

## **STUDENT SENATE MINUTES**

### **November 8th, 2016**

The Senate President called the 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 85 senators present.

#### **Not there for roll call:**

- Bethencourt
- Bever
- Enderez
- Hooper
- Liu
- Lo
- Mead
- Rong
- Spence
- Sultania
- Sumner
- Varanasi

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

- There are no amendments to the minutes for November 1st.

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

- Majority Party Leader Selogy motions to approve the Permanent Graduate Seat - Neil Decenteceo by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Schaettle motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2016-1076 Resolution Honoring the Life of Abigail Dougherty by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Schaettle motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2016-1077 Resolution Honoring University Association Athletic Director Jeremy Foley for His Service to the University of Florida by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2016-1078 Funding for UF Information Security Team (UFIST) by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Moodie motions to approve Student Senate Bill 2016-1079 Funding for Jamaican Student Association (JAMSA) by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairwoman Muncan motions to hear the approved absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent. Approved.
  - Motion to approve the aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.

#### **PUBLIC DEBATE:**

- Senator Wally Martin yields to the chair.

## **OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT**

- Student Body President Webster welcomes the senators.
  - She introduces Chairman Knox and he is the Student Government Productions chair.
    - Chairman Dillon Knox introduces himself to the chamber. SGP partnered with Gator Growl this year to help bring the talent to the show and help with the selection process to attract a broader audience.
    - SGP also helped bring All-American Rejects to Flavet Field this past Friday, partnering with Gators Going Green, External Affairs, and Chomp the Vote.
      - The All-American Rejects concert was the most well attended show on Flavet Field in many years; there were between 7,500-8,500 people in attendance!
    - They are still planning shows for spring, look out for those announcements to come.
- Student Body President Webster thanks everyone that came to State of the Campus Address.
- Student Body President Webster reminds the senators that Alex Rodriguez will be coming to campus next Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> as a guest speaker!

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Senate President Meyers welcomes the senators.
- He hopes that everyone had the chance to go out and vote before the polls close and adds that he hopes everyone is courteous to those with different opinions.
- This Friday is Veteran's Day; the Student Government Office will be closed.
  - If you see any veterans, please stop and thank them for their service.
- Senate is cancelled next Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> in order to conduct the fall senate retreat!
- He is excited to report that the Harn Museum will have a student art feature starting in the Spring.
- He touches on Jeremy Foley, the former Athletic Director of the University and why Senate has chosen to author a resolution in regards to his service.
- He announces that Zack Pizzi will be joining us as Senate Secretary starting next week.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:**

- Senate Pro-Tempore Champoux welcomes the senators.
- The committee met this past week and they are excited to welcome Neil Decenteceo to Senate!
- There is an open Building and Construction seat, applications will be due Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at noon.

- He hopes that everyone has been receiving the emails he has been sending out to meet with the various constituency groups to discuss the platforms on which they ran on.

### **BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:**

- Chairman Brown welcomes the senators.
- He is very glad that this election cycle is coming to an end!
- The committee will meet tomorrow, November 9<sup>th</sup> in the SG Conference Room at 3pm to discuss their Outreach Program and the Big 4 Speaker Series.

### **ALLOCATIONS:**

- Chairwoman Moodie welcomes the senators.
- She thanks everyone for approving the two Allocations requests.
- The committee met this past Sunday to hear requests and discuss committee projects; they will be working with the Budget Committee to revamp the SG Finance video.

### **JUDICIARY:**

- Chairman Schaettle welcomes the senators.
- The committee met this past Sunday and passed 2 constitutions and 2 resolutions.
- He touches on the two resolutions that were approved tonight.
- One of the authors of Student Senate Bill 2016-1076 Resolution Honoring the Life of Abigail Dougherty, Senator Bethencourt, was not able to be at the meeting tonight, so Chairman Schaettle thanks the Chamber for approving the bill.
  - A moment of silence was given to remember the life of Abby Dougherty.
- The committee will not meet this Sunday but legislation will still be due this Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at noon.

### **RULES & ETHICS:**

- Chairwoman Muncan welcomes the senators.
- The committee met on Sunday and approved 8 absence petitions and they will not meet this Sunday due to the cancelled Senate meeting next week.
- She presents the constituency tracker to let the senators know where they stand with their forms.
  - If your name is in red, you have not completed any constituency.
  - If your name is in yellow, you have completed one constituency.
  - If your name is in green, you have completed all of your constituency.
- There are a lot of senators who have not completed any constituency yet, she reminds everyone that constituency is due Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.
- If anyone has questions about constituency, please call, text, email, or come into office hours to discuss!

### **INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:**

- Chairwoman Phillips welcomes the senators.
- The committee met this past Sunday.
- She reminds everyone to pick up a goodie bag if they have not already!
- She lets everyone know they did release their first “Month in Review” on the SG Senate Facebook.
- They have designed a new senate t-shirt!!
  - If you are interested in ordering one, they are \$13 and she will send out an order form through the Listserve!
  - It is the first long shirt t-shirt in about two years so get excited!
- The Senate Retreat will be held on Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> from 7pm to 9pm in Jennings basement.
  - There will be 2 guest speakers and a presentation on stress management
  - You will receive a half absence credit!
- It will be a shared picnic dinner – senators in attendance are asking to bring an item in their category:
  - Desserts: College
  - Entrée: I&C Committee, Senate Exec.
  - Drinks: Freshmen, Sophomore, On-Campus
  - Side Dishes: District A B, C, D, and E, Graduate
- Chairwoman Phillips and Vice Chair Hanley present a Tabling 101 Prezi to the Chamber.
  - Please remember when tabling you are representing SG as a whole NOT A POLITICAL PARTY.
  - Be prepared to table.
    - Dress appropriately, show up early, knowing why/what you are tabling for, have an elevator pitch ready.
    - Dress code is either business casual or sg t-shirt or polo. You can wear any bottoms unless they have holes, rips, are too short, are too saggy, or are athletic wear.
  - Attitude
    - Attitude is everything!
      - Be friendly and energetic!
      - Be ready for questions!
        - If you don’t know the answer, refer them to someone who does: Senate President or the SG website.
      - STAY OFF YOUR PHONES!
  - Keep a professional demeanor.
    - This may be a student’s first encounter learning about SG or Senate.
  - THINGS TO NOT DO:
    - Be on your phone
    - Harassing people to talk to you
    - Complaining or gossiping
    - Being rude
    - Sitting too much
    - Looking uninterested

- Reminder: you are tabling, not campaigning.
  - Don't talk about what party you are affiliated with.
- Check-In and Check-Out Procedures
  - Check to see that you have all of the materials
  - Always sign out to take the board with the student aide at the front of the SG office
  - Please return everything to the office unless someone is coming after you, you can leave it for them!

**SECOND READING:**

- There were none.

**FIRST READING:**

- They were passed.

**BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:**

There are no bills pending signatures.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Chairman Schaettle corrects himself on that legislation is due next Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> not this Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Senator Kasmirski announces that Kappa Delta will be having a fundraiser tomorrow, November 9<sup>th</sup> from 4pm to 9pm at Chipotle!
- Chairwoman Moodie announces that in the goodie bags there is a paper explaining some issues going through the Allocations process, so please help your constituents get funded!
  - She also congratulates Trevor and Lena for getting selected for Preview Staff!
- Chairwoman Phillips announces on behalf of the Big Event Chair Zack Morris to please share the Big Event Awareness Week on Facebook!
- Senate Pro-Tempore Champoux reminds the Engineering senators to stay after the meeting!

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**No Vote Record Received:**

- Bethencourt
- Bever
- Ginsburg
- Hooper
- Liu
- Lo
- Mead
- Rong
- Spence

- Sultania
- Sumner

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.