THE SIXTY-SIXTH STUDENT SENATE

The Journal: October 15, 2014

The meeting of the 66th Student Senate was called to order at 7:40 p.m., by Student Senate President Lindsay Wood.

Senator Engelbrecht led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection:


MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Alteme, Kim, Ray, Rodberg, Sanil, and Yagur.

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

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Jesse Henry of Collegiate Entrepreneurship thanked the Senate for funding their group. He said they are having an event at the Turnbull Center on November 13, where they will have seven speakers. Mercy Joy Corlew announced that the College Veterans will have an event on October 24 at 5:30 p.m., to honor veterans. Edward Major told the Senate that Seminole Bus System is going back to the old system and bus service will be extended to 8 p.m. in the Spring semester, but there will only be one bus on that route.

There was a motion to unlock the Calendar for election results - the motion passed. Alexis Sanchez, Supervisor of Elections, announced that the referendum passed with 68.2 percent, the opinion failed with 56.6 percent voting no and Michael Moorhead won the Engineering Seat 1.

Special Introductions and Announcements: None.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Jennifer Lucas told the Senate that student leaders and the Rules and Calendar met today with President-elect John Thrasher. Doug Levinson announced that the Capital Campaign will be launched on Friday, October 17, at Wescott at 1:30 p.m.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, SGA Organizations Officers and Employees: Katrina Pitt, AASU Director, announced that they are having Global Café next Friday, and they will serve Thai Food. She said this is a fundraiser. She asked the Senate to support Resolution 55. Rodney Moore, Black Student Union President, asked the Senate to
please support Resolution 55 also. Wesley Sapp, OSL Assistant Director, told the Senate that they are having an event entitled With Words on October 27-30, where they will bring different social justice issues to the forefront and they will discuss racial profiling, HIV Aids and other issues.

Messages from the Executive Cabinet: Kayla Burnett, Secretary of Public Relations, told the Senate that they are revamping the SGA social media account.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: None.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board: None.

Messages from the SOAR Board: Jacques Toussaint announced that they are having a workshop for RSOs.

Messages from the Class Councils: None.

Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None.


Report of Committees:

Student Affairs - As reported in the Calendar.

Budget - The committee passed Consent Resolutions 39 and 40 without objection.

Internal Affairs - The committee interviewed and passed Avinash Ramanathan for CPE Assistant Director.

Judiciary - There was a motion to go into Committee of the Whole for Bill 78. There was a motion to divide the question, the motion passed. Bill 78 was divided and Bill 84 was created. Bill 78 passed as amended by Senator Barth and Bill 84 was tabled in Judiciary. There was a motion to accept the decision of the committee as the decision of the Senate, the motion passed.

Finance - As reported in the Calendar.

Rules and Calendar - Did not meet.
Confirmations: Avinash Ramanathan for CPE Assistant Director, Krishaun Smith, Briona Goodman and Omoniya Alimi for PAC Members and Mary Meade for Senate Legislative Aide.

Consent Calendar:

Consent Resolution 39 – Sponsored by Senator Silver. PAC allocations for Case Competition Club, Health Occupation Students of America and Best Buddies. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Consent Resolution 40 – Sponsored by Senator Jones. RTAC allocations for International Association of Emergency Managers-USA Student Chapter at FSU, Council of Teachers of English, Collegiate Entrepreneurs Organization and Saving Smiles. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

Bills First Reading:

Bill 79 – Sponsored by Senator Molina. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 202. Purpose: to clarify who the Internal Affairs Committee should go to for advice in changing SGA documents. REFERRED TO JUDICIARY.

Bill 80 – Sponsored by Senators Acosta, Arowolo, Silver, Brune, Ford. An allocation of $3,659.04 from Senate Projects to Strozier Library. Purpose: to allow Dirac Library to stay open from Friday 8 a.m. to 1 a.m., a total of 54 extra hours. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bill 81 – Sponsored by Senators Acosta, Arowolo, Brune, Ford and Molina. An allocation of $812.93 from Senate Projects to Strozier Library. Purpose: to purchase iPhone and Mac chargers for Dirac Library. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bill 82 – Sponsored by Senators Tabares and Engelbrecht. An allocation of $350.00 from Senate Projects to Office of Entrepreneurship and Innovation. Purpose: to pay for travel for a guest speaker for an OEI event. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bill 83 – Sponsored by Senators Tabares and Engelbrecht. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 913. Purpose: to add two new positions to the Office of Entrepreneurship and Innovation Board. REFERRED TO JUDICIARY.

Bill 84 – Sponsored by Senator Molina. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 207. Purpose: to clarify the administration of the new Senator Exam. TABLED IN JUDICIARY 10-15-14). There was a motion to divide this bill, the motion passed and the bill was divided. The divided bill is Bill 84, which was tabled in Judiciary).
Bills Second Reading:

Bill 76 - Sponsored by Senator Tabares. An allocation of $3,198.00 from Senate Projects to Senate Food. Purpose: to pay for food for the 67th Senate Inauguration on Wednesday, October 29, 2014. PASSED. (AMENDED FROM $3,000 TO $3,198).

Bill 77 - Sponsored by Senator Tabares. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 413.8 B (1) (c). Purpose: to amend statutes for membership in the Senate Hall of Fame. TABLED ONE WEEK.

Bill 78 - Sponsored by Senator Molina. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 207. Purpose: to clarify the administration of new Senator Orientation. PASSED AS AMENDED. (There was a motion to table this bill, the motion failed. The amendment made by Senator Barth passed by a vote of yes-29, no-12. There was a motion by Senator Barth to divide this bill, the motion passed and the bill was divided. The divided bill is Bill 84, which was tabled in Judiciary).

Bill 2015 - Sponsored by Senator Forst. A transfer of $13,780,000.00 from A&S Fees to A&S Fee Recipients for fiscal year 2015-2016. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.


Constitutional Amendments: None.

Resolutions:

Resolution 38 - Sponsored by Senator Butler. Subject: Amending the Rules of Procedure Rule 9.06. STILL IN RULES AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE.

Resolution 55 - Sponsored by Senator Pierre-Louis. Subject: Giving permission to the Black Student Union to have the Bobby E. Leach Scholarship Ball off campus and have plated dinners. PASSED. YES-39, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.
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Closing Announcements: Senator Forst announced that New Senator Orientation is next Wednesday, October 22 at 6 p.m. He mentioned that older Senators need to brush up on their knowledge of Senate. Senator Silver told the Senate that he is revising the process of funding RSOs and he is setting up meetings with RSO presidents to talk about this. Senator Yates told the Senate that he will be in attendance at the FSU Homecoming festivities and he wants to set up an event to let them meet the PCC students. Senator Silver announced that the Beyond Borders applications are available. Senator Engelbrecht urged everyone to reach out to newly elected Senators to make them feel more comfortable. Vicki Dobiyanski told the Senate to reach out to Alexis, today is her birthday and she did a good job with the elections today. She announced that the High Ropes course opens tomorrow at the Reservation. She proudly mentioned that the budget committee got it right this time and she is very proud of this year’s budget committee. She cautioned the Senate to be critical of outside departments and question to see if they really need it, because there are good politicians in these departments and just be aware. Dobiyanski mentioned that her old employee the University of Notre Dame is coming to FSU on Saturday, so remember to uphold the Garnet and Gold and respect the visitors and Go Noles. Lindsay Wood, Senate President, asked Senators to not make a motion to call to question when there has only been one round of debate. She urged the new Senators to come to New Senator Orientation.

Final Roll Call: There was a motion to accept the roll call vote for Bill 2015 as the Final Roll Call, the motion passed. However, Senator Vickers was not present.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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