

75th Student Senate

Student Life Committee

Friday, October 27th, 2023 at 2:15 pm | Zoom ID: 662 691 0906 Meeting Recording Link: video1482886388.mp4

Call to Order: 2:15 PM

Members Present: Barrett, Dos Santos, Brown, Weston, Pruim, Larancuent

Members Tardy: Newsome, Sparling, Garrison

Members Absent: Chatellier

Guests: Hine

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Announcements: Meuiner: I got this new shirt; I think it's really cool! That's it.

Committee Business: Resolution # 78

New Business: Resolution #78

Resolution #78 Sponsored by Senator Hine (P) Anandjiwala, Barresi, Burton, Chinn

Garcia, Gorelick, McEnery, Meier, Ramos, Windland (Co)

This resolution urges the administration at College of Social Work to work with Payment 4 Placement FSU in developing paid internship opportunities for the required field internship social work students have to complete.

• Opening Statement (5 mins):

Basically, a couple weeks ago the organization payment for placement reached out to me and asked if I could write a resolution. Payment for placement is a national organization and last year the chapter developed here at FSU. Their goal is to bring awareness to students who are working unpaid internships, and help develop paid internship opportunities for social work students. For those of you who don't know, on top of course work, social work students are required to complete 512 hours of a field internship before they can graduate. It is reccomended that all of these hours are completed in the same semester, which is 40 hours of unpaid work a week. It is reccomended that we quit our jobs and any extra carriculars that may deter from the internship. On top of this we have to pay for 12 credit hours and a required seminar class. Some students have talked about how this has affected their lives and mental life while they figure out how to take these classes and pay their bills as well. For example, I am doing their internship in the spring, and I am working as many hours as possible this semester, so i can afford to live next semester. So yeah bascialy this resolution will educate the rest of the student body on this issue, and asking the college of social work to work with admin to help solve this.

• <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>

Newsome: What are some of your end term goals when it comes to this?

Hine: Yeah so me personally I am not a part of the organization that reached out, but I know their goals are just to get social work students more flexibility financially for this requirement, and this sort of resolution will help work towards solving that. I think this would be a great start to this process, but having support from admin would really help.

Khosh moves to enter round-table discussion; Weston seconds; no objections

• Round-Table Discussion:

Khosh: I think this is a great resolution and starting point and I feel like this is a definite issue within the college of social work with the information I have so far. However, I do not want the work to stop here with this resolution. Senator Hine, if you are willing to amend, I would love to add Director of Academic Affairs Hannah Carter to this, if you are friendly to that, I think the exec branch would be more than willing to work with you on this issue.

Hine: Yes I am totally friendly to amend, I was trying to find some more poeple to add onto this and could not think of any so this is helpful.

Khosh moves to amend, Newsome seconds

Sponsor finds it friendly

Meuiner: I like this alot, the internship sphere is very difficult to get into, and this sort of resolution will help our students out a lot. This will show admin that our students need help in this area.

Khosh: Yes I like I said before I think this is a great first step into hopefully solving issues like this. Senator Hine, hopefully after this resolution passes, you are able to work with members of the executive branch like Hannah Carter, in order to bridge the gap between us and adminstration and be able to solve this issue.

Khosh moves to call the question; Weston seconds; no objections

Closing Statement:

Thank you guys, this is a really big issue that is important to me. I know that we deserve to get paid for our work, and we should be getting paid a little bit for this. We do have to pay tuition for these hours, so thank you for the amendment and if I think of anyone else to add to the bill i will.

Sponsor yields with 2:00 minutes and 48 seconds.

- o <u>Vote:</u>
 - Yes: 9
 - No: 0
 - Abstain: 0

• **RESULT: RESOLUTION #78 PASSED**

Unfinished Business:

None

Closing Announcements:

Enjoy the weekend everyone and beat wake forest!

Next Meeting: 11/04/23

Adjourned: 2:28 pm

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Signature of Chair, Luke M. Meunier