



**73rd Student Senate
Internal Affairs Committee
04/12/21**

Call to Order: 6:32pm

Members Present: Chair England, Vice Chair Stults, Senator West, Senator Gabadage, Senator Hitchcock, Senator Fineout

Members Tardy: none

Members Excused Absent: none

Members Absent: Senator Nasworthy

Guests: Sarah Johnson, Melanie Green, Trevor Murray

Announcements:

- Land Acknowledgement

Committee Business:

- Candidate for Chief Financial Officer, Veterans Student Union, **Melanie Green**
- https://fsu.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?SID=SV_3aeRwgC6BiiJWh7&R=R_1gdKyKxU91gZc3S
- **Opening** – I am a rising junior, and I am a proud military brat. I served as secretary for VSU. I came onto the board just as COVID-19 began and I am looking forward to going back to social in-person events. Thank you for having me.
- **Questioning:**
- Senator Gabadage: What specific improvements would you make?
- Candidate Green: I hope next year to work with the board to increase turnout at events.
- Chair England: Are you financially certified?
- Candidate Green: Yes, and I am ready to do it again when the financial year expires.
- **Closing** – Thank you for having me to discuss my candidacy. I appreciate your time and I know that the stress this week is a lot. I look forward to VSU next year.
- Vice Chair Stults moves to enter roundtable, Senator West seconds.
- **Roundtable Discussion**
- Senator Gabadage moves to call to question, Senator Hitchcock seconds.
- **Vote:** Unanimous in favor – (Stults, West, Gabadage, Fineout, Hitchcock)

- Candidate for Director, Veterans Student Union, **Sarah Johnson**
- https://fsu.qualtrics.com/CP/Report.php?SID=SV_e4NcdhYFzmaZtC5&R=R_3IGPbvp6n9kMaZv

- **Opening** - I am a sophomore from Tampa, and I am an army brat. I felt support from organizations and my community, and I want to support veterans on our campus and honored for their sacrifice. My dad served over 20 years in the Army.
- **Questioning:**
- Chair England: Have you been involved with VSU before?
- Candidate Johnson: PR and marketing officer for VSU.
- Senator Hitchcock: What did you learn through that PR position?
- I learned about teaching the community about how to support the veterans and collaborating with the sports department for fun physical fitness competitions.
- **Closing** – I think as the director I would support and equip veterans with the tools necessary to be placed into jobs and succeed after leaving FSU campus. I will help provide a helpful support system.
- Senator Fineout moves to enter roundtable discussion, Vice Chair Stults seconds.
- **Roundtable Discussion**
- Senator Hitchcock: I liked the candidate's connection to VSU and emotion.
- Senator Gabadage moves to call to question, Senator Fineout seconds.
- **Vote:** Unanimous in favor – (Stults, West, Gabadage, Fineout, Hitchcock)

Old Business:

- NONE

New Business:

- NONE

Unfinished Business:

- Zachary Krueger for Assistant Director of VSU

Final Announcements:

- Chair England: It has been fun working with you all and it was an honor serving with you. Thank you all for your hard work. Thank you to Vice Chair Stults for being a legend with the minutes. Have a great summer and see you in Senate.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourned: 6:53pm



Signature of Chairperson, Internal Affairs Committee