



**75th Student Senate
Finance Committee
March 22 at 6:00 PM
On Zoom**

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Members Present: Chair Pedraja, Vice-Chair White, Senators Seeger, Shasho, Anandjwala, Patel, Adonis, Humberg and King

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Members Absent: Senator Patel- Qadir(excused) and Jones (unexcused)

Guests: Chair Wyatt

Land Acknowledgement: The Student Government of Florida State University acknowledges that it is located on land that is the ancestral and traditional territory of the Apalachee Nation, the Miccosukee Tribe of Florida, the Muscogee Creek Nation, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. We pay respect to their Elders past and present and extend that respect to their descendants and to all Indigenous people. We recognize this land remains scarred by the histories and ongoing legacies of settler- colonial violence, dispossession, and removal. In spite of all this, and with tremendous resilience, these Indigenous Nations have remained deeply connected to this territory, to their families, to their communities, and to their cultural ways of life. We recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain with this land and extend our gratitude as we live and work as humble and respectful guests upon their territory. We encourage all to learn about and educate others on the contemporary work of the Indigenous Nations whose land we are on and to endeavor to support Indigenous sovereignty in all the ways that we can.

Announcements:

- Chair Pedraja: I am sad that today is probably our last meeting, but it has been a great term
- Vice-Chair White: Hope you all had a great break

Committee Business:

Old Business:

New Business:

- **Consent Resolution #18 - Sponsored by Chair Wyatt**
 - Opening Statement:
 - Chair Wyatt: All right, hi, guys for the last time hopefully, maybe. I was actually a little sad. At the end of the pack meeting. I didn't realize how much I liked PAC like this is the last time saying the same thing that I say every single week for like 500 weeks was like kind of sad. But the first organization is the Vietnamese Student Association. They are having an event on April 1 and the Wesley Foundation. They requested a lot of money but we had to cut them pretty significantly. So they were requesting over \$1,000 in food category, but we just cut them down to pay for like their main appetizer, and then the expenses to help decorate for the event. But they're having another share at night so hopefully they'll be able to raise some more funds to pay for the rest of the event but I thought we'll just have to stick with that. FMA. We funded them for food for their professional development workshop. And the Ross and Traskey foundation is actually this is kind of like a unique situation. They are like the RSO part of UROP, kind of so what we funded in the expense category is for the Ancestry DNA like website, when they have students that come in and do research, they have to go through like ancestry to like find the heritage and all that stuff. That's like kind of what their foundation deals with. So we were able to pay for the expenses for the premium version of the website. They were requesting other money to pay for other website fees, but we couldn't afford it. And then finally the Haitian club which gets rid of the rest of the pack balance. They also were asking for over \$3,000 but we were able to fund the Haitian cultural club \$4,000 In the fall, so I thought it was we were able to help them there and we gave the rest of the pack funds to the food category for their event. Without a sponsor yields with three minutes and two seconds left for his closing we will now continue around them general questioning if you have a question for why please raise your hand
 - General Non-Debatable Questioning:
 - **Senator Seager motions to moves to roundtable; Senator Ananjwila seconds**
 - Round-Table Discussion:
 - Senator White: This is a great resolution
 - **Vice Chair White moves to call the question; Senator King seconds**
 - Closing Statement:
 - Chair Wyatt: Yields
 - Vote:
 - Yes: [9] Senators White, Seager, King, Patel, Rivera, Adonis, Anandijwala, Shasho and Humberg
 - No [0]
 - Abstain: [0]
 - **RESULT: Consent Resolution #18 Passes**
- **Candidate for Confirmation- Anagrace Bennett- Executive Branch, Financial Assistant**
- Opening Statement:

- Candidate Bennett: Hi everybody my name is Anagrace Bennett and I would like to be the Financial Assistant for the executive branch. I am a dual degree in economics and finance. I really want to be involved in Florida State affairs and would find that this position in student government would be a perfect
- General Non-Debatable Questioning:
 - Vice- Chair White: What led you to apply for this position?
 - Candidate Bennett: Throughout high school I was the president for my senior class and I'm always involved in school. And even now like I wanted to be in a competitive leadership position rather than just sitting in a club or sitting in some organization. I wanted to actually make an impact and actually do more work. So I thought this position was open and people were advertising to apply for student government positions and I thought it's fun. And I'm majoring in finance and it's something that connects perfectly.
 - Senator Adonis: What are your plans if you are granted this position?
 - Candidate Bennett: Yeah, so they in the description for timing. It's mostly helping the executive branch whatever they need. And so whenever they tell me to do our have like contact or help organizing, keep everything set up the workload of the exact work so they can focus more on other needs that take off the busy work and more take on like small tasks that
 - Senator Ananjwila: How do you think you will be able to balance this role with other responsibilities?
 - Candidate Bennett: Yeah, I like having an agenda and actually have it right now. A planner that I write things down and schedule things so if there's meeting time and time, and if there's a deadline, I'll make sure to meet that and session that out and plan ahead. And like unfortunately, out until my like, say for example, things like that. Now when I need to finish the work or anything along those lines.
- **Senator Seager motions to moves to roundtable; Senator Ananjwila seconds**
- Round-Table Discussion:
 - Senator White: This is a great resolution
- **Senator Seager moves to call the question; Senator Adonis seconds**
- Closing Statement:
 - Candidate Bennett: Yeah, I really look forward to the next step. Hopefully everything works out and if I do end up working with you guys, I'm excited to see that.
- Vote:
 - Yes: [9] Senators White, Seager, King, Patel, Rivera, Adonis, Anandijwala, Shasho and Humberg
 - No [0]
 - Abstain: [0]
- **RESULT: Candidate Bennett is Forward to Senate as a whole for Executive Branch, Financial Assistant**

Unfinished Business:

- None

Closing Announcements:

- Chair Pedraja: Glad to see everyone, great job, smooth meeting. Hope you all enjoyed what could be our last meeting.
- Vice-Chair White: Great meeting, and congrats to our senators that are terming out on a great term.
- **Next Meeting: Tuesday March 28, at 6:15 PM**

**Adjourned:
Ended at 6:23 PM**

Signed,

**Edward Pedraja
Finance Chair**