



75th Student Senate

Student Life Committee Committee

Wednesday, 7th June 2023 at 5:00pm | Zoom ID: 986 4178 1288

Call to Order: 5:00pm

Members Present: Senator Pedraja, Senator Staveski, Senator Kerley, Senator Sparling, Senator Shah, Senator Arellano

Members Tardy: Senator Schwartz

Members Absent: Senator Garrison

Guests:

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 settlers- 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: Welcome to Student Life, if you have any questions I sent out my number in the groupchat so if you have any concerns in regards to your attendance or anything like that feel free to hit me up. Vice Chair you got anything?
- Vice Chair Arellano: I'm excited to get this show on the road.
- Members of the Public
 - None

Committee Business:

- None

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- **Resolution #46- Sponsored by Senator White (P), Senator Kerley (Co)**
 - Opening Statement (5 minutes):
 - Senator Kerley: Alright so im kind of presenting this on behalf of senator white because he couldn't be here tonight, but basically the one of the goals of the executive branch is to raise FSU's rank throughout the term and it's important for branches of government to work together and this is a great way to recognize all the accomplishments our school has done in the last couple years and, you know, frame it kind of looking towards the future and what we can accomplish by continuing our efforts. I'm yielding the rest of my time.
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 - Question Period:
 - Senator Arellano: Senator Kerley, what is your favorite part of this resolution?
 - Senator Kerley: That's a good question I would say one of my favorite parts is talking about the magnetic field lab that we have. I used to be a biology major but im not anymore but I think that our accomplishments in the scientific frontier are pretty impressive because its hard to make history in those areas because so much money is poured into all those all the time, so I think that's a pretty cool part that it recognizes.
 - Senator Staveski: Would you be friendly to an amendment just changing, I think it's the fourth whereas, where it says class of 2026 to class of

2027, I just looked it up and the acceptance rate is 23.7 for the incoming class just to make it more current.

- Senator Kerley: Yes I would be friendly.
- Senator Staveski moves to enter deliberations, Senator Sparling seconds, no objections
- Round-Table Deliberation (30 minutes):
 - Senator Staveski: I move to amend the fourth whereas, where it says class of 2026, just make it 27.
 - Vice Chair Arellano: second
 - Chair Pedraja: does the sponsor find it friendly?
 - Senator Kerley: yeah
 - When I highlight it? Yeah, or if you go to home. Oh, okay. Maybe. Okay, strike through, and I'll add 2027.
 - Chair Pedraja: Okay, the amendment has been adopted. We are still in roundtable discussion, so feel free to speak. And I'll take any motions too.
 - Senator Kerley: Was part of the amendment to change the percent for the acceptance rate too?
 - Senator Staveski: I mean, the second set online is 23.7 and I think it rounded off to 24. so, I'm fine leaving it rounded off if everyone else is.
 - Senator Kerley: Yeah, that works.
 - Senator Staveski: Point of parliamentary privilege, do we have to vote on the amendment and then the resolution or can we just vote on it as a whole?
 - Chair Pedraja: With the rules and procedure that I'm familiar with, as long as the sponsor finds it firmly and there's no objections, we are fine to keep the amendment. We only vote if there's an objection, I'm pretty sure. Everyone got a look to look through the bill. You can also find this on campus under the Student Life tab. Do I have any other discussion points or questions or notions?
 - Vice Chair Arellano: motion to call to question on the resolution.
 - Chair Pedraja: There's been a motion to call the question on the resolution. Do I have a second?
 - Senator Staveski: so seconded.

- Chair Pedraja: Do I have any objections? With that, sponsor, you have four minutes and 30 seconds left for your closing statement. You may begin whenever.
- _ moves to call the question, _ seconds, no objections
- Closing Statement:
 - Senator Kerley: Yeah, so I just think this resolution is a good way to, like I said earlier, recognize what we're doing and how we can continue to do well and improve our ranking. And all of this resolution is, you know, like a list of good things we've done and these deserve to be recognized. So I would just say you know, this resolution is a way to support our continued work. I yield the rest of my time.
 - Chair Pedraja: Sponsor yields with four minutes and four seconds. We will now begin a vote. Vice Chair, please administer the vote.
- Vote:
 - Yes: **6**
 - No: **0**
 - Abstentions: **0**
- **RESULT: RESOLUTION #46 PASSES**
 - Chair Pedraja: Awesome, congratulations sponsor we will be hearing this bill on second reading on the senate floor next week.

Unfinished Business:

- None

Closing Announcements:

- Chair Pedraja: Chair Pedraja: Awesome first meeting guys, this is honestly how it was supposed to run, its smooth, theres a little awkward silences but you know what that's what every committee goes through, keep with me and be open to learn, that's all I gotta say.
- Vice Chair Arellano: I'm very proud of us and I'm excited to meet again.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 21th June 2023 at 5:00pm on Zoom

Adjourned: 5:15pm

Signed,

Edward Pedraja
Chair of the Student Life Committee