

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

May 30th, 2017

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:07 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 68 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Nick Adams
- Steven Baldizon
- Erick Boldt
- Lucas Buckels
- Emily Dempsey
- Emily Dunson
- Keith Gabriel
- Amanda Holloway
- Paul Lorenzen
- Janae Moodie
- Whitney Nguyen
- Olufemi O'niyi
- Shreya Patel
- Libby Shaw

AMENDMENTS TO THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- Motions to change Chad Redeye to Chad Grodi in the previous minutes by unanimous consent.
 - Approved.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to hear the R&A recommendation for the Permanent Replacement Seats as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motions to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to hear the R&A recommendation for the Summer C Replacement Seats as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motions to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation for the Budget Committee Seat: Ali Gardezi by unanimous consent.

- Approved
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to hear the R&A recommendation for the Allocations Committee Seats as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motions to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to approve the R&A recommendation for the Judiciary Committee Seat: Libby Shaw by unanimous consent.
 - Approved
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to hear the R&A recommendation for the Rules & Ethics Committee Seats as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motions to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent
- Majority Party Leader Stanford motions to hear the R&A recommendation for the Information and Communications Committee Seats as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motions to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent
- Chairwoman Muncan motions to hear the approved absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motion to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent.
- Chairwoman Muncan motions to hear the failed absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent.
 - Motion to approve aforementioned block by unanimous consent.
- Chairwoman Muncan motions to approve the resignation appeal for Lucas Luo by unanimous consent.
 - Approved

PUBLIC DEBATE:

- Carley Mead
 - She met with the city commissioner, Adrian Hayes-Santos, last Wednesday to discuss improvements that she saw District D needed.
 - She learned the different ways student senators could make a difference such as attending meetings, writing letters or stopping to meet with the city commissioner.
 - She encourages the senators that if they should meet with the city commissioner to make changes in their district, as it is the commissioner's goal to make Gainesville a safe place.

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

- Nobody from the Office of the Student Body President

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Phillips welcomes senators.
- **UF COMPASS Presentation**
- Senate President encourages senators to participate in the 2 plus 2 program.
- Senate President encourages senators to play with the intramural dodgeball team on Thursdays as this is a great way to get to know one another outside of the chamber.
- Meet your Senator Day is next Thursday, June 9th from 11am-1pm at Turlington Plaza. Everyone is expected to go as this is a great way to get to know your constituents.
- Senators break out into constituency groups to share ideas. One member of each constituency group must turn in a paper with said ideas and concerns
- Senate President will set up meetings to discuss these concerns and improvements

**** If you would like to listen to any presentations, you may request them from the SG Office in the Reitz Union or you may email senatesecretary@sg.ufl.edu****

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Schaettle welcomes the senators.
- He reminds the senators that there are seats open. Applications for these seats are due this Friday, June 2.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairman Green welcomes the senators.
- He congratulates Senator Gardezi for being approved to join the budget committee.
- His committee is preparing for the the big four hearings and looking over the 800 codes and making sure they're ready.
- **Presentation on Reitz Rails Replacement Project**

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ALLOCATIONS:

- Vice Chairman Stanford welcomes the senators.
- He welcomes Meagan McBride, Jonathan Nickas, and Brian Robusto to the allocations committee.
- They reviewed three organizations.
 - They passed one, and failed two because they did not meet the 800 codes
- Invites senators to come out to Kickball and support “Publix” on Thursday.
 - Last game the team won.
- Allocations committee should meet at the front of the room after the meeting to schedule next meeting.
- Allocations is reaching out to new organizations during preview by handing out pamphlets.

JUDICIARY:

- Vice Chairman Hudson welcomes the senators.
- The judiciary committee met and reviewed two constitutions, one failed and one passed.
- The winners of the resolution contest are Sami Manausa and CJ Lockwood.
- The committee will be meeting Sunday at a time to be determined.
- He congratulates Libby Shaw for getting on the judiciary committee.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Muncan welcomes the senators.
- She shows senators the constituency chart
- If the senators’ names are in red she has not received submissions, if green you are done with constituency, if name is yellow you are half-way done with constituency
- She reminds senators that meet your senators is on June 8
- She shouts out Senator Barany and Senator Stantzyk, the newest members of the R&E committee.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairwoman Grosse welcomes the senators.
- Shoutout to Senator Brannan and Senator Watson for being the newest members of I&C
- Shout out to Senators Boldt, Bizzio, McBride and Sullivan for winning the 2 +2 competition.

- Hands out prizes to winning senators
- She reminds senators that if they want to part of the 2 + 2 program, they have to fill out the form by midnight Tuesday.
- She reminds senators that meet your senators is on June 8 from 11 am to 1 pm
 - This event is to meet your constituents and senators are required to attend for at least a small amount of time.
 - This counts for an SG event and will count towards constituency.
- Invites senators to intramural kickball game.

DISABILITY ADVOCACY AD HOC:

- Chairman Hudson welcomes the senators.
- He announced his Vice Chair, Chase Brannan.
- His committee met last Sunday.
 - They finished the reports on each of the schools they researched.
- Next meeting will be at the Disability Resource office.
- The committee is working on a presentation to show all of the senators.

SECOND READING:

- There were none.

FIRST READING:

- Student Senate Bill 2017-1031: Allocations of Reserves to the Construction of Reitz Union Railings
 - Chairman Green states that the bill is for a transfer of \$2 million dollars from reserves that go to paying the loan that had been taken out to start the construction of Reitz Union rails.
 - The budget committee found that was most appealing for this transfer to be used from the student and activities fee for the construction of the Reitz Union rails. The student and activities fee of \$19.67 per credit hour should go to services and amenities making this university better.
 - The student and activities fee should go towards ensuring our right for safety, which will occur by allocating this money towards building the rails.
- Q & A
 - Q: Senator Gardezi asks how much money we have in the reserves?
 - A: Senator Green explains that reserves is money that is left over after the fiscal year ends. He won't know that number until June 30th, the last day of the fiscal year.
- Con Round 1:
 - none

- Pro Round 1:
 - Senator Lo: The transfer would allow the Reitz Union to pay off loans and be able to maintain services for students as well as a full staff.
 - Senator Oehrle: In order for the Reitz Union to serve the general student body correctly they must have a full staff.
 - A senator state that the safety of students is important
 - A senator states that prospective students that enter the union should feel safe.
- Con Round 2:
 - Senator Michael Schmoll stated that the Reitz Union should not be funded by the Student and Activities fee because this fee is for opportunities not the maintenance of the Reitz Union. This should be paid by the university not the SG budget.
- Pro Round 2:
 - None
- Con round 3:
 - None
- Pro Round 3:
 - Senator stated that the funding would be coming out of the reserves not the student and activities fee.

Final Privilege:

- Not an issue about safety but also about fiscal responsibility. This reserve transfer allows the Reitz Union to work properly.
- Construction will begin, it is just a matter of where the fiscal responsibility will lay.

Voice vote

- Approved

Amendments to Bill

- Amendment to Bill: Stanford
 - Change 'traffic' to 'trafficked'
- Amendment: Green
 - Add 'existing' in front of 'railings already beginning to fall'

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

- There are no bills pending signatures.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Chairwoman reminds newly appointed senators that they will receive an email reminding them to attend an orientation.
- Senator Mead reminds senators to put name plates at the front of the room after the meeting
- Stanford
 - Janae's quote: "With great power, comes a great electricity bill."

ROLL CALL:

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

MEETING ADJOURNED:

- The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.