THE SIXTY-SEVENTH STUDENT SENATE

The Journal: October 7, 2015

The meeting of the 67th Student Senate was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by Student Senate President Andrew Forst.

Senator Morelli led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection:


MEMBERS ABSENT: (First Roll Call): Senators Bowers, Charles, Colbert, DeJarnette, Galant, Mason.

MEMBERS TARDY/LATE: (First Roll Call): Senators Anderson (8:50), Doyle (7:47), Moorhead (7:53), Urichko (8:23).

Corrections: None.

Student Comments: None.

Special Introductions and Announcements: None.

Messages from the Executive Branch: Iyanna Pierre-Louis announced that there will be Art Show Case with the School of Motion Pictures and Fine Arts on Sunday, October 11, from 12-3 p.m. Jean Tabares, Student Body President told the Senate that he will not make his final decision until the budget is final. He told the Senate that they are here to represent the students and not “your” thoughts.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, SGA Organizations Officers and Employees: Directors and Assistant Directors from HLSU, WSU, Pride, AASU spoke to the Senate concerning the budget. WSU Director told the Senate that organizations should not be penalized by what former directors did. Pride said that all their programs are geared towards a safer camps. AASU told the Senate that they are bringing students and campus together. HLSU said that they look forward to continuing their relationship with Senate. Taylor, Associate Director of IRHC, announced that they are having the Jimbo Fisher True Seminole Tailgate from 6-8 p.m., and they are having a Taco Bar. She announced that the Haunted House event will take place on October 22 from 8-10 p.m. Austin Engelbrecht, OGA Director, announced that there are internships at the Capitol and see him if you are interested.

Messages from the Executive Cabinet: None.

Messages from the Class Councils: John, Junior Class President; Ariel Smith and Jacque Toussaint, of the Senior Class, told the Senate that they support Bill 56 and they would like to keep the tradition going of having a screen to view FSU away games.
Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: None.

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board and Soar Board: Kylan Simpson of the Union Board announced the following: The budget committee presented the annual budget; the Policy Committee is working on clarifying the updated Dance/Social Events Policy; the Space Committee sent out sanction forms for RSOs who have not turned in their Community Standards report; and the Sustainability Committee met and brainstormed their ideas for the Union which included working to cut the cost of water and electricity for the Union and waste reduction awareness. Soar Board said the President Mixer was a success and Robin Brock was their speaker. They are having a funding workshop on October 23.

Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None.

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: As of October 7, 2015, Senate Projects has $45,531.32. RTAC has $774,622.65 and PAC has $71,934.

Report of Committees:

Student Affairs – As reported in the Calendar.

Budget- As reported in the Calendar.

Internal Affairs - As reported in the Calendar. The committee will meet on Monday at 5 p.m. The Senate interviewed and passed Dimple Rathod as Deputy Supervisor of Elections. Omar Pimentel was approved as Legislative Aide to Senator Hill.

Finance - The Senate interviewed and passed Lauren Lange for RTAC Member.

Judiciary- As reported in the Calendar.

Rules and Calendar - As reported in the Calendar.

Confirmations: Dimple Rathod for Deputy Supervisor of Elections, Lauren Lange for RTAC Member, and Omar Pimentel for Legislative Aide for Senator Hill.

Consent Calendar:

Consent Resolution 35- Sponsored by Senator Lusaka. RTAC requests for The Society of Women Engineers, The Mathematics Society, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and Alpha Mu Alpha. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION. YES-34, NO-0, ABSTAINED-0

Consent Resolution 36 – Sponsored by Senator Silver. PAC requests for Vietnamese Student Association, Internationole, Saving Smiles FSU, FSU Pre Dental Society, Real Estate Society, Students for America’s Military, and Flute Association. PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION.
Bills First Reading:

Bill 55 – Sponsored by Senators Doyle and Ravelo. A revision to the Student Body Statutes Chapter 908, Purpose: to update and clarify the statutes of the Office of Governmental Affairs. **TABLED IN JUDICIARY 10-6-15.**

Bill 59 – Sponsored by Senators Anger and Morelli. An allocation of $2,402.01 from Senate Projects to College of Communication and Information Student Leadership Council. Purpose: to provide food at their CCI-BBQ event on October 30, 2015. **REFERRED TO BUDGET.**

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 56 – Sponsored by Senators DeJarnette and Light. An allocation of $2,700 from Senate Projects to Senior Class Council. Purpose: to pay for projection screen to view FSU away games on October 24 and November 3, 2015. **PASSED. YES-24, NO-8, AB-3**

Bill 57 – Sponsored by Senator Anger. An allocation of $2,990 from Senate Projects to University Health Services. Purpose: to provide 300 HIV tests and equipment to be distributed among health promotions and the Pride Student Union. **PASSED. YES-35, NO-0. AB-0**

Bill 58 – Sponsored by Senators Alteme and Bowers. An allocation of $1,610.73 from Senate Projects to College of Human Sciences College Leadership Council. Purpose: to provide funds for the organization to host annual events for the fall and spring semesters. **PASSED. YES-35, NO-0, AB-0.**

Bill 2016 – Sponsored by Senators Moorhead and Riley and the Budget Committee. A transfer of $13,567,000 from A&S Fees to A&S Fee Recipients. Purpose: to fund A&S Recipients for the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year. **PASSED. YES-32, NO-3, AB-1**

There were motion by Senator Lusaka to unlock the Calendar. It takes a majority vote to unlock the Budget. The Budget was unlocked and Senator Lusaka moved to change Senate Projects from $55,000 to $40,000. After debate the motion failed by a vote of yes-12, no-23, and abstained-0. Senator Doyle moved to unlock the Budget for PAC line item. The vote was yes-13, no-22 and ab-0. The motion failed. The motion to call to question was: yes-26, no-8 and abstained-1. The Senate vote on the Bill 2016, as listed below.


Unfinished Business: The impeachment of Senator Rosario. The full Senate must vote on rather to impeach the officer. Senator Whitmire told the Senate that Senator Rosario had too many absences, 8 total. He said the Senator Rosario never showed up or answered any of the emails sent to his FSU account. The Senator was impeached by a vote of yes-3, no-0 and abstained-0. Someone will be appointed from Judiciary to take this to the Supreme Court.
New Business: None.

Closing Announcements: Senator Silver said that PAC needs students to sit on the committee because the current members are not coming to meetings. Senator Whitmire told the Senate that they are revising statutes and if anyone wants to help see him. Senator Goldberg announced that there will be statute changes to require groups to submit financial reports to see how their funds are spent. Senator Doyle said that he met with Transportation Services and he will be writing a resolution. Danielle Acosta said that the agencies had a vision. She announced the following: there will be free tacos at the Jimbo Tailgate; Pride events are all month and Coming Out Day is Friday at 12 Noon; during elections respect your peers. She urged the Senate to take a deep breath and go to class and love one another. Spencer Scruggs also urged the Senate to go to class and study. Senate Pro Tempore Scott pointed out two ladies in the back that are interested in getting involved with Senate. He told the Senate “don’t find fault, find a remedy.” Senate President Forst told the Senate they did a good job, good debate and good discussion. He said he has two meetings left as the 67th Senate President. He reminded the Senate about wearing stickers or t-shirts to Senate. Forst announced that Sine Die is Wednesday, October 21, and pictures will be taken at 6:45 p.m. He promised the Senate that he will not be back. There was a motion to accept the roll call vote as the final roll call, the motion passed.


The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

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