



**72<sup>nd</sup> Student Senate**  
**Student Life and Academic Affairs**  
**9/22/2020 at 5:30pm via Zoom**

**Call to Order:** 5:32pm

**Members Present:** Chair Martin, Ferguson, Maymon, Absten, Pedroso, Denton, Randall

**Members Tardy:** None.

**Members Absent:** Selva, Hall, Diaz, McCay

**Guests:** Adams, Maureen Canelo, Rawan

**Announcements:**

- Chair: None.
- Vice Chair: None.
- Members: None.
- Maureen Canelo: Discussed reasons to join SAA and encouraged committee members to join.

**Committee Business:**

- **Resolution 82: Sponsored by Adams & Ferguson**
  - Adams opens and explains that this resolution gives support to the student body and aims to bring awareness to Suicide Awareness Month, and was a product of conversations with the mental health council and many senators.
  - Yields 4:17 to closing.
  - Randall asks why sponsors chose not to add statistics to the resolution. Adams answers that the fact that suicide is the second leading cause of death among college age students was included and aimed to give relevance to the legislation.
  - Absten motions to go into roundtable. Pedroso seconds.
  - Randall comments that the resolution has good intention, however does not actually include any substance or comment on any real responses to suicide. He mentions several other aspects of suicide prevention and awareness that could have been included in the resolution. He gives statistics and facts regarding suicide in the state of Florida. He mentions the flaws that he finds within the resolution regarding the aspects that are needed in order to make the resolution actually make a difference.
  - Maymon echos Randall's sentiments.
  - Ferguson comments that the goal of the resolution is to bring awareness to suicide awareness month, and to support the student body. She mentions that the sponsor is open to amendments, and that the committee should feel free to produce their sentiments in the form of amendments if they feel that it is lacking.



- Randall comments that he does not want to simply amend the resolution tonight but would rather see it fixed and brought back next week.
- Adams mentions that the resolution was worked on with the Mental Health Council and many senators and people's input, and that she would love to hear more thoughts on the resolution.
- President Daraldik comments that the options with the resolution are to withdraw it, amend it, or pass it and we have the opportunity as members of SLAA to do the work that is needed on this resolution. He comments that there is an opportunity to do real representative work for the student body.
- Maymon comments that he commends the sponsors
- Maymon moves to call the question. Pedroso seconds.
- Adams closes by thanking the committee for bringing up the tangible aspects of the resolution and comments that she would love to see more added to the resolution or sister resolutions in the future in order to continue to bring awareness to the issue and better support the student body.
- **VOTE:**  
**YES:** Maymon, Absten, Pedroso, Denton **NO:** None.  
**ABSTAIN:** Randall, Ferguson

The resolution requires a revote, given that ***abstentions exceeded 25%***.

- **REVOTE:**  
**YES:** Maymon, Absten, Pedroso, Denton, Ferguson, Randall **NO:** None.  
**ABSTAIN:** None.

The resolution does pass.

**Old Business:**

- None.

**New Business:**

- None.

**Unfinished Business:**

- Resolution 65: Sponsored by Leckie

**Final Announcements:**

- Our next meeting will be Monday, September 28th at 5:00pm.



**Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

- Monday 9/28/2020 at 5pm via Zoom

**Adjourned:** 6:06pm

Sasha Martin

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Signature of Chair