



**72nd Student Senate
Internal Affairs Committee
2/10/2020 in Thagard 401**

Call to Order: 8:11 pm

Members Present: Adams, Baxter, Villacorta, Toussaint, Blackthorne, Kill, Donnelly

Members Tardy: none

Members Absent: Acanda, Brink

Guests: Harmon, Denton, Durham, Demetrius Wynn

Announcements: none

Committee Business: confirmations, Bill 29

Old Business: Bill 29

New Business:

- **BILL 29- sponsored by Durham (P) Lavender (Co)**
- **Opening Statement- Student Council for Accessibility Advocation (SCAA), FSU is ADA compliant but not where we want it to be, discussions with exec have led to the creation of this, \$2500 in budget allocated towards accessibility**
- **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions- none**
- **Other Questions- none**
- **Closing- Thank you, we have been working on this for months, we look forward to seeing this in senate**
- **Deliberations**
 - Roundtable
 - Blackthorne- what orgs support this?
 - Wynn- University of Choice RSO would like to collaborate
 - Lavender- people involved in disability
 - Villacorta- What is U of Choice?
 - Wynn- puts on programming based on accessibility, hasn't done much this semester
 - Villacorta- has the SDRC been contacted?
 - Wynn- they have been consulted and want to advise directly, are on board

- Durham- SDRC was important in how we wanted this to be structured
 - Blackthorne- mental accessibility?
 - Wynn- volume control, how people interact in certain spaces
 - Villacorta- why a bureau?
 - Durham- using SGA funding and working with other orgs like Homecoming to bring awareness
 - Villacorta moves to amend SCA advocacy to advocacy
 - Sponsor finds friendly
 - Donnelly- some places where you think access can be improved?
 - Wynn- chipped sidewalks and heavy doors are examples
 - Lavender- mental accessibility especially isn't super prevalent at SGA events like Homecoming
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Villacorta moves**
 - **Donnelly seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
 - **Yes- (7) Adams, Blackthorne, Donnelly, Toussaint, Kill, Villacorta, Denton**
 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**
- **Interview One- Katelyn Robinson- TLI Director**
 - **Opening Statement- transfer student, came as a sophomore, found a home in TLI**
 - **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions-**
 - **Villacorta- financially certified?**
 - **No**
 - **Questions Related to Position-**
 - **Donnelly- what has been your experience with TLI?**
 - **Roommate was involved, encouraged involvement, was a grounding experience**
 - **Donnelly- how do you think your role as facilitator of internal affairs has prepared you?**
 - **Got an idea of what the exec board was like and how the director job is**
 - **Villacorta- Concrete goals?**
 - **The mentorship program lacked structure, not a lot of accountability between mentor and mentee**

- **Donnelly- how will you engage transfer students?**
 - **Doing more outreach and making themselves more visible, table more regularly, be at other org events and at orientations for transfers**
 - **Questions of Character-**
 - **Villacorta- how do you handle conflict?**
 - **Had a previous problem, talked with the person calmly and sought advice from others**
 - **Toussaint- how do you plan on connecting with the participants?**
 - **More person to person interactions**
 - **Other Questions- none**
 - **Closing- TLI has become a home, has a lot of plans, excited to get started**
 - **Deliberations**
 - **Roundtable**
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Donnelly moves**
 - **Villacorta seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
 - **Yes- (6) Adams, Blackthorne, Donnelly, Kill, Toussaint, Villacorta**
 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**
- **Interview Two- Pearson Bolt- CPE Assisstant Director**
 - **Opening Statement- interviewed last semester for the secretary position, is really passionate about CPE, has been involved with it for 2 years, is a PhD candidate, believes in the mission of CPE and their teaching philosophies**
 - **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions- none**
 - **Questions Related to Position-**
 - **Toussaint- what made you join CPE?**
 - **Had gone to a CPE class and became interested in collaborative learning**
 - **Villacorta- How would you continue to support the mission of CPE and grow the bureau?**
 - **We're now teaching multiple classes a week, wants to build relationships with the people coming to classes and preparing them to teach classes, as well as publicizing CPE more to the student body, average attendance has tripled**
 - **Questions of Character-**

- **Donnelly- what made you want to get your PhD?**
 - Loves to learn and teach, gets a lot of out his students and loves interacting with the students
 - **Other Questions- none**
 - **Closing- thank you, appreciates our work, would love to have us at CPE classes**
 - **Deliberations**
 - Roundtable
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Donnelly moves**
 - **Kill seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
 - **Yes- (6) Adams, Blackthorne, Donnelly, Toussaint, Kill, Villacorta**
 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**
 - **Interview Three- Cameron Bickley- VSU Internal Director**
 - **Opening Statement- enlisted in the Air Force after high school, in second semester at FSU, became involved in VSU**
 - **Technical, Non-Debatable Questions-**
 - **Questions Related to Position-**
 - **Donnelly- what has been your experience with VSU?**
 - Has gone to events, met some of the student veterans here
 - **Villacorta- how will you help VSU's mission?**
 - Helping to grow VSU through retention methods with student veterans on campus
 - **Questions of Character-**
 - **Blackthorne- elaborate on servant leadership?**
 - Likes helping others
 - **Other Questions- none**
 - **Closing- thank you**
 - **Deliberations**
 - Roundtable
 - **Call to Question**
 - **Villacorta moves**
 - **Donnelly seconds**
 - **Voting Results**
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 - **No- (0)**
 - **Abs.- (0)**

Alex Tharpe- CPE Director

Donnelly moves to table

Villacorta seconds

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- **Unfinished Business- none**
- **Final Announcements- none**
- **Date and Time of Next Meeting- 2/1/2020, 8:15 pm**
- **Adjourned- 9:15**