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72ND STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

Senate Bill #: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Primary Sponsor: Senator Mougey

Co-Sponsor(s): Senator Adamyk

Date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Purpose & Description: The purpose of this bill is to amend Student Body Statutes Chapter 807 in regards to updating the title "SOAR Board" to "Engagement Ambassadors."

Statute Number(s): Amending 807.4

Statute/Amendment Text (see the text on the following page)

807.4 Construction of the Fund Distribution Committees

- A. Each Fund Distribution Committee will be made up of ten (10) students registered for six (6) or more credit hours in the Fall/Spring Semesters.
 - 1. Senators may be allowed to count toward quorum for RTAC and PAC at the discretion of the Chair.
 - 2. There must be a minimum of three (3) members of the respective committee present for any official business to occur.
 - 3. Members of the Senate Finance Committee shall be excluded to count towards quorum on funding boards.
- B. Students shall apply to be committee members through the online SGA Application. ~~SOAR Board~~ Engagement Ambassadors must forward two (2) members to be on each committee. The Chair of the Union Board must select two (2) members to be on each committee. The remaining five (5) individuals will be members at large. The Student Senate President and Senate President Pro Tempore and the committee chair will select all at large members after an application process. The selected candidates shall be forwarded to the Finance Committee and then to the Senate as a whole for confirmation. If the forwarded candidates of the ~~SOAR Board~~ Engagement Ambassadors are not selected, the new candidates must be forwarded. Members selected from the Union Board need not be confirmed and will take their seats at the committee once the Student Senate President and Committee chair receive the forwarding letter from the Chair of the Union Board.
 - 1. Committee member's terms will last approximately one (1) fiscal year.
 - 2. No committee member may vote on funds for an organization of which they are a member.
 - 3. Committee members will be allowed three (3) excused absences (as defined by Florida State University policy and two (2) unexcused absences, at which point the Chair may remove that member. If the member is from Union Board or ~~Soar Board~~ Engagement Ambassadors, the respective Board must forward another candidate.
 - a. For an absence to be excused, the committee member must email the Chair before the start of the meeting, providing information as to why they will not be present. Such decision shall be subject to the discretion of the Chair.
 - b. A lack of notification prior to the meeting shall be determined excused or unexcused at the discretion of the Chair.
 - c. Two (2) tardies shall count as an unexcused absence.



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Senate Bill #: 92

Primary Sponsor(s): J. Alvarez and Chabot

Co-Sponsor(s): Murcia

Date:

Purpose & Description: Amending the Candidate Screening Process

Statute Number(s): 304.3



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304.3 Candidate Screening Process

- A. Upon the receipt of applications for a vacant position in Student Government Association, a screening process shall be overseen by the Student Body President to determine the most qualified candidate.
- B. The Candidate Screening Process shall take no longer than ten (10) school days from the end of the candidate search period.
- C. The Candidate Screening Process, conducted by the Chief of Staff shall include the following.
 - 1. The Chief of Staff shall interview all candidates.
 - 2. All candidates shall provide the appropriate application as defined in Chapter 307.3, in completed format, demonstrating their qualifications for the position.
 - 3. The interview shall be conducted in a standardized and professional form for all candidates.
 - 4. The interview shall consist of a basic questionnaire outlining the candidate's experience, qualifications, and goals for the respective position.
 - 5. After all candidates have been interviewed, the Student Body President shall forward the candidate deemed most qualified to the Student Senate for confirmation.
- D. The Student Body President may forego the candidate screening process with the exception of Chapter 304.3, subsection C, subsection 5, in cases where the candidate is forwarded to the Student Body President, with a written notice of a proper interview being conducted, by the Agency or Bureau to which the candidate is applying for a position.
- E. It is the responsibility of the Student Body President and the Chief of Staff to ensure that this process is carried out in a fair and constitutional manner. To that end, both shall recuse themselves from the Candidate Screening Process and the processes of determining the most qualified candidate in situations where a candidate for any position has a personal relationship of any kind with the President or Chief of Staff. They shall select, for that particular set of candidates, a non-biased actor or actors to interview candidates for said office and deem the most qualified of those candidates to then be forwarded by the President.
 - 1. The forwarding letter sent to the Senate must include a notice when any recusal occurs for any selection of Officers, stating that there was a recusal and a signed statement from the non-biased actor(s) of their lack of conflict of interest



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Senate Bill #: 93

Sponsored by: Alvarez

Date:

Purpose & Description: Creating Statute 211, enacting an SGA Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Act of 2020

Statute Number(s): 211



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Proviso: This bill shall take effect October 12, 2020

Chapter 211 The Student Government Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Act of 2020

211.1 Purpose and Scope of this Act

The Student Government Association of the Florida State University shall:

- A. Adopt this Statement as the official position of the Student Body.
- B. Post this Statement on the official Student Government website in a place of prominence.
- C. See that this Statement is read aloud, in its entirety, at the Fall and Spring Inaugurations, the first meeting of any new Student Senate in the Fall Semester, the Sine Die meeting of any Student Senate, and the beginning of the State of the Student Body Address.
- D. See that an abbreviated version be used at the beginning of any and all other public meetings of any Student Government organization.

211.2 The Indigenous Land Acknowledgment Statement shall be as follows:

The Student Government of Florida State University acknowledges that it is located on land that is the ancestral and traditional territory of the Apalachee Nation, the Muscogee Creek Nation, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. We pay respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to their descendants and to all Indigenous people. We recognize this land remains scarred by the histories and ongoing legacies of settler colonial violence, dispossession, and removal. In spite of all this, and with tremendous resilience, these Indigenous Nations have remained deeply connected to this territory, to their families, to their communities, and to their cultural ways of life. We recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain with this land and extend our gratitude as we live and work as humble and respectful guests upon their territory. We encourage all to learn about and educate others on the contemporary work of the Indigenous Nations whose land we are on and to endeavor to support Indigenous sovereignty in all the ways that we can.

211.3 The Abbreviated Land Acknowledgement Statement shall be as follows:

The Student Government of Florida State University acknowledges that it is located on land that is the ancestral and traditional territory of the Apalachee Nation, the Muscogee Creek Nation, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. We recognize this land remains scarred by the legacies of violence and removal, we recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain, and we extend our gratitude as we live and work as humble and respectful guests upon their territory. We encourage all to learn about and educate others on the contemporary work of the Indigenous Nations whose land we are on and to endeavor to support Indigenous sovereignty in all the ways that we can.



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Senate Bill #: 94

Primary Sponsor(s): Alvarez, Murcia

Co-Sponsor(s):

Date:

Purpose & Description: Clarifying the timeframe for Senate Confirmations

Statute Number(s): 307.3

307.3 The Student Government Association Applications

The Florida State University, Oglesby Union, 75 N. Woodward Ave., P.O. Box 3064027, Tallahassee, FL 32306-4027
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A. The Student Senate Internal Affairs Committee shall determine the format for the Student Government Association application. Once a format has been originally selected, the Internal Affairs Committee may propose any changes it deems necessary, which must pass the committee as well as the Student Senate by a two thirds (2/3) vote to be formally adopted.

1. Any changes to the existing Student Government Association application shall be done in the period following the Fall Inauguration until Spring inauguration.

B. Applications must be consistent with all rules and regulations of the Student Government Association, as well as those of the Florida State University, state, and federal government.

C. In changing or creating forms, the Internal Affairs committee shall seek the advice of the Attorney General, the Student Body Chief of Staff, the SGA Director of the Student Affairs and the Student Senate Program Assistant.

D. In order for candidates to be interviewed before the next Student Senate meeting, the forwarding letter, must be sent to the ~~Internal Affairs Committee~~ Senate President, ~~by two (2) no later than five (5) business days before the regular committee~~ Senate meeting so it may be assigned to the appropriate Standing Committee time. If the forwarding letter is sent after this deadline but before the Senate meeting, all candidates on the letter shall not be considered by the Senate or any Standing Committee until the following week, while still abiding by Statute 202.2.

1. The Forwarding Letter must include the number of applicants to each position being forwarded, copies of each candidates Application, and any minutes or relevant documents from the interviewing party of the forwarded candidate.



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Senate Bill #: 95

Primary Sponsor(s): Alvarez

Co-Sponsor(s):

Date:

Purpose & Description: Mandating the publication of minutes from any and all SGA meetings

Statute Number(s): 203

203.6 The minutes of any meeting under this chapter shall be recorded at the time of the meeting and such records shall be open to the public and to Student Government Affiliates and be submitted to the SGA Webmaster for publication within two (2) business days following the meeting. The Student Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction to issue injunctions to enforce the purposes of this chapter upon application by any member of the Student Body.



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Senate Bill #: 96

Primary Sponsor(s): Alvarez and Leckie

Co-Sponsor(s):

Date:

Purpose & Description: Refining the Statutory definitions of Majority and Two Thirds to line up with Roberts Rules and general best practices

Statute Number(s): 400.5

400.5 "Majority" and "Two-Thirds" Votes

A majority vote shall be more than half of the votes cast by ~~Senators entitled to vote~~, excluding abstentions, at any properly called meeting at which a quorum is present. A two-thirds (2/3) vote shall be at least two-thirds of the votes cast by ~~Senators entitled to vote~~, excluding abstentions, at any properly called meeting at which a quorum is present. ~~In the case that 25% or more of the votes cast are abstentions, a re-vote is necessary. After three (3) consecutive votes, if no decision is made, the bill will be sent back to committee.~~

- A. In the case that a piece of legislation is on the floor for Second Reading where a vote requires either a majority or two-thirds vote of votes cast, but a majority or two-thirds vote is not met of all Senators present, and 25% or more Senators present have abstained, a revote is necessary. After two (2) additional votes, if no decision is made, the legislation shall be sent to a committee as though it were on first reading.



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Primary Sponsor: Leckie and Alvarez

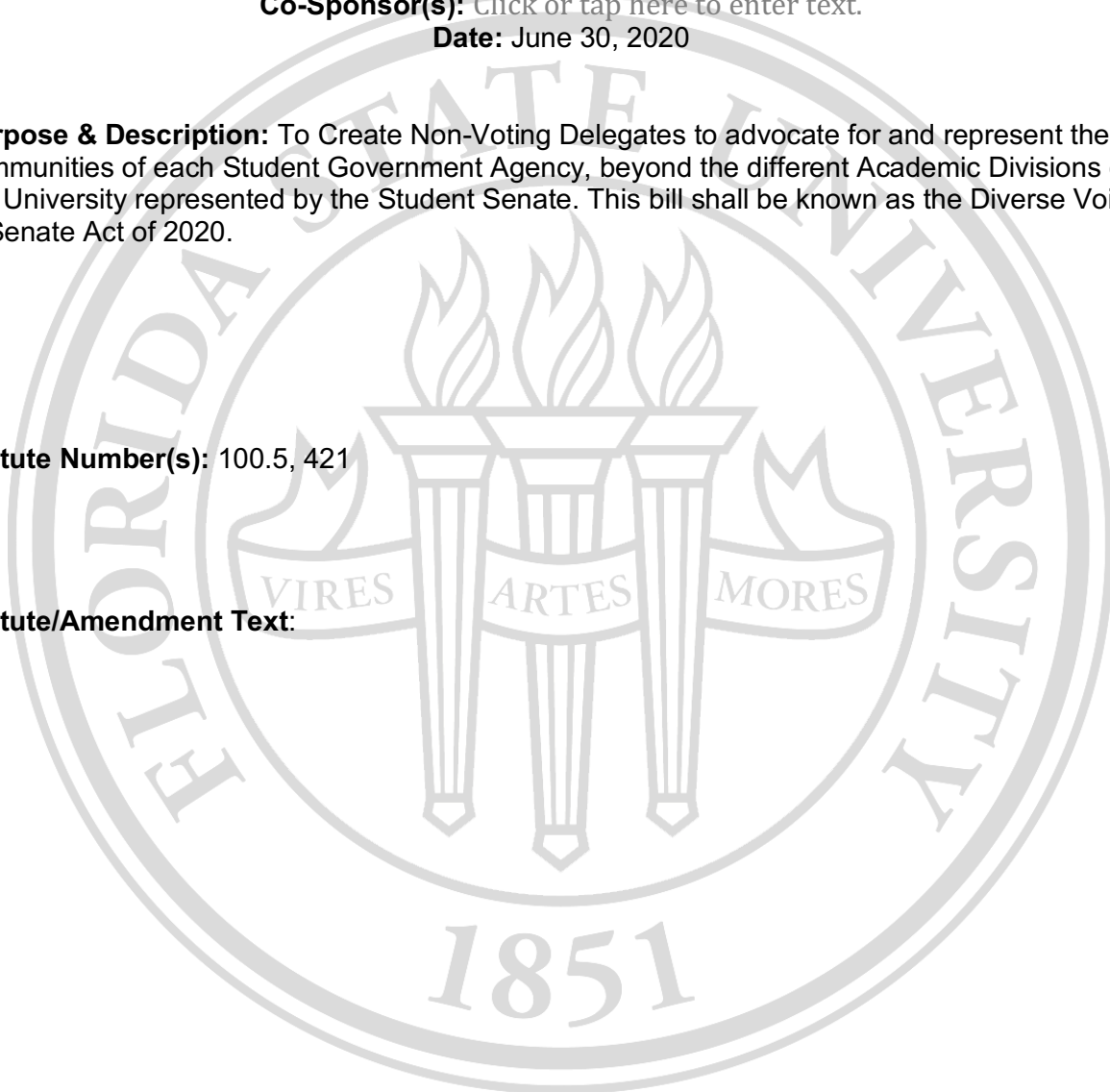
Co-Sponsor(s): [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Date: June 30, 2020

Purpose & Description: To Create Non-Voting Delegates to advocate for and represent the communities of each Student Government Agency, beyond the different Academic Divisions of the University represented by the Student Senate. This bill shall be known as the Diverse Voices in Senate Act of 2020.

Statute Number(s): 100.5, 421

Statute/Amendment Text:



Chapter 100

100.1 . This Chapter shall outline the system of the Student Body Statutes observed by the Senate in enacting Statutes, and by the Attorney General in exercising statutory revision, as well as provide definitions, interpretations, in the construction of, and compliance with, these statutes.

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100.2 There will be eleven titles, each dealing with related and similar topics, and each composed of a number of numerically designated chapters, as follows:

TITLE I	(100-199)	Definitions, Interpretations, Construction and Compliance with the Statutes.
TITLE II	(200-299)	Membership, Powers, and Purpose of the Student Body. Rules pertaining to all branches and entities of Student Government.
TITLE III	(300-399)	The Executive Branch
TITLE IV	(400-499)	The Legislative Branch
TITLE V	(500-599)	The Judicial Branch
TITLE VI	(600-699)	Student Organizations and Extra Curricular Activities
TITLE VII	(700-799)	Elections Code
TITLE VIII	(800-899)	Finance Code
TITLE IX	(900-999)	SGA Bureaus
TITLE X	(1000)	SGA Agencies
TITLE XI	(1100)	SGA Affiliated Projects

100.3 Statutory Formatting

- A. Each Chapter may be subdivided by means of a decimal arrangement. For instance, Chapter 199 may be divided into sections 199.1, 199.2, 199.3, etc. Each section may, in turn, be subdivided by means of uppercase letters and further (after the letters) with whole integers, and further with lowercase letters so that as many subsections are obtained as necessary.
- B. Each section or subsection in the statutes shall have printed a history giving the Senate and Bill numbers in which it was amended.

100.4 All Student Body officers must comply with the Student Body Statutes. Willful and deliberate disregard of these Statutes and/or section thereof shall be grounds of impeachment in accordance with Article VII, Section 3 of the Student Body Constitution.

100.5 Within the Student Body the following elected or appointed offices shall be considered major offices:

Student Body President
Student Body Vice President
Student Body Treasurer
Student Body Attorney General
Executive Chief of Staff
Cabinet Officers
Directors and Assistant Directors, Secretaries, Treasurers of Agencies, Bureaus, and Affiliated Projects
Senators

Non-Voting Delegates to the Student Senate

Union Board Members
Campus Recreation Board Members
Justices of the Student Supreme Court
University Defenders
General Counsels
Clerk of the Court
Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students
Supervisor of Elections
Deputy Supervisors of Elections
President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Senior Class Council
Homecoming and PowWow Directors
Any elected or appointed office which receives OPS Wages from Student Government.

Chapter 421 The Diverse Voices in Senate Act of 2020

421.1 Purpose

The purpose of this act is to establish non-voting Delegates to the Student Senate, hereinafter referred to as Delegates.

421.2 Scope

Delegates will advocate for and represent the communities of each Student Government Agency, beyond the different Academic Divisions of the University represented by the Student Senate, while still ensuring that all legislative powers are held by Senators by not counting towards the total number of Senators.

421.3 Selection and Titles of Delegates

Delegates shall be appointed in a process as determined by each of the six Agencies of Student Government. The Director of each agency must alert the Senate President of

their appointments at least two weeks prior to the Fall Election. Delegates shall be sworn in alongside the Senators elected in the fall. The titles of Delegates shall be as follows:

A. Delegate for Asian American Student Union

B. Delegate for Black Student Union

C. Delegate for Hispanic/LatinX Student Union

D. Delegate for PRIDE Student Union

E. Delegate for Veterans Student Union

F. Delegate for Women Student Union

421.4 Powers and Rights of Delegates

Delegates shall:

A. Not be able to cast votes on Legislation, Amendments to Legislation, Motions to split or reconsider legislation, Candidates for Senate President or President Pro-Tempore, any Candidates for Student Body Office, or any other types of votes determined to be restricted from Delegates by the Senate Rules of Procedure.

B. Not Preside over the Senate, nor be permitted to run to be Senate President or President Pro Tempore.

C. Be permitted the same rights of committee assignment as any Senator outlined in Statute 411 and Senate Rules of Procedure with the right to vote on any matters in their assigned Standing Committee, including during Committee of the Whole, but may not serve as a Committee Chair or Vice Chair.

D. Be permitted to raise any Points outlined by Senate Rules of Procedure.

E. Be permitted to participate in debate.

F. Be permitted to make, second, or object to Motions, except Motions to amend, split, or reconsider legislation.

G. Not be counted for the purposes of establishing Quorum of the Senate.

H. Be given any other rights, powers, and responsibilities prescribed by the Senate Rules of procedure that do not dilute the enumerated powers of the Senate or Senators as outlined within the Constitution of the Student Body or Student Body Statutes.

H. Not be able to introduce any legislation but may be listed as a cosponsor on any item.



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Constitutional Amendment #: 4

Sponsored by: Alvarez

Date:

Purpose & Description: Abolishing the offices of the Student Body President and Vice President, and replacing them with the Executive Council of the Student Body

Const. Article Number(s): Articles II, III, IV, V, VI, and VII of the Student Body Constitution



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Resolved by the Student Senate at Florida State University (with two-thirds concurring therein), that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Student Body, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by two-thirds vote of the Student Body electorate, and

Further resolved, that the following article be placed on the Ballot of the Election in the Spring Academic term of the year 2021, and

Finally resolved, that the following article shall come into effect on August 23rd, 2021 at 12:00am EST, with the sitting Student Body President and Student Body Vice President automatically becoming two of the Councilors elected in the Spring Academic Term.

Statement of Intent:

This amendment exists to break up the Unitary Executive authority of the Student Body President, and instead configure a new body of the Student Government, where no individual person shall have the sole authority to govern without rebuke, and be an equal among their peers in representing the interests of the Student Body.

This amendment creates a popularly elected seven member Executive Council, with mandated rotations of leadership, to fulfill the needs of a functioning executive branch and protecting the Student Government from a Unitary Executive.

ARTICLE II THE LEGISLATURE

Section 5 POWERS AND DUTIES

(A)

4. Confirm appointments of the Student Body ~~President~~ Executive Council by a two-thirds (2/3) vote for appointments to fill vacated offices, and by a majority vote for other appointments. Confirmation of a Supreme Court Justice or Executive Councilor shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote under any circumstances

11. Any ~~vote~~ failed vote by the Student Body ~~President~~ Executive Council may be overridden by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of not less than a quorum of the Senate.

12. Present to the Student Body ~~President~~ Executive Council all bills passed by Senate, within three school days.

ARTICLE III THE EXECUTIVE

Section 1 EXECUTIVE POWERS

All executive powers of the Student Body shall be vested in an ~~President~~ Executive Council of the Student Body, consisting of seven (7) voting members known as Councilors, assisted by the Student Body Vice President, Student Body Treasurer and Student Senate President as ex-officio, non-voting members of the Council, and any other such administrative officers as the



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~~President~~ Executive Council shall appoint in accordance with this Article, and by Statute. ~~The Student Body President shall hereinafter be referred to as the President, and the Student Body Vice President as the Vice President~~

Section 2 ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE POWERS

A. The ~~President~~ voting members of the Executive Council shall each be elected by a plurality of those voting in the Student Body elections.

1. No more than two Councilors in the Executive Council may be enrolled in the same academic division. This provision shall be enforced by Statute.

2. Three Councilors in the Executive Council shall be elected in the Fall, and Four shall be elected in the Spring

~~B. The Vice President shall be the President's running mate.~~

~~CB. There shall be a The Student Body Treasurer who shall be elected by plurality of those voting in the student body elections. The Student Body Treasurer shall have all the powers and duties granted to them by statute.~~

~~D. As specified in Section 2 of this Article, the Student Body Treasurer shall have all the powers and duties granted to him or her by statute.~~

Section 3 DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE ~~PRESIDENT~~ EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The ~~President~~ Executive Council shall:

A. Administer and enforce all laws of the Student Body.

B. Appoint Cabinet members as specified in the Statutes. Such appointments shall require a majority vote of Senate to be approved.

C. Have the power to ~~veto or sign acts of~~ either pass, by majority vote, for fail bills presented by the Senate, provided that they exercise such power within five (5) school days of presentation to the Student Body President Executive Council. A veto failed vote may be overridden by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of not less than a quorum of the Senate.

~~D. As specified in Section 2 of this Article, the Student Body Treasurer shall have all the powers and duties granted to him or her by statute.~~

~~E. Call and preside over meetings of the Student Body.~~

~~FD. Make recommendations for legislation to the Student Senate.~~

~~GE. Address the Senate at the beginning of each semester and at other times upon invitation by the Senate.~~



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H.F. Instruct and require reports from Cabinet members and approve all policies made from them.

I.G. Remove, at their discretion, any officer whom they have appointed to a position in the Executive Branch by majority vote.

J.H. Have the power to call for a referendum by majority vote, subject to two-thirds majority Senate concurrence.

I. Enact its own internal Bylaws by majority vote

Section 4 DUTIES OF THE OTHER EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

~~A. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in his or her absence or upon his or her request.~~

~~B. The Vice President shall coordinate the efforts of the Cabinet and shall serve as coordinator for the formulation and completion of Cabinet projects.~~

~~C. The Office of the Vice President shall direct grievances and ideas to the proper functionary and see that they are acted upon.~~

A. The Councilors shall select, by majority vote, a President of the Council for a one month term, for no more than two terms which shall not be consecutive, while serving in their term as a Councilor. They shall:

1. Preside over meetings of the Council, and only vote when their vote would be decisive

2. Sign all acts made by the Executive Council

3. Oversee the selection of the Vice President of the Council, and the selection of the succeeding President of the Council

a. If there is no incumbent President or Vice President of the Council, the Senate President shall oversee the selection of the succeeding President of the Council and may vote should their vote be decisive

4. Submit appointments for non-major offices to the Student Senate for approval without a vote of the Council, but such appointments must be called for a vote if any other Councilor submits a request for a vote before the Senate takes action

5. Assume any additional duties authorized to them by statute without a vote of the Council, but such actions must be called for a vote if any other Councilor submits a request for a vote on that action

6. Represent the Student Body in times where only one representative is permitted

B. The Councilors shall select a Vice President of the Council for a one month term, for no more than four terms total, wherein no more than two terms may be consecutive while serving in their term as a Councilor. They shall also

1. Assume the duties of the President in their absence, or upon the request of the President if such duties are permitted to the Vice President by statute.

a. In the case of a permanent vacancy of the Councilor serving as the President, the Vice President shall serve as President of the Council for the remainder of that given month. This will count towards their two term limit while serving as a Councilor, and, should they have already exceeded their two term limit upon filling the Vacancy, the Senate shall determine by two-thirds (2/3) vote if this is permissible for the remainder of that given month. If not found permissible, the



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Senate President will then serve as Acting President of the Council until the month is over, but may not vote on any matters before the Council.

2. Coordinate the efforts of the Cabinet and shall serve as coordinator for the formulation and completion of Cabinet projects.

3. Assume any additional duties authorized to them by statute without a vote of the Council, but such actions must be called for a vote if any other Councilor submits a request for a vote on that action.

C. The term limits for the offices of President of the Executive Council shall be waived during the summer semester, but during such time, the individual authority of those offices outlined in Clauses (A)(4), (A)(5), and (B)(3) of this Section shall be void, meaning all actions by the President on behalf of the Executive Council must be voted upon.

D. As specified in Section 2 of this Article, the The Student Body Treasurer shall have all the appropriate powers and duties granted to them by statute.

Section 5 ~~PRESIDENT'S~~ THE EXECUTIVE CABINET

There shall be a Cabinet to assist and advise the ~~President~~ Executive Council, the membership of which shall be determined by Statutes.

ARTICLE IV JUDICIARY

Section 3 SUPREME COURT

B. Procedures

2. The Chief Justice shall preside over sessions of the Supreme Court. If the Chief Justice, in their absences, fails to designate an Acting Chief Justice, then the Executive Council of the Student Body President shall designate an Associate Justice to be acting Chief Justice

C. The Supreme Court shall have jurisdiction:

5. To issue advisory opinions concerning student rights under the Student Body Constitution upon request of the ~~Student Body President~~ any Councilor or any Senator.

Section 5 SELECTION AND VACANCIES

A. Justices shall be appointed by the Executive Council of the Student Body President confirmed by Student Senate as follows:

1. Once confirmed by the Senate, Justices shall serve until they graduate, resign, or are impeached, unless the Supreme Court fail to remove them from office. Within six weeks after a vacancy on the Court occurs, the Executive Council of the Student Body President shall select a nominee for each vacant position and present these names to the Senate. The Chief Justice of the Student Supreme Court shall be responsible for notifying the Executive Council of the Student Body President of any vacancy on the Court.



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2. Before choosing a nominee, the Executive Council of the Student Body President shall submit the candidate's application forms to the Student Bar Association at the College of Law. The Student Bar Association shall then interview each candidate and submit a written opinion on the fitness and qualifications of each candidate to serve on the Court to the Executive Council of the Student Body President. The Executive Council of the Student Body President shall then forward one of the candidates to the Student Senate for confirmation.

ARTICLE V ELECTIONS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Section 1 TIME OF ELECTION

A. Executive Council, Senate and Campus Recreation Board elections will be held in the Fall academic term as provided by Statute.

B. ~~Student Body President, Student Body Vice President~~ Executive Council, Student Body Treasurer, Union Board, Senior Class Council officers, all elected Agency, Bureau and Affiliated Projects Officers, and Senate elections will be held in the Spring academic term as provided by Statute.

Section 7 VACANCIES

A. In the event of a vacancy ~~of all Councilors in the Office of the President, the Vice President shall assume that office for the remainder of the Presidential term. If the office of Vice President should happen to be vacant at the same time as that of the President,~~ the Senate President shall assume the Office of the President of the Executive Council for one month, and serve as a Councilor for the remainder of the ~~Presidential shortest Councilor~~ term, followed by the Student Senate President Pro Tempore, and the Student Body Treasurer, in that order. The individual, who has become acting President ~~of the Executive Council~~ for the remainder of the ~~Presidential shortest Councilor~~ term, shall then appoint a new ~~Vice President set of Councilors~~ from within the ranks of the student body. ~~This appointment~~ These appointments shall be subject to individual confirmation by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate. If there is a vacancy in the Office of the Student Body Treasurer, and no Deputy Treasurer is available to fill the vacancy, then the ~~President~~ Executive Council shall have the power to appoint a new Student Body Treasurer for the remainder of the original ~~Presidential~~ term, subject to confirmation by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Student Senate.

B. All other vacancies created in elected Student Body offices, except for those in the Union and Recreation Boards, the Congress of Graduate Students, in Agencies, Bureaus, and Affiliated Projects with campus-wide elected officers, as well as in the Senior Class Council, shall be filled by appointment by the Executive Council of the Student Body President, with confirmation by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate, provided all succeeding officers have the same constitutional qualifications as the



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originally elected officers. Vacancies in the above listed offices shall be filled as provided for in the Student Body Statutes, except that if no pertinent statute exists then the Executive Council of the Student Body President shall have the power of appointment by default.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENT PROCESS AND REFERENDUM ELECTIONS

Section 2 REFERENDUM

The Student Body may demand a referendum election upon the properly signed petition of at least five hundred (500) students. The Executive Council of the Student Body President can also demand a referendum election with a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Senate. The result of the election shall serve as a mandate for the Student Body Government provided that ten percent (10%) of the Student Body shall have participated in the election. At no time shall a referendum election demand any result that would violate the provisions of the Student Body Constitution or any result contrary to federal, state, local or university law.

Section 4

B. Such questions shall be placed on the ballot in the same manner as referenda, although they shall only require a properly signed petition of at least two hundred (200) students, or a majority vote of the Senate at the request of the Executive Council of the Student Body President. However, they may only be used to access student opinion on issues and shall not be binding on Student Government, nor subject to Court Review before being placed on the ballot.

ARTICLE VII RECALL OF STUDENT BODY OFFICIALS

Section 2 NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR A PETITION OF RECALL

A. Pertaining to the recall of campus-wide elected officers (Councilors in the Executive Council of the Student Body President, Student Body Vice President, Student Body Treasurer, Campus Recreation Board Members, Elected Agency, Bureau, and Affiliated Project personnel, and Union Board Members) 1,500 signatures.

Section 4 REMOVAL

B. Upon impeachment by the Senate of a Supreme Court Justice, the Justice shall be automatically suspended. The Executive Council of the Student Body President shall appoint an acting Justice who shall serve only in the impeachment proceedings. The temporary appointee shall have the same qualifications of a Justice, but need not go through the normal nomination



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process required under Article IV, Section 5, except for being nominated by the Executive Council of the Student Body President and confirmed by Senate.





Senate Resolution 72nd Student Senate

Senate Resolution #: 58

Primary Sponsor(s): Alvarez

Co-Sponsor(s):

Date:

WHEREAS: There has been confusion over the manner in which Senators who are unsuspended by the Rules & Calendar Committee due to excessive absences may be absent for future meetings following their acquittal, and

WHEREAS: Article II, Section 5, Clause A (1) of the Constitution of the Student Body states, "(Senate shall) Enact its own Rules of Procedure, which shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote", therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SEVENTY-SECOND STUDENT SENATE THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY THAT: These following Rules be amended as follows:

13.8 Penalties:

- a. If a Senator is absent for three (3) committee meetings, they shall be required to meet with their Chair to determine whether or not they should be reassigned. If a decision is not reached in that meeting, the committee may, by a majority vote, expel a member who has received three (3) absences. The expelled member shall be reassigned to a different committee by the Senate President.
 1. If a senator knows that they will not be able to attend the regularly scheduled meetings of a committee, it is their responsibility to meet with the Senate President regarding a reassignment prior to absences being accrued.
- b. Any senator who accumulates seven (7) absences, both excused and unexcused, shall be automatically suspended and forwarded to the Rules & Calendar Committee for review over the senator's absences. Suspended senators shall not be considered in determining quorum, nor shall they be entitled to any rights or privileges of a Senator, except for those related to due process of potential impeachment proceedings.
 1. Taking the number of both excused and unexcused absences into consideration, the Rules & Calendar Committee shall decide if the Senator is capable of continuing their work as a Senator in good faith. If the Rules & Calendar Committee finds that the Senator is no longer capable on consistent attendance, they shall then forward the Senator to the Judiciary Committee for impeachment proceedings, and the Judiciary Committee and shall conduct those meetings according to all of the laws and rules related to impeachment contained in these rules, Statutes, and the Constitution.
 2. If the Rules & Calendar Committee finds that the Senator is capable of continuing their work as a Senator in good faith, they shall unsuspend the Senator, then propose and vote on any number of additional absences that the Senator may accumulate before being suspended and subject to review by the Rules & Calendar committee again.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: A copy of this resolution is sent to the following:
Ahmad Daraldik, President of the Student Senate



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Dr Danielle Acosta, SGA Director
Ben Young, SGA Webmaster





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Resolution #: 59

Primary Sponsor: Senators Rudd, Adamyk

Co-Sponsor(s): Senators Adams, Cusnier, England, Mougey, Murray, Selva, Stinson

Date: 06/19/2020

Whereas: Jewish students at Florida State University are currently underrepresented within student government, and

Whereas: We affirm that the Florida State University Student Government Association Student Senate recognizes the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA) Definition of Antisemitism, and

Whereas: The IHRA working definition of Antisemitism is acknowledged as follows: "Anti-Semitism is a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as hatred toward Jews. Rhetorical and physical manifestations of anti-Semitism are directed toward Jewish or non-Jewish individuals and/or their property, toward Jewish community institutions and religious facilities," and

Whereas: We assure the student body that we, Student Senators of Florida State University, will continue to advocate for Jewish and Israeli students on campus. As Jewish students do not have a Kosher option available to them at Florida State University dining halls, Jewish cultural and religious observances are not considered properly by the administration faculty and student government when planning events, and in the Fall of 2019 a vendor was permitted on campus who sold Nazi flags, and

Whereas: We acknowledge every student who bravely spoke at the Senate meeting in the vote of no-confidence by Senate President Dardik, along with those who have reached out to their Senators personally, and

Whereas: We recognize that the statements made by President Daraldik caused deep hurt and fear to the Jewish and Israeli communities, as well as to many other students at Florida State University. Hateful rhetoric in any form is unacceptable, whether intentional or not it is our duty to represent each unique identity, perspective, and community at Florida State University, and

Whereas: We affirm that as Senators we will continue to advocate and do better for the 4,000+ Jewish students on the Florida State University's campus. We as student leaders must be held to the highest standard, and in a representative position of power, we must be actively educating ourselves on the identities, perspectives, and struggles of those that we represent, and

Whereas: This has highlighted the need for diversity and bias training in the Senate, which we are actively working to implement and encourage inside and outside the chambers. We acknowledge the need to engage and spearhead difficult conversations and through trainings to further foster the culture of diversity and inclusion that Florida State University promises, and

Whereas: We vow to continue to represent the student body, and to work to unite the Jewish, Israeli, and Palestinian communities on campus. To acknowledge that progress is made only through unity, collaboration, and education. It is our goal as student representatives to move forward together through engagement, dialogue, and action, and

Whereas: The Student Senate, Student Government, and Florida State University needs to take both short- and long-term action to ensure that Florida State University is a just, fair, and welcoming place for all students,

Be it resolved by the Seventy-second Student Senate at Florida State University that: The Student Senate is hereby committed to the following:

1. Immediately appointing a senate liaison for Hillel FSU to increase Jewish communication and representation within Student Government
2. Holding all members of the Student Government Association accountable to being educated on Jewish culture and anti-Semitism through communication with the Jewish community on campus
3. Supporting the creation of a task force with Florida State University's administration and Alumni Association to advise on policies that impact Florida State University's Jewish community and engage Jewish students at Florida State University

Be it further resolved that: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

John Thrasher, President of Florida State University
Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President of Student Affairs
Representative Mike Caruso, State of Florida Representative
Jonathan Levin, Florida State University Student Body President
Nastassia Janvier, Student Body Vice President of Florida State University
Julie Decker, President and CEO of the FSU Alumni Association
Dr. Danielle Acosta, Director of Student Governance and Advocacy
Dan Leshem, Executive Director of Hillel FSU
Jenny Williams, Assistant Director of Hillel FSU
Samantha Jacobsen, NolePac Director
Cindy Chamides, President of FSU Noles for Israel
Logan Stinson, FSU Christians for Israel Executive Board
Aleksandra Zimmerman, Chabad at Florida State University Advisor
Robert Arkinson, Jewish Law Students Association Advisor
Cathy Levenson, Jewish Medical Association Advisor



72ND STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 60

Primary Sponsor: Waters, Garcia

Co-Sponsor(s): A. Alvarez, J. Alvarez, Gabadage, Gonzalez, Medley-Neyra, Palacio, Tookes

Date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Whereas: Florida State University's Football stadium is named after Doak Campbell, a staunch segregationist and,

Whereas: Doak Campbell led many initiatives to sequester Black voices including suppressing Florida State's Florida Flambeau from writing editorials supporting integration, canceling a regional conference of the American Association of College Professors because FAMU professors planned to attend, while also being outspoken against the admission of Black students and,

Whereas: Florida State University now lists "Foster a campus culture that celebrates diversity & inclusion" under Goal 3 of the 2017-2022 Strategic Plan and,

Whereas: "Diversity and Inclusion" should be interpreted as acknowledging the ways that our university & its leaders have worked to sustain institutional systems of oppression including explicit and implicit acts of segregation and suppression of Black voices and,

Whereas: Charlie Ward was the first football player to clinch the Heisman Trophy from Florida State University in addition to being the only Heisman Trophy Winner to ever play in the NBA and,

Whereas: Charlie Ward boasted an unprecedented college football career including being a key player that helped FSU secure its first-ever national title and,

Whereas: He secured every single award he was eligible for as a Senior Quarterback on Florida States' 1993 National Championship Team and,

Whereas: Ward's current position as the Head Boys Basketball Coach for the Florida State University High School basketball team in Tallahassee, FL shows his profound devotion to serving the Tallahassee community and his alma mater on and off the field and,

Whereas: A petition has gathered approximately 3,000 signatures in support of changing the name of Bobby Bowden Field to the Charlie Ward Field and,

Whereas: Charlie Ward has served as a beacon of inspiration to all Florida State athletes hoping to achieve similar successes, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Seventy-second Student Senate at Florida State University that: he 72nd Student Senate urges The Florida State University President's Advisory Panel on University Naming's and Recognitions and the FSU Board of Trustees to rename Bobby Bowden Field to Charlie Ward Field in conjunction with renaming the Doak Campbell Stadium to an individual who has shown unwavering support to all marginalized communities and,

Be it further resolved that: Should the Advisory Panel and the Board of Trustees be unable to rename the Field to Charlie Ward Field, that the Senate then urges the Panel and the Board to consider any other member of FSU's Black community in addition to reviewing all other statues, roads, and buildings that are named after segregationists to cement our university's progress and commitment to Black voices and,

Be it further resolved that: Should neither the President's Advisory Panel nor the FSU Board of Trustees take action, the Student Senate urges Student Body President Jonathan Levin to use his authority as a member of the Board of Trustees to advocate for the renaming of Doak Campbell Stadium and Bobby Bowden Field on behalf of the Student Body and,

Be it further resolved that: A copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

Mr. John Thrasher, President of Florida State University

Edward Burr, FSU Board of Trustees Chair

Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs

Jonathan Levin, Student Body President

Nastassia Janvier, Student Body Vice President

Ahmad Omar Daraldik, Student Senate President

Mr. Charlie Ward, FSU High School Head Boys Basketball Coach

Ms. Reshina Gibbs: Vice President for Human Resources and Finance and Administration Chief of Staff

Dr. Camron Beatty, Black Faculty and Staff Network

Charee Williams, Black Alumni Association President

Mr. Andy Miller, Seminole Boosters Inc. President and CEO

Mr. David Coburn, Florida State University Athletics Director

Mr. Mike Norvell, Florida State Head Football Coach

Ms. Julie Decker, FSU Alumni Association

Jaze Shaw-Young, FSU NAACP President

D'Vodrek Ponder, Black Student Union President



72ND STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 61

Primary Sponsor: Garcia, Waters

Co-Sponsor(s): A. Alvarez, J. Alvarez, Gabadage, Gonzalez, Medley-Neyra, Palacio

Date: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

Whereas: Florida State University is committed to recognizing individuals who uphold the pillars of Vires, Artes, & Mores and,

Whereas: Since 1975 Ms. Eva Killings has touched the lives of students, faculty, and staff in an unprecedented and distinguished way as a woman of strength, skill, and character and,

Whereas: Ms. Eva Killings has dedicated greater than 40 years at Florida State University to fulfilling her job duties diligently and with grace by always going the extra mile to make sure all students, staff, and guests feel welcome and loved at our university and,

Whereas: Regardless of race, religion, sexuality, gender, or class Ms. Killings has made it her commitment to accepting all people by being a shoulder to cry on, a beacon of light, and iterating her support by always saying "I love you" with a warm embrace to each person that walks through the doors of our campus eateries and,

Whereas: Ms. Killings was honored for her hard work and determination, by the Garnet & Gold Key Leadership Honorary Society and,

Whereas: The 71st Student Senate honored Ms. Killings with the Senate Award for Excellence through Resolution 64 by Unanimous Consent and,

Whereas: Ms. Killings has been recognized in national publications such as Forbes Magazine and,

Whereas: The Florida State University is made a better place due to her undying commitment and embodiment of the University's three pillars of strength, skill, and character through her service as the Ambassador of Seminole dining, therefore

Be it resolved by the Seventy-second Student Senate at Florida State University that: The 72nd Student Senate urges The Florida State University President's Advisory Panel on University Naming's and Recognitions and the FSU Board of Trustees to rename Suwannee Room to the Eva Killings Suwannee Room, and

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72ND STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 62

Primary Sponsor: Leckie and Gonzalez

Co-Sponsor(s): Waters, Garcia, Gabadage, Mougey, Rudd

Date: June 30th, 2020

Whereas: Greater than 50% of the student population of the Florida State University is White, making the university a Predominantly White Institution (PWI), and,

Whereas: Other institutions of higher learning, including the University of Michigan, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Emory University, and more require some form of a Race and Ethnicity general education credit before graduation, and,

Whereas: The Los Angeles Unified School District, the second largest school district in the United States, requires the completion of a Race and Ethnicity credit before high school graduation, and,

Whereas: The Florida State University does not currently require a race and ethnicity general education requirement, and,

Whereas: More than 8,000 individuals have signed a petition urging the Florida State University to require all students, regardless of major, to satisfy a Race and Ethnicity general education credit for graduation, and,

Whereas: Preparing students for a successful future in an increasingly diverse world warrants educating them on the differences in culture, background, and ethnicity, and,

Whereas: The demographic makeup of the student population of the Florida State University is not representative of the general population of the United States, and,

Whereas: FSU lists "Foster a campus culture that celebrates diversity & inclusion" under the Diversity & Inclusion section in the 2017-2022 Strategic Plan?, and,

Whereas: The Florida State University touts being a leader on Diversity and Inclusion but has yet to adopt a Race and Ethnicity credit requirement, similar to our peer universities, for all students studying at its institution, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Seventy-second Student Senate at Florida State University that: The Florida State University should require the completion of a race and ethnicity credit before graduation for all students, preferably taught by professors of color, that specifically targets education on the historic ways these marginalized communities have been kept inferior to the majority.

Be it further resolved that: A copy of this resolution be sent to the following:

John Thrasher, President of Florida State University

Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs

Dr. Sally E. McRorie, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Ahmad Omar Daraldik, Student Senate President

Jonathan Levin, Student Body President

Nastassia Janvier, Student Body Vice President