# THE SEVENTY-SIXTH STUDENT SENATE

Calendar: March 20, 2024 Location: Senate Chambers 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:

2.14.24

Student and RSO Comments:

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Special Introductions:

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 \$19,023.44, PAC \$14,982.49, RTAC \$7,030.32, and ORG Fund \$10,078.24

### Report of Senate Liaisons:

### Report of Committees:

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

### **Senate Confirmations:**

# Consent Calendar:

CR21 Sponsored by Bevis (P) Vandermeulen (Co)

This CR allocates RTAC's final \$7,030.32 to Progressive Black Men Inc. and Pi

Sigma Epsilon for their various travel needs.

CR22 Sponsored by Staveski (P) Ahuja (Co)

This CR allocates \$4,799.71 from PAC to numerous organizations on campus.

### Bills First Reading:

Bill 28 Sponsored by Goldstein (P)

This bill shall remove the University Defender and the Office of the University Defender. With its removal, the Chief Justice will be given the ability to appoint any needed legal counsel for the student body.

Bill 29 Sponsored by Goldstein (P)

This bill shall repeal Chapter 614 Student Academic Programs in its entirety, while updating PAC and RTAC guidelines to reflect the repeal.

Bill 30 Sponsored by Goldstein (P)

As advised by the Senate Bill 2024, this bill will consolidate the statutory text for all SGA-funded accounts that are not subject to being swept, removing references to "Headliner" concerts, and adding the WVFS station to sweepings exemptions.

Bill 31 Sponsored by Salazar (P)

Budget Allocation from HLSU Contractual Services to HLSU Food to help cover expenses relating to catering food for the HLSU end of year Gala event.

Bill 32 Sponsored by Goldstein (P) Lalani (Co)

This bill serves to rework the timelines of confirmation and establishment for the Civic Engagement Board and Garnet and Gold Voting Commission.

Bill 33 Sponsored by Brown, Larancuent (P)

This bill would allocate \$3,000 to FSU Libraries to expand the Course Reserves Selection to books they don't see enough of, including recent test prep books for the LSAT, MCAT, GRE, and GMAT.

Bill 34 Sponsored by Larancuent (P)

This bill would allocate \$10,950 from Senate Projects to FSU Libraries to fund four types of calculators. This would allow libraries to extend their loan periods on calculators and expand options for students, making them more accessible.

Bill 35 Sponsored by Emokidi (P)

This is a bill requesting the transfer of \$4,420 from BSU Wages to BSU Food to acquire catering services and other food related purchases for the following upcoming events: Afro Funk Fest, All Agency Olympics, BSU End of the Year Awards, and Soul Food Sunday. Their account does not currently have enough money to fund these events.

Bill 36 Sponsored by Emokidi (P)

This is a bill requesting the transfer of \$6,000 from BSU Expenses to BSU Contracts to acquire contractual services and items such as attractions and commissioning of DJs at the following events: Afro Funk Fest, All Agency Olympics, BSU End of the Year Awards, and Soul Food Sunday. This is being done to provide BSU with adequate funding for these events.

Bill 37 Sponsored by Khosh (P)

This is a statute revision to simplify class councils Rules of Procedure.

Bill 38 Sponsored by Khosh (P)

A statute revision to simplify the process of who in the executive cabinet is able to make appointments, up to the discretion of the Student Body President.

Bill 39 Sponsored by Khosh (P)

A statute revision to simplify the constitutional officers of the executive branch.

Bill 40 Sponsored by Windlan (P) Carr, Castellanos, McEnery, Rodriguez,

Valdes-Herrera (Co)

This bill expands the Enacting Clause – Resolutions section of Student Body Statutes to define "Be it further resolved" clauses and makes it so that the primary sponsors of resolutions are automatically copied onto the emails sent to stakeholders.

Bill 41 Sponsored by Khosh (P)

A budget transfer from Senate Projects to fund Club DownUnder's annual Spring Fling event.

## Resolutions First Reading:

Resolution 34 Sponsored by Lalani (P) Carr, Castellanos, Chinn, Cofer, Goldstein,

Gutierrez, Hellmann, Khosh, McEnery, Meier, Navarro, Parry, Srivastava, Staveski, Souvenir, Tran, Valdes-Herrera, Vargheese, Zuloaga (Co)

This resolution calls for FSU to recognize and commemorate the month of

Ramadan, to show support for Muslim students who participate on

campus.

Resolution 35 Sponsored by Carr (P)

A resolution to advance the visibility and advocacy of the initiatives and entities within Florida State University dedicated to fostering awareness

surrounding Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April.

Resolution 36 Sponsored by Staveski, Waller (P)

This resolution brings awareness to substance abuse among college students as well as resources on campus such as LIFT, Living

Intentionally, Finding Togetherness. Furthermore, this legislation commends this program for creating a safe space on campus for those

who are seeking recovery from substance abuse.

Resolution 37 Sponsored by Larancuent (P)

This resolution encourages the Student Union Board to investigate shading options for the South side of the Union. These options would provide comfort and shade to organizations and students across campus

who would like to sit outside of the union.

Resolution 38 Sponsored by Chinn, McEnery (P)

This resolution serves to inform and encourage administration to install sexual health vending machines on campus, including emergency contraception. These vending machines will be located in strategic, discrete locations around the university to best serve the student body.

Resolution 39 Sponsored by Larancuent (P) Brown (Co)

This resolution requests Strozier to expand the hammock initiative to include yoga mats and air-inflatable chairs, increasing accessibility to students and further promoting holistic wellness amongst the student

body.

### Bills Second Reading:

Bill 27 Sponsored by Gorelick (P)

This bill establishes "policies", a more formal procedure to have SGA entities establish and maintain rules of procedures and internal governing documents, which shall allow them to maintain internal flexibility while creating consistency from a Senatorial level. (Referred to Judiciary 2.28.

Tabled in Judiciary 3.5.)

## Resolutions Second Reading:

#### Resolution 29

Sponsored by Castellanos (P) Ahuja, Anandjiwala, Brown, Carr, Chinn, Daley, Emokidi, Garcia, Gomez, Hine, McEnery, Meier, Lalani,

Larancuent, Lento, Olsen-Galvan, Randall, Randall, Rodriguez, Souvenir,

Tran, Vargheese, Windlan, Zuloaga (Co)

This resolution will serve as the first step in respectfully asking the City of Tallahassee to repaint the Black Lives Matter Mural at the intersection of Gaines St. and Railroad Ave. A mural that served as a symbol of unity

against systemic racism. (Referred to SL 2.28. Passed SL

**Unanimously 3.1. Tabled on Floor 3.6)** 

#### **Unfinished Business:**

## New Business:

#### Senate Awards:

- 1. Mattie Durham Senator of the Year The Senator that best served students, Student Senate and the larger university community during their term.
- 2. The Vires Award (New Senator of the Year) The best Senator who is serving their first term in Senate (not necessarily a Freshman). The Senator who exhibits strength ("Vires") through their first term by continuing to persevere in their learning and striving to make a difference.
- 3. The Artes Award (Chair of the Year) The best Chair of the Resource for Travel Allocation Committee (RTAC) Programming Allocation Committee (PAC) and Standing Committee Chairs (other than Rules and Sweepings). The Senator awarded the Artes Award demonstrates exceptional work within their committee and has excelled in skill while chairing the committee.
- 4. The Mores Award (Senate Ethics Award) The Senator who carried out their duties with the highest sense of personal ethics and honor, exemplifying the greatest level of character on which our university prides itself, or "Mores."

Statements of Dissent:

Closing Announcements:

**Advisor Announcements:** 

Final Roll Call and Adjournment: