



## 75<sup>th</sup> Student Senate

### Rules Committee

**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 5:30pm | Zoom ID: 937 1197 2014**

#### **Call to Order:**

**Members Present:** Pro-Tempore DuChêne, Chair(s) Kariher, McMahon, Bettley, Pedraja, Carter, Widmann

**Members Tardy:**

**Members Absent:** Wyatt

**Guests:**

#### **Meeting Called to Order at 5:34PM**

**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 recognize this land remains scarred by the legacies of violence and removal, we recognize the ongoing relationships of care that these Indigenous Nations maintain with this land, and we 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:**

- Pro-Tempore:
  - Today we do not have any legislative business, however we are going to go through the rules committee rules and procedure as I work to complete them. As of now I have almost every section completed so I want to review that as a committee and get feedback.
- Judiciary: Chair Kariher
  - Passed Bill 1 and the committee approved the election code exam.
- Internal Affairs: Chair McMahon

- Have not met yet, however we are going to be approving the forwarded senate staff on Monday.
- Budget: Chair Bettley
  - Meeting was not held due to meeting not being posted on the website within 24-hours of the meeting time.
- Finance: Chair Pedraja
  - The Finance Committee met at 8pm and passed Consent Resolutions 5 and 6.
- Student Life: Chair Carter
  - The Student Life Committee met and passed Bill 1, Resolution 2, and Resolution 3.
- Resource for Travel Allocations: Chair Widmann
  - Created CR 5 which has been approved by Finance. If the CR is passed by senate the RTAC balance will be \$16,010.

**Committee Business:**

- **Reviewing Committee Rules of Procedure**
  - **[Section 1 of Rules ROP]**
  - DuChêne: I believe that a Pre-Meeting: Round Table Discussion is helpful for us to check in with one another before the meeting begins, while leaving discussions out of official business and minutes.
  - Kariher: Would this violate Sunshine Law I not added to the Minutes?
    - DuChêne: No because we will not be discussing official business.'
  - **[End of Section 1 of Rules ROP]**
  - Bettley: I have a question regarding the time of the meetings, if we set the start time at 5:30PM will we need to come earlier for Pre-Meeting: Round Table Discussion?
    - DuChêne: No, we will just start the meeting before allowing non-members of the committee out of the waiting room.
  - **[End of Section 2 of Rules ROP]**
  - **[Section 3 of Rules ROP]**
    - [No comments from committee]
  - **[End of Section 3 of Rules ROP]**
  - **[Section 4 of Rules ROP]**
  - Diaz: What if a non-committee member would want to speak during the suspension hearing of a senator?

- Widmann: Is there a different process on who is allowed to speak during a suspension hearing?
- Patrick: We can re-address this section and allow the committee to review it at a different time.
- **[End of Section 4 of Rules ROP]**
- **[Section 5 of Rules ROP]**
- **[End of Section 5 of Rules ROP]**
- **[Section 6 of Rules ROP]**
- **[End of Section 6 of Rules ROP]**
- **[Section 7 of Rules ROP]**
- **[End of Section 7 of Rules ROP]**
- Carter: When we have absence hearings, could we make a note that someone applying for a leave of absence will be able to speak in round table discussion or not?
- Diaz: It might be beneficial to make a process for who does minutes each week.
  - Widmann: Could we do it alphabetically?
  - Diaz: We could add a section that the President Pro-Tempore would select a member each week to take notes.
- Cole: Typically, the person that makes an opening statement would not be allowed to speak in discussion unless they are permitted to.

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- None

**Unfinished Business:**

- None

**Closing Announcements:**

- Widmann: Thank you again Chair Kariher for assisting the RTAC Committee reach quorum, I really appreciate it.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, 25 January 2023 at 5:30pm on Zoom**

**Adjourned: 6:02PM**

*P. DuChêne*

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**Signature of President Pro-Tempore Patrick A. DuChêne**