

THE SEVENTY-THIRD STUDENT SENATE
Calendar: November 3, 2021
Location: HCB 103
Time: 7:30pm
Zoom Link: <https://fsu.zoom.us/j/92325341806>

This meeting of the 73rd Student Senate was called to order at 7:34pm by Student Senate President Harmon.

Senator Randall led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Moment of Silent Reflection

President Harmon read the 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 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.

Members Present (First Roll Call): Tackett, Roy, Marcus, Myers, Hunter, Garcia, Berger, Barker, Randall, Thau, Arutt, Nasworthy, Tsouroukdissian, DuChene, Linsky, Satizabal-Prieto, Gonzalez, Lessard, Moriah, Naranjo, Nemeth, Russell, West, Wood, VanderLey, Bowling, Remler, T. Murray, Powell

Members Absent (First Roll Call): Edouard, Bettley, Little, Bergen, Preshia, Stults, Fineout, Rodgers, Moore, B. Murray, K. Hitchcock, Pfeuffer-Ferguson, Guillamont

Members Tardy (First Roll Call): Rossi, Fertil, Reeves, Noel, Stewart

Verification of Quorum: Verified

Corrections and Approval of the Journal 10-27-21: **Nasworthy moves to approve the journal, DuChene seconds; no objections**

Student and Non-Budgeted RSO Comments: https://fsu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_b9EVvRotPr4y03r

- Lukes Toussaint: On behalf of the Caribbean Student Association, we are here to educate about the Caribbean culture. We created a mentorship program, called Cultivating Your Endeavors, to help students transition back to campus from the pandemic. If you know anyone interested in providing mentorship, please contact us.

Special Introductions and Announcements: None

Messages from the Executive Branch: None

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

- Jewish Student Union Director Gabay: The Jewish Student Union Advisory Council has selected the next Assistant Director; will email the Secretary of Appointments on Friday to get them on the forwarding letter. At 6pm next Wednesday, hosting an event with the Hispanic Latinx Student Union.

- Office of Governmental Affairs Internal Assistant Director Puwalski: Supports the proviso language for Bill 63 to allow us to carry out our roles this term with the team we have formed. Changing the position titles and some positions for simplification, efficiency, and clarification. From our Director Abhari, you have a week to review the legislative agenda and my team will take any questions, appreciate your input, and would love to hear your potential amendments. We expedited this process to give the Senate that confirmed us the chance to partake in this process they have heard so much about. Bill 63 is on the floor tonight; heard concerns. I support the bill's message but others do not; that debate is for Senate to have. Worked with the sponsors to add proviso language.

Messages from the Executive Cabinet: None

Messages from the Class Councils: None

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students: None

Messages from the Judicial Branch: None

Messages from the Union Board and Student Engagement Ambassadors: None

Messages from the Campus Recreation Board: None

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: Remaining Balances: Senate Projects \$16,891.11, PAC \$46,020.00, RTAC \$34,140.00, and ORG Fund \$3,400

Report of Senate Liaisons:

- Hunter, Office of Governmental Affairs: Please read the legislative agenda and provide your comments and amendments. Supports enhanced training for sexual violence prevention, opposing limiting efforts in House Bill 57, textbook affordability, equitable education, accessibility and safety on campus.
- Marcus, Transportation: Had a productive conversation about parking. They are reconsidering where they have pay-to-park spots and testing a hybrid system. They want to work more with student leaders and will be giving a presentation to us soon.
- Gonzalez, Black Student Union: Hosted More Than A Vote event today at 6pm with Courtney Thomas, and Mark Eerily. They have had lots of successful events; keep this in mind as the Budget bill comes up.

Report of Committees:

- Judiciary, report made by Senator Linsky: Heard Bill 63 and passed a candidate for the Supreme Court.
- Internal Affairs, report made by Chair T. Murray: Met on Monday at 6:30pm to start Bureau Review with Office of Governmental Affairs and the Students for Undergraduate Research & Creativity presentations.
- Budget, report made by Chair Gonzalez: Finished Budget Week last week with deliberations on Friday from 1pm-10pm. Go to the minutes and watch the first hour of the deliberations to see how Budget went. Please look at the bill, we will vote on it next week.
- Finance, report made by Chair Randall: Met at 6:15pm today to pass Consent Resolution 31 and Bills 64, 66 and 67. Our RTAC candidate did not show up and was thus tabled.
- Student Life & Academic Affairs, report made by Vice Chair Nemeth: Met on Monday at 8:30pm. Tabled Bills 61 and 62, heard and passed Bills 66 and 67.
- Rules & Calendar, report made by Pro Tempore Wang: Met today at 5pm, passed Bill 65 and Resolution 78. Candidate for confirmation withdrew application.
- Seminole and Indigenous Peoples Imagery and Education Ad Hoc, report made by Chair Roy: Will meet on Friday at 5:30pm.

Senate Confirmations:

Caroline Ball for Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy Assistant Director, Alberto Garcia Marrero for Supreme Court Associate Justice

Hunter: **POI**, where are the Judiciary minutes?

Randall: **POC**, the Vice Chair was not at the meeting and is still catching up on taking minutes from the recording.

- Opening Statements:

- Ball: Apologizes for background noise; at philanthropy event. Currently the Assistant Director, and there is no Director, so I am acting Director and been doing the heavy lifting for this new bureau. Did the financial budget report, planning events, and contacting other RSOs to elaborate. Recruiting for the organization. Financially certified.
- Marrero: Went to Florida International University for undergraduate degree and currently a second-year law student at FSU. Interned at the 11th Judicial Circuit and the Southern District of Florida. Served on the Elections Commission last year as Vice Chair and acting Chair during the transition of Supervisor of Elections. Familiar with Elections Code, Statutes, and Constitution.

- General Questions:

- Wang: For Candidate Marrero, What is the most significant challenge facing the Supreme Court and how can it be addressed?
 - Marrero: Accessibility to the court is an issue, as students do not know we have a court or what it can do. I will work on accessibility and transparency.
- Hunter: For Candidate Marrero, how do you plan to interpret Statutes?
 - Marrero: I am a textualist; plain language determines plain meaning. If there is ambiguity, then there can be a discussion.
- Hunter: For Candidate Ball, what projects do you have in mind that you believe you can accomplish as Director, now that you have served as Assistant Director?
 - Ball: Since this is a new bureau and I am mostly focused on getting the word out, budgeted for 2 social events to reach out to the community. Believe that the best way to advocate for people is to get to know people and listen. Reaching out to RSOs and bridging the gaps between the various organizations in this community. Need to reach out before planning change.
- Wang: For Candidate Marrero, how will you handle parties being disrespectful to each other?
 - Marrero: Parties should only be speaking to the court, not to each other. The Chief should step in, but any Justice can. Remind them that they are not their to fight out their issues and only to help the court find resolve.
- Gonzalez: For Candidate Ball, what is your budget for the 2021-2022 year?
 - Ball: Just under \$3,000.
- Gonzalez: **POI**, the Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy was not budgeted for this year.
- Marcus: For Candidate Marrero, aside from the Elections Commission, do you have any ties to SGA at FSU?
 - Marrero: No.
- Marcus: For Candidate Marrero, What did you mean in your application regarding the election of Homecoming Council? We do not elect them.
 - Marrero: That is my mistake, I was under that impression from my undergraduate institution. Still emphasize the importance of fair elections and justice in the violations process.
- Linsky, with reservation for a follow-up: For Candidate Ball, what is charity you are at right now?
 - Ball: Milkshakes for Miracles with the Childrens' Miracle Network.
- Linsky: For Candidate Ball, can you show us the event with the camera?

- Ball: Shows the event.
- Wang: For Candidate Marrero, How will you interpret Statutes when you disagree with the text?
 - Marrero: My interpretation will be based on the text, even if I disagree with the outcome.
- Gonzalez, with reservation for 3 follow-ups: For Candidate Marrero, have you ever held a position or played a role in a campus political campaign?
 - Marrero: No.
- Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, the American Bar Association's commentary to its judicial conduct says that it is inappropriate for a judge to hold membership in any organization that discriminates on the basis of race, sex, or religion. Can you please list all organizations you belong to, or have belonged to since graduating high school?
 - Marrero: In undergraduate school, was a member of Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity, Pre-Law Association for Honors, 2 leadership honor societies, Golden Key Honor Society. Now, on Florida's state Bar Association, Cuban American Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, Federalist Association, and Business Law Society.
- Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, Has anyone involved in the process of selecting you as a judicial nominee discussed with you any specific case, legal issue, or question in a manner that could be interpreted as seeking assurances concerning your position?
 - Marrero: No.
- Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, what are your views on the role of judiciary in our government and the criticism involving judicial activism.
 - Marrero: Judiciary's role is to maintain the balance of power and interpret legislation without getting involved in political questions and does not take cases that will cause issues in society. It is not the job of the court to create law, and it all goes back to the text.
- Randall: for Candidate Marrero, can you define judicial activism?
 - Marrero: The ideology that attempts to interpret intent in the writing of legislation rather than upholding clear language, and changing the law through their interpretation.
- Marcus: For Candidate Marrero, If a case were to be brought involving someone you had a relationship with, how would you handle that?
 - Marrero: There needs to be an argument that there is a true conflict, and then I would remove myself.
- Preshia: For Candidate Marrero, what is the Federalist Society?
 - Marrero: An organization that advocates for open discourse and discussion from both sides.
- DuChene: For Candidate Marrero, justices who claim to be textualists are criticized for it. Can you describe how you would use textualism consistently and how you would fill the holes that textualism sometimes cannot answer?
 - Marrero: Yes, some judges and justices who claim they are textualists deviate from that. I am truly a textualist in that I look at the text first. The gaps do not exist for those who are true textualists because gaps will be filled by the legislature.
- T. Murray, with reservation for a follow-up: For Candidate Ball, how many people except yourself are currently on your board?
 - Ball: None, it is just me. Doing some recruiting and believe some people are in the application process right now. This is a new bureau so outreach is crucial.
- Hunter, with reservation for 2 follow-ups: For Candidate Marrero, what feedback have you received that you think will be important for your role?
 - Marrero: I do not have an answer to that.
- Hunter: For Candidate Marrero, How long do you think it will take you to start making meaningful contributions to the court once in this position?

- Marrero: Not long at all, familiar with the court and worked with justices in the past.
 - Hunter: For candidate Marrero, how do you see the judicial branch aligning with the legislative branch in the future?
 - Marrero: Because of separation of powers, communication and advising when needed.
 - Wang: For Candidate Marrero, Do you believe it is appropriate to issue your opinion on legislation that is going through the committee process in Senate?
 - Marrero: No.
 - Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, textualism has been referred to as something that lacks ability to discover and adequately dispose of discriminatory laws drafted with sophisticated language to hide discriminatory intent. How would you counter this argument?
 - Marrero: Academia is very different from practice. Such critique of textualism puts burden on the court to fulfill a role that is not the responsibility of the court. It is the responsibility of the legislature to change the law.
 - Linsky: For Candidate Marrero, can you recall a recent case at FSU you would have dissented on and why?
 - Marrero: From the last session, I would have dissented on one elections case in which the standard was muddled and motions were dismissed that should not have been upheld. For the merits of the case itself, there was not convincing evidence in front of the Elections Commission but such evidence appeared in front of the Supreme Court.
 - Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, are you saying that even if a law has discriminatory repercussions, it is not the job of the court of counter those?
 - Marrero: There is a difference between the law being seen as discriminatory, and being holistically unconstitutional. If the law is unconstitutional, is it the court's job to reverse it. It is not our job to change the meaning of constitutional laws.
 - Hunter, with reservation for a follow-up: For Candidate Marrero, on your application you said your leadership style is calculated, can you elaborate on that?
 - Marrero: Appreciate teams because it encourages learning the strengths and weaknesses of each other. Do not believe that leadership is just directing people and delegating, you have to understand your team.
 - Hunter: For Candidate Marrero, you also mentioned in your application your goal to make judiciary open to all. As someone who had to testify in front of the court at 9pm, it does not seem that the court is focused on accessibility in that regard, so what changes do you plan to make to court operations?
 - Marrero: Agree that the late meetings make it difficult. Making it more known to students that they can attend these hearings in the first place is crucial. Not sure why the times have been set at night, but can look into it.
 - Marcus: **POC**, that case was scheduled that way due to class conflicts.
 - Gonzalez: For Candidate Marrero, seeing that this Senate often relies on legislative intent, can you explain how legislative intent falls under how you interpret Statutes?
 - Marrero: Very rarely do I rely on legislative intent, because new Senators are coming in often and intent does not serve well when intent changes. We cannot assume. The only time I have looked at intent and history is when Statutes change due to a disagreement with the opinion of the court.
- **Marcus moves to forward the candidates individually, Randall seconds; no objections**
- Closing Statements:
 - Ball: Since this bureau is new this year, everything starts somewhere. You need to spend time with people in the community before advocating for them to hear their story and help them in the ways they want.
 - Marrero: As a follow-up to one of the questions is that I could do better in being less direct. Look forward to serving in this role and maintaining separation of powers.
- Vote:

- Caroline Ball for Director of the Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy: **25-3-1**
 - **Caroline Ball resigns as Student Council for Accessibility Advocacy Assistant Director**
- Alberto Garcia Marrero for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: **26-1-1**
- **RESULT: ALL CANDIDATES PASS**
- Administration of the Oath by Pro Tempore Wang

Consent Calendar:

Resolution 31 Sponsored by Senator Roy (P)
 Allocating funding from the Programming Allocations Committee to fund the Society of Automotive Engineers and the Turkish Student Association. **PASSED IN FINANCE, 11.03. Nasworthy moves to pass Consent Resolution 31, Hunter seconds; no objections.**

Bills First Reading:

- Bill 61 Sponsored by Senator Tackett (P) Wang, Marcus, Nasworthy (Co)
 Increasing the OPS wages of the Senate President and Senate Pro Tempore. **REFERRED TO SLAA THEN FINANCE, 10.20. TABLED IN SLAA, 11.01. WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR, 11.03.**
- Bill 62 Sponsored by Senator Tackett (P) Wang, Marcus, Nasworthy (Co)
 Adding the OPS wages of the Senate Clerk and Senate Parliamentarian. **REFERRED TO SLAA THEN FINANCE, 10.20. TABLED IN SLAA, 11.01. WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR, 11.03.**
- Bill 64 Sponsored by Senator Roy (P) Nasworthy (Co)
 To clarify the PAC/RTAC quorum requirements, to transfer PAC/RTAC funds to Senate Projects each Summer, and to remove the stipulation that PAC/RTAC can only use 50% of their budget each Fall. **REFERRED TO FINANCE THEN JUDICIARY, 10.27. PASSED IN FINANCE, 11.03.**
- Bill 68 Sponsored by Senator Gonzalez (P) Tackett, Barker, Berger, Bettley (Co)
 To transfer 285,000 from Central Reserves to the Union to subsidize their Budget shortfalls for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year. **REFERRED TO BUDGET, 11.03.**
- Bill 69 Sponsored by Senator Tackett (P)
 Funding for Pride Student Union to give out a sustainable and unique promotional item to grow their influence on campus as well as promote healthy hygiene practices at tabling events. **REFERRED TO SLAA THEN FINANCE, 11.03.**
- Bill 70 Sponsored by Senator T. Murray (P)
 To bring statutes regarding the removal of Student Government Officers from office in line with state law as recently enacted through HB 233 giving such officers the right to appeal their discipline to the Vice President of Student Affairs. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY THEN RULES & CALENDAR, 11.03.**
- Bill 71 Sponsored by Senator Wang (P)
 Imposing a time limit for the OGA Director to speak on each amendment to the Legislative Agenda in Legislative Agenda Caucus. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 72 Sponsored by Senator Wang (P)

Clarifying the bill approval process. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**

- Bill 73 Sponsored by Senator Wang (P)
Establishing term limits for Student Body President and Student Body Vice President. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 74 Sponsored by Senator Little (P)
To extend the declaration of candidacy for fall and spring elections from 2 weeks before the election to 3 weeks before the election. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 75 Sponsored by Senators Tackett, Randall (P)
Transferring \$275 from Senate Projects to provide the Jewish Student Union with personalized hand sanitizers. **REFERRED TO SLAA THEN FINANCE, 11.03.**
- Bill 76 Sponsored by Senator Little (P)
To clarify language and enumerate the duty of solely the Supervisor of Elections to advertise Constitutional Amendments. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 77 Sponsored by Senator Little (P)
To remove the in-person voting precinct from SGA elections and clarify language around voting precincts and the "No Campaign Zone". **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 78 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Changing the date of both the fall and spring elections to the eighth Wednesday after the start of the semesters instead of the seventh week. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 79 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Providing the explicit usage of the word vote and extending time for removal of campaigning materials. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 80 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Addition stating that votes cannot be changed after cast, and clarifying formatting. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 81 Sponsored by Senators Little (P)
To enumerate that candidates for SGA office cannot have outstanding violations of FSU Student Code of Conduct or Academic Honor Policy. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 82 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Adding a schedule one violation against posting campaign materials that have not been approved by the Supervisor of Elections. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 83 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Adding a schedule two violation if a petitioner fails to appear for an Elections Commission hearing. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 84 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Stating when the official ballot can be released. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**
- Bill 85 Sponsored by Senator Little (P)

To add an elections violation for misrepresenting the Supervisor of Elections during the elections process. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**

Bill 86 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Defining Organic Social Media. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, 11.03.**

Bill 87 Sponsored by Senators Guillamont, Stewart (P)
Permitting campaigning in University Residence Halls. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY THEN RULES & CALENDAR, 11.03.**

Senator Preshia moves to add a Bill on First Reading.

Bill 88 Sponsored by Senators Preshia, B. Murray (P)
To purchase two picnic tables that will be placed outside of the Rovetta building. **REFERRED TO SLAA THEN FINANCE, 11.03.**

Bills Second Reading:

Bill 2022 Sponsored by Senators Gonzalez (P) Berger, Bettley, Keyser, Lewis, Riguidel, Tackett (Co)
Representing the estimated amount in the budget to be submitted to the Student Senate President for Budget Committee Allocation in the fiscal year of 2022-2023. **REFERRED TO BUDGET, 09.29. TABLED IN BUDGET, 10.05, 10.12. AMENDED AND PASSED IN BUDGET, 10.29.**

Bill 63 Sponsored by Senators Tackett, Gonzalez (P)
Fixing language in the "Major Offices" portion of statutes. **REFERRED TO INTERNAL AFFAIRS THEN JUDICIARY, 10.20. AMENDED AND PASSED IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS, 10.25. TABLED IN JUDICIARY, 10.26. AMENDED AND PASSED IN JUDICIARY, 11.02.**

- Opening Statement:
 - Tackett: Added that position name changes still count as major offices. Proviso language means that this will not go into effect until the next board.
 - Gonzalez: Solidifies the stature of the Office of Governmental Affairs in SGA and get them back to where they used to be. They used to lobby at local, state, and federal level.
- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Hunter: Is there precedent for proviso language?
 - Tackett: Yes.
- Pro:
 - **Randall moves to amend, Nasworthy seconds**
 - **Linsky objects**
 - Opening Statement:
 - Randall: In the current form, I do not agree with the top 4 positions automatically being considered major offices. It is really difficult to define these positions broadly because different organizations have different names. However, the definition applies as long as the criteria of the position fits.
 - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Linsky: When did you speak with both primary sponsors?

- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Hunter: Can you define members-at-large?
 - Linsky: They are defined in Statutes in the Organic Act for the Office of Governmental Affairs. There are 9 at-large members who are not in the other positions that make up the board.
 - Gonzalez: Are you aware that by including the Director of the Office of Governmental Affairs you will be repeating it, because it already says directors of bureaus?
 - Linsky: Doing the same thing with Presidents of the Unions. Friendly to amendments. The whole point is to not kick the Student Body President, Senate President, and Speaker of COGS off of OGA.
 - Randall: Would you be open to an amendment that says the members of the OGA Board of Directors as listed in 908.2A excluding elected positions?
 - Linsky: Willing to make that compromise.
 - Pro:
 - **Randall moves to amend, Tackett seconds; no objections**
 - **Sponsor finds it friendly; amendment is adopted**
 - Marcus: **POI**, are both 10 and 11 meant to be struck?
 - Harmon: No, formatting issue.
 - Con:
 - No speakers
 - **T. Murray moves to call the question, Nasworthy seconds; no objections**
 - Closing Statement:
 - Linsky: If this is somehow construed in the future to say elected for 4 different offices within smaller areas of the community such as an agency office, that is not the legislative intent.
 - Vote: 24-4-0
 - **RESULT: AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED**
 - Hunter: **POI** for the sponsor, would the OGA Deputy Director be considered the Director of a bureau?
 - Tackett: Yes.
 - Linsky: In support with the proviso language. Would not need the proviso in a perfect world, but would be unfair to the current OGA board because we did not do this before confirming their board. We are about to enter a special session and then the full session shortly after. Would do a disservice to the FSU community if we remove the proviso and make the Director start from scratch with the appointments of the board.
 - Marcus: Given that we have already confirmed the OGA Board, the proviso language makes perfect sense.
- Con:
 - No speakers
- **Nasworthy moves to call the question, Nemeth seconds; no objections**
- Closing Statement:

- Tackett: This does more than just deal with OGA. Discovered in Judiciary committee that our Webmaster Ben Young is in a major officer position. Removed that because we saw it as unnecessary.
- Gonzalez: Thank you for all the hard work on this bill.
- Vote: 25-1-1
- **RESULT: BILL 63 PASSES**

Bill 65

Sponsored by Senator Roy (P) Marcus, B. Murray, Bettley (Co)

To add the role of Senate Historian to Statutes and define its role. **REFERRED TO JUDICIARY THEN RULES & CALENDAR, 10.27. PASSED IN JUDICIARY, 11.02. PASSED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 11.03.**

- Opening Statement:
 - Roy: This bill creates a new Senate leadership position by splitting the current Clerk's duties. Minutes needs its own position because we need detailed minutes; everything needs to be recorded and this results in minutes being 30-35 pages long. As former Clerk, my minutes were about 20 pages and it would take me several days after Senate to get everything done. Our current Clerk tracks every piece of legislation by emailing committee chairs, running the Canvas, putting together the Calendar. Minutes requires typing constantly for the whole meeting, then rewatching the recording for anything missed. When one leadership position does not show up, it is really difficult to transition it to someone else, as we saw with the Parliamentarian having to take minutes and not being able to help Senators during that time. A Clerk would be able to track legislation during Senate and answer questions Senators may have about legislation. We know how much our current Clerk works, and she came up with this idea. This makes a healthier Senate for the future.
- Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - Tackett: If passed, do you feel the Historian will need pay for their work?
 - Roy: No opinion until that comes through.
- Pro:
 - Marcus: This originated after a conversation I had with the Clerk in the parking lot after a Senate meeting when she was very close to resigning. She is very stressed and stretched thin. This is a position that was vacant for so long and we are so gracious she filled the role. It is a hard role and it is exacerbated by the spotlight on Senate in the current climate. I did not write the legislation but advised that Roy do it, and he has done a great job.
 - Hunter: **POI**, given that this would take effect once signed, would the current Clerk choose which position they would like to fill?
 - Roy: Proviso language specifies this will start at the Sine Dine of this Senate.
 - Randall: **POI**, do you think this is wise given the current Clerk position is not often filled?
 - Roy: Yes, we have seen Clerk positions filled. In my 2 years in Senate, we only had 3-4 months without a Clerk. My role as Clerk was what Historian is under this. Currently we have a full board, and had 2 applications for Clerk when the current Clerk was forward.
 - Marcus: **POC**, the position is undesirable in its current state and is not likely to be filled in its current state.
 - Randall: **POI**, do you think there needs to be a full time person dedicated to tracking legislation as opposed to delegating that role to someone else?

- Harmon: Yes, I hope.
 - Randall: Did you reach out to Student Publications?
 - Jacalyn: Student Publications does not do professional headshots.
 - Marcus: Is the name of the photographer Westcott Photography?
 - Harmon: Yes.
- Pro:
 - Randall: Gives students the opportunity to get headshots for LinkedIn or other reasons. Asked Senate and the Executive Branch to advertise this so all students know about this.
 - Marcus: **POI**, are these headshots available to all?
 - Harmon: Yes.
- Con:
 - No speakers
- **Hunter moves to pass by acclamation, Nasworthy seconds; no objections**
- **RESULT: BILL 67 PASSES BY ACCLIMATION**

Pro Tempore Wang relinquishes the Chair to President Harmon.

Constitutional Amendments: None

Resolutions:

- Resolution 77 Sponsored by Senator Tackett (P) Wang, Marcus, Nasworthy (Co)
Waiving the proviso language of Bill 2021 to amend the OPS hourly rate of the Senate President and Senate Pro Tempore in ordinance with Student Body Statute 803.5(b). **REFERRED TO BUDGET, 10.20. WITHDRAWN IN BUDGET, 11.02.**
- Resolution 78 Sponsored by Senator Roy (P) Marcus, B. Murray, Bettley (Co)
To add the role of Senate Historian to our Rules of Procedure and to define its role. **REFERRED TO RULES & CALENDAR, 10.27. PASSED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 11.03.**
- Opening Statement:
 - Roy: The same as the prior bill, but specifically changes Rules of Procedure.
 - Technical Non-Debatable Questions:
 - N/A
 - Pro:
 - Marcus: Essentially the same as the bill. The Clerk expressed frustration with legislation formed in the Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc that altered her role.
 - Con:
 - No speakers
 - **Tackett moves to pass by acclamation, Nasworthy seconds; no objections**
 - **RESULT: RESOLUTION 78 PASSES BY ACCLIMATION**
- Resolution 79 Sponsored by Senator Gonzalez (P) Tackett, Barker, Berger, Bettley (Co)
To inform the Student Senate and budgeted organizations under the Budget Bill 2022 of new OPS positions, increase and decreases in OPS hours for SGA officers, and increase in hourly rates to account for the minimum wage increase for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. **REFERRED TO BUDGET, 11.03.**
- Resolution 80 Sponsored by Senator Wang (P)

Allowing Senators to use "Mental Health Days" in which absences will not count against total accumulated absences. **REFERRED TO RULES & CALENDAR, 11.03.**

Resolution 81 Sponsored by Senators Tackett, Gonzalez (P)
Asking the University to provide EBT terminals on campus and do more to fight hunger. **REFERRED TO SLAA, 11.03.**

Resolution 82 Sponsored by Senator Tackett (P) Wang, Gonzalez, Lessard, T.Murray, Russell, Nasworthy, Marcus, Edouard, Garcia, DuChene, Little (Co)
To promote sustainable and healthy student life. **REFERRED TO SLAA, 11.03.**

Resolution 83 Sponsored by Senator Hunter (P)
Approving the Office of Governmental Affairs Legislative Agenda.
Nasworthy moves to table Resolution 83, DuChene seconds; no objections.

Unfinished Business:

Bill 51 Sponsored by Senator Randall (P)
To amend the Student Body Statutes to eliminate the Budget Committee in its entirety and restructure its current duties to the purview of the Finance Committee.
REFERRED TO JUDICIARY THEN RULES & CALENDAR, 09.08. AMENDED AND PASSED IN JUDICIARY, 09.14. TABLED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 09.22, 09.29, 10.06, 10.13. PASSED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 10.20. TABLED ON THE FLOOR, 10.20.

Gonzalez moves for a quorum call.

3-minute recess begins at 10:01pm.

Members Present (10:04pm Quorum Call): Tackett, Roy, Marcus, Myers, Hunter, Garcia, Berger, Barker, Rossi, Randall, Arutt, Reeves, Noel, Nasworthy, Tsouroukdissian, DuChene, Linsky, Satizabal-Prieto, Gonzalez, Lessard, Moriah, Naranjo, Fertil, Nemeth, West, Wood, VanderLey, Bowling, Stewart, Remler, T. Murray, Powell

Members Absent (10:04pm Quorum Call): Edouard, Bettley, Little, Bergen, Preshia, Stults, Thau, Fineout, Rodgers, Moore, Russell, B. Murray, K. Hitchcock, Pfeuffer-Ferguson, Guillamont

Verification of Quorum: Verified

- Pro:
 - No speakers
- Con:
 - Linsky: Was in pro but now I do not see a way for it to work. Making headway with systemic change on how A&S fees are used in Budget. Doable in 74th session. As much as I respect the effort, I do not know this will do more good than harm.
 - Tackett: Want a solution but this has been very confusing and need to explore other options, possibly a special standing committee. The Budget process is the most important thing we do.
 - Nasworthy: **POI**, what is a special standing committee?
 - Harmon: Committee called by the Senate President for a specific purpose, like Sweepings or Central Reserves. Can be called at any time. Budget would work the same as Sweepings with 2 people from each committee and would only last for the purpose given.
- **Wang moves to call the question, Nasworthy seconds**
 - **Gonzalez objects; Wang withdraws**

- Pro:
 - No speakers
- Con:
 - Marcus: Originally was in pro due to struggles to meet quorum as Finance Chair. After hearing the Budget side of things, do not think this is practical. Budget has its own issues but this is not the solution.
 - Hunter: **POI**, after having this tabled for so long and going through committee, are there changes you would make?
 - Randall: I could make an amendment but have not heard enough input. Takes me hours and hours to amend to make this a special standing committee, but will do it if that is what the Senate wants.
 - **Hunter moves to recess for 5 minutes, T. Murray seconds**
 - **Gonzalez objects**
 - Vote: 15-13-0
 - **RESULT: 5-MINUTE RECESS STARTING AT 10:17pm**
 - Hunter: **POC**, there is no legislation being put on the floor.
 - Harmon: I can say no, but I can be overridden. I do not think it is a good idea to do something this big and important in such short time. We have a lot going on next week. Do not think this is a wise use of your time.
 - Marcus: While a lot of effort has gone into this, the Budget committee does not approve.
- **Sponsor withdraws Bill 51.**
- **RESULT: BILL 51 IS WITHDRAWN**

Resolution 65 Sponsored by Senator Randall (P)
 To amend the Rules of Procedure to eliminate the Budget Committee in its entirety and restructure its current duties to the purview of the Finance Committee.
REFERRED TO RULES & CALENDAR, 09.07. TABLED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 09.15, 09.22, 09.29, 10.06, 10.13. PASSED IN RULES & CALENDAR, 10.20. TABLED ON THE FLOOR, 10.20. WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR, 11.03.

Statements of Dissent: None

New Business

- Impeachment: Senator Bouchard, College of Arts & Sciences Seat 4
 - Senator is not present and has not responded to any communication from Senate Leadership or the Judiciary Committee.
 - Round-Table Debate:
 - Marcus: This is not a fun process, but it is the expectation that Senators show up and very little effort has been made to remedy the situation or address it.
 - Linsky: Heard this in Judiciary Committee. The Senator's absence says it all.
 - Randall: POC, in Finance Committee, Senator Bouchard attended one meeting on September 7th and has not attended since.
 - Tsouroukdissian: Check up on him if you know him, see if he is okay.
 - Nasworthy: This chamber has given this senator many chances and he cannot fulfill the duties he was elected to.
 - Randall: **POI** for Senator Linsky, from a legal perspective, if the Senator does not show up to the Supreme Court for trial, would they hear the case?
 - Linsky: Yes, as long as notice was properly given. To say we cannot hold trial without the respondent gives a free pass to anyone who does not want to show up.
 - Rowan: This happened before in 2016 and that Senator was impeached and removed.

- Harmon: There is an extra step now due to House Bill 233 in which they can appeal to Dr. Hecht.
- **Nasworthy moves to call the question, DuChene seconds; no objections**
- Vote: 28-0-0
- **RESULT: SENATOR BOUCHARD IS FORWARDED TO THE SUPREME COURT FOR IMPEACHMENT**
- Senator of the Month for October
 - **Marcus moves to open the floor for nominations, Nasworthy seconds; no objections**
 - Marcus nominates Chair Randall, Tackett seconds; Randall accepts
 - Hunter nominates Chair Gonzalez, Nasworthy seconds; Gonzalez accepts
 - **Hunter moves to close the floor for nominations, Marcus seconds; no objections**
 - Vote will be posted online after results are finalized.

Closing Announcements

- Nasworthy: RTAC still needs members. Hearing a request next week. Candidate for RTAC did not show up to Finance today.
- Tackett: Next week, I have some bills and resolutions that I have worked on all semester. Please look at them. Hall of Fame nominations need to be coordinated because there are only 3 spots for this session.
- Stewart: Senator Guillamont and I have written 8 important bills for Election Code. The Supervisor of Elections has backed them all. These need to be passed before Sine Die to be applied for the Spring Election.
- DuChene: On behalf of the School of Theatre, Moon Man Walk opened this week with an all-Black cast. Highly encourage you all to come and celebrate Black excellence in theatre.

Nasworthy moves for a non-Senator to speak, Gonzalez seconds; no objections

- Abhari: Echo the sentiments of my board's support of Bill 63. Will work with you to figure out when the legislative agenda will be heard.
- Gonzalez: Review the Budget bill and watch the deliberations.
- Randall: Special thanks and congratulations to Chair Gonzalez and Vice Chair Tackett for their work on the Budget bill. Regarding the legislation I withdrew tonight, I want to give it the fair time and energy. Does not seem to be the right time, but recommend that the 74th Senate find a solution. Thank President Harmon and Pro Tempore Wang for their hard work recently, they overcame challenges in the ways SGA operates. Last Finance meeting next week, will have at least 1 PAC hearing and 2 RTAC hearings.
- Marcus: For the past year, I have spent countless hours on the Senate floor advocating for various issues. Everything I have done in Senate has been to help others. Senate has taken a toll on my mental health. Thank you to those who supported me. Thank you to Pro Tempore Wang, Senators Nasworthy, Tackett, Randall, Linsky, Hunter, Pfeuffer-Ferguson, and Gonzalez, and former Senators Ramos, Soto, Alvarez, and Leckie. Encourage you all to be as active in Senate as you can and vote with your conscience. Be nice to each other but debate with spirit.
- Roy: Tyler Roy News will not be published this evening, it will be posted tomorrow. The History Club will be doing one of its first major joint events with the Anthropology Society at FSU, the Museum Society, and the Student-Farmworker Alliance to go over the history of exploited workers on Florida farms on Tuesday at 5pm. The Veterans Student Union has some great events going on for Veterans Month.
- Hunter: On University of Florida's campus, the Institute of Black Culture's sign was uprooted and vandalized. Black students on our campus are still going through a lot of turmoil as well with the population they are in and our experience at a predominantly-white institution. The experiences are not unique to FSU. When you see something, report it and check in on others.

Officer Announcements

- Rowan: I think everyone on the World Affairs Program's trip to D.C. got the flu; please get your flu shot. Hope to be there for Sine Die.

- Harmon: On behalf of Clerk Connor, thank you so much for passing the Historian position legislation. It is a relief to know that this position and Senate leadership will have more support going forward. Please submit legislation in Arial 11 font, we had several submissions that were not in Arial 11 this week.
- Wang: Congratulations to Budget committee on rounding out Budget week. Please read the Budget bill and ask questions. Chairs are now allowed to mark a half-absence for camera being off and lack of participation; this is at the discretion of the Chair if they wish to do this. Good luck to Judiciary next week, there is a lot of legislation coming through. Excited to have this new voting system. On behalf of Press Secretary Remington, a link will be sent tomorrow to upload Senate photos for the Inauguration powerpoint.
- Harmon: We have a lot to do next week, please come early so we can start exactly at 7:30pm. Considering not having a virtual option because I would like to see all Senators in person for the last time and take a Senate picture. There will be a resolution to acknowledge the students who have passed away in the past year; this is always presented on Sine Die. We will be in HCB 208. Any bills not passed on Sine Die will die. I will name all the Senators who served in the 73rd, bang the gavel 73 times, and drop the tissue. Inauguration is November 17th in the Alumni Association Ballroom at 5pm, and then the 74th Senate will begin. Our most senior Senator, Senator Wang, will chair the meeting. Any Senators not at inauguration must take the oath before they are allowed to vote. Thank you all for your service in Senate.

Advisor Announcements:

- Jacalyn Butts: An email went out to you all about Inauguration. If you are being installed, please show up. Headshots will start at 4pm. Congratulations to the Sweepings Committee, your bill was signed today. Great work from the Budget Committee. There is an email coming soon to the Chairs and Leadership on leaving transition reports. Please review legislation and committee minutes before next week.

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DuChene moves to adjourn; meeting is adjourned at 11:08pm.

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