



THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

73RD STUDENT SENATE Senate Resolution

Resolution #: 57

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Whereas: The Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc committee met in Summer 2021 and proposed the attached changes to the 73rd Student Senate Rules of Procedure.

Be it resolved by the Seventy-Third Student Senate at Florida State University that: the following changes be made to the 73rd Student Senate Rules of Procedure:

RULE EIGHT - Senate Business

- 8.1. When in session, the Senate shall meet weekly on Wednesdays. The meeting shall be called to order at 7:30 p.m. All regularly scheduled meetings of the Student Senate shall be publicly posted or advertised on the Student Government website. Any such advertisement shall include the time and place of the Senate meeting.
- a. The Senate shall stand adjourned at 11:00 pm. Any remaining business will be tabled and the Senate shall move to Statements of Dissent.
 1. The extension of a Senate meeting shall be at the discretion of the presiding officer; or by a non-debatable motion to extend the meeting which shall require a simple majority vote of the Senate.
 2. If a Senate meeting is extended, any outstanding business shall be tabled at 1:00 a.m. and heard during "Unfinished Business" in the following Senate meeting. The Senate shall then immediately move into statements of dissent, advisor announcements, and final roll call, without deviating from this order.
- 8.2. The Student Senate President shall call a special session of the Senate at their discretion or if requested by a majority vote of the Senate in the form of a petition. All Senators shall be notified of this special session by the Senate Advisor at least 24 hours prior to the special session being held, and shall follow the calendar as listed in this rule.
- a. **A petition to call a special session shall include Senators' names, seats, and FSU IDs.**
- 8.3. The Calendar shall govern the order of consideration of measures by the Student Senate and shall be as follows:
- a. Call to Order
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance
 - c. Moment of Silent Reflection
 - d. Reading of the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement
 - e. Roll Call
 - f. Verification of Quorum
 - g. Corrections and Approval of the Journal
 - h. Student & RSO Comments

- i. Special Introduction and Announcements
 - j. Messages from the Executive Branch
 - k. Messages from Agencies, Bureaus, Affiliated Projects, Directors, SGA Organization Officers and Employees.
 - l. Messages from the Class Councils
 - m. Messages from the Congress of Graduate Students
 - n. Messages from the Judicial Branch
 - o. Messages from the Union Board and Student Engagement Ambassadors
 - p. Report of the SGA Accounting Office
 - q. Report of the Senate Liaisons
 - r. Report of Committees
 - s. Senate Confirmations
 - t. Consent Calendar
 - u. First Reading – Bills, Constitutional Amendments, and Resolutions
 - v. Second Reading – Bills, Constitutional Amendments, and Resolutions
 - w. Unfinished Business
 - x. New Business
 - y. Closing Announcements
 - z. Final Roll Call and Adjournment
- 8.4. The Calendar cannot be changed on the Senate floor of a Senate meeting without a motion to Unlock the Calendar. If objected to, a two-thirds vote is required for the motion to pass. To return to the normal agenda, any Senator may move to return to the orders of the day. If objected to, a two-thirds vote is required to overturn the motion.
- 8.5. Any resolution, bill, or constitutional amendment, to be included on the calendar of a Senate meeting, must be filed with the Senate Advisor no later than 12 p.m. on the day before the Senate meeting.
- 8.6. If a Senator wishes to introduce any bill, resolution, or constitutional amendment for First Reading after the submission deadline, it shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote to be introduced during that Senate meeting. This Senator must provide a copy of the item to all senators present in order for the motion to be considered.
- 8.7. The Senate Clerk shall publish the calendar. In their absence, the Senate Advisor shall perform this duty.
- 8.8. The Senate Clerk shall record the Journal of the official proceedings of the Senate. In the Clerk's absence, the Senate Advisor shall perform this duty.
- 8.9. Either the Senate Clerk or Advisor shall publish the Senate Journal each week no later than **forty-eight** hours prior to a regular session of the Senate. Journal entries shall include, but not be limited to:
- a. Times of convening and adjournment.

- b. A List of Senators present and absent for first roll call.
 - c. Name of presiding officer(s).
 - d. Any messages to the Senate from the public or other SGA and university entities.
 - e. A description of all measures introduced and date of entry.
 - f. A summary of all committee reports.
 - g. "Upcoming events" cards.
 - h. A list of all legislation that has been signed by the Student Senate President and transmitted to the proper respondent(s) since the previous Senate meeting.
 - i. Description of any floor amendments or committee amendments offered and their disposition.
 - j. Any material votes required by the Student Body Constitution, Statutes, or these rules.
 - k. Any submitted Statements of Dissent.
 - l. All roll call votes.
 - m. A list of Senators present and absent for the final roll call.
- 8.10. A copy of each bill, resolution, constitutional amendment, and calendar shall be provided electronically to each Senator prior to and available at each meeting at which it will be considered:
- a. The management of electronic document distribution shall be assigned to the duties of the SGA Staff.
 - b. It shall be the responsibility of the Student Senate President Pro Tempore to display Senate documents during Senate meetings.
 - c. A limited amount of printed copies will continue to be made available for guests in the Senate, the number of which shall be at the discretion of SGA Staff.
- 8.11. Any student wishing to speak during the Student and RSO Comments section of the agenda must fill out a "Request to Address" card.
- 8.12. Any senator wishing to announce upcoming Agency, Bureau, and RSO events during the Closing Announcement section of the agenda may fill out an "upcoming events" card to be put on the Senate email list.
- 8.13. During the Special Introductions and Announcements part of a Senate meeting, the Student Senate President shall determine who will be permitted on the floor. Any Senator may move for other speakers to be permitted, subject to a majority vote. This motion shall be debatable.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to:

Alexander Harmon, Student Senate President
Renee Wang, Student Senate President Pro Tempore
Nastassia Janvier, Student Body President
Jacalyn Butts, Assistant Director of Student Governance & Advocacy

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Student Senate President

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**SENATE VOTE: PASSED:
September 8th, 2021**