

TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
Student Government Chambers Room, 316 Oglesby Union
March 16th, 2015
6:34 p.m.



REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Akinfaderin, Carter, Cavannaugh, Clay, Daramola, DelCiampo, Edwards, C. Hall, T. Hall, Nilson, Smillie, Uttermark, Ward

QUORUM: YES

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Carter

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED: NONE

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED: Churey, Leslie, Luttrell, Pratt

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED: Lee, Petrantonio, Tamaskar

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, EXCUSED: Asturizaga, Gupta

REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED: NONE

MINUTES APPROVED: Ward. Nilson Second.

PETITIONS INTO THE ASSEMBLY: Bruce Ferraro

SPECIAL INTRODUCTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

STUDENT COMMENTS: NONE.

MESSAGES FROM STUDENT GOVERNMENT: NONE

Unfinished Business: NONE

Funding Requests:

- **Bill 16: Allocation to the College of Criminology and Criminal Justice Graduate Student Association**
The organization is requesting funds for a spring luncheon and for a graduate student and faculty social. The social events aim to build faculty and student relationships within the College of Criminology. Representatives inquire how many students are expected to attend the events, a budget breakdown of the expenses, how the organization plans to advertise for the events and the location of the events. Motion to accept the Bill 16. **Motion passes. Bill 16 passes \$250 in food expenses.**
- **Bill 17: Allocation to the Transcultural Research and Education Consortium**
The organization is requesting funds for t-shirts. The t-shirts are aimed to create a presence on campus for the organization. The organization desires to purchase shirts for current members. Representatives inquire how many graduate students are in the organization, the goal of

purchasing the t-shirts, if the organization fundraises and if the organization researched quotes from other companies. Motion to fund at \$150. Objection. **FIRST CON:** Edwards would like to fund the organization more in order to help them pay for the t-shirts. **SECOND PRO:** Deputy Speaker Akinfaderin explains that his amendments took into consideration the funds that the organization has raised and referenced the COGS Code for the average cost per t-shirt.

SECOND CON: Deputy Speaker Hall references the quote from the organization and believes that the organization should receive more for funding. Motion to call to question. Amendment failed 0-11-3. Motion to fund at \$234. Motion passes. **Bill 17 passes \$234 in clothing/awards.**

New Business:

Deputy Speaker Nilson excuses himself from hearing Resolution 4, due to conflict of interest. Nilson remains impartial, exits the meeting room and will return following the vote of the resolution.

- Resolution 4 Sponsored by Deputy Speaker Hall: *Support in the Passage of HB 925 and SB 1420*
Deputy Speaker Hall reviews the resolution and its intent for graduate assistants. Representatives inquire if there are any specific percentages that can be added to the resolution. **FIRST PRO:** Deputy Speaker Akinfaderin believes that this is a great resolution and that if FSU wants to become a Top Twenty Five institution, reducing or eliminating fees would be a good idea. **FIRST CON:** DelCiampo believes that there is some language in the resolution that can be amended. Motion to amend the resolution. Amendment passes. Motion to further strike language from the resolution. Motion passes. **SECOND PRO:** DelCiampo believes that the congress may have to table the bill in order to include the information needed. Motion to strike language from resolution. Motion to call to question. Motion passes. Motion to amend the resolution, submitted in writing. Objection. Motion to table Resolution 4. **Resolution 4 tabled until 04-02-2015.**

ROUNDTABLE: Akinfaderin, Asturizaga, Carter, Cavannaugh, Clay, Daramola, DelCiampo, Edwards, Ferraro, Gupta, C. Hall, T. Hall, Nilson, Smillie, Uttermark, Ward

ADJOURNMENT: 8:12 p.m.