



**71<sup>st</sup> Student Senate  
Judiciary Committee  
February 26, 2019**

**Call to Order:** 6:34 p.m.

**Members Present:** Chair Denton, Vice Chair Jacobsen, Senators Leckie, Walsh, Weber

**Members Tardy:** Senator(s) Latham

**Members Absent:** Senator(s) Dobbins

**Guests:** Senator Harmon, Senator-Elect Angie Mella

**Announcements:**

- Chair - None.
- Vice Chair - We should all focus on the four dimensions on empowerment 1) Sense of meaning 2) Sense of competence 3) Sense of Self- determination 4) Sense of impact
- Members - Weber: shoutout Senator Dobbins for articles in FSView, Senator Walsh: reminds senators to bring laptops
- Guests - Senator Harmon: put sticky notes over political stickers

**Committee Business:**

- Bill 23 - Sponsored by Senators Harmon, Jacobsen, Purganan - A revision to the Student Body Statutes 710.2G and 710.2G,1 fixing reference mistakes in Election Code
- Bill 25 - Sponsored by Senator Leckie - Adding Chapter 420 to Student Body Statutes, creating the Senate Accountability Office

**Old Business:**

- Bill 10 - Sponsored by Senator Ready - A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 800, Finance Code. Purpose: to facilitate the Finance Committee mandated review of Chapter 800.

**New Business:**

- Bill 23
  - Sponsor Harmon - This bill fixes references in statues yields 4 minutes
  - Senator Walsh moves to round table and Senator Weber seconds
  - Senator Weber- Where these the things we brought up when we were in judiciary?
  - Senator Harmon- Yes
  - Senator Walsh moves to call to question Vice Chair Jacobsen seconds
  - **BILL PASSES UNANIMOUSLY**
- Bill 25
  - Sponsor - Senator Leckie - An individual would get appointed and then would build a team of people to do research on bills every week. This would allow for

people to really understand what they are talking about. This would also allow for people 3:42

- Senator Weber moves to round table Senator Walsh seconds
- Senator Weber- Do you think that our legislation needs this?
- Senator Leckie - I think that some of our bills could use research so that we all fully understand.
- Vice Chair Jacobsen - Do you think that people will have enough time to participate in this?
- Senator Leckie- It is voluntary so people that sign up so they should have time.
- Senator Weber- Should we maybe have people in the senate certification perform this?
- Senator Weber- Why not write this into the senate certification program
- Senator Leckie- I feel that people doing the research should be well- informed and have a really good understanding of senate.
- Senator Walsh- I would rather have something that would encourage Senators to write about their own legislation
- Senator Walsh moves to allow a non committee member speak Senator Weber seconds
- Senator Harmon- So IA has jurisdiction to dismiss the SAO?
- Senator Leckie- Yes, they could dismiss the SAO at any time
- Senator Leckie- The SOA in charge would create the committee so this would prevent people from not wanting to participate
- Senator Weber- Senator Harmon would you like IA to do something related to researching?
- Senator Harmon- Yeah, possibly
- Senator Leckie- The reason why I don't think we should rely on the descriptions because they are bias. So having an unbiased third party
- Senator Walsh- motions to have a non committee member speak Senator Latham seconds
- Senator Harmon- What if they find something wrong with a Bill?
- Senator Leckie- They would simply state the facts , point- The committee will be made up of many different members with different opinions so this should help mitigate bias.
- Senator Walsh- How will they research finance? Shouldn't we trust people in Senate to look over these bills?
- Senator Leckie- Well they could reach out to these individuals to ask for their help
- Senator Latham- Then they would be reaching out to the bias sources
- Senator Walsh moves
- Senator Harmon- Who will confirm this individual?
- Senator Leckie- It is vague, i would be willing to amend this
- Senator Weber- Why can't we encourage LA's to do this?
- Senator Leckie- We could, but this group will keep us more accountable
- Senator Walsh- There would be any easy way to have bias when asking individuals for straight facts?
- Senator Weber moves to call to question
- Senator Leckie- vote for what you think is best for the student body, I want judiciary to help make senate easier
- Vice Chair Jacobsen- NO, Latham- NO, Senators Leckie- YES , Walsh- NO, Weber- NO
- **BILL FAILS 4-1**

**Unfinished Business:**

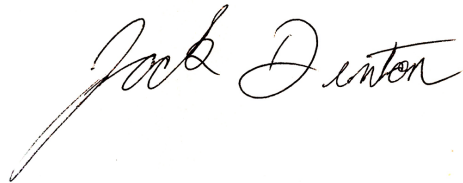
- Bill 10

**Final Announcements:**

**Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

March 5, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in Strozier Faculty Conference Room

**Adjourned:** 7:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack Denton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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Signature of Chair