# THE SEVENTY-FIFTH STUDENT SENATE

Calendar: March 8th, 2023 Location: Student Chambers, Student Union Time: 7:30 pm

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silent Reflection:

### Land Acknowledgement:

The Student Government of Florida State University acknowledges that it is located on land that is the ancestral and traditional territory of the Apalachee Nation, the Miccosukee Tribe of Florida, the Muscogee Creek Nation, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. We pay respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to their descendants and to all Indigenous people. We recognize this land remains scarred by the histories and ongoing legacies of settler colonial violence, dispossession, and removal. In spite of all this, and with tremendous resilience, these Indigenous Nations have remained deeply connected to this territory, to their families, to their communities, and to their cultural ways of life. We recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain with this land and extend our gratitude as we live and work as humble and respectful guests upon their territory. We encourage all to learn about and educate others on the contemporary work of the Indigenous Nations whose land we are on and to endeavor to support Indigenous sovereignty in all the ways that we can.

Roll Call:

Verification of Quorum:

Corrections and Approval of the Journal 11.09.2022, 11.16.2022, 11.30.2022, 01.18.2023, 01.25.2023, 02.01.2023, 02.08.2023, 02.15.2023, 02.22.2023, 03.01.2023

#### Student and RSO Comments:

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• Bella Suarez, College of Social Sciences & Public Policy: With the utmost respect, I recommend Caroline Ball former Student of Accessibility Advocacy Director to be forwarded as the Sophomore Class Council Secretary. Former Director Ball faced numerous challenges as a first-year on campus trying to navigate the SGA space; however, with her persistence and dedication to fostering a community for all FSU students, she managed to term out of her position and leave a lasting presence. Prior to her directorship, SCAA did not have a social media presence and was without guidance. Freshman first-year Caroline jumped into a position with passion as her guiding force. She partnered with JSU in the Spring of 2022 where SCAA received great recognition. She left the space with more resources than she found it.
Working closely with Caroline as her former liaison, I have been able to see genuine growth and commitment. Now as Miss Ball ventures into a new opportunity, it is with consideration of the entire student body but especially the sophomore class that Caroline is given the chance to permeate her love into another avenue of SGA. As

secretary Caroline's supporting professional role and impeccable organizational management skills will enable SCC to mitigate any miscommunication that may have arisen during the previous vacancy. Her charisma, resilience, and FSU spirit will impact SCC and its constituents tenfold.

I am eager for Caroline to have the platform to speak to you all today about her future supporting role in the Sophomore Class Council.

Emeritus Senator Suarez out.

Rawan Abhari, College of Social Sciences & Public Policy

#### Special Introductions:

- Statement from Dr. Amy Hecht, Vice President for Student Affairs
- Student Senator Elijah Hooks & Student Body Vice President-elect Jeffrey Francis, FAMU Student Government

#### Report of Senate Officers:

Messages from the Executive Branch:

Messages from Agencies, Bureaus, Affiliated Projects, and SGA Organizations:

Messages from the Class Councils:

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students:

Messages from the Judicial Branch:

Messages from the Union Board and Campus Recreation Board:

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: Remaining Balances: Senate Projects \$15,714, PAC \$5,668.36 RTAC \$0, and ORG Fund \$0

#### Report of Senate Liaisons:

## Report of Committees:

- Judiciary
- Internal Affairs
- Budget
- Finance
- Student Life
- Rules
- Sustainability Ad Hoc

#### Senate Confirmations:

Caroline Ball – Sophomore Class Council Secretary (1 Applicant)

Mariana Dos Santos – Student Senate, COSSPP Seat 3 (0 Applicants) **Pending Approval in Rules 3/08**Caitlin Allgoever – Student Senate, COSSPP Seat 6 (4 Applicants) **Pending Approval in Rules 3/08** 

#### Anagrace Bennett – Executive Branch, Financial Assistant (4 Applicants)

#### Consent Calendar:

CR 17 Sponsored by Senator Wyatt (P)

To fund JHealth, Reach Campus Ministry, Astrology Club at FSU, South Asian Student Association, Crochet Society at FSU, Filipino Student Association, Arabic Honor Society, and Active Minds at FSU. (Amended

and Passed in Finance 03.08)

#### **Constitutional Amendments:**

### Bills First Reading:

Bill 32 Sponsored by Senator Dale (P)

Eliminates the wording ¾ 2/3 and instead states just 2/3. This makes the procedure much more clear and eliminates any confusion on what amount of Senate's vote is needed to overrule the two calendar year

requirement for Student Senate service.

Bill 33 Sponsored by Senator Kariher (P)

To transfer funds from Pride Student Union account to fund Pride Prom

and Lavender Graduation.

Bill 34 Sponsored by Senator Kariher (P)

To transfer funds from Pride Student Union account to fund Pride Student

Union general Pride merchandise and Pride Prom merchandise.

Bill 35 Sponsored by Senator LoBianco (P)

A transfer of \$1,445.12 is made from Senate Projects to All Night Yahtzee

to assist them in registration for the Boston Sings Acapella Festival.

Bill 36 Sponsored by Senator Bettley (P)

A transfer from Senate Projects to fund FL PIRG Students' food

distribution event on March 11th.

#### Resolutions First Reading:

Resolution 27 Sponsored by Senators Diaz and DuChêne (P) Bettley, Boisvert, Brown,

Carter, Casiple, Chehaitli, Dale, Fineout, Kariher, Lewis, LoBianco, Maglin, Mantilla, McEntyre, McMahon, Newsome, Patel-Qadir, Rivers,

Severy, Walerio, Widmann (Co)

Condemning Florida House Bill 999 and adding it to the Student Body Legislative Agenda as a bill for OGA to lobby against. (**Tabled on the** 

floor 03.01.)

Resolution 28 Sponsored by Senator Kariher (P) Anandjiwala, Bettley, Carter,

Crocker, Chehaitli, Dale, DuChêne, Fineout, Folwell, Humberg, LoBianco,

McEntyre, Maglin, Rivers, Salazar, Severy, St. Hilaire (Co)

To support gender affirming care on campus, transgender students, to condemn Florida House Bill 1421, and to add HB 1421 to the Legislative Agenda to oppose.

Resolution 29

Sponsored by Senators Carter and Folwell (P) Bettley, Chehaitli, DuChene, Kariher, Widmann (Co)

A resolution to condemn Senate Bill 300 and defend the rights and wellbeing of all Florida State University students.

#### Bills Second Reading:

Bill 19 Sponsored by Senators Barrett and Bettley (P) Dale (Co)

> To fund 7 U-Bike Locks as part of Sustainable Campus' bike rental program. These locks will be available to rent at no cost by students already owning bikes. (Referred to Budget and Student Life. Passed in Budget 02.09. Passed in Student Life 02.10. Tabled on the floor

02.15. 02.22. 03.01)

Bill 27 Sponsored by Senator Bettley (P)

> To support upcoming social events for the Veteran Student Union that will allow them to better serve the student body and veterans. (Referred to Budget. Passed in Budget 02.23. Tabled on the floor 03.01)

Bill 30 Sponsored by Senator Walerio (P)

> This bill transfers \$6000 from the Women's Student Union Contractual Services account to the Women's Student Union Expense account. This will fund tote bags, events, movie rights, stickers, water bottles, yoga, a kickoff event, a banquet, and additional Women's History Month expenses. (Referred to Budget. Passed in Budget 03.02)

Bill 31 Sponsored by Senators Burton and Diaz (P)

> This budget transfer funds OGA's food budget for the FSU Day at the Capitol reception and future programming. (Referred to Budget. Passed in Budget 03.02)

## Resolutions Second Reading:

Resolution 25 Sponsored by Pedraja (P) Anderson, Barrett, Boisvert, Brown, Crusey,

> Dale, Gummerman, Jones, Lewis, Patel, White, Widmann (Co) To promote Counseling & Psychological Services on campus and to support their resources for mental health. (Referred to Student Life.

Passed in Student Life 03.03.)

Resolution 26 Sponsored by Senator Maglin (P) Alvarez, Anandjiwala, Bettley, Boisvert,

Brown, Burton, Carter, Casiple, Chehaitli, Crocker, Dale, Diaz, DuChêne, Fineout, Folwell, Humberg, Jones, Kariher, LoBianco, Mantilla, McMahon,

Pruim, Salazar, Severy, St. Hilaire, Walerio, Widmann (Co) This resolution outlines the need for and logistics surrounding a

university-wide "Mental Health Day" to be implemented into Florida State University's academic calendar. The resolution serves as the catalyst to

# prompt administrative deliberations in response to this request. (Referred to Student Life. Amended and Passed in Student Life 03.03.)

# **Unfinished Business:**

### New Business:

- Spring Senate Awards
  - Mattie Durhan Senator of the Year Award
  - Vires Award
  - Artes Award
  - Mores Award

Statements of Dissent:

**Closing Announcements:** 

Advisor Announcements:

Final Roll Call and Adjournment: