THE SENATE HEARD THE STATE OF THE STUDENT BODY ADDRESS BY THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT ROBERT JAKUBIK, BEFORE THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED.

The meeting of the 61st Student Senate was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Student Senate President Bobby Seifter.

A Senator led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection:


MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Bonderud, Callahan, Carter, A. Charlemagne, Fabre, Gonzmart, Grossman, Hunter, Lias, Losito, Melbourne, Sargent, Shubitz, Triay, Tunis, Vasquez.

MEMBERS TARDY/LATE (First Roll Call): Senators Fistel (7:58), Gold (8:00), Peterich (8:28).

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Christa Hudson told the Senate that 21 percent of all bankruptcies are from college students and their group wants to help remedy this situation. She said Delta Sigma Pi is having an event entitled: The Money Game, on Tuesday, September 29 at 7 p.m. in the Florida Ballroom. For more information go to their web page: adamspeaks.com.

Special Introductions and Announcements: FSU Police Chief David Perry and Major Tim Russell spoke to the Senate about challenges facing the FSU Police Department and the FSU community. Chief Perry said he is talking with students and the administration on how to do a better job at FSU in making the campus safe. He said some of the problems they face are sexual assaults, robberies, drug abuse and alcohol related arrests and right now during football season is a busy time of the year. Although DUIs have decreased, Perry said there have been 42 DUI arrests for 2009 and alcohol
possession leads the way for under-age drinking. Major Russell showed a slide show to demonstrate how important it is NOT to drink and drive. He said it was a very personal thing for the department and DUIs affect families so tremendously, that they have started DUI checkpoints on campus. Russell has started a program where last year they rode on bikes to the University of Florida in the “Ride for Survival” and their next ride will be on February 27, 2010. He told the Senate that they need help and support from SGA to spread the word and they also need help and grants to fund this endeavor. Chief Perry told the Senate that he wants to provide good customer service to everyone on FSU’s campus and on October 19-24, Housing will be sponsoring an Alcohol Awareness Week and they are rewarding people for making the right decision by coming through a check-point with a designated driver. Senate President Seifter told the Senate that he wants the Student Affairs Committee to do something similar to this endeavor being done by the FSU-PD.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Sean Bevil, Chief of Staff, announced that the Cabinet had their second meeting tonight and their next meeting is scheduled for October 7, at 5 p.m. in the Micco Room. He said they are working on programming and they will be coming out with something from the Office of the Secretary for Community Affairs. Lauren Robertson, Student Body Vice President, told the Senate that they need help distributing the rally towels at the game on Saturday, and if you are available to help out, please meet at 10 a.m. at the stadium. She also announced that they need 20 students to be in a film about campus safety on Tennessee Street on October 1 and 2.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, and SGA Organization Officers and Employees: Shohei Seyana, Asian American Student Union Ambassador announced that they will have their Autumn Fest starting on October 1, at the International Center from 6-9 p.m. Each member will create a lantern from their culture and they will have a potluck dinner. He said they will present different Asian cultures which will include their music, dance, arts, crafts and food. Lauren Herod, IRHC Assistant Director, announced they are having their Wing King event where they want vendors to donate food and serve and students will vote who is the best Wing King in Tallahassee. This event will take place in the Union Ballrooms on October 13, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. She also announced that they are getting the residence
halls involved in Homecoming. Adrian Williams, Black Student Union Assistant Director, thanked the Senators and Senate President for attending the Essence of Ebony. He announced that the Annual Mr. and Mrs. BSU Pageant will be held on October 16 and COBOL will take place on October 17.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: None.

Messages from the Senior Class Council: None.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board: Bryant Whelan and Tiffany Taylor announced the following: the Oglesby Union has approved the changing of official meeting from every two weeks to the first Wednesday of every month; the next meeting is scheduled for October 7. Applications for the two open positions on Union Board are still available and applications must be turned in Thursday, September 24 by 4:30 p.m. The Union Board Budget Committee Chair presented the Union’s budget request to the Senate Budget Committee today. Movies: Tokyo, tonight at 10:15 p.m.; Year One, September 24-25, at 7:30 and 10:30 p.m.; Rushmore, September 25 at midnight; Double Indemnity, September 28 at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Club Downunder: The Intelligence with Birds of Avalon, tonight at 9:30 p.m.; Lydai with Play Radio Pay and All Day Holiday, September 24 at 9:30 p.m. and STAND UP Down Under Open Mic Comedy Show on September 25, time TBA. Union Productions is having an event call Rock On, tomorrow on the Union Green where they will have everything that deals with rocks and a rock climbing wall.

Messages from Campus Recreation: None.


Committee Reports:

Student Affairs - As reported in the Calendar.

Budget - Chairman Howard announced that the committee has been meeting all week and will hold
deliberations all day Friday. He asked the Senators to please ask questions before the bill gets on the Senate floor. He said the budget will be printed in the FSView next Thursday.

Finance - As reported in the Calendar. The committee did not hear Bill 71 because the sponsor was not present.

Judiciary - 9-23-09 The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m. Present: Senators Goins, Moallem, Daniels, Laughlin, Hutchinson, Gilzean, Scandling and Seiglitz. Absent: None. The committee debated and failed Bill 71. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Internal Affairs - There was a motion to go into Committee of the Whole to interview candidates that were forwarded to the Senate, the motion passed and the Senate interviewed and passed: Alaina Mathers, Owen Dixon and Samantha Jefferis all for Deputy Supervisor of Elections; Danielle Bolden for Pride Student Union Director; Nathan Crock for Asian American Student Union Assistant Director; Anushi Patel for Deputy Secretary of Health Concerns; Nicole Hilson for Women’s Center Director; Ashley Findley for Institute for Liberal Studies; Micheal Borrello for MARC Director; Karen Koskinen for First Responder Unit Director of Operations and Amar Ali for Institute for Conservative Studies Director. Felicia Lilien, who was forwarded by the Student Body President, for the Jewish Student Union Director, application was withdrawn after debate.

Rules and Calendar- Chairman Cuyler reported that the committee did absences and interviewed and passed Curtis Sails III for Social Sciences Seat 3.

Sweepings - The committee put the Sweepings Bill on First Reading.

Senate Confirmations: Alaina Mathers, Owen Dixon and Samantha Jefferis all for Deputy Supervisor of Elections; Danielle Bolden for Pride Student Union Director; Nathan Crock for Asian American Student Union Assistant Director; Anushi Patel for Deputy Secretary of Health Concerns; Nicole Hilson for Women’s Center Director; Ashley Findley for Institute for Liberal Studies; Micheal Borrello for
MARC Director; Karen Koskinen for First Responder Unit
Director of Operations, Amar Ali for Institute for
Conservative Studies Director, and Curtis Sails III for
Social Sciences Seat 3.

Consent Calendar:

Resolution 5 - Sponsored by: Senator Mroczkowski.
Subject: Approving the Resource and Travel Committee
Allocations for the National Association of Black
Accountants, Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers,
Physical Education Majors Club, Habitat for Humanity.

PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTIONS.

Bills First Reading:

Bill 2010 - Sponsored by Senator Howard. An allocation of
$10,900,000 from A&S Fees to A&S Fee Recipients. Purpose:
to allocate funds to various A&S fee recipients. REFERRED
TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

Bill 71 - Sponsored by Senator Wood. An addition to the
Student Body Statutes adding Chapter 802.10. Purpose: to
clarify how to fund a SGA Event. REFERRED TO FINANCE AND
FAILED IN JUDICIARY 9-23-09.

Bill 72 - Sponsored by Senator Hutchinson. A transfer of
$504,718 from Sweepings. Purpose: to allocate these funds
to: FSU Overhead Fee ($394,672), COGS ($19,649) and Senate
Projects ($90,397). REFERRED TO THE SWEEPINGS COMMITTEE.

Bill 73 - Sponsored by Senator Sargent. A revision of the
Student Body Statutes Chapter 702.2 (12) and 715.5 B.
Purpose: to delete unnecessary language from the Election
Code left over from a previous election violation format.
REFERRED TO JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 65 - Sponsored by Senator Humphries. An addition to
the Student Body Statutes adding Chapter 1000.5 C 4.
Purpose: to require all SGA agency directors to give an
end of semester report to the Student Senate. **TABLED.**

Bill 69 - Sponsored by Senator Simmons. A transfer of $1,053,000 from Senate Projects to Victim Advocate Program. Purpose: to restock the Victim Advocate Program’s Student Healing Library. **(Amended in committee from $1,052.15 to $1,053.00) PASSED.**

Bill 70 - Sponsored by Senators Kushner and Scandling. A transfer of $2,700 from PAC to Senate Projects. Purpose: to be in line with Student Body Statutes 807.6 B. **PASSED.**

**New Business:** The Senate nominated Senators Daniels, Goins, Kushner, and Howard for the Russell Hellein Award. The winner will be announced at the Senate Inauguration on October 28, 2009. Senate President Seifter will select a Senate Liaison to PAC from the following Senators: Chance, Theodore and Donoho.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

**Closing Announcements:** Senator Moallem still need guy Senators to come to Westminster Retirement Facility to dance with some of the lady residents. According to Senator Moallem, the ladies fell in love with Senators Walker and Fistel. Senator Blair said that he likes the way Senate is going and the Senate checks the decisions of the Executive Branch. Senator Angulo told the Senate that she has talked to Juan Guardia and Kelvin of the Multicultural Affairs Office and they are working with the American Indian Student Union in getting the Board started up again. Senator Fistel told the Senate that he is a terrible dancer, but he really had a good time and it is nice to have young people there visiting the elderly, it really makes their week. He also said that all bills should be like Bill 70; giving back money to the Senate. Senator Simmons said that Garnet and Gold goes green will be at the game this Saturday and the recycle bins have been ordered. Senator Howard told the Senate that State law gives Senate the right to allocate money and the debate tonight was nuts. He said that now is the time to look at the budget so please come out and see what is going on. Senator Donoho asked everyone to eat at Chili’s on Monday, September 28, because all proceeds will go to Children’s Network. Senator McKanstry said the University Singers are going to
Italy and they are selling CDs for $15.00. Sandra Miles announced that Dr. Mark Anthony Neal will be on a panel tomorrow to discuss “Is Hip Hop Politically Dead?”, co-sponsored with the Black Student Union and she is on the panel. The event starts at 5 p.m. in SSB 408. JOKE: What did the worker at the rubber band factory say when he was fired? Oh Snap. Senate Pro Tempore Cuyler commended the Senate body on making sure that they pick the best person for the student body. He said that the tutoring buzz is spreading and he has talked to the FSView to put something in the paper about the free tutoring. Senate President Seifter asked the Senate to come out and help distribute the rally towels. Senator Wood told the Senate that you can sell programs if you want to get in the game free. Senate President Seifter asked the Senators to NOT CURSE in Senate. He also mentioned that he had a grand time at the BSU’s Essence of Ebony and HLSU Heritage Month event. Seifter said he is very proud of the Senate.


The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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