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A revision to the Student Body Statutes

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SEVENTY FIFTH STUDENT SENATE THAT:

A revision is made to the Student Body Statutes: Chapter 306 (See attached).

This bill alters the section that previously only referred to the State of the Student Body Address, turning the section into a broader authority for the Student Body President to hold Presidential Addresses.

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Chapter 306 The State of the Student Body Address Presidential Addresses

- 306.1 The Student Body President shall be required to deliver a State of the Student Body address to the Student Body by the fourth week of the fall semester.
- 306.2 The Student Body President shall report to Student Senate an outline of the administration's agenda for the year on the first Senate after taking office.
- 306.3 The following people shall be required to attend the State of the Student Body Address:
 - 1. The Supreme Court Justices
 - 2. The Executive Chief of Staff
 - 3. The Student Body Attorney General
 - 4. The Executive Cabinet
 - 5. The Directors of all Executive Agencies, Bureaus and Affiliated Projects
 - 6. The Chair of the Union Board
 - 7. The Chair of the Campus Recreation Board
 - 8. The Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students
 - 9. Student Body Vice President
 - 10. Student Senate President
 - 11. Student Senate President Pro Tempore
 - 12. All Student Senators
- 306.4 An invitation shall also be extended to the President of the Florida State University and the Vice President for Student Affairs and all elected or appointed members of Student Government Association.

306.5

A. The opening ceremonies of the State of the Student Body Address shall be as similar as possible to the State of the Union Address. The Student Senate President and the Vice President of the Student Body shall sit behind the rostrum. They shall be the only two (2) seated on the rostrum level. The Student Senate President shall be responsible for seeing this through.

- B. The Student Senate President shall appoint a Doorkeeper to assist in the Opening Ceremonies. This person may or may not be a Student Senator.
- 306.6 It shall be the responsibility of the Senate President to remind the Student Body President in writing of this obligation at least two (2) weeks in advance.
- 306.7 Appropriate business attire shall be required of all in attendance.
- <u>306.1</u> The Student Body President shall have the authority to address the Student Body on any matter, given public notice no less than twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the address.
- <u>306.2</u> <u>Opening Address</u>
 - <u>A.</u> <u>At the Spring Inauguration, the incoming Student Body President</u> <u>shall deliver an opening address.</u>
 - B. The incoming Student Body President shall collaborate with the organizers of Inauguration to ensure that the opening address follows the applicable parameters of the event and venue.
 - <u>C.</u> If a Student Body President vacates office, their successor shall schedule the first opportunity possible to deliver an opening address.
 - D. The Student Body Vice President and Treasurer may also be given time to give an opening address if the Student Body President deems it appropriate.

<u>306.3</u> <u>Closing Address</u>

- <u>A.</u> <u>At the Spring Inauguration, the outgoing Student Body President</u> <u>shall deliver a closing address.</u>
- <u>B.</u> <u>The outgoing Student Body President shall collaborate with the</u> <u>organizers of Inauguration to ensure that the closing address</u> <u>follows the applicable parameters of the event and venue.</u>
- <u>C.</u> If a Student Body President resigns, is impeached, or otherwise vacates office, they shall have the opportunity to give a closing address.
- D. If a Student Body President is elected for a second term, at the Spring Inauguration which would mark the beginning of their second term, the opening and closing addresses may be combined for the sake of time.

<u>E.</u> The Student Body Vice President and Treasurer may also be given time to give a closing address if the Student Body President deems it appropriate.

306.4 State of the Student Body Address

- Α. The Student Body President shall address the Student Body in an address known as the "State of the Student Body Address" no later than five (5) weeks into the Fall Semester. The State of the Student Body Address shall be designed to inform the Student Body of goals, comments on the student experience, and any other appropriate topics.
 - In the event of severe extenuating circumstances, the State of the <u>1.</u> Student Body Address may be postponed past the five (5) week mark in the Fall Semester, prior to fall elections. This should only be done when there is a genuine concern which would make it unfeasible to hold the address in the timeframe as laid out here.
- Β. The State of the Student Body Address must be open and advertised to the entire Student Body. However, the following individuals must be in attendance, unless there is a genuine conflict as confirmed by the SGA Program Director:
 - Justices of the Student Supreme Court
 - <u>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0,</u> The Executive Chief of Staff
 - The Student Body Attorney General
 - The Executive Cabinet and Executive Office of the President
 - The Directors of all Agencies, Bureaus, and Affiliated Projects
 - The Chair of the Union Board
 - The Chair of the Campus Recreation Board
 - The Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students
 - The Student Body Vice President
 - The Student Body Treasurer
 - 11. Senior Class Council Officers
 - 12. All Student Senators
- The Student Body President may invite any other individuals they <u>C.</u> deem appropriate for this address, and the University President and Vice President for Student Affairs must receive an invitation.
- The address may be structured at the discretion of the Student <u>D.</u> Body President, so long as it follows the criteria as laid out in this statute and does not unnecessarily restrict any individuals from attending.
- 306.5 The Student Body President must attend the first Senate meeting following their inauguration and detail the plan for their term. This must include a presentation on the structure of the Cabinet.
- 306.6 The funds for all Presidential Addresses, not including the opening and closing

addresses, must come out of the Executive Projects account, unless additional funding is provided by a third-party entity.