ○ Event hosted by AASU, April 13th at 6:30 in the Reitz Auditorium.
● Jason Richards, External Affairs Director
  ○ The Big Event was a huge success.
  ○ Almost 800 students came out.
  ○ Gator Day, tomorrow
  ○ Be on the lookout for another Platform Tracker video.
• Nick Meno announces about the interview process.
  • They are excited to get the candidates in front of the senate for approval.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:
• Senate President Phillips welcomes the senators.
• Senate President Phillips invites Captain Holcomb of UPD.
  ○ He is happy to announce that there has not been any large issues on campus lately.
  ○ He addresses the recent accident involving a UF engineering student.
  ○ He recounts the past UPD campaigns to encourage students to wear helmets on campus.
  ○ He discusses the current laws regarding helmet laws, and believes the only way to truly make a difference is through lobbying in Tallahassee.
• To fill time while dealing with technical difficulties, Senate President Phillips asks the senators to introduce themselves to one another.
• Senate President Phillips presents the Legislative Agenda for the coming year.
  ○ Internal Goals
    ■ Increase internal communication and engagement.
  ○ Committee Goals
    ■ Budget and Appropriations/Allocations
      ● Making budgets more efficient and more transparent.
    ■ Judiciary
      ● Streamlining constitution approval.
    ■ Rules and Ethics
      ● Encourage constituency completion.
    ■ Information and Communication
      ● Increase camaraderie within chamber and outreach to students.
  ○ External Goals
    ■ Increase engagement with student body through constituency.
  ○ Special Projects
    ■ Disability Ad-Hoc Committee formation. Please email Jackie if interested in joining.
    ■ Expand scooter parking; subsidize bluebooks and greenbooks; online testing locations.
• Disability Ad-Hoc committee apps are due by this Monday at 12pm.
• She wishes Senator Hurdle a Happy Birthday.
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:
- Senate President Pro-Tempore Schaettle welcomes the senators.
- Met this past Sunday.
- Due this Friday:
  - Fine Arts
  - I&C Seat
- Due next Friday:
  - Grad Seat

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:
- Chairman Green welcomes the senators.
- He welcomes Devon Mims, President of Signing Gators.
  - He stresses the importance of the SG ADA in helping his deaf and hard-of-hearing friends.
  - He encourages the senators to check out the ADA compliance office website to get a further in depth look at advocacy and accommodations.
  - All organizations should take these accommodations into account when planning events.
  - He presents a few examples of deaf or hard-of-hearing students’ requests for accommodations, which Mims believes should be already provided.
  - He then goes on to present some of the programs that Signing Gators has put on.
- Chairman Green thanks Mims for his presentation.
- He presents the Student Organizational Budget and Academic Organizational Budget.
  - Student Organizational Budget went down by about $300, but several more organizations were able to receive funding for this coming year.

ALLOCATIONS:
- Chairwoman Moodie welcomes the senators.
- Allocations committee met this past Sunday.
  - Met with Iranian Student Association and will hopefully approve them by next week.
- She thanks the senate for approving the allocations for GRIIP and LEAD by IA.
- The committee will not be meeting this week and she will not be having office hours tomorrow.
- She thanks everyone for their support of The Big Event.
JUDICIARY:

- Chairwoman Dempsey welcomes the senators.
- The judiciary committee met this past Sunday.
  - Passed 2 and failed 1.
- Passed 2 code revisions.
  - One for The Big Event and one for The Florida Student Government Institute.
  - Revisions legitimized these two events, to encourage attendance.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Muncan welcomes the senators.
- She presents the constituency tracker.
- She also presents the constituency calendar.
- Constituency is due April 18th at the first strike of the gavel.
- She commends Senator Zhou and Senator Fining for going above and beyond to complete their constituency.
- The committee will be meeting on Friday.
- She announces that her new Vice Chair will be Senator Holloway.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairwoman Grosse welcomes the senators.
- Mentor-Mentee reveal is tonight.
  - This event is worth a half-absence.
- Polo-orders are due this Thursday at midnight.
  - Payment of $21 is due by then, or your shirt will not be ordered.

SECOND READING:
- There were none.

FIRST READING:
- There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:
There are no bills pending signatures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
• Senate President Pro-Tempore Schaettle reminds senators to fill out the Summer Replacement form even if you will be here this summer!

• Senator Snyder announces that there will be a speaker in Little Hall, recounting his time as an openly-gay member of the Israeli military.

• Senate President Phillips’ Office hours will be cancelled tomorrow
  o Will be in Tallahassee for Gator Day.
  o Will be back Thursday.
  o She reiterates to fill out the summer replace form!

ROLL CALL:
A motion to use voting records for final roll call passed.

No Vote Record Received:
  

MEETING ADJOURNED:
The meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.