

THE SEVENTY-SIXTH STUDENT SENATE

Calendar: January 24, 2024

Location: Senate Chambers

Time: 7:30 pm

Call to Order:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silent Reflection:

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.

Roll Call:

Verification of Quorum:

Corrections and Approval of the Journal:

11.29.23

Student and RSO Comments:

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Special Introductions:

- Krystal Mitchell–Teach for America

Report of Senate Officers:

Messages from the Executive Branch:

Messages from Agencies, Bureaus, Affiliated Projects, and SGA Organizations:

Messages from the Class Councils:

Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students:

Messages from the Judicial Branch:

Messages from the Union Board and Campus Recreation Board:

Report of the SGA Accounting Office: Remaining Balances: Senate Projects \$25,823.44, PAC \$72,557.32, RTAC \$60,454.08, and ORG Fund \$11,038.24

Report of Senate Liaisons:

Report of Committees:

- Judiciary
- Internal Affairs
- Budget
- Finance
- Student Life
- Rules

Senate Confirmations:

- August Kessler–Pride Student Union Assistant Director (3 applicants)
- Ashton Benjamin–D&I Institute Assitant Director (2 applicants)

Consent Calendar:

- CR05                      Sponsored by Lento (P)  
An allocation of \$300 through the Organizational Fund to the Child Psychology Club.
- CR06                      Sponsored by Staveski (P) Ahuja (Co)  
A consent resolution to fund the Japanese Student Association and the Flute Association \$3,542.
- CR07                      Sponsored by Bevis (P) Vandermeulen (Co)  
This Consent Resolution allocates \$7,401 to the Saxophone Association, Student Academy of Audiology at FSU, and The National Society of Black Women in Medicine.

Bills First Reading:

- Bill 10                      Sponsored by Goldstein, Garcia (P)  
This bill updates the max amount of funding organizations can receive from the Organizational Fund and updates the process the money is awarded through.
- Bill 11                      Sponsored by Goldstein (P)  
This bill makes minor updates to PAC and RTAC and their funding guidelines for clarity, also allows Senators who participate in PAC and RTAC to co-sponsor the consent resolution.

Bill 12                      Sponsored by Velazquez (P)  
Transfer from Office of Governmental Affairs Expense to Office of Governmental Affairs Food.

Bill 13                      Sponsored by Salazar, Meier (P)  
Moving the Budget Week from October to February for the purpose of allowing Budget Entities to better assess their fiscal needs before submitting requests.

Resolutions First Reading:

Resolution 09              Sponsored by Velazquez (P) Baez, Castellanos, Garcia, Gomez, Gutierrez, Rodriguez, Salazar, Teplin, Valderrama (Co)  
This Resolution recognizes the creation of the Hispanic Caucus within the 76th Senate. It also attempts to inform selected individuals of its creation. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Tabled in Student Life 1.19)**

Resolution 13              Sponsored by Goldstein (P)  
Amending the Senate Rules of Procedure to further define the membership of the Budget Committee during Budget Week proceedings.

Resolution 14              Sponsored by Souvenir (P)  
This resolution condemns the Board of Trustees' impediment to free speech at their meeting on November 17th, 2024. The RSO Students for a Democratic Society, who filed an appearance card to speak during public comment, were given the false meeting time by office staff and could not participate in public comment. This violates sections 286.0114 and 120.569 of Florida Statutes.

Resolution 15              Sponsored by Velazquez (P)  
This resolution represents the 2024 Legislative Agenda for the Office of Governmental Affairs of the Student Government Association.

Resolution 16              Sponsored by Mendez, Waller (P) Bevis, Blackwell, Goldstein, Lalani, Srivastava, Vandermeulen (Co)  
Urges the University to plan and budget for installing water fountains along Legacy Walk and high-traffic areas to enhance student well-being. It also recommends exploring external grant funding and collaborating with social fraternities for fundraising to support the capital costs associated with the water fountain installation.

### Bills Second Reading:

- Bill 06                      Sponsored by Salazar (P)  
HLSU Budget reallocation to move sweepings funds from expense to clothing and awards so the agency can purchase merchandise to be used by their members. **(Referred to Budget 1.17. Passed Budget 1.19)**
- Bill 08                      Sponsored by Garcia (P) Ahuja, Anandjwala, Baresi, Castellanos, Carr, Chinn, Daley, Emokidi, Gomez, Gorelick, Hellmann, Hine, McEnery, Meier, Olsen-Galvan, Ramos, Randall, Rodriguez, Smith, Valdes-Herrera, Vargheese, Windlan (Co)  
This statute revision would add the legislative agenda, received by senators in advance of senate each week, to the list of information required to be published on the SGA website. Additionally, this would make it so that the agenda must be published 24 hours in advance, or in accordance with when it is received by student senators. This would promote SGA transparency by giving the student body a better idea of which pieces of legislation are being discussed, so they can prepare to speak in testimony or sit in on meetings with bills of importance. **(Referred to Judiciary, Internal Affairs 1.17. Passed Judiciary 1.23. Passed Internal Affairs 1.23)**
- Bill 09                      Sponsored by Lento (P) Teplin (Co)  
To transfer \$4,000 from JSU Contractual Services to Food to fund the Jewish Heritage Month Reception. **(Referred to Budget 1.17. Passed Budget 1.19)**

### Resolutions Second Reading:

- Resolution 07              Sponsored by Goldstein, Lalani (P) Brown, Larancruent, Srivastava (Co)  
This resolution is simple and straightforward. It is about congratulating FSU's Women Soccer team on winning the NCAA Championship game, and bringing another esteemed title to FSU and its athletics. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Passed Student Life 1.19)**
- Resolution 08              Sponsored by Garcia (P) Ahuja, Anandjwala, Baresi, Carr, Castellanos, Chinn, Daley, Emokidi, Gomez, Gorelick, Hellmann, Hine, McEnery, Meier, Olsen-Galvan, Ramos, Randall, Rodriguez, Smith, Valdes-Herrera, Vargheese, Windlan (Co)  
This resolution would call for Florida State University to begin the process of changing the name of B.K. Robert's Hall, named after a segregationist and racist who infamously denied federal integration orders. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Passed Student Life 1.19)**
- Resolution 10              Sponsored by Bevis (P) Blackwell, Carr, Goldstein, Gutierrez, Kerley, Lalani, Lansdale, Larancruent, McEnery, Navarro, Pu, Raiford, Rodriguez, Srivastava, Stuart, Syska, Vandermuellen, Vargheese (Co)

This resolution offers the Senate's support to the Board of Trustees and their decision to sue the ACC. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Passed Student Life 1.19)**

Resolution 11      Sponsored by Khosh (P) Banez, Blackwell, Daniely, Goldstein, Gutierrez, Lalani, Larancuent, Lento, Raiford, Salazar, Srivastava, Stuart, Syska, Valderrama, Vandermeulen, Waller, Weston  
This resolution reaffirms the Student Senate's commitment to support efforts to combat human trafficking, protect victims, and cultivate a campus culture that values human rights and social justice. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Passed Student Life 1.19)**

Resolution 12      Sponsored by Goldstein (P)  
This legislation advocates for Florida State University (FSU) to include Electric Vehicle (EV) charging stations in its Campus Master Plan, in line with the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) program. It encourages FSU to collaborate with state and regional transportation planning bodies, like the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA), for the deployment of EV charging stations. The resolution also asks for regular updates on these initiatives to be provided to the student body and other stakeholders. **(Referred to Student Life 1.17. Passed Student Life 1.19)**

Unfinished Business:

New Business:

Statements of Dissent:

Closing Announcements:

Advisor Announcements:

Final Roll Call and Adjournment: