



**73rd Student Senate
Finance Committee Agenda
March 2nd, 2021 | Zoom Meeting ID: 394 498 4054**

Call to Order: 5:34pm

Members Present: Chair Rudolph, Vice Chair Soto, Senators Grunberger, Lessard, Marcus, Reed, Suarez, Villacorta

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Members Absent: Senator Kilinc, Schaler, Tookes

Guests: Chair Randall, Chair Roy, Omer Turkomer, Trevor Murray, Olivia VanBenekom

Approval of the Minutes:

- Senator Grunberger motions to approve the minutes from the February 23rd, 2021 meeting
- Senator Marcus seconds
- **MOTION PASSES**

Announcements:

- None

Student Comments:

- None

Committee Business:

- **PAC Candidate Omer Turkomer**
 - Opening statement: Hello everyone! My name is Omer Turkomer. I am a Turkish-American citizen, and this is my first year at FSU. I am majoring in Political Science and minoring in Economics. Every student pays money for Student Government and I realized that PAC reallocates money to different student organizations, which made me realize that I wanted to be a part of this process. I know that things have been different due to COVID, but I still want to be a part of this process and help different student organizations receive funding.
 - Senator Marcus: Is the candidate financially certified?
 - Candidate Turkomer: Yes, I believe I am.
 - Senator Marcus: Have you taken the financial certification exam that FSU offers to students?
 - Candidate Turkomer: Oh, then I have not.



- Senator Marcus: **POI**- Does the candidate have to be financially certified in order to be confirmed and be a member of the PAC committee?
- Senator Lessard motions to let a non-committee member to speak
- Senator Suarez seconds
- **MOTION PASSES**
- PAC Chair Roy: They do not have to be financially certified when being confirmed into PAC, but once they do get confirmed, they have to take the exam before they can start serving.
- Senator Lessard motions to call to question
- Senator Marcus seconds
- **MOTION PASSES**
- Closing statement: I just wanted to address the financial certification part of the conversation. If I do get confirmed, then I will ask PAC Chair Roy for all of the information so that I can get started on that.
- Vote: Y: 7 Grunberger, Lessard, Marcus, Reed, Suarez, Villacorta, Soto N: 0 A: 0
- **CANDIDATE PASSES**
- **RTAC Resolution #9**
 - Opening statement: Thank you all for hearing this resolution today! RTAC heard from the Undergraduate Mock Trial yesterday at 5:15pm, and this is a competition that is hosted nationally, in which they host three related tournaments every year. This was passed unanimously in committee, and I hope for your support.
 - Senator Marcus: Is the Undergraduate Mock Trial eligible to still receive funding from RTAC and PAC?
 - Chair Randall: What you are thinking about is the SAP, in which the Undergraduate Mock Trial has never requested funding from them.
 - Senator Lessard moves to call to question
 - Senator Marcus seconds
 - **MOTION PASSES**
 - Closing statement: Thank you all for considering this resolution, and I just found out last night that most students attend FSU because of the Mock Trial.
 - Vote: Y: 6 Lessard, Marcus, Reed, Suarez, Villacorta, Soto N: 0 A: 0 (Grunberger was present, but did not vote)
 - **RESOLUTION PASSES**
- **Committee Roundtable**
 - Senator Villacorta motions to enter committee roundtable
 - Senator Marcus seconds
 - **MOTION PASSES**
 - Senator Lessard: I do know that there is some stuff going around about elections, so it could be interesting getting new committee members soon. New senators will not be confirmed until the court cases are finalized.
 - Chair Randall: We are looking at possibly a \$20k-\$30k transfer from RTAC funds at the end of March or early April. I will be reaching out to The Union and express interest in possibly funding programs within The Union.



- Senator Lessard motions to exit roundtable discussion
- Senator Suarez seconds
- **MOTION PASSES**

Old Business:

- **None**

New Business:

- **Confirmations and Nominations**
 - **PAC Candidate Omer Turkomer**
- **Bills and Resolutions**
 - **RTAC Resolution #9**
 - Undergraduate Mock Trial: funded \$500 in registration fees
 - **Resolution total: \$500**
- **Potential Committee Roundtable**

Unfinished Business:

- **None**

Final Announcements:

- Senator Marcus: I recommend committee members looking out for the bill that explains raising A&S fees.
- Vice Chair Soto: I am currently in the works of revising the Finance Code, so if you all want to help or see the revisions that I have made, just let me know and I will send you the document.
- Senator Lessard: The JSU agency bill will be read on the floor tomorrow night, and I think it is something that we need on campus.
- Chair Randall: RTAC has been given \$45k, which is \$15k less than what was given to us last budget. We could go to Sweepings if we see an increase in money to help fund organizations. We created a graphic that will be posted on social media, so be on the lookout for that. Applications for becoming a RTAC/PAC member will be going out after the inauguration. I hope that clears up some of the appointment process.
- Chair Roy: We now have 2/3 members to make quorum, and I hope to work with you all in the future for our next resolution.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 9th, 2021

Adjourned: 6:08pm