The meeting of the 62nd Student Senate was called to order at the House Chambers at the State Capitol at 7:45 p.m. by Student Senate President Cuyler.

Senator Donoho led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.


MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Armstrong, Beaubien, Bender, Brome, Cassell, A. Charlemagne, E. Charlemagne, Clary, Davenport, Dougherty, Ghaneie, A. Johnson, Melbourne, A. Myers, Scandling, Waltz.

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

There was a motion to unlock the Calendar to hear Resolutions 3 and 4, the motions passed and the resolutions were heard and passed.

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Chris Spencer announced that the last meeting of RTAC will be on Monday. He told the Senate that he supports Bill 1. Senator Wood announced that Seminole Christian Life is planning a trip to East Africa to build a chicken farm where there will be 500 chickens on the farm and they will be asking for $5 a chicken to help stock the farm.

Special Introductions and Announcements: Representative Alan Williams told the Senate that it is an honor to be here tonight and he thanked Sean Pittman and his staff for all the work they do throughout the state. He told the Senate that no other SGA in the State of Florida has ever had their meetings in the Capitol, and FSU-SGA has Sean Pittman to thank for that. He urged the Senate to take activism beyond the campus boundaries.
the Senate that he was a Senator while enrolled at Florida A&M University and when he graduated he decided to run for office. Williams stressed that credibility is hard to gain but easy to lose.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Rob Jakubik, Student Body President, thanked Representative Williams and Sean Pittman for the opportunity to use the Chambers for the Senate meeting. Sean Bevil, Chief of Staff thanked everyone who came to the Town Hall Meeting. He announced that the first meeting of the Spring for Cabinet will be January 13 at 5 p.m. in the Micco Room. Lauren Robertson, Student Body Vice President, announced that Homecoming applications are due next Wednesday. Adam Fox, Office of Legislative Affairs Director told the Senate that they can do something that no other Senator can do and that is write down the name of the Representative whose seat you are sitting in and thank them for allowing the use of their Chambers. He announced that the Board of Trustees will meet on Friday at the Dunlap Center. Amar Ali, ICS Director asked the Senators to leave notes in the jars at the seats they are sitting in. He asked the Senate to support ICS Assistant Director that is coming for confirmation tonight.

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

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: David Grimes, Speaker of COGS, announced that they will be sponsoring the student body Thanksgiving Dinner for students, at Kellum Hall, who cannot go home for the holiday. He said the Coalition for an Equitable Community is trying to eliminate discrimination among groups on campus. Grimes announced that the next meeting for COGS will be on Monday, November 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Life Building room 249. He said the Acabelles will perform and Leslie Sacher will be there to answer questions about health insurance. He asked the Senate to support Bill 2, that will be on the floor tonight.

Messages from the Senior Class Council: None.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: Stephen Spaid, Student Supreme Court Chief Justice told the Senate that they try to stay as impartial as possible and he said it has been great working with SGA. He said the interim Chief Justice Mark Johnson is one of the best second year law students at the law school and he highly recommends him for Chief Justice. Spaid said that he will remain on the court as an Associate Justice.

Messages from the Union Board: Lauren White announced that their next meeting is Wednesday, December 2 at 4:30 p.m. in room 311 A.
Messages from Campus Recreation: None.

Report of the Student Body Auditor: As of November 17, 2009, Senate Project is $164,406.00.

Committee Reports:

Student Affairs - As reported in the Calendar.

Budget - The committee passed Consent Resolutions 6 and 7 for RTAC and PAC.

Finance - As reported in the Calendar. The committee will meet on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the Senate Office. There was a motion to go into Committee of the Whole for Bill 3, the motion passed. Senator Fistel motioned to postpone Bill 3 because there is not enough information; Senator Howard, the sponsor, also motion to postpone Bill 3. The bill is postponed in Finance.

Judiciary - The committee will meet on Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Senate Office.

Internal Affairs - The committee forwarded the following names to Senate and the Senate interviewed and passed: Jonathan Barclay for Senior Class Council President, Margaret Spicer for Secretary of Social Justice, Patrick Shepherd for CPE Assistant Director, Daniel Scarantino for Pride Student Union Center Director, Gregory Culmer for Secretary of Disable Affairs, Juan Montalvo for ICS Assistant Director and Ariel Wheeler for ILS Treasurer.

Rules and Calendar - The committee interviewed and forwarded the following candidate and Senate interviewed and passed Alejandra Lopez for Communication Spring Seat 2.

Senate Confirmations: Jonathan Barclay for Senior Class Council President, Margaret Spicer for Secretary of Social Justice, Patrick Shepherd for CPE Assistant Director, Daniel Scarantino for Pride Student Union Center Director, Gregory Culmer for Secretary of Disable Affairs, Juan Montalvo for ICS Assistant Director, Ariel Wheeler for ILS Treasurer and Alejandra Lopez for Communication Spring Seat 2.

Consent Resolutions:

Resolution 6- Sponsored by Senators Tunis and Peart. RTAC allocations to the National Association of Catering Executives, Caribbean Student Association, Azucar! Dance
Company and Paradigm.

PASSED.

Resolution 7 - Sponsored by Senators Jackson and Donoho. PAC allocations to the Friends of Internationals, The Navigators and Alpha Kappa Psi.

PASSED.

Bills First Reading:

Bill 3 - Sponsored by Senator Howard. An allocation of $30,391 from Senate Projects to Alumni Village Childcare. Purpose: to fund various childcare items for the renovated preschool at Alumni Village. POSTPONED IN FINANCE.

Bills First Reading Continued:

Bill 4 - Sponsored by Senator Wood. A transfer of $90,000 from Senate Projects to RTAC. Purpose: to replenish RTAC funds. FAILED IN FINANCE 11-16-09.

Bill 5 - Sponsored by Senator Williams. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 300.5. Purpose: to improve the accountability of graduate student organizations and having the Student Body Deputy Treasurer serve as an ex-officio member in the Law School Allocation Committee and the Medical Student Council. REFERRED TO JUDICIARY AND FINANCE.

Bill 6 - Sponsored by Senator Williams. An addition to the Student Body Statutes adding 300.4 K. Purpose: to add the Student Body Treasurer as an ex-officio non-voting member of the Congress of Graduate Students. REFERRED TO JUDICIARY AND FINANCE.

Bill 7 - Sponsored by Senator Wood. A transfer of $221.00 from Programming Allocations Committee (PAC) to Resource and Travel Allocations Committee (RTAC). Purpose: to reimburse RTAC for funding the Light the Night event. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bill 8 - Sponsored by Senator Waltz. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapters 616 and 617. Purpose: to amend the way the Homecoming and PowWow Directors are chosen and to clarify these chapters. REFERRED TO JUDICIARY.
Bill 9 - Sponsored by Senator Howard. An allocation of $20,803 from Senate Projects to Campus Recreation. Purpose: to allocate funds to purchase fitness equipment for the Leach Center. REFERRED TO FINANCE.

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 1 - Sponsored by Senators Chance and Mroczkowski. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 807.7. Purpose: to revise the threshold for amending RTAC and PAC resolutions. PASSED. YES-27, NO-21, ABSTAINED-1. (There was a motion to send back to Finance, the motion failed. Senator Wood made a motion for a hand count, the motion passed.


Bill 2 - Sponsored by Senator Williams. An addition to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 607.1 G, adding 9 and 10. Purpose: to allow the Congress of Graduate Students to establish procedures for removal of officers from COGS and COGS administered organizations and to establish procedures for the freezing of funds or other sanctions for non-compliance. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTIONS.

New Business: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

Closing Announcements: Senate President Cuyler informed the Senate that we have stayed over the allotted time in the House Chamber and we needed to adjourn.

Final Roll Call: There was a motion to accept the first roll call as the final roll call, the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.
Student Senate President

Student Senate Program Assistant