

**STUDENT SENATE MINUTES**  
**January 8th, 2019**

The Senate President Pro-Tempore called the Senate meeting to order at 7:30pm and announced that the meeting may be filmed or audio recorded and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:**

Roll was called and quorum was established with 83 senators present.

**Not there for roll call:**

- Chou
- Dormeus
- Kaur
- Longland
- Pellet
- Randhawa
- Sangha
- Shan
- Watkins

**AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:**

- There were none.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

- Majority Party Leader Brown moves to hear the Replacement and Agenda Committee recommendation for chair of the Florida Student Government Institute: Danielle Grosse by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Chairman Hurdle moves to hear the approved absence petitions as a block by unanimous consent. Approved.
  - Motion to approve the aforementioned block by unanimous consent. Approved.

**PUBLIC DEBATE:**

- Alfredo Ortiz:
  - The New Year brings many new responsibilities to Student Government.
  - Constitution revision commission will meet this year.
  - Has prepared three different authorizations that he wishes the Senate and the Constitution Revision Commission look over.
    - The first being petition that the senate be participation in AD-HOC committees.
    - The second regards that constitutional non-compliance has been a problem, which is being petitioned as well.
    - The third authorization plans to keep voters' right intact and ensure that their vote is counted.
  - Notes that he was previously here to discuss resolutions for Hurricane Maria survivors, which were passed. Since his discussion, the university has explored avenues to support these survivors.

- Would like to re-express his gratitude for passing the piece of legislation regarding those affected by Hurricane Maria.
- Senator Jenkins
  - Represents District D in the senate.
  - Created the District D listserv last year.
  - This listserv has allowed the students to have a platform to participate civically.
  - Encourages other senators to follow suit and explore the opportunities that created a district listserv can create.

***\*\*If you wish to hear any speeches given during public debate please request the recordings from [senatesecretary@sg.ufl.edu](mailto:senatesecretary@sg.ufl.edu)\*\****

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

### **SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Senate President Murphy welcomes the senators.
- Office hours are tentative until the end of the week.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:**

- Senator President Pro-Tempore Shaw welcomes the senators.
- Open Seats:
  - Graduate (2)
  - Medicine
  - CLAS
  - Veterinary Medicine
  - Nursing
  - Fine Arts
  - Family Housing
- All seats, except one Graduate and one Graduate and Family Housing seat will be due Friday, January 11th at 12:00pm.
- One Graduate seat and the Family Housing seat are due Friday, January 18th at 12:00pm.

### **BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:**

- Chairwoman Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Spring semester is considered "budget season."
- Will be reaching out to student organizations very soon regarding budgets.
- Will be getting office hours set up at the end of the week.

### **ALLOCATIONS:**

- Chairwoman Hernandez welcomes the senators.
- Lots of requests are in the queue, will be meeting at some point next week when the committee's schedules are settled.
- Office hours will be from 10:30-11:00am on Wednesdays.
- Feel free to email her with any questions.

### **JUDICIARY:**

- Chairman Sandifer welcomes senators.
- Will be returning to normal Sunday Meetings.
- All legislation will be due to the judiciary email by noon this upcoming Friday, January 11th.
- Will be reviewing all legislation sent before, during and after this past break.

### **RULES & ETHICS:**

- Chairman Hurdle welcomes the senators.
- Will not be meeting this week.
- Sent out email regarding attendance for the rest of the term.
- Asks to start constituency.

### **INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:**

- Chairwoman Jones welcomes senators.
- SG polos came in over break.

### **SECOND READING**

- There were none.

### **FIRST READING:**

- There were none.

### **BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:**

- There were none.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Senator Beltran:
  - HSA will be having their first GBM this Thursday at 7:00pm in the Chamber.
- Senator:
  - Florida Cicerones are having their Spring Forum on Thursday at 6:00pm in Emerson Hall.
- Senator:
  - Would like to begin Senate meetings by opening up with prayer.
  - Asks those wishing to join to take a moment to pray.
- Senate President Murphy:
  - For those who are interested in being on the Constitution Revision Commission, please reach out to Senate President Murphy.

### **ROLL CALL:**

- There was a motion to use voting records for final roll call by unanimous consent. Approved.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm.