

## TWENTY EIGHTH CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS



Assembly Meeting  
Regular Session  
Zoom  
10-5-2020  
6:30 p.m.  
MINUTES



**Call to Order: 6:32 pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Representative Fomberg

**REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:** Blake-Hedges, Brinkman, Fomberg, Creigh, Collins, Ilesanmi, Hirsch, Morgan, Mendez, Sangokunle

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, EXCUSED:**

**REPRESENTATIVES LEFT EARLY, UNEXCUSED:**

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, EXCUSED:** Cheuwa, Mathesie

**REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT, UNEXCUSED:** Hagemeyer

**REPRESENTATIVE LATE, EXCUSED:**

**REPRESENTATIVES LATE, UNEXCUSED:**

**Reading and Approval of Minutes:** Motion to Approve Minutes, Blake-Hedges; Sangokunle 2<sup>nd</sup>; No Objections; APPROVED.

**Special Introductions and Student Comments:** none

**Messages from Student Government:** none

**Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs:** none

**Report of Officers:**

- **The Report of the Speaker**
  - We hope to hear more about elections soon, they seem to be delayed. We also hope to make more headway on funding.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance**
  - Last COGs meeting we opened our conference and attendance grants. We are still working on opening up those grants for use which are why we have the two resolutions on the agenda this evening.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Judicial Affairs**

- Nothing new to report, is still working through taking on the role.
- **The Report of the Deputy Speaker of Communications**
  - In the processing of updating contact information for representatives.

#### **Committee Report:**

- **C-SAC:** nothing to report
- **Internal Affairs:** Met 9/28 & meeting minutes are posted.
- **Student Advocacy:**
  - Met on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, discussing childcare at FSU and pricing to help the graduate students. Hoping to work with the deputy speaker of communications.
- **Student Affairs:**
  - Discussed creating a new on boarding video to help new members adjust.

**Funding Requests:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

#### **New Business:**

- Resolution #10 Virtual Events Funding – sponsored by Representative Sangokunle
  - Aims to facilitate the funding of virtual events by RSO's.
  - Three minutes for questions and answers
    - No questions
  - The first round of pro:
    - Morgan – it is very important to find ways to open up funding with RSO's. We definitely want to benefit the student experience here and utilize the money
    - Brinkman – it is a good bill to make sure we're doing our part
    - Blake – Hedges – this allows MSC and to also hear funding requests.
  - First round of con:
    - No cons
  - Second round of pro:
    - Motion to call the question – Brinkman
      - Second – Creigh
  - **Vote passes: 8-0-1**
- Resolution #11 Travel Grants Opening - sponsored by the representative Blake Hedges
  - We are pushing back the window for applications for grants so that there will be more time to apply for grants in this funding period. This will allow more students the chance to access funding for virtual grants and conferences,
    - Questions and answers?
      - Will pushing this window affect subsequent funding periods? – Mendez

- No, this will only affect the time individuals can apply for grants. It will be two weeks prior instead of a month.
- Will students who have events in October be able to apply? - llesanmi
  - No, there would not be sufficient time to process those applications- Blake-Hedges
- First round of pro
  - This is good because she has had many individuals reach out with an interest to apply – Hirsch
- First round of con
  - No cons
- Second round of pro
  - Motions to call the question – Mendez, second by Fomberg
  - No objections
  - Vote by show of hands
  - **Passes, 8-0-1**

**Round Table:**

**Adjournment: 7:14 pm**

**Next Meeting:**

Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 via Zoom