#### THE SEVENTY-FOURTH STUDENT SENATE Calendar: October 12th, 2022 Location: Senate Chambers, Student Union Time: 7:30pm

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# Call to Order:

• President Hunter calls the meeting to Order at 7:34pm.

# Pledge of Allegiance:

• Led by Boisvert.

# Moment of Silent Reflection:

• <u>Conducted.</u>

# Land Acknowledgement:

St. Hilaire: 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.

# Roll Call:

• Edouard, Vossler, Maglin, Folwell, Mantilla, Anderson, Crocker, Hockett, Casiple, Anand, Drackley, Barrett, Wyatt, McMahon, St. Hilaire, Long, Roogow, Rivera, Carter, Boisvert, Hunter, Nemeth, Gummerman.

# Verification of Quorum:

• <u>Verified.</u>

Corrections and Approval of the Journal 09.21.2022, 10.05.2022

- Casiple moves to approve the Journal 09.21.2022 and 10.05.2022.
  - No objections.
  - The Journal 09.21.2022 and 10.05.2022 have been approved.

<u>Student and Non-Budgeted RSO Comments:</u> <u>https://fsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_b9EVvRotPr4y03r</u>

- Gabe Pfeuffer-Ferguson, President, Academic Recruitment Organization (ARO): Tomorrow night (10/13) we have our collaborative letter-writing event with SGA. I'm asking you guys to come – there will be free food and it's an opportunity to give back to the University to recruit new members in general. Getting a letter that the University wants you here heavily influences that decision. This lets you meet new members within the honors program and to get them engaged in Student Government. Thank you.
- Brandon Gabay: A couple weeks ago I asked Resolutions to be written, and now they
  will hopefully be heard. I ask you to continue their passing tonight they are super
  important. A few of you may have received DMs from me or the Hillel Instagram account,
  we are hosting <u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u> (00:14:42) at Fischer Lecture Hall. This will be
  one of your last chances to hear from a Holocaust survivor. Please come.
- Ashley Allen: I'm a political intern for the Marco Rubio and Ron DeSantis campaign I'm here to make sure you guys vote on November 8<sup>th</sup> and that we also have volunteer opportunities in both campaigns so please reach out if interested. It doesn't have to be political.

# Special Introductions and Announcements: None.

## Messages from the Executive Branch: None.

Messages from Agency and Bureau Directors, SGA Organizations Officers and Employees:

- Ash Soto, Executive Director, Pride Student Union (PSU): My name is Ash Soto, my pronouns are he/they, and I am the Executive Director of PSU. I wanted to share a couple of events and opportunities we have. If you are a member of an LGBTQ+ community or a strong ally we have applications for 'Creating Change 2023' which will be from February 17<sup>th</sup> to February 21<sup>st</sup> in San Francisco, California. We are taking twelve members and asked money from Sweepings. The event builds skills for the community and it is currently FSU Pride Month. <u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u> (00:17:51). We also have a 'Political Action Workshop' that will be happening on October 19<sup>th</sup>. We are also in the middle of Assistant Director interviewers, and you should see them here soon for confirmation.
- Ashley Allen, Director of Public Relations, 1910 Honorary: This honors those who support women's issues. Make sure to follow our Instagram.
- Ashley Allen, Deputy Supervisor of Elections: Please vote on October 19<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 8pm. There will be two tables – one on Landis and another in the Union. The debate is tomorrow (10/13) in this Chamber from 7pm to 8:30pm. Follow us for more details. If you have any questions, please contact me or someone from the Elections team. Inauguration will be November 9<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the Ballroom and our M/C will be Ash Soto.

## Messages from the Executive Cabinet:

- Liz laconis, Director of Academic Engagement: I would love to see you all involved. The Faculty Senate meets once a month and I've been able to attend last month's meeting, but they would prefer to see student engagement to better understand student inputs. They meet next on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 3pm on Zoom and usually lasts only about an hour. I am working with ACE to get SGA funding to academic tutoring resources as they are underutilized. I would like to get a stipulation that tutoring services are included in every syllabus. I am also working with the University Curriculum Committee to create a sample syllabus registry to extend that to graduate courses in the future. The Honors Program Policy Committee began meeting last week.
- Jack Hitchcock, Administrative Director: We have our Directors coming in two a week like I said before. You can see us doing a lot of hard work and I intend to recognize members of our Cabinet, to highlight our projects. One of those things is getting the GPA

Calculator on your myFSU page. If you haven't seen it, follow the 1910 Honorary. We are starting Hurricane Ian supply assistance to create a point system for those involved in Homecoming to bring in supplies – lasting three weeks. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

## Messages from the Class Councils: None.

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students:

 Deputy Speaker of Finance for COGS: Last week we funded money towards the International Graduate Student Association to do an activity at the October 28<sup>th</sup> Coffee Hour. The Executive Board enjoyed meeting with the Sweepings committee and thank you for taking us into considerations. I was looking at the Senate website and noticed the COGS liaison is vacant so I would encourage you to fill that position and I want to extend a warm invitation to our Assembly Meetings on Monday with free food.

## Messages from the Judicial Branch: None.

Messages from the Union Board and Student Engagement Ambassadors:

• Chair, Union Board: We would love any and all updates pertinent to the Union and hear your thoughts on the Union. We have a vacant seat so please encourage others to apply and get more people in Student Government. Thank you to all those involved in the Ribbon Cutting. What you're doing maters.

# Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None.

<u>Report of the SGA Accounting Office:</u> Remaining Balances: Senate Projects \$24,480, PAC \$77,861, RTAC \$38,741.32, and ORG Fund \$0

Report of Senate Liaisons:

- Mantilla: RTAC met today and had two RSO's attend. Both RSO's were approved and were asking money for conferences which will be hearing.
- Diaz: I am the HLSU liaison, and I'd like to thank everyone who supported the HLSU events.

## Report of Committees:

- Judiciary
  - Maglin: Judiciary met yesterday (10/11) at 6pm and we passed Bill 76.
- Internal Affairs
  - Diaz: Internal Affairs met Monday (10/10) at 5:30pm and approved the
- candidates for approval this evening. We will meet next Monday (10/17) at 5pm.
  Budget
  - Long: Budget met last Thursday (10/06) and <u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u> (00:33:24).
- Finance
  - Hockett: Finance met last Friday (10/07) at 11am and passed Consent Resolution 28 and will be meeting at 2:30pm on Friday (10/14).
- Student Life
  - $\circ~$  Barrett: Student Life met last Friday (10/07) at 3:30pm and passed Resolution 57 and Bill 76.
- Rules

• Pro Tempore Nemeth: Rules met tonight (10/12) at 5:30pm and forwarded six candidates which will be heard tonight (10/12).

## Senate Confirmations:

- Veronica Eichberg Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 9 (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - Good afternoon. I'm going to answer a question asked in my first interview, essentially what led you to wish to be a Senator. Being a Senator was one of my dream jobs since as long as I could remember and is one of the reasons, I chose to go to Florida State. I set up debates in high school for students to advocate for change. <u>RECORDING</u> <u>INAUDIBLE</u> (00:37:54). That was what led me to start a club sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League which raised a lot of money and won numerous awards. I will bring my passion of inclusion into the Student Senate.
  - <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
    - Folwell: Are you financially certified?
      - No.
  - General Questioning:

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- Folwell: Do you have a preference on your committee assignments?
  - I don't have a strong preference. I felt overwhelmed as a freshman in panhellenic and think there needs to be greater access to resources. I think we need to utilize the SGA Instagram more.
- St. Hilaire: What's one specific thing you'd like to accomplish?
  - I dealt with not having the resources to name the person who assaulted me as I felt that when I went to get checked they were urging me and making me uncomfortable to share the name other person. The same thing happened at post-Bid Day parties and heard at least ten people have the same situation as me who aren't going to want to share that information. As a freshman I wasn't aware of resources aware to me. I found out that I would've had to have a rape kit which aren't very accurate, is usually performed by a male, and can be very invasive I've seen other Colleges implement programs that have certified nurses to perform tests that are least invasive and is more so counseling than invasive healthcare. I want to push forward a Bill to promote this idea.
- Vossler: How would you describe your leadership style?
  - I think talking to other people in a way you'd like them talking to you – ensuring open communication – is an important quality I have as a leader.
- Closing Statement:
  - Hopefully you have shown me my qualities which I think are crucial to being a member of Student Government. The fact I want to become a future Senator, I feel this background can be great for future success and building future connections. I hope in the future we can have delegated

from sororities sit in on a meeting or two. I think we need to utilize our Instagram better to promote items and opportunities available to students.

- Ellis Rainey Student Senate, Criminology Seat 3 (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - While my family isn't political, I believe I am a strong candidate as I will do the best I can to determine how to best solve issues through the Senate and increase relationships with the College.
  - <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
    - Folwell: Are you financially certified?
      - I'm registered for the course.
  - General Questioning:
    - Casiple: You said you were talking to the Dean of the College of Criminology – where has this conversation gone?
      - I'm very close with the Dean <u>**RECORDING INAUDIBLE**</u> (00:44:17) and I intend to build that relationship.
      - Anand: What are some things you'd like to accomplish?
        - I'd like to understand how the Senate works. As a first-generation college student, being here in general is a learning experience for me.
    - Maglin: You said something about there being issues in the College of Criminology you'd like to address if elected – can you share those issues?
      - I don't have anything specifically, but I think that enhancing communication with the Dean <u>*RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u>* (00:45:37).
        </u>
    - Carter: What led you to know about Senate and become interested in it?
      - I've always had an interest and it started in learning Civics in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade. I love the idea of representing a specific population.
    - Folwell: Do you have a preference on your committee assignments?
      - I have no preference and I'm very open-minded.
      - St. Hilaire: What's one specific thing you'd like to accomplish?
        - I would advocate for mental health. Coming to FSU I knew a lot of people uncomfortable in this new environment, encouraging me to ensure resources are readily available.
      - Vossler: How would you describe your leadership style?
        - Being direct is important as it allows the job do get done as easy as possible.
  - Closing Statement:
    - I appreciate everyone listening and the opportunity. I hope through my answers I've shown my ability to be a hard-worker and hope to put my efforts into the Student Senate.
- Lauryn Klostreich Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 3 (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:

- I am a first year double major in International Affairs and Political Science. I have loved all the opportunities SGA has provided to its students and I intend to create a more accessible and diverse campus. From food insecurity to accessibility, I'm passionate about creating change. Rodney Wells encouraged me to apply for SGA because I wanted to make change, and here I am.
- <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
  - Folwell: Are you financially certified?
    - No.
- General Questioning:
  - Folwell: Do you have a preference on your committee assignments?
    - I'm interested in Student Life as I'm interested in the issue of food insecurity.
  - St. Hilaire: What's one specific thing you'd like to accomplish?
    - Focusing on food insecurity, I've got involved with FSU's Food for Thought Pantry and I hope to spread awareness and boost this issue.
  - Vossler: How would you describe your leadership style?
    - A good leader knows when to back off when they're not an expert which I think is very important.
- Closing Statement:
  - Thank you all. I look forward to creating change on this campus and leading behind something we can be proud of for generations.
- Alexis Staveski Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 7 (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - I am a first-year <u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u> (00:41:49). I was involved in SGA in high school and am aware that this is very different and hope to better understand this environment. I am an Honors Legal Scholar and in the Presidential Scholars Program. Thank you.
  - <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
    - Folwell: Are you financially certified?
      - Yes.
  - General Questioning:
    - Hockett: Your application says you're Exploratory and I'm wondering what College you would be leaning towards.
      - I'm considering pursuing a double major or dual degree so likely a member of two Colleges including Arts & Sciences, Sociology, and Entrepreneurship.
    - Folwell: Do you have a preference on your committee assignments?
       Student Life and Finance both interest me.
      - St. Hilaire: What's one specific thing you'd like to accomplish?
        - I would love to see more involvement opportunities for Freshman to learn FSU's campus even better.
    - Vossler: How would you describe your leadership style?
      - **<u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u>** (00:56:47).

- Closing Statement:
  - Thank you all for this opportunity.
- Voting Results for Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 9:
  - 19 yes, 2 no, 1 abstention.
  - <u>Veronica Eichberg is confirmed as Student Senator, Undergraduate</u> <u>Studies Seat 9.</u>
- Voting Results for Student Senate, Criminology Seat 3:
  - 20 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention.
  - Ellis Rainey is confirmed as Student Senator, Criminology Seat 3.
- Voting Results for Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 3:
  - 22 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.
  - <u>Lauryn Klostreich is confirmed as Student Senator, Undergraduate</u> <u>Studies Seat 3.</u>
- <u>Voting Results for Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 7:</u>
  - 22 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.
  - <u>Alexis Staveski is confirmed as Student Senator, Undergraduate</u> <u>Studies Seat 7.</u>
- Pro Tempore Nemeth conducts the 'Oath of Office.'
- Nathaniel Birdsong Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 15 (1 applicant)
   <u>Opening Statement:</u>
  - It's a pleasure to be here. I've always had a passion for student involvement and representation. I currently serve as the President of the Florida African American Student Association and value minority representation – which is part of why I'm here today. I hope to prove myself.
  - <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
    - Vossler: Are you financially certified?
      - No.
  - General Questioning:
    - Crocker: Do you mind elaborating on identifying barriers to student success at FSU?
      - I think recognizing the resources available to students is crucial, especially in marketing. I would like to see an alliance between BSU and SGA at FAMU to have an institutional alliance that I'd like to see occur.
    - St. Hilaire: What's the first thing you'd like to accomplish?
      - My term is limited in this Body so I just want to be the best supporter I can be. I'm not aware of the legislative process but want to have communication with marketing – increasing student interactions with social platforms and for me to learn.

- McMahon: Do you have any specific plans to boost marketing ambitions?
  - Specifically, I'm not aware of current approaches. I know there are certain restrictions. A revamp of the approach of marketing strategies, boosting academic opportunities.
- Closing Statement:
  - Thank you all and I hope you know why I'd be a great candidate.
- Carson Dale Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 10 (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - I'm a freshman here at Florida State from Missouri, which has been an adjustment. I'm majoring in International Affairs and am involved in Presidential Scholars, Honors Legal Scholars, and Greek life. I also hope to get involved in agencies. I think FSU does a great job of providing resources while students aren't aware of them.
  - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
    - Vossler: Are you financially certified?
      - No.
  - General Questioning:
    - St. Hilaire: What's the first thing you'd like to accomplish?
      - I don't have specific legislation in mind, but as I said, I value increasing student awareness of resources.
  - <u>Closing Statement:</u>
    - I'm excited to work with all of you.
- Austin Lunde University Defender (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - The last two summers I worked for a District Attorney back in Georgia, having real-world litigation experience. I hope to help students in the conduct board or help them understand statutes. This is a great way to help me grow my skills and help the undergraduate population in any way I can.
  - <u>Technical Non-Debatable Questions:</u>
    - None.
  - General Questioning:
    - Folwell: How do you intend to make the general student body aware of this position?
      - I intend to reach out to FSU Supreme Court Justices and utilize anybody here to advertise the position. I don't have an office, but word-of-mouth is how I would achieve those goals – partnerships.
      - St. Hilaire: What's the first thing you'd like to accomplish?
        - I'm not pursuing policies, but I foresee myself working with Student Conduct Code assistance.
    - Boisvert: How familiar are you with the Student Code of Conduct?

- I've read the entire document and think I'm familiar with the procedures and process.
- Boisvert: Do you think you'd be able to commit the time for this position alongside Law School?
  - Absolutely, I only have four classes and can be available regularly.
- Closing Statement:
  - Thank you for your time I look forward to serving the issues of the campus within the prevue of my office. I hope I become confirmed to help students' issues.
- Alden Drackley Mental Health Council Director (1 applicant)
  - Opening Statement:
    - Good evening. I am a current Senator for the College of Social Science & Public Policy. When I ran for Senate, my platform emphasized mental health. I've been able to work with the Mental Health Council and have stayed dedicated to this cause, especially through my fraternity. I intend to work for students to have access to these resources even during the summer. Mental health is the reason I want to do so many things and I can't stress enough how much I would love to get this position. These resources should be more available to students, who should be educated on these opportunities.
  - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
    - Hockett: Assuming you're confirmed, will you relinquish your position as Senator?
      - Yes.
  - General Questioning:
    - Casiple: How does being Director of the Mental Health Council further what you want to achieve?
      - In Senate I was limited <u>**RECORDING INAUDIBLE**</u> (01:23:11) and think this position will allow me to be more hands-on and grassroots, dedicating resources specific to this purpose.
    - St. Hilaire: What's the first thing you'd like to accomplish?
      - Other than working with the Counseling Center, I hope to work with on-campus organizations to try to set up presentations to show the resources of the Counseling Center. I think that'd be a great way to show resources that students may not be aware of.
    - Folwell: How will you utilize the Mental Health Council's allocated budget, and is that adequate?
      - I want to say it's too early to tell but even the first initiatives I want to do aren't expensive.
    - Diaz: There was a lot of debate in the summer Senate for the Mental Health Council due to notions that they didn't do a lot of programming. How can you combat that and what ideas do you have to rebrand?
      - I will likely be coming to the Senate floor to know all the events going on and I want to work with social media managers to boost the Mental Health Council's awareness.
    - Folwell: Do you feel prepared to <u>**RECORDING INAUDIBLE**</u> (01:31:38)?

- I feel the current executives are willing to work with bureau directors and am open to suggestions I'm very confident.
- Closing Statement:
  - Thank you for all the questions and hearing me out.
- Barrett moves to forward the candidates individually, McMahon seconds.
  - No objections.
  - The candidates are forwarded individually.
  - Voting Results for Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 15:
    - 23 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.
    - <u>Nathaniel Birdsong is confirmed as Student Senator, Undergraduate</u> <u>Studies Seat 15.</u>
  - Voting Results for Student Senate, Undergraduate Studies Seat 10:
    - 21 yes, 0 no, 2 abstentions.
    - <u>Carson Dale is confirmed as Student Senator, Undergraduate Studies</u> <u>Seat 10.</u>
  - Voting Results for University Defender:
    - 23 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.
    - Austin Lunde is confirmed as University Defender.
  - <u>Voting Results for Mental Health Council Director:</u>
    - 23 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions.
    - Alden Drackley is confirmed as Director, Mental Health Council.
    - Drackley resigns from the 74<sup>th</sup> Student Senate.
- Pro Tempore Nemeth conducts the 'Oath of Office.'

#### Consent Calendar:

CR 28	Sponsored by Senator Wyatt (P) To fund Society of Undergraduate Mathematics Students, Classical
Guitar	
	Society at FSU, FSU South Asian Student Association, Turkish Student Association at FSU, and The Puerto Rican Student Association

- Folwell moves to approve Consent Resolution 28.
  - No objections.
  - Consent Resolution 28 is approved.

#### Bills First Reading:

Bill 77 Sponsored by Senator Folwell (P) Anderson, Bettley, Carter, Diaz,

Fermin, Long, Rivers, Rock, St. Hilaire (Co) This bill shall represent the budgetary allocations for Sweepings during the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Pursuant to Statute 412.1D, the first reading of this bill shall consist of the estimated amount in the budget to be allocated by Sweepings for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. (Referred to Budget and Judiciary 10.05. Passed in Budget 10.06.)

## • <u>Tabled in Judiciary.</u>

Bill 79	Sponsored by Senator Schindler (P) Anderson, Malone (Co) This Bill will simplify and fix issues within the Senate disciplinary process.
Bill 80	Sponsored by Senator Diaz (P) Folwell, Kariher, Suarez (Co) Removing language in the Finance Code insinuating that Central Reserves are meant to be able to fund items in the Food category.
Bill 81	Sponsored Senator Diaz (P) Anand, Crocker, Kariher, McMahon, Rivers, Roogow, Schindler, Vollick (Co) Formally granting the Student Body President and Agency and Bureau leadership the right to forward candidates for different positions from those that candidates applied for.
Bill 82	Sponsored by Senator Folwell (P) Suarez (Co) This bill makes it so that instead of being slated and voted on as a group, Campus Recreation and Union Board candidates are given individual seats that will be voted upon separately.
Bill 83	Sponsored by Senator Folwell (P) Suarez, Tucker (Co) This bill clarifies that the times FSU SGA elections are open shall be during Eastern Time.
Bill 84	Sponsored by Senator Diaz (P) Hunter (Co) Granting the Senate President the right to call special Senate sessions without the need for a petition.

## Bills Second Reading:

Bill 69 Sponsored by Senator Rivers (P) To make it so, the incoming Senior Class is the voting body for the incoming Senior Class Council. (Referred to Student Life and Judiciary. Passed in Student Life 07.13. Passed in Judiciary 07.14. Tabled on the Floor 07.20, 08.31, 09.02. 09.14, 09.21,10.05.)

#### • Bill 69 is Tabled on the Floor as the Sponsor is not present.

Bill 76Sponsored by Senator Bettley and Senator Rider (P)<br/>To amend the statute regarding the amount of money that shall be funded<br/>to an organization in the category of lodging. (Referred to Student Life

# and Judiciary 10.05. Passed in Student Life 10.07. Passed in Judiciary 10.11.)

# • Bill 76 is Tabled on the Floor as the Sponsor is not present.

Constitutional Amendments: None.

#### Resolutions:

Resolution 57 Sponsored by Senator Schindler (P) Casiple, Hockett (Co) This resolution promotes collaboration between the FSU Student Senate and FAMU Student Senate regarding legislation that affects the FSU-FAMU College of Engineering. (Referred to Student Life 09.14. Passed in Student Life 10.07.)

## • <u>Resolution 57 is Tabled on the Floor as the Sponsor is not present.</u>

- Resolution 61 Sponsored by Senator DuChêne and Senator Carter (P) Bettley, Kariher (Co) Expressing the Senate's disappointment at Homecoming activities being scheduled squarely over Rosh Hashanah, the first of the High Holy Days in Judaism. (Referred to Student Life 09.21. Passed in Student Life 09.28. Tabled on Floor 10.05)
  - Opening Statement:
    - As Brandon Gabay expressed weeks ago, there have been some extreme overlooks of calendars and scheduling on the part of higher-ups in determining the dates of Homecoming. This year it was scheduled on Rosh Hashanah – the Jewish New Year and the first of the High Holy Days. Given the Jewish community should have equal opportunity to participate in Homecoming and their religious holiday, we thought it should be called upon for any stakeholders to adequately consult the Religious Holiday Calendar and consider it when planning Homecoming and other University-wide events.
  - <u>General Questioning:</u>
    - o <u>None.</u>
  - First Round of Pro:
    - o <u>None.</u>
    - Barrett moves to amend to add "Kevin Castello, the Student Alumni Association Student & Alumni Engagement Coordinator and Whitney Powers, Student Alumni Association's Director of Alumni Program & Outreach," Diaz seconds.
      - No objections.
      - Author finds it friendly.
        - Amendment adopted.
  - First Round of Con:
    - o <u>None.</u>

- Barrett moves to call the question, Casiple seconds.
  - No objections.
  - The question is called on Resolution 61.
- <u>Closing Statement:</u>
  - Thank you for hearing this out I think it will impact Jewish students and any others potentially affected by the misinformed scheduling of University events.
- Voting Results:
  - 22 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention.
  - <u>Resolution 61 passes.</u>
- Resolution 63 Sponsored by Senator Carter and Senator DuChêne (P) Bettley (Co) This resolution will condemn all forms of hate speech, drawing specific attention to antisemitism, given recent reports of antisemitic acts committed on campus. (Referred to Student Life and Rules & Calendar 09.21. Passed in Student Life and Rules & Calendar 09.28. Tabled on Floor 10.05.)
  - Opening Statement:
    - This goes hand-in-hand with the previous resolution in response to antisemitic hate speech, particularly regarding certain organizations who have yet to respond to these allegations. Hate speech in any form is pressing. Students targeted by hate speech are more likely to suffer depressed thoughts, have lower academic achievements, and other negative effects on their mental health while we are looking to condemn this and make sure no one is discriminated against or targeted through hate speech.
  - Period of General Questioning:
    - Diaz moves for Resolution 63 to be read in entirety, Anderson seconds.
      - No objections.
      - Resolution 63 will be read in its entirety
  - President Hunter reads Resolution 63 in its entirety.
    - Casiple to Sponsor: Would you be wanting to add the SOI to this Resolution because don't they oversee Market Wednesday?
      - I think that's a great idea.
    - Mantilla moves to amend to change "registered" to "recognized" student organizations and add "Kevin Castello, the Student Alumni Association Student & Alumni Engagement Coordinator and Whitney Powers, Student Alumni Association's Director of Alumni Program & Outreach," St. Hilaire seconds.
      - No objections.
      - Author finds it friendly.
        - <u>Amendment adopted.</u>
    - St. Hilaire moves to amend to add "Stormy Walker, Program Director for Student Organizations and Involvement," Edouard seconds.
      - No objections.
      - Author finds it friendly.
        - Amendment adopted.

- Edouard moves to attend to add "Freddy Juarez, Director of Fraternity & Sorority Life," St. Hilaire seconds.
  - No objections.
  - Author finds it friendly.
    - Amendment adopted.
- St. Hilaire moves to allow non-Senator Brandon Gabay to speak, Maglin seconds.
  - If directed, non-Senator Brandon Gabay may now can speak.
- Boisvert to the Sponsor: In regards to the Alpha Phi Post is there any evidence to suggest they have committed hate speech?
  - I haven't been made aware of any internal investigation on the part of Panhellenic or Alpha Phi. I think it would be necessary that an allegation like this was made to undergo an internal investigation and release a statement. As it has not been addressed, I believe this Resolution works to bring attention to the issue and call on them to address it in their community.
- Boisvert to the Sponsor: In the name of sue process, would you find it friendly to change language in this Resolution to say 'alleged' hate speech?
  - I felt that it was implied by 'report.'
- Anderson moves to amend to add 'Cameron Cramer, Gamma Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi, Diversity Equity & Inclusion Chair,' Hockett seconds.
  - No objections.
  - Author finds it friendly.
    - <u>Amendment adopted.</u>
- <u>Point of Clarification:</u> Edouard: I think you shouldn't have to change the wording because at the end of the day antisemitic comments were made.
- Casiple to the Sponsor: Has the sorority made a comment about the situation?
   No.
- St. Hilaire to Brandon Gabay: Is there anybody you feel we should add to this Resolution?
  - I don't think Kevin or Whitney are necessary however I would recommend adding Asia Durings to this Resolution.
- <u>Point of Clarification:</u> Casiple to the Sponsor: I don't feel comfortable outing the sorority we are accusing as it is anonymous. We have an obligation to make sure people are held accountable – if there's no physical evidence and just an accusation, we shouldn't be accusing a whole organization.
- <u>Point of Clarification:</u> Anderson to the Sponsor: Are we able to ask if their gas been any work done internally?
  - President Hunter: I do know that conversations have been made
- Folwell moves to amend to add "Dr. Zduy Chu, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs," Barrett seconds.
  - No objections.
  - Author finds it friendly.
    - Amendment adopted.
- Mantilla moves to amend to remove "Kevin Castello, the Student Alumni Association Student & Alumni Engagement Coordinator and Whitney Powers, Student Alumni Association's Director of Alumni Program & Outreach," Edouard seconds.
  - No objections.
  - Author finds it friendly.
    - <u>Amendment adopted.</u>

- Hockett to the Sponsor: Did someone specifically address anyone at Alpha Phi and Panhellenic, and directly ask about this?
  - We did not as it was not actively condemning that instance. I would be open with the consultation of others to remove the 'whereas' about Alpha Phi but maintain their place on the 'be it further resolved.'
- Hockett to the Sponsor: The intent is to condemn antisemitism, so this Alpha Phi incidence is just an example?
  - The example of Alpha Phi made this more of a focal point, especially considering the issue of scheduling of Rosh Hashanah. As it was with an RSO we could perhaps include it and call on them. I don't think this implies that they are guilty, informing that anonymous report was made and we encourage anyone to address concerns of hate speech.
- Wyatt moves to amend the whereas to read "allegedly perpetrated by members of the Alpha Phi," Diaz seconds.
  - Boisvert objects.
  - Wyatt withdraws.
- Boisvert moves to amend to strike the entire whereas, throughout the entire paragraph.
  - St. Hilaire objects.
    - Boisvert does not withdraw.
- Opening Statement on the Amendment:
  - I think it's very important for us to condemn hate speech in all forms, however it's also important that we don't single out organizations that haven't had the due process to make sure these allegations are proven. The other instances are vague, but for Alpha Phi there are so many different things that could have happened, such as not have been heard correctly. I think it's improper for us as the Student Senate to keep this as it is.
- o <u>General Questioning on the Amendment:</u>
  - Anderson to the Sponsor: Would you be open to instead of striking the entire whereas, changing it so it reads that it was perpetrated by a member of the Greek life community?
    - As it stands now, no. I would be more than happy to draft an entire Resolution if this is found to be true.
  - St. Hilaire to the Sponsor: If we aren't directly addressing the issue, how do you feel is the best way to address an issue that made multiple students feel uncomfortable. How do you think we can address the sorority and these issues, while representing minorities?
    - All the names should regarding Fraternity & Sorority Life should be kept on, and this Resolution should go through channels to conduct an investigation through panhellenic. If these allegations are factual a separate amendment or Resolution should be directed to Greek life, but I don't believe this is the correct means.
  - St. Hilaire to the Sponsor: You mentioned a proper investigation to get to the bottom of what happened – if this is something not written down how can you prove it did occur? Personally, I think it's important to address the sorority to call it into question as a post did circulate. I'm sure they are aware this happened – how do you feel is the best way to conduct this if it was something said and not written down.

- I'm as strict believer in due process. An internal investigation would reap little benefits as the post was anonymous. Antisemitism in the Greek community would be addressed differently than this, but I'm not a faculty for Panhellenic so I can't speak to that.
- Diaz to the Sponsor: Because you are a believer in due process, how would you feel of another clause to call upon to initiate an investigation?
   I would be more than happy to agree with that.
  - Diaz to the Sponsor: Does that include this section struck?
  - With this section struck, yes.
- Folwell to Gabay: Do you think this amendment takes away from the resolution?
  - Yes, the initial reason I asked this Resolution to be written was because of this instance. In a minority, if something happens to us, we don't report it fun. When you say, 'you don't know what happened,' it devalues the experiences of those it happened to.
- Wyatt to Gabay: If we add a section to call upon fraternities and sororities in general to do an investigation into the situation, not accusing someone while calling upon this issue, would you support that?
  - Yes, it you add 'allegedly' and keep the struck section.
  - Folwell moves to enter 'Pro/Con' debate, Maglin seconds.
    - No objections.
    - Senate enters 'Pro/Con' debate on the Amendment.
- First Round of 'Pro' on the Amendment:
  - Hockett: I agree with what the Resolution is trying to do as a whole the anonymity makes it difficult with so many unknown variables, and I think we should spread love not hate. This could be something like someone saying these words while wearing an Alpha Phi shirt, so I don't want to blame on the organization as a whole. This amendment takes away blame put on Alpha Phi, but I think a motion should be made to perfect the compromise student Brandon Gabay spoke upon.
  - <u>Point of Clarification:</u> Carter: The allegation was regarding members of Alpha Phi during recruitment while they were discussing a new member – saying she wouldn't fit in as she was Jewish and making Holocaust jokes.
  - <u>Point of Clarification</u>: St. Hilaire: Many Senators are saying that this could've been a mistake or an accident, however this was many people and not a mistake.
  - Point of Clarification: Edouard: To say you agree with the Resolution but not the section about the sorority means you don't completely support it, defeating the entire purpose of the statement. We can't single out the organization if they were already singled out by others. A lot of excuses are being made on their behalf, so how can we defend them if they couldn't do the least and make a statement defending themselves.
  - <u>Point of Information:</u> Wyatt to whomever can answer: Does panhellenic or Alpha Phi have to answer to this?
    - President Hunter: This is not binding as it is a Resolution. The Clerk, at the end of each week, emails the Resolutions to the appropriate, listed parties. No one has to do anything, and I think most people don't do much which is why your job is to also do work outside these Chambers. If you want to see something

happen beyond the Resolution, these people are our neighbors, and you can always speak to them.

- <u>Point of Information</u>: Birdsong to the Sponsor: I agree for due process and that the original language could be misinterpreted, but I do believe that striking out <u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u> (02:30:29).
  - I would be amendable to that.
- First Round of 'Con' on the Amendment:
  - Anderson: I believe that what happened with Kappa Delta at the football game, Senate spoke out and Kappa Delta then made a statement. While there was more information on what happened, I don't think that's any different than this. Striking this out disregards those communities on campus.
  - Crocker: I don't agree with crossing out this section as our job as Senators is to draw attention to issues like this. This Resolution does not convict Alpha Phi for this incident, rather it just draws attention. If we don't bring attention to this – nobody on campus will.
  - McMahon: If we strike this, proven as Alpha Phi has not addressed the situation or made a statement, this releases them of any accountability.
  - Folwell: If we want campus to be comfortable, we need to feel comfortable calling out people. People do not report for 'fun,' they report because things are happening. This is proof that something is happening on campus.
  - St. Hilaire: For a student who has felt alienated to then again have to say their name when trying to find a home on this campus it is crazy to expect the student to put themselves in an uncomfortable position, twice.
  - Edouard: Minorities on campus don't want to be oppressed because moments like this are w huge 'slap in the face.' We need to address students' concerns and striking this out would silence the community. The sorority didn't take the time to make a statement which is the least they could've done.
- <u>Second Round of 'Pro' on the Amendment:</u>
  - Diaz moves to call the question on the Amendment, Maglin seconds.
    - No objections.
    - The question is called on the Amendment.
- Closing Statement on the Amendment:
  - Antisemitism is an issue I take very seriously and personally. In regard to Kappa Delta, internal investigations happened with multiple witnesses and a formal process – this is an anonymous post. I agree that victims do not make these reports for fun, however, we do not know who made the post or the validity of this statement. I believe making a definitive statement can be harmful. I would agree to add a clause to this Amendment calling out the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life to conduct an investigation, but I believe calling out Alpha Phi in particular would be inappropriate.
- Voting Results on the Amendment:
  - 2 yes, 20 no, 1 abstention.
  - Amendment fails.

- o General Questioning:
  - Hockett moves to amend to add 'anonymous alleged,' Barrett seconds.
    - Birdsong objects.
    - Hockett withdraws.
  - Hockett moves to amend to add 'allegedly perpetrator,' Anderson seconds.
    - No objections.
    - Author finds it friendly.
      - Amendment adopted.
  - Diaz moves to amend to add 'Be it further resolved that the Student Senate calls on the Office of Fraternity & Sorority Life to investigate the allegations against the Gamma Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi regarding reports of antisemitism, and' McMahon seconds.
    - No objections.
    - Author finds it friendly.
      - Amendment adopted.
    - Folwell to the Sponsor: What was your hesitation in that Amendment?
      - If they haven't already taken necessary steps as this is merely bringing it to the public's attention.
  - Barrett to the Sponsor: Would we want to consider tabling this to validate conversations that have occurred and discuss with the necessary parties?
    - The urgency of this Resolution was due to the Rosh Hashanah conflict with scheduling. I felt as this was not condemning the organization, which is why I did not have those conversations, rather I thought it simply brought attention to the issue.
  - <u>Point of Information</u>: Anand to President Hunter: Is there a way we can request that the Gamma Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi launches an internal investigation.
    - You'd need to submit another Resolution that urges them to launch an investigation however we sit less than five-hundred feet next to the Department of Fraternity & Sorority Life we can go and talk to all of them.
  - <u>Point of Personal Privilege:</u> Anderson: As a woman in panhellenic myself, as we've been going through the wording in circles, I think this should be tabled until we figure out whether they have done some investigations and better understand the situation. I feel this has been redundant.
  - <u>Point of Clarification</u>: Barrett: My question was specifically in the 'Be it further resolved' that was added as we could've talked to those entities before, but I acknowledge that the chapter did not do anything. We could talk to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life.
  - Casiple moves to table the Resolution as amended, Anderson seconds.
    - No objections.
    - The Resolution is tabled as amended.

## Resolution 64 Sponsored by Senator Bettley (P) A revision to the Student Senate Rules of Procedure that eliminates possible motions to extend Senate meetings. Senate meetings can no

longer be extended past 11 PM due to the Union closing at that time. (Referred to Rules & Calendar 10.05.)

## • Tabled in Rules & Calendar.

- Resolution 65 Sponsored by Senator Anderson (P) Schindler, Wyatt, Suarez (Co) Hate crimes against women are not classified as true hate crimes in Florida and Georgia, therefore, do not have to be reported federally. This resolution asks The Student Senate to recognize Maura's Voice Research Foundation and the positive impact of the goal that the foundation is doing as well as the Department of Criminology and College of Social work to classify hate crimes against women as hate crimes in Florida and Georgia.
- Resolution 66 Sponsored by Senator Kariher (P) Resolution to create an Investigative Board due to A&S fee account Discrepancies.
- Resolution 67 Sponsored by Senator DuChêne (P) Barrett, Bettley, Burton, Carter, Diaz, Folwell, Kariher, Mantilla, Rivers, Soares, St. Hilaire (Co) A resolution commemorating Indigenous Peoples' Day and re-affirming the Student Senate's support for Indigenous communities.

Unfinished Business: None.

Statements of Dissent: None.

New Business: None.

**Closing Announcements:** 

- Casiple: I'm the newly elected President of the Filipino Student Association and next Friday (10/21) we are having a Global Café with Filipino food. \$10 at the Globe.
- Folwell: Sweepings has heard 54 hearings thus far. We have deliberations this Friday (10/14) at 4pm. I know we're all excited for the next Senate meeting and I know you might want to leave after the election results, but I urge you to stay to ensure organizations get funding. I ask you all to ensure we pass this.
- Carter: I want to call out my own mistake of not discussing the Resolution with the appropriate parties. My Co-Primary and I will be having these conversations.
- St. Hilaire: Chair Folwell and Vice Chair Carter are killing it Sweepings. Thank you for all the work you're doing.
- **<u>RECORDING INAUDIBLE</u>** (02:52:04).

Officer Announcements:

- Historian Cofer: Newsletter 'V2' has been posted, please share it and it's a great way to get exposure to Senate – which I think we've started to see, proven today. While I wasn't here to see everything get approved everything should be updated.
- Clerk Latiff: Nothing.

- Press Secretary Allen: The awards have been designed. Be kind to everyone and acknowledge those who deserve recognition. I will be here next week as one of the Deputy Supervisor of Elections.
- Pro Tempore Nemeth: I don't have much but congratulations to all the new Senators.
- President Hunter: Congratulations to all the new Senators, whether you all choose to stay during the next meeting determines if we give Senate awards. Familiarize yourself with statutes. Attendance has been abysmal these past weeks. I advise us to finish strong, we have three weeks left. We need two representatives for Student Academic Programs, Senator Boisvert has already volunteered. Attend committee meetings - I redid assignments due to no participation in Budget. These are now the committees which are now borderline equal. One of my fellow colleagues as a Truman Scholar is the Student Body President at **RECORDING INAUDIBLE** (03:00:01). This past week him and other students have been assaulted. Had cars vandalized and have been assaulted. My friend has voiced concern for the Student Government Association across all social media. There is a piece on Instagram at this college showing the explicit forms of racism black students have been facing, such as KKK being written on cars and maps of the school being vandalized. I will be writing a resolution condemning forms of hate speech but also expressing condolences for Black students on that campus and their Student Government allied with Florida State University. Those students are not receiving safe and quality education which is of my concern. If anyone is interested in joining me, please let me know.

# Advisor Announcements:

Jacalyn: Let me know if anyone is interested in Torchbearer 100.

# Final Roll Call:

 <u>Edourard, Maglin, Folwell, Mantilla, Anderson, Crocker, Hockett, Casiple, Anand,</u> Barrett, Wyatt, Diaz, McMahon, St. Hilaire, Long, Roogow, Rivera, Carter, Boisvert, Hunter, Nemeth, Rainey, Klostreich, Staveski, Birdsong, Dale.

# Adjournment:

President Hunter adjourns Senate at 10:39pm.