



**73<sup>rd</sup> Student Senate**  
**Student Life and Academic Affairs Committee**  
**10/11/21 at 8:30pm | Zoom Meeting ID: 999 774 3849**

**Call to Order:** 8:32

**Members Present:** Tsouroukdissian, Nemeth, Duchene, Hunter, Remler, Garcia, Moore, Vanderlay, Moria

**Members Tardy:**

**Members Absent:** Murray, Vanderley, Noel

**Guests:**

**Announcements:**

- Nemeth: I will be taking over for Chair Murray today, so please be patient with me.

**Committee Business:**

- **Resolution 18 sponsored by Senator Gonzalez (P):** Calling on the FSU Administration and Board of Trustees to review and withdraw investments from corporations deemed unethical by the FSU student community.
- **Resolution 59 sponsored by Senators Randall, Tackett (P) Nasworthy, Wang, Marcus, Roy (Co):** Reinstating and altering the Student Government War Department in Chapter 611 to defend Florida State University's pride before any contentious athletic event and encourage charitable giving among our athletic rivals.
- **Resolution 70 sponsored by Senator Marcus (P):** Condemning the conversion of parking spaces across to "Pay to Park" spots and recognizing the systemic inequalities this enhances across our campus.

**Old Business:**

- **Resolution 18 sponsored by Senator Gonzalez (P):**
- **RESOLUTION 18 IS TABLED**
- **Resolution 70 sponsored by Senator Marcus (P):**

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**New Business:**

- **Resolution 59 sponsored by Senators Randall, Tackett (P) Nasworthy, Wang, Marcus, Roy (Co):**

- Opening Statement:

- Tackett: So basically this is war powers act. Someone came to me and said that SGA needs to resemble real government and one thing we don't have is the ability to declare war. We do have some structural issues in the executive branch. We have lack of communication with them, athletes, don't have any cross state SGA conenctions. We can declare a mock state of war amongst another SGA during an athletic event through a charitable event and whoever wins would be declared the "superior" university. Sponsor yields with 2:40 to closing

- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:

- Duchene: Does this require any action from any other student governments? Tackett: No, we would send the resolution and if there's no response we're technically the winner, if they do not respond to the charitable event.

- Duchene: If we declare war against UF and if they dont respond, do we still participate in the charitable event?

- Tackett: Not outlined in the document, but willing to amend.

- Randall: If we start this process we should finish it, this would allow us to do more fundraisers with specific groups such as veterans, food pantries, and underrepresented students.

- **Sourdissen \_\_\_ moves to enter round-table discussion; \_\_\_Duchene\_\_\_ seconds**

- Round-Table Discussion:

- Sourdissen: Loves this idea, when it hits the floor, how do you think senate as a whole will react to this?

- Tackett: Thinks senators will like this bill and senate leadership seemed to like it. When it comes to the floor, I think it's going to be okay.

This is supposed to be a charitable event and not something controversial with the word “war” attached to it.

- Duchene: Do you anticipate any disagreement, and how to guarantee funds go to veterans or food pantries?
- Randall: This was left intentionally vague, underrepresented populations may vary between colleges. Populations of importance as well. Naming those groups is not necessarily what we wanted to do but that food insecurity was especially important across campus. Intentionally broad. How it will be selected, in the declaration of war, FSU will participate in this fundraising event, ideally we would like the other group to pick the same event. They could choose from any of the 3 events which is open to interpretation. Miami doesn't have a food pantry so that's why it's vague.
- Duchene: In support, creative, and facilitate friendly rivalry. Engages students and creates funds for organizations. Really appreciates resolution.
- Hunter: Full support, really big supporter. Works towards senate mission of being charitable. Will vote yes.
- Duchene: 6.11 point C, if the opposing school does not respond to declaration, our school is superior and will continue with charitable event.
- Hunter: We have the requirements to declare war, let's say it has to be submitted once a year for declaring war and it doesn't pass, what's the protocol?
- Randall: As long as it passes, it's fine, as long as it's submitted that's all that matters.
- Duchene: I know war is not a good thing, but this is an act of good between schools.
- Tackett: Talked about post season and march madness and how this could be a charitable event as well. Randall stated that could be a lot of declarations of war. This does not also just have to be basketball or football, other sports can be included.
- Hunter: in regards to post season game, not enough time to make a charitable event.
- Looking for better word than post season

- Hunter: “No limit to declarations in post season”
- Hunter: Have you talked to athletics?
- Tackett: No
- **\_\_Hunter \_ moves to call the question; \_Duchene \_\_ seconds**
- Closing Statement:
- Tackett: Thank you for hearing this, hopefully we see this on the floor and it’s a great way to support the athletics.
- Vote:
- Yes: 7 [Tsouroukdissian, Duchene, Hunter, Remler, Garcia, Moore, Moria]
- No: 0
- Abstain: 0
- **RESOLUTION 59 PASSES**

**Unfinished Business:**

- **Resolution 18 sponsored by Senator Gonzalez (P)**
- **Resolution 70 sponsored by Senator Marcus (P)**

**Closing Announcements:**

- **Hunter: Discussed PowerofWe event: longest table event. 5-7 Langford green**
- **Nemeth: Thank you for being patient!**
- **Duchene: Come to newsies!**
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**Next Meeting: TBD**

**Adjourned: 9:15pm**

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**Signature of Chair Murray**

