

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES
October 30th, 2018

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 75 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Barnes
- Batten
- Bond
- Cuffe
- Dubois
- Goetz
- Goren
- Hernandez
- Honeycutt
- John
- Morris
- Dilan Patel
- Sneh Patel
- Pepple
- Probert
- Rangel
- Saint
- Schulte
- Tyagi
- Yoss

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Brown Moves to approve the Replacement and Agenda Committee Recommendation of the permanent replacement Pharmacy seat: Robyn Pescatore by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Sandifer Moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1095: Neutrality of Election Officials Act - 700 Codes Revision by unanimous consent. Approved.

- Chairman Sandifer Moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2018-1096: Resolution Identifying Issues with Respect to the University of Florida’s Extension of Financial Aid to Students Affected by Hurricane Maria by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Hurdle moves to hear the approved absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent. Approved.
 - Motion to approve the aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Hurdle moves to approve the failed absence petition: Richard German by unanimous consent. Approved.

PUBLIC DEBATE:

- Minority Party Leader Gatos:
 - Thanks senators for passing the two resolutions related to the financial aid for Puerto Rican students affected by Hurricane Maria.
 - Thanks the bipartisan effort in approaching both the Bright Future side of the problem along with the in-state tuition side of the problem.
 - Looks forward to working with everyone in the future on similar issues.
- Senator Diaz:
 - Thanks everyone for passing the resolution related to Puerto Rican students and financial aid.
 - As a Puerto Rican Student, the chamber has “no idea” how much it means to him.

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

PRESIDENTS REPORT

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT:

- ACCENT Agency Head Gregory Wolfe:
 - Talks about the event over the summer with SNL star Jay Pharoah.
 - More than 70% of the audience for both events during the summer were freshman students.
 - ACCENT is proud to have partnered with the Hispanic Student Association and Hispanic Heritage Month in bringing “Mr. Worldwide,” Pitbull.
 - There was a sold out show, with many people waiting at the gates to take unclaimed seats, all of which were satisfied.
 - For the rest of the fall semester, ACCENT will host Aly Raisman. Talks about what Aly Raisman will talk about and what she is a part of.
 - Tickets are available Monday, November 5th.
 - Many events to look forward to in the upcoming spring semester.
- Chomp the Vote Agency Head Shannon Pinzon and Dylan Santalo:
 - Exactly one week before Election Day.

- Wants to make the final push to get students to the polls.
- Talks about of the initiatives taken to promote the civic duty of voting in this upcoming election, as well as future ones.
- Early Voting Fair tomorrow in the North Lawn.
- Announces the development of “Public Policies Professions Day” in the spring semester upcoming.
- Partnering with different agencies across campus.
- Feel free to reach out at any time with any questions.

SENATE PRESIDENT’S REPORT:

- Senate President Murphy welcomes the senators.
- Asks for a moment of silence in wake of the targeted attack at a Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
- It is homecoming week. Asks everyone to get a ticket for Gator Growl on Friday and go out and support the football team on Saturday.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Shaw welcomes the senators.
- Open Seats that are due this Friday at 12:00pm:
 - Building Construction
 - Graduate
 - Medicine
 - Veterinary Medicine
- Asks that senators visit her office hours.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Gives a rundown of the events that have happened in the last week.
- Did a presentation on behalf of the student body regarding the justification for a 3% increase in this fiscal year’s budget.
- Will keep everyone updated.
- Feel free to reach out to her or email her with any questions.

ALLOCATIONS:

- Senator Adler welcomes the senators.
- Will be having a committee meeting tomorrow at 2:00pm in the SG Conference Room.
- If anyone has any concerns, feel free to email Chairwoman Hernandez.

JUDICIARY:

- Chairman Sandifer welcomes the senators.
- Legislation will be due this Friday at 12:00pm.
- Will be having a legislation writing workshop during a meeting in the coming weeks.
- Gives shoutout to Senator Abraham on the Duwali show.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairman Hurdles welcomes the senators.
- Shares a “throwback” story about his time in the University Auditorium.
- Will show constituency tracker next week in the chamber.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairwoman Jones welcomes senators.
- Mentor/Mentee interest form will be closing this Thursday at 11:59pm.
 - Next Tuesday will be the reveal for the Mentor/Mentee program after Senate.
- Meet your Senator Day will be next Tuesday from 10:00am-12:00pm.
- Added tabling dates for November. Same link that was sent out a few weeks ago, will send it out again tonight.
- Committee will be meeting Monday, November 5th at 8:00am.

SECOND READING

There were none.

FIRST READING:

There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Pro-Tempore Shaw:
 - Gives senators a rundown on how to fill out this meeting’s voter record.
- Senator Adler:
 - Thanks those who attended Soulfest.
 - Homecoming Festival is this Friday from 10am-12pm.
- Senator Perez:
 - Tomorrow is when the applications for Gatorship Retreat close.
 - Make sure to apply.
- Senator Brandies:

- Applications for the College of Medicine Mobile Outreach Clinic are open until November 11th.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:53pm.