

73rd Student Senate Internal Affairs Committee 3/15/21

Call to Order: 6:37pm

Members Present: England, Stults, West, Nasworthy, Gabadage

Members Tardy: Hitchcock Members Excused Absent:

Members Absent: Fineout, Russell, Louis

Guests: Rawan Abhari

Announcements:

• Chair England: reads land acknowledgement act.

Committee Business:

- Rawan Abhari for SOE
 (https://fsu.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?SID=SV_e4NcdhYFzmaZtC5&R=R_2TAZnaZSnAGHWe8)
- Candidate Abhari Opening: I am here as a sophomore, I was the IA secretary a few
 weeks ago. There is an election that has not yet been certified. I was the former deputy
 SOE last spring. It is best to strengthen the SGA and I have memory and skills
 necessary to complete the job. I have knowledge of the statutes and I am happy to come
 into this position. I hope to finish the job of putting all the senate and executive
 candidates into office.
- Questioning
- Chair England: Do you know the term of this office?
- Candidate Abhari: I do not know for certain.
- Senator Nasworthy: Will you complete the election?
- Candidate Abhari: Yes.
- Senator Nasworthy: With your experience last spring, what were some challenges?
- Candidate Abhari: The statutes are difficult, but I am familiar with them now. Staffing is a major issue. Scheduling is difficult being a student as well.
- Chair England: Have you ever been affiliated with a campus political party?
- Candidate Abhari: No.
- Chair England: How would you deal with the toxicity in SGA?
- Candidate Abhari: Sam Leval was my friend and I witnessed people being very rude to her. I am the antithesis of party association and the end goal is to strengthen the Association.
- Senator Nasworthy: What do you think will be the most difficult part of joining now?

- Candidate Abhari: If I am familiar enough with election code, the timing will be difficult and reaching out to others according to statute dates. I am coming in in the middle of the term and deserve grace, but I will be ready no matter what.
- Candidate Abhari **Closing**: I appreciate your questions. I hope I can be forwarded and work on behalf of the students. Thank you for your time.
- Senator Gabadage moves to enter roundtable debate, Senator Nasworthy seconds.
- Senator Nasworthy says that this is the person needed for the job and she has prior experience. We should move quickly so we can certify the election. I think she will get the job done. She will bring clarity and I was impressed by her goal to bring down the pettiness. I will be voting yes.
- Senator Gabadage moves to call to question, Senator Nasworthy seconds.
- All senators vote in favor of advancing the candidate. (Stults, Nasworthy, West, Gabadage, Hitchcock)

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Unfinished Business:

• Chloe Connor for Senate Clerk.

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Final Announcements:

None

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Monday, March 22 at 6:30pm

Adjourned: 7:07 pm

Signature of Chairperson, Internal Affairs Committee