



**72nd Student Senate
Rules & Calendar
Date: January 15th, 2020**

Call to Order: 6:08 p.m.

Members Present: President Pro Tempore Harmon, Chair(s) Cohen, Daraldik, Dean, Gnanam, Leckie, Murcia, Baxter, Acting Chair Villacorta

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Members Excused Absent: Chair(s)

Members Absent: Chair(s)

Guests: Vice-Chair England, Vice Chair Porter, Senator Sojos

Announcements:

- President Pro Tempore - None
- Judiciary - None
- Internal Affairs - None
- Budget - None
- Finance - None
- Student Life & Academic Affairs - None
- Guests - None

Committee Business:

- Suspended Senators Hearings:
 - Nicholas Jungers
 - 8 Absences (2 excused, 6 unexcused)
 - Opening
 - Jungers operates in Engineering Seat 2
 - The following semester Junger dealt with stress from starting a peer mentorship program for the college of engineering and the stress of classes. Jungers feels that being overwhelmed he chose to focus on his academics and missed seats.
 - Has made changes to schedule to keep this from happening again.
 - Round Table (Motioned by Chair Murcia, Seconded by Villacorta)
 - Chair Murcia: School comes first and we have all been there, engineering is particularly overwhelming and I can say that I understand why Jungers felt he had to miss Senate meetings.
 - Chair Cohen: Jungers brings a unique contribution to the Finance Committee and the senate would be worse off without him.
 - Daraldik: Are you a fall or spring seat?

- Spring
 - Leckie: Why didn't you send in an excused form?
 - Jungers: I just didn't. Not gonna lie to you all.
 - Villacorta: Is your availability going to decrease with the continuance down the engineering track?
 - Jungers: It's not gonna get any easier, but they wont get any more difficult and I can handle it better.
 - Murcia: Are you gonna still be able to stay ahead as you are now?
 - Jungers: Yeah I am definitely gonna try to
 - Murcia: I agree with Chair Cohen, Jungers is a valuable asset.
- jungers Closing
 - Appreciates the positive sentiment said by the senators, he enjoys senate and the things he has gotten to learn. He hopes he will be given another chance and he is hoping to stay on top of things.
- Call to Question to forward Junger to the Judiciary committee (Motioned by Dean, Seconded by Murcia)
 - Yay: 0
 - No: Cohen, Daraldik, Dean, Gnanam, Leckie, Murcia, Villacorta (7)
 - Abstain: 0
- Mussamat Uddin
 - 7 absences (3 excused, 4 unexcused)
 - Opening
 - Uddin is involved in Her Campus, WSU, SASA, Ladies. Last fall began rushing LAE and was overwhelmed by those requirements
 - Uddin also had to focus on the academics towards the end of the semester.
 - Motion to Roundtable (Motioned by Cohen, Seconded by Villacorta)
 - Leckie: Why didnt you submit the excused forms?
 - Uddin: I think I just forgot
 - Daraldik: Uddin has mostly half absences over several full absences
 - Leckie: Do you have a system in place to not leave early.
 - Uddine: I am trying to discipline myself and not overwhelm myself.
 - Villacorta: Do you think the activities that have interfered with Senate in the past will affect your future in senate.
 - Uddin: Since I am not rushing, I should not miss any Senate meetings but if I have to I would prioritize senate.
 - Closing
 - Thank you for hearing me, SGA is super important to me and I woudl really like to finish out my term in senate
 - Call to question (Motioned by Leckie, Seconded by Daraldik)
 - Yay: 0
 - Nay: Cohen, Daraldik, Dean, Gnanam, Leckie, Murcia, Villacorta (7)
 - Abstain: 0
- Jaylen Baxter
 - 7 abesences (5 excused, 2 unexcused)
 - Opening

- He is an RA, first Wednesday of every month there is training and he has outlined this in every absence slip
 - And the other absences are from finals week where he was studying
- Roundtable (Motioned by Leckie, Seconded by Murcia)
 - Leckie: Why didnt you submit the absentee forms?
 - Baxter: Honestly, I dont recall not submitting one
 - Leckie: He submits the form and thats a good thing. But there is the recurring absence and thats very concerning and it creates a disruption everytime he is suspended
 - Dean: We cant really penalize him for having to go to work
 - Cohen: A financial obligation should not stop students from being involved, especially when he is being upfront about the obligation
 - Daraldik: I agree with Cohen
- Closing
 - Thank You
- Call to Question (Motioned by Dean, Seconded by Leckie)
 - Yay: 0
 - Nay: Cohen, Darldik, Dean, Gnanam, Leckie, Murcia
 - Abstain: Villacorta
- Candidates for confirmation:
 - Spring Undergraduate studies Seat 2 - Elizabeth Chabot
 - Opening
 - Firstyear political science major
 - Last semster was a legislative aid
 - Technical non-debatable:
 - Murcia: Do you understand that you'll have to run again in about a month?
 - Chabot: Yes
 - Villacorta: Are you finacially certified?
 - Chabot: Yes
 - Leckie: Are you affiliated with a political party?
 - Chabot: Not currently but eventually yes
 - Questions regarding Position
 - Leckie: What did you like about the judiciary committe?
 - Chabot: Evaluates issues in a professional and organized manner
 - Daraldik: Discuss your involvement with Press secretary legislation written by Senator Slimak
 - Chabot: Helped in looking over statutes with Senator Slimak
 - Daldik: Any legislation ideas?
 - Chabot: I am interested in revamping the legislative aide program to give them stronger roles within the senate and working to increase the availability of allergy-safe food

Upon discovery of pertinent statutes, Candidates are tabled until the correct forwarding letter is received.

- Fall Nursing Seat 1 - Nicholas Brink (TABLED)
- Bill 12 - Sponsored by Senators Leckie & Absten (P): Amending Student Body Statutes Chapter 401.1A regarding denouncing individuals or organizations. **TABLED**

- Bill 15 - Sponsored by Senators Gerdts & Blackthorne (P), Dean & Diaz (Co): Amending Student Body statutes Chapter 607.1D regarding graduate student senate seats. **TABLED**
- Bill 17 - Sponsored by Senator Slimak (P): Amending Student Body Statutes Chapter 400.2, 405.2, and 413.2 regarding senate officers. **TABLED**
- Resolution 9 - Sponsored by Senator Sojos (P): Amending Senate Rules of Procedures 10.12 regarding amendments. **TABLED** (Motioned by Murcia, Seconded by Baxter)
- Resolution 10 - Sponsored by Senator Slimak (P): Amending Senate Rules of Procedure 15.3 regarding Senate Officers. **TABLED**
- Resolution 11 - Sponsored by Senator Villacorta (P): Urgin the university to commit to using clean, renewable energy
 - Opening
 - Villacorta and student organizations have accumulated 3000 signatures supporting this resolution
 - The language is vague to allow the university to figure out how to do this in a way that is feasible
 - The resolution puts this on track with the university sustainability goals and the goals of the city
 - This is something that the students care about and that Senator Villacorta has spoken with facilities and sustainable campus about the feasibility of this
 - Roundtable (Motioned by Leckie, Seocnded by Murcia)
 - Motion to amend (Leckie), Murcia Seconds, Sposnor finds it friendly to add the statement **“Whereas climate change is a serious threat to current and future generations at Florida State University and around the world, and”**
 - Comments:
 - Daraldik: SLAA amended it not to be polarizing
 - Leckie: Believes it connects students to university
 - Baxter: Does FSU create its own power?
 - Villacorta: FSU uses about 20% of the city power grid, since Tally is moving to be sustainable by 2050 this resolution puts it in line with Tallahassee’s mission
 - Baxter: Whats the intent of this resolution?
 - Villacorta: It encourages them to take certain steps to modify for Tallahassee to make that 2050 deadline, this would encourage FSU to work with the city. For that city goal to happen, all the places have to make changes. FSU has not made any public commitments to work with the city
 - Leckie: The part of the resolution that involves avoiding acting or delaying the deadline is also really important
 - Closing
 - Thank you, appreciates questions and the organizations are going to be here tonight if anyone has any questions
 - Call to question (Motioned by Dean, Seconded by Leckie)
 - Yay: Baxter, Cohen, Daraldik, Dean, Gnanam, Leckie, Murcia
 - Nay: 0
 - Abstain: 0

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- None

Unfinished Business: None

Final Announcements: None

Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 6:30 pm in Thagard 401

Adjourned: 7:12 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alex Harmon". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Signature of President Pro Tempore