



75th Student Senate
Internal Affairs Committee
10.10.23 4:30 p.m. | <https://fsu.zoom.us/j/4349728982>

Call to Order: 4:30

Members Present: Senator(s) Dlugos, Gomez, Lento, Lewis, Nguyen, Waller, Windlan, Chair Salazar

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Members Absent: Senator(s) Birdsong (E), Dennig (E), Gandolfo (U), Vice Chair LoBianco (E)

Guests: Jonus Goldstein, Faisal Lalani, Geetanjali S, Jacob Rampino

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Announcements:

- None.

Committee Business:

- **Jacob Rampino – Deputy Supervisor of Elections**
- **Bill 87 Amended**

Old Business:

- None.

New Business:

- **Candidate for Confirmation: [Jacob Rampino, Deputy Supervisor of Elections]**
 - Opening Statement:
 - Candidate Rampino: I am a very hardworking person, I've had several roles such as a community ambassador. I am constantly working on administrative projects and coordinating with other community groups. In terms of meeting deadlines that is never an issue for me. As for this position in particular, I know the elections office goes over the code a lot

and I have a good ability to read, comprehend, and understand different rules and regulations. I am always looking to follow those rules, as I care deeply about the democratic process. I currently work for two different newspapers and have a goal of being a journalist, so honesty and human rights are very important to me. I will ensure the election is as clean, fair, and accurate as possible.

○ Round of Questioning

- Senator Windlan: Do you have any material ideas on how you plan on increasing voter turnout?

- Candidate Rampino: I don't have anything concrete, but right now I am a member of PIRG and just joined the new voter project, I hope to work with Samuel Appel in the future on this initiative, as he seems to always get great returns in terms of voter turnout. I also have familiarity with media and getting the word out.

- Senator Gomez: With so many positions, do you think you have enough time to fully commit to this position?

- Candidate Rampino: Absolutely, I have a very clear schedule that has room in it. To be honest, I am not the type of person that would take on something I cannot fully commit to.

Senator Lento moves to enter round-table discussion; Senator Gomez seconds

○ Round-Table Discussion:

- Senator Gomez: I am in pro f this candidate's enthusiasm and I appreciate that he understands how serious this position is, so I think he would be a great fit.

- Senator Windlan: I have worked with this candidate a little bit in community ambassadors. He has a lot of great ides. Also, having the tie between the journalistic lenses and wanting to increase voter turnout I think is good.

○ **Senator Lento moves to forward the candidate; Senator Windlan seconds**

○ Closing Statement:

- Candidate Rampino: I am very excited to work in this office and am excited to properly administer this election.

○ Vote:

- Yes: [7] [Dlugos, Gomez, Lento, Lewis, Nguyen, Waller, Windlan]
- No: [0]
- Abstain: [0]

○ **RESULT: CANDIDATE JACOB RAMPINO PASSES**

● **Resolution or Bill #87 - Sponsored by Senator Widmann**

○ Opening Statement:

- Senator Widmann: The only changes are in 908.7 A. It is changing it to be read "the office of OGA shall have the authority to create a legislative agenda for any session of a Local, State, or Federal legislative bodies. This agenda shall include policy proposals intended for submission in their respective branches of government and any other necessary efforts to accomplish the purpose of OGA." This is just changing the wording that would only allow OGA to work in the Florida Legislature, where now we can work in the local, state, and federal legislature as well. If there is a board that may not be as successful as one, more funding less funding etc., they don't have to work at the federal level they just can. As Director

of Operations, it is my goal to expand to the federal level. There is one more change, it was a typo, "to be properly investigated."

- Round of Questioning
 - N/A
- **Senator Lento moves to enter round-table discussion; Senator Gomez seconds**
- Round-Table Discussion:
 - Senator Lento: I think these amendments are 100% necessary, just broadening what OGA does. They do really good things, specially advocating on behalf of the FSU student body.
 - Senator Windlan: Echoing that, I think that this is a very necessary and well thought out bill that will do good things for the student body.
- **Senator Lento moves to call the question; Senator Windlan seconds**
- Closing Statement:
 - Senator Widmann: Thank you all for your kind words.
- Vote:
 - Yes: [7] [Dlugos, Gomez, Lento, Lewis, Nguyen, Waller, Windlan]
 - No: [0]
 - Abstain: [0]
- **RESULT: BILL #87 AMENDED PASSES**

Unfinished Business:

- None.

Closing Announcements:

- None.

Next Meeting: 10.17.23

Adjourned: 4:44 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bryan Gomez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Signature of Chair