



**72nd Student Senate
Internal Affairs Committee
1/28/20 20 in Thagard 401**

Call to Order: 8:16 pm

Members Present: Acanda, Adams, Baxter, Donnelly, Blackthorne, Baxter, Villacorta, Brink

Members Tardy: none

Members Absent: Kill, Touissant

Guests: Porter, Murcia, Rios, Durham

Announcements: none

Committee Business: confirmations and Bill 24

Old Business: Bill 24

New Business:

Bill 24- Levin, Slimak

Opening: creates mental health council bureau, way for orgs to partner, normalize based on Remove the Mask RSO, establish space for campus to normalize mental health, partnered with Exec Branch.

Technical, non-debatable:

Villacorta- spoken to Counseling Center?

Answer: no

Villacorta- Spoken to RENEW?

Answer: no

Donnelly: Has anyone been spoken to from any mental health focused RSO?

A: Just remove the mask

Q: Are you transferring the e-board from RTM to MHC?

A: No

Roundtable:

Villacorta moves to enter

Donnelly seconds

Q: Villacorta- Why a credit hour requirement?

A: Same way that senate has one, students should be engaged and on campus.

Q: Donnelly- would you add someone from the counseling center on the board?

A: sure

Q: Adams- is this merging remove the mask?

A: Yes

Bill 24-

Voting Results:

Yes- (1) Adams

No- (5) Acanda, Blackthorne, Brink, Donnelly, Villacorta

Abs. - (0)

- **Interview One- Olivia Hopkins- WSU Assistant Director**
 - **Opening Statement- Senior, dance major, loves being involved, currently Director of Admin. for WSU**
 - **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions-**
 - **Donnelly- did the previous AD step down?**
 - **No, previous director stepped down, AD stepped up**
 - **Questions Related to Position-**
 - **Donnelly- how has your previous experience prepared you for this position?**
 - **Got to do a lot with PR, figuring out what the student body wants**
 - **Adams- what are some of your goals?**
 - **Main goal is for successful Women's History Month, and support the director**
 - **Donnelly- how will you reach out to people that don't know about WSU?**
 - **Talk to friends, word of mouth**

- **Questions of Character-**
 - **Villacorta- how do you handle conflict?**
 - **Direct confrontation as a friend, everyone on the board is friends, approaches people with an open mind, wants to hear both sides**
 - **Acanda- How do you keep yourself accountable and organized?**
 - **Uses reminders app, writes everything down**
 - **Donnelly- how would you look to serve WSU but also the student body?**
 - **Wants to be a servant leader**
 - **Other Questions- none**
 - **Closing- thank you**
 - **Deliberations**
 - **Roundtable**
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Villacorta moves**
 - **Donnelly seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
 - **Yes- (6) Acanda, Adams, Blackthorne, Brink, Donnelly, Villacorta**
 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**
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- **Interview Two- Sean Crimmins- Chief Financial Officer VSU**
 - **Opening Statement- enlisted in US Army in 2007, deployed, two purple hearts, wants to become an officer to affect change**
 - **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions-**
 - **Villacorta- financially certified?**
 - **Has submitted the exam**
 - **Questions Related to Position-**
 - **Acanda- goals for the position and previous experiences that would help?**
 - **Is still playing catch up from the last CFO, wants to incorporate more of the veteran community, bringing them all together, how they can all work with each other**
 - **Brink- how do you plan to reach out to other veterans on campus?**
 - **Has recently allied with CVU, a lot of outreach in the form of social media and visual media**
 - **Villacorta- how have you worked with the VSU board?**
 - **Has met with them and worked together**

- **Donnelly- how do you ease the transition from active duty to college?**
 - **Contacting them as soon as they know they're coming in, have more events to invite them to, meeting them individually, FSU is different than what you expect college to be**
 - **Questions of Character-**
 - **Donnelly- how would you look to serve both the VSU and the student body?**
 - **Being a good ambassador and helping veterans integrate back into the community and bring every group into the community**
 - **Other Questions-**
 - **Porter- VSU has the smallest budget of the agencies, how do you plan on stretching that?**
 - **A lot of it has already been allocated, but the group being veterans helps with donations and discounts**
 - **Closing- is really impressed with the students and wants to help break down barriers to help everyone listen to each other**
 - **Deliberations**
 - **Roundtable**
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Villacorta moves**
 - **Acanda seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
 - **Yes- (6) Acanda, Adams, Blackthorne, Brink, Donnelly, Villacorta**
 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**
- **Unfinished Business- none**
- **Final Announcements- Bureau Review next week and the week after, Feb. 4 and Feb. 11**
- **Date and Time of Next Meeting- Feb. 4, 8 pm**
- **Adjourned- 9:41 pm**