

## THE SIXTY-EIGHTH STUDENT SENATE

The Journal: March 30, 2016

The meeting of the 68<sup>th</sup> Student Senate was called to order at 7:45 p.m. by Student Senate President Erin Lusaka.

Senator Kelleher led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT (First Roll Call): Senators Anderson, Billisi, Boddie, Brown, Corcoran, Eastland, Edmond, Farooqui, Gonzales, Graham, Hancock, Hendricks, Hill, Hughes, Ichite, Ishaque, Jackson, Joseph, Kelleher, King, Kruetzer, LaBrec, Luebbers, Martin, Mix, Moorhead, Ney, Nixon, Perry, Pimental, Ravelo, Reiter, Rosenthal, Sartain, Schneller, Scott, Sikora, Simpkins, Solomon, Theodore, Villardebo, Walser, Whyte.

MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Bland, Charles, Crager, Galloway, Goodman, Hatcher, Lewis, Matthews, O'Hara, O'Keefe, Quinn, Rodriguez, Volker.

MEMBERS TARDY/LATE: (First Roll Call): Senator Ichnite (8:10).

Senator Ashleigh Anderson was administered the oath of office by Senate Pro Tempore Ravelo, since she was not present at the Inauguration.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: Ken Ayers, PCC Representative, told the Senate that they recently lost one of their professors and a grief counselor is needed on their campus. He said that they will be looking into doing a resolution for a counselor. John Walker, Students for Americas Military, congratulated all the new Senators. He told the Senate that if they want tickets to email him at [jwe15f@my.fsu.edu](mailto:jwe15f@my.fsu.edu) or call 706-570-5541.

Special Introductions and Announcements: None.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Student Body President Nathan Molina and Student Body Vice President Valerie Shallow congratulated the SGA leadership. Molina told the Senate to come and visit at any time during their office hours.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, SGA Organizations Officers and Employees: Giovanni Rocco, Pride Student Union Director congratulated the new Senators. He asked the Senate to please support Bill 29. Ana Vazquez, of SCURC, announced that they are having a research event on Monday, April 4, and she asked everyone to please come to their event. Kathryn Quintin, AASU Director, announced that they are having their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event on April 9, at the Marriot on Gaines Street. She asked the Senate to please support Bill 22. Taylor Lorenz, IRHC Director, announced that they had elections and they are having an event on the Union Green tomorrow.

Messages from the Executive Cabinet: None.

Messages from the Class Councils: None.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: Tristan Hall, COGS Speaker, told the Senate that he is resigning in two weeks and he is endorsing Ben Elwood to be his successor.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board and Soar Board: None.

Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None.

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: As of March 30, 2016, Senate Projects has \$9,264.89. RTAC has \$2,223.05 and PAC has \$8,259.58.

Report of Committees:

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| Student Affairs –    | Did not meet. Senator Edmond introduced herself to the Senate.   |
| Budget-              | As reported in the Calendar.   |
| Internal Affairs -   | Did not meet. There was motion by Senator Solomon to go into Committee of the Whole, the motion passed. The Senate interviewed and passed: Amber Johnson for Chief of Staff (yes-38, no-2, ab-2), Isaac Urichko for Deputy Student Body Treasurer (yes-36, no-2, ab-3), Cristina Chiodi for Secretary of Stem Development (yes-39, no-1, ab-1), Tori Patton for Secretary of Community Affairs (yes-39, no-0, ab-3), Hanna Bartholomew for Secretary of Co-Collegiate Affairs (yes-38, no-2, ab-2), Frazer Collins for Secretary of SGA Research (yes-38, no-2, ab-2), Housam Antbury for Secretary of Diversity and Inclusion (Yes-38, no-1, ab-3), Ashleigh Anderson for Secretary of Internal Affairs (yes-37, no-0, ab-5), William Boose for Secretary of Academic Affairs (yes-30, no-0, ab-2) and Lauren Cremonese for Secretary of the Arts (yes-40, no-1, ab-0). There was a motion to accept the decision of the committee as the decision of Senate, the motion passed. Senator Anderson resigned her Senate seat. |
| Finance -            | There was a motion to go into committee of the whole, the motion passed. The Senate debated Consent Resolution 26 and passed as amended. (See details of Consent Resolution 26).   |
| Judiciary-           | As reported in Calendar.   |
| Rules and Calendar - | Did not meet.  |
| Transportation       | - A report was not submitted.  |

Confirmations: Amber Johnson for Chief of Staff, Isaac Urichko for Deputy Student Body Treasurer, Cristina Chiodi for Secretary of Stem Development, Tori Paton for Secretary of Community Affairs, Hanna Bartholomew for Secretary for Co-Collegiate Affairs, Frazer Collins for Secretary of SGA Research, Ashleigh Anderson for Secretary of Internal Affairs, William Boose for Secretary of Academic Affairs and Lauren Cremonese for Secretary of the Arts.

Consent Calendar:

Consent Resolution 26 – Sponsored by Senator Charles. PAC requests for Chabad @ FSU Catholic Student Union, Lambda Alpha Epsilon, and the Black Female Development Circle. **PASSED AS AMENDED. (Amendments totals: Chabad @ FSU (\$1,735), Catholic Student Union (\$1,750), Lambda Alpha Epsilon (\$519), and Black Female Development Circle (\$433.66)).**

Bills First Reading:

Bill 25 – Sponsored by Senator Goodman. An addition to the Student Body Statutes adding Chapter 310 Fellowship of Diversity and Inclusion. (Amended in committee. Revised bill was sent to the Senate). **TABLED IN COMMITTEE FOR THREE WEEKS.**

Bill 30 – Sponsored by Senator Rosenthal. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 1010, The Women Student Union. Purpose: to revise their statutes to create a more efficient selection process and outline the terms of office for the Executive Board. **WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR 3-30-16.**

Bill 31 – Sponsored by Senator Jackson, Anderson, Simpkins. An allocation of \$1,000 from Senate Projects to The Center for Leadership and Social Change. Purpose: to pay for any event on April 25, 2016. **REFERRED TO BUDGET.**

Bill 32 – Sponsored by Senator Hill. A revision of \$1,000 within Office of Servant Leadership from Expense to Contractual Services. Purpose: to help fund Peace Jam on April 18, 2016. **WITHDRAWN BY SPONSORED 3-30-16.**

Bill 33 – Sponsored by Senators Farooqui and Rosenthal. A transfer of \$3,500 from Senate Projects to University Health Services. Purpose: to refill condom dispensers up to two times a week in Dirac, Strozier and various areas on campus. **REFERRED TO BUDGET.**

Bill 34 – Sponsored by Senator Sartain. An allocation of \$2,000 from Senate Projects to Chabad @ FSU. Purpose: to allocate funds for Passover ceremonies at the end of April. **WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR.**

Bill 35 – Sponsored by Senator Hill. A revision of \$1,000 within OSL from Expense to Clothing and Awards. Purpose: to pay for upcoming OSL events. **WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR.**

Bill 36 – Sponsored by Senator Crager. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 400.5. Purpose: to create a measure that more clearly conserves the opinion of the majority while maintaining the opinion of those that abstain. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY.**

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 24 – Sponsored by Senator Hill. A revision of \$3,402.76 within Office of Service Leadership from Expense to Contractual Services (\$1,000), Clothing and Awards

(\$1,000), and Food (\$1,402.76). Purpose: to place the proper amounts in each category for upcoming events. **PASSED. YES-38, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0**

Bill 27 – Sponsored by Senator Hill. A revision of \$5,468 within AASU from Contractual Services to Expense. Purpose: to pay for hotel reservations for 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. **PASSED. YES-38, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0 (Amended from \$5,200 to \$5,468).**

Bill 29 – Sponsored by Senator Sartain. A revision of \$1,000 within Pride Student Union from Contractual Services to Expense. Purpose: to fund the Pride Student Union's prom, banquet and summer events. **PASSED. YES-38, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0**

Constitutional Amendments: None.

Resolutions:

Resolution 12-Sponsored by Senator Rosenthal.  
Subject: Giving the Women Student Union permission to have plated dinners at the Legacy Banquet.  
**PASSED. YES-38, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0**

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: The Senate held elections for RTAC Chair and the Senate elected Senator Rosenthal.

Closing Announcements: Senator Rosenthal announced that the Legacy Banquet will take place tomorrow night and the Green Dot event will take place on April 8, where there will be training for 6 hours. Senator Sartain told the Senate to talk to her about being on the elections code ad hoc committee. Senator Hill thanked the Senate for voting for him as Senator of the Year. Senator Billisi also thanked the Senate for voting for him for New Senator of the Year. Ali Raza introduced himself to the Senate and encouraged them to do the right thing. He also announced that he is now a US citizen. Chase introduced himself to the Senate. He told them to expect an email from him soon. Danielle Morgan Acosta told the Senate that she started her morning talking about diversity and inclusion with a whole bunch of students and Vice President Mary Coburn. She announced that BSU elections are next week. She told the Senate that agencies are having end of semester banquets. She urged the Senators to stop by and visit – there is a comfortable chair and candy. Acosta urged the Senate to attend their classes and read the statutes. Justin Ravelo, Student Senate Pro Tempore, said that only one-half of the new Senators showed up for orientation. He told the new Senators to come visit him in his office and it does not matter what party you are in. He said that we are all here for the benefit of the students. Erin Lusaka, Student Senate President, welcomed the new Senators to Senate. She told them that her office hours are: Mondays and Wednesdays from 8-9 a.m.; 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and 3:30-5 p.m., and on Friday from 8-9 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or email her at [sgaspres@fsu.edu](mailto:sgaspres@fsu.edu). She told the Senate that she implore them to reach out to their constituents and do services that benefits the students. She also asked everyone to please read your statutes and uphold them.

Final Roll Call: PRESENT: Senators Billisi, Boddie, Brown, Eastland, Edmond, Farooqui, Gonzales, Graham Hancock, Hill, Hughes, Ishaque, Jackson, Joseph, Kelleher, King, Kruetzer, LaBrec, Luebbers, Martin, Mix, Moorhead, Ney, Nixon, Perry, Pimental, Ravelo, Reiter, Rosenthal, Sartain, Schneller, Scott, Sikora, Simpkins, Solomon, Theodore, Villardebo, Walser,

Whyte. ABSENT: Senators Bland, Charles, Crager, Galloway, Goodman, Hatcher, Hendricks, Ichite, Lewis, Matthews, O'Hara, O'Keefe, Quinn, Rodriquez, Volker.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

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Senate President

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