

## **STUDENT SENATE MINUTES**

### **March 27th, 2018**

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. 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 85 senators present.

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

- Bartra
- Berrocal
- Carnes
- Cuffe
- Eastland
- Hudson
- Igharas
- Marwah
- Miller
- Mitchell
- Pearce
- Rangel
- Weeks

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

- There were none.

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

- Senator Hernandez moves to make a friendly amendment to Student Senate Bill 2018-1028: Resolution Declaring Support for Early Voting Locations at College Campuses by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Senator Hernandez moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1028: Resolution Declaring Support for Early Voting Locations at College Campuses by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Pope moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1027: Funding for Funding for Lucha Latina by unanimous consent. Approved.

#### **PUBLIC DEBATE:**

- Senator German:
  - Wishes the senators a good evening.
  - Would like to update the chamber on the progress on the AD-HOC Code Revisions Committee.
  - Bills were introduced to Judiciary committee in an organized fashion. All the 100 codes were grouped together. All the 200 codes together, etc.
  - They will be introduced on Monday since Sunday is Easter.
  - Explains the Code Revisions that they are currently working on, including:

- Conflict of Interest Act.
  - Judicial Transparency Act.
  - Livestream for Accountability and Transparency Act.
  - Political Productivity Act.
  - Chair-Person Act.
  - Student Body Accessibility Act.
- Thanks Senator Nickas for creating a healthy environment.
- Looks forward to making more bipartisan legislation in the coming weeks.
- Senator Lima:
  - Wishes the senators a good evening.
  - Have been looking through the 700 codes.
  - Noticed things that can be improved.
  - Mentions codes 716.4 and 716.5, regarding voting recounts
    - Wants to revise to showcase modern technology
  - Mentions code 763.0 regarding campaigning in classrooms.
  - Mentions code 736.0 regarding mandatory candidate meeting cancellations.
    - Mentions allowing a legitimate excuse deadline to be added after the meeting time and date.
- Senator Gatos:
  - Wishes the senators a good evening.
  - District D senator.
  - Worked with Senator Jenkins, mentions the dedication to students on campus.
  - During Senator Jenkins office hours, he comes up with many great ideas for senate such as creating a listserv for their seat.
  - Established listservs for districts C and D, suggests the creation of other listservs.
  - Has seen Senator Jenkin's great work through his work in his organization.
  - Wants to open the floor for nominations for Information and Communication.
- Senator Jenkins:
  - Provides a presentation regarding his suggestion to open the floor for nominations for the Information and Communications Committee.
  - Showcases his resume. Mentions the intention to mirror his past experiences into the Information and Communication Committee.
  - Mentions things he has done in the past regarding Remind101, tabling, etc.
  - Mentions his various ideas he would bring to the committee including interactions and pamphlets.
- Senator Bradley:
  - Tells the chamber about himself.
  - Mentions he is a person of principle.
  - Wonderful conversations with many senators.
  - The chamber hall is an academic arena where ideas fly and fight.

- Full confidence that parties are working to the end.
- Moving forward, he expect to see due-diligence.
- Only goal is to work the way the students elected him.
- Wants to clarify statement he made last week - it was not from anyone in the chamber.
- If something needs to be heard, you will be heard.
- Everyone holds themselves to high standards which he knows they can achieve.
- Senator Victorianne:
  - Wishes senators a good evening.
  - Senator from District D.
  - Wants to take time to congratulate senate for having a pro-con debate.
  - Believes that a pro-con debate is the best way to debate and hear the various voices in the chamber.
  - Wants to say that is important that everyone remembers that they are all Gators.
  - Party affiliation does not mean anything.
  - We are all here to look for the same thing.
  - Saw some things in senate that he did not agree with and wanted to bring it up.
  - Noticed hypocritical arguments during the debates.
  - Wants to remind Inspire party that they were shot down their first time applying to chairs and committees because of lack of experience.
    - Feels that the same argument was used for positive across the aisle.
  - Doesn't want to bring down friends or boost anyone, wants everyone to have the same experience and opportunities.
  - Why wouldn't they want to help our community?
  - Hopes that people can drop the party affiliation and work towards the Gator Nation.
- Meghan Newsome:
  - Wishes senators good evening.
  - One of the authors of Student Senate Bill 2018-1027.
  - Commends all sides for coming together regarding early polling locations.
  - Resolution allows for the Florida Statute to allow college institutions be considered early polling locations.
  - If approved the statute amendment it would make a change for only the University of Florida but it could be a big step towards implementing it statewide.
  - Senator Keith Perry can be a potential supporter of this initiative.
  - There are still issues needed to look at such as voter turnout.
  - Let's do our part.

***\*\*If you wish to hear any speeches given during public debate please request the recordings from [senatesecretary@sq.ufl.edu](mailto:senatesecretary@sq.ufl.edu)\*\****

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

- The Big Event, Ryan Walsh:
  - Thanks everyone for giving him time to speak.
  - The Big Event is 11 days away on April 7th.
  - Volunteer sign ups close this Friday. Really need volunteers.
  - Hoping for 12,000 students from UF to serve.
  - Will be having food and other prizes to encourage students to volunteer.
  - Spirit Night at “BTW” today from 6:00pm-9:00pm
  - The link to register is available on the SG website, and the Big Event website.
  - Any questions and concerns can be answered via tutorial on website.
  - Emphasizes that registration closes this Friday.

## **VICE PRESIDENT ELECT’S REPORT:**

- Vice-President Elect Enriquez welcomes the senators.
- Happy to present members of cabinet:
  - Introduces Gabriel Rodriguez: Vice-Presidential Deputy Chief of Staff.
  - Isabella Oliver: Future Chief of Staff of Cabinet.
- Has met with James Tyger and has a meeting scheduled with Liz Delaney as well.
- Excited to begin work.

## **SENATE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:**

- Senate President Grosse welcomes the senators.
- Benjamin Marcus, UF COMPASS:
  - Wishes the senators a good evening.
  - Gives a presentation regarding UF Campus-wide Modernization Program to Advance Student Services (COMPASS).
  - COMPASS is providing lots of changes and benefit in the long term.
  - Gives comprehensive record-keeping for anyone that has interacted with the University of Florida.
  - Mentions the work that is underway on campus, including improvements on ONE.UF to make the service more intuitive.
  - Will be retiring the old registration method for this summer.
  - Shows the roadmap for what has been and what will be accomplished in the next few months.
  - Visit [compass.ufl.edu](http://compass.ufl.edu) for questions.
  - Asks the senators to get on social media and tell people about the new registration method that is upcoming.
- Voter Records must be completely filled out and filled correctly, or else will be marked as an “incomplete voter record” and counted as a half absence by the Senate Secretaries.
- There is a senate team for the Big Event, she is waiting for a sign-up link and will be sending it out soon.
  - Does count as an SG event.

## **REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

### **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION**

- Minority Party Leader Morse motions to open the floor to nominations for the open Information and Communications seat by standing vote. Motion is second. Motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Morse nominates Senator Jenkins.
  - Senator Jenkins Accepts.

### **Senator Rosen:**

- 3 Minutes of Presentation:
  - Thanks Senator Hernandez for speaking on his behalf last week.
  - Is glad that he is here to talk about why he deserves this seat.
  - In high school, he purchases and resold shoes to make money and created his own website.
  - Cultivated a good following base, will translate this to the Information and Communications Committee.
  - An AD of Education for the IFC. Helps decide what gets presented to new members and what does not.
  - Introduced program “One Love” to open up conversations about relationship abuse and teach
  - His skill-set will directly translate to the orientation process of new senators.

### **Senator Jenkins**

- 3 minutes of presentation:
  - Continues where he left off in his public debate presentation.
  - Talks about his listserv in District C.
    - 5,912 active members on the listserv.
  - Has created a transparent government already.
  - Looks forward to the various questions.

### **Senator Rosen:**

- Round 1 of Con:
  - Senator Chou: Believes that the qualifications specifically in Student Government are lacking.
  - Minority Party Leader Morse: Believes that Senator Rosen does not have experience in SG and wants a member who has more senate experience to be elected.
- Round 1 of Pro:
  - Chairwoman Dunson: Mentions that his very punctual with his timing and attendance. Brought creative ideas to the meetings.
  - Majority Party Leader Shaw: Believes that Michael Rosen would work better in regards to outreach than Senator Jenkins.
  - Chairman Adams: Asks him about his ideas, mentions that they are well thought out.
- Round 2 of Con:

- Senator Chou: Did not mention his ideas in his presentation, thinks that there should more done than a banquet.
  - Senator Victorianna: Part of his problem is that he believes Senator Jenkins has had more experience.
- Round 2 of Pro:
  - Senator Adams: Ideas were very well-thought out.
  - Senator Grodi: Had a very good interview.
  - Senator Hernandez: Believes he has good ideas.
- Round 3 of Con:
  - Minority Party Leader Morse: Senator Rosen only had two ideas in the interview that were already implemented and not original but Senator Jenkins were.
  - Senator Belinski: Believes that involvement in the IFC only hits one demographic in the student body.
- Round 3 of Pro:
  - Senator Santalo: There are multiple demographics involved in IFC that Senator Rosen is able to reach. Similarly he is able to reach out to people through “One Love”.
  - Chairwoman Holloway: Senator performed greatly in Outreach.
- Final Round of Con for Senator Rosen:
  - Senator Chou: Believes that once again they are back at square one with ideas and believes that nothing new is being brought to the table.
  - Senator Lima: Notices a lack of actual qualifications when comparing to the other nominee.
  - Senator Victorianna: Senator Rosen only had two ideas and feels that everything mentioned in pro was subjective. Qualifications should be taken more seriously.
- Final Round of Pro for Senator Rosen:
  - Senator Schulte: It is not about creating ideas, it is about implementing them.
  - Senator: Has known Senator Rosen for a short time, but has noticed his passion and work ethic.
  - Senator: When he wants to get something done, he does.

#### Senator Jenkins:

- First round of Con:
  - Majority Party Leader Shaw: Believes that Senator Jenkins did not interview well.
  - Senator Hernandez: Draws attention to the fact that Senator Jenkins received more time to present because he used public debate.
- First Round of Pro:
  - Senator German: Plans were implemented because he is the one who was implementing it.
- Second Round of Con:
  - There were none.
- Second Round of Pro:

- Senator Lima: Has worked with Senator Jenkins a lot and believes he has worked really hard and even crossed party lines for his resolution. Sees a record of outreach through all of his experiences.
- Third Round of Con:
  - Senator: Would like to point out that Senator Rosen is in fact qualified.
- Third Round of Pro:
  - Minority Party Leader Morse: Talks about Senator Jenkins interview. Introduced 5 ideas during that interview.
  - Senator Rauseo: Mentions that Senator Rosen cut his time short during his presentation.
- Final Round of Con for Senator Jenkins:
  - There were none:
- Final Round of Pro for Senator Jenkins:
  - Senator Rauseo: He has done things outside of senate, has passed legislation and talks about other experiences. Points out that there are no cons being given.
  - Senator Kratt: Stresses that he has worked with senators from both sides of the aisle.
  - Senator Calvin: This reason we heard so much about Senator Jenkins is because he is highly qualified and experienced.
  - Senator Gatos: More time to speak points to his qualifications.
- In a vote of 43 to 36, Senator Rosen has been elected to the open Information and Communication Seat.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:**

- Senate Pro-Tempore Murphy welcomes the senators.
- Talks about Dance Marathon this past weekend.
  - Over \$3,000,000 was raised, which broke a record.
- Open Med seat due Friday at 12:00pm.
- The interviews for Allocations, Med, and District B will most likely be on Monday. He will send out specific times later.

### **BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:**

- Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Speaks about Dance Marathon.
- Next week, Budget Committee will present on the Budget Hearings that occurred two weeks ago.
- Thanks her committee and scribes.
- Announces her vice chair, Senator Rangel.
- Meeting will be this Friday, March 31st.
- Gives her office hours:
  - Wednesday: 12:00PM-1:00PM.

## **ALLOCATIONS:**

- Chairman Pope welcomes the senators.
- Gives a shout out to everyone who participated in Dance Marathon.
- Committee met last Sunday. Approved one request and failed one.
- Allocations will be off this week because of Easter.
- Announces his vice chair, Senator Robusto.

## **JUDICIARY**

- Chairman Adams welcomes the senators.
- Thanks everyone who worked on Student Senate Bill 2108-1028: Resolution Declaring Support for Early Voting Locations at College Campuses.
  - Thinks it is amazing that the resolution will be sent out and not just sit around.
- Announces his vice chair, Senator Boone.
- Most likely will be meeting on Monday, will confirm soon.
- Wishes a happy and blessed Easter.

## **RULES & ETHICS:**

- Chairwoman Holloway welcomes the senators.
- Will no longer have a member read constituency, will rather present it on the projector.
- Announces vice-chair, Senator Hasan.
- Will be meeting on Monday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> in the SG Conference Room at 4:00PM.

## **INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:**

- There is no report.

## **SECOND READING**

- There were none.

## **FIRST READING:**

- There were none.

## **BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:**

- There were none.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Chairwoman Dunson: Shout outs everyone involved with the VISA talent show and the HOLI show, they went amazing.
- Senator Chou: Donated a tripod to the Information and Communications committee.
- Senator Daley: This Friday at 7:15PM, she will be hosting her first BBQ/talent show. It is free and there will be guest speakers. Would love to have senate representation.
- Senator Stanford: If anyone is interested for applying to the RecSports, O'Connell Center, and Reitz Board of Managers the application is due this



Friday. Please reach out to him or Minority Party Leader Morse with any questions.

- Senator Girschick: Sign-up for Big Event ends this Friday.
- Senator Gatos: The Woman Students Association hosting the “Women’s Progress Panel” on Thursday from 6:00PM-9:00PM.
- Senator Abraham: Tomorrow is the Miss UF Pageant, Senator Miller is competing in it. Occurring in the Phillips Center.
- Senator Lima: Encourages people to reach out to him about the 700 codes to work with him.
- Senator Brandies: UF Department of Medicine is hiring scribes.
- Senator Hasan: Pakistani Student Association will be hosting 22<sup>nd</sup> annual Cultural this Saturday, starting at 6:00PM in the Phillips Center.
- Senator Schulte: Committee in the FLC will be hosting an event on April 6th titled “One World, One Campus,” representing many groups. Asks members of various organizations to reach out.
- Senator Berkley: Allocations gave \$5,000 to YAF for their event the event is April 12<sup>th</sup> and encourages everyone to come out.
- Senator Rauseo: Thanks everyone who went to the march in DC or any march against gun violence.
- Senate Pro-Tempore Murphy: April 17th is the one year anniversary for Newell Hall and encourages Senators to reach out to him with ideas to talk about the success Newell Hall has brought in during an appreciation week.

**ROLL CALL:**

- A motion to use voting records for final roll by unanimous consent. Approved.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

- The meeting adjourned at 9:03 PM.