The meeting of the 67th Student Senate was called to order at 7:37 p.m. by Student Senate President Andrew Forst.

Senator McDaniel led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection:


MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Bowers, Clark, Dejarnette, Fields, Keenan, Newman, Wike.

MEMBERS TARDY/LATE: (First Roll Call): None.

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Gerald Law, NPHC President, asked the Senate to please support and pass Bill 40 for NPHC rental of a stage for their Summer Oasis event in July.

Special Introductions and Announcements: None.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Jean Tabares, Student Body President, told the Senate that he filed a writ about confirmations and forwardings to the Senate. He also informed the Senate that he has formed a task force for relationships between the two branches and to fix RTAC and PAC statutes. Rachel Sticco, interim Chief of Staff, invited the Senate to come out to hand out water at the CARE move in on Saturday and check in by Noon. Iyanna Pierre-Louis, Student Body Vice President asked the Senate to please support the candidates and Bill 40 for the Summer Oasis stage rental.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, SGA Organizations Officers and Employees: None.

Messages from the Executive Cabinet: None.

Messages from the Class Councils: None.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: None.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: Harrison DuBosar, Student Supreme Court Associate Justice, told the Senate that he has issued writs and memorandums stating that the Senate cannot hear or forward candidates that have cases pending in the court. He said the Court will not hear cases during the summer because they do not have full court. He told the students if any of them are studying for the LSAT and need help or have any questions to please contact him.
Messages from the Union Board and Soar Board: None.

Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None.

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: As of June 17, 2015, Senate Projects has $31,929.73.

Report of Committees:

Student Affairs – Did not meet.

Budget- The committee passed Bills 38, 39 and 40 to Second Reading.

Internal Affairs - Did not meet.

Judiciary - As reported in the Calendar.

Finance - 6-17-15 The meeting was called to order at 6:44 p.m. Present: Senators Goldberg, Qurku, Jones, Mason, Schumacher and Silver. The committee recommended that the Budget committee pass Bills 38, 39, and 40 unanimously. The committee is looking over the Finance Code and members of the committee should have their goals ready by the next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Rules and Calendar - 6-17-15 The meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. Present: Senators Lusaka (Chair) Forst (Senate President) and Chairs Riley, Goldberg, Randall, Ravelo, Anger and Silver. The committee discussed committee goals and deadlines for goals. The goals are as follows: Budget is preparing for the budget session in the fall and making a workshop booklet and looking at past budgets; Finance is working on a new financial manual and looking at past budgets also; Internal Affairs is developing a survey for Senate and 5 questions as a pilot; Student Affairs is learning how to incorporate town hall meetings; Judiciary is reviewing Chapter 500 for Court Justice interviews, having Directors come to meetings if they are requesting statutes changes and having a mock bill hearing; and Rules and Calendar is focusing on guidebooks for Senators, Chair and committees. The committee interviewed and passed: Alexandra Barth for Arts and Sciences Seat 11 (summer only), Daniel Pierce for Arts and Sciences Seat 4 (spring), Tori Peters for Business Seat 3 (summer only), Krishaun Smith for Business Seat 5 (Fall), Wilkerson Joseph for Social Science Seat 1 (Fall) and Jessica Jermer for Undergraduates Studies Seat 3 (summer only). The committee did not forward Alejandro Acosta for Arts and Sciences Seat 2 (summer only). The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Confirmations: Alexandra Barth for Arts and Sciences Seat 11 (summer only), Daniel Pierce for Arts and Sciences Seat 4 (spring), Tori Peters for Business Seat 3 (summer only), Krishaun Smith for Business Seat 5 (Fall), Wilkerson Joseph for Social Science Seat 1 (Fall) and Jessica Jermer for Undergraduates Studies Seat 3 (summer only).
Consent Calendar: None.

Bills First Reading: None.

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 38 – Sponsored by Senators Jones, Goldberg and Lusaka. An allocation of $850.22 from Senate Projects to FSU Best Buddies. Purpose: to fund travel to a conference on July 17-20, 2015. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Bill 39 – Sponsored by Senators Jones, Lusaka, and Goldberg. An allocation of $1,258.00 from Senate Projects to Dance Marathon at FSU. Purpose: to fund travel to the Dance Marathon Leadership Conference in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in July, 2015, AND, an allocation of $3,467.50 from Senate Projects to Relay for Life. Purpose: to pay Facilities for electricity for their Relay for Life event. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION. THIS IS AN OMNIBUS BILL. YES-24, NO-1, ABSTAINED-0 (The roll call vote will be used as the final roll call).

Bill 40 – Sponsored by Senator Silver. An allocation of $1,885.50 from Senate Projects to National Pan-Hellenic Council. Purpose: to pay for rental of stage for their annual Summer Oasis on July 25, 2015. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Constitutional Amendments: None.

Resolutions: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Closing Announcements: Senator McDaniel wants to start a fan club for Senate President Forst’s beard. He told the Senate that he also wants a dialogue about the Haitian and Dominicans citizenship and ethnic cleansing issue. Senator Silver said there is a task force for the funding process and any opinions or ideas are welcomed at this process. Senator Barth announced that she is starting a new RSO or basically bringing it back, for students interested in Chemistry. Danielle Acosta told the Senate that we are done with funding for this fiscal year. She told the newly appointed Senators that they need to be financially certified. She also mentioned that it was great that the Senate retroactively funded Dance Marathon but Senate should keep this practice. Senate Pro Tempore Lusaka told the Senate that the task force really welcomes everyone’s ideas. She also announced that the SAP funding meeting will be on July 9. Senate President Forst wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July and hoped that everyone enjoyed the celebration dinner. He told the Senate that he wants to look in Election Code revisions.


The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.
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