

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES
October 15th, 2019, Meeting 2

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 8:55 pm 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 80 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Esponiza
- Maniti
- Martinez, Jessica
- Martinez, Ramon
- Portugues
- Rodriguez, Shirley
- Wiggins

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Senator Lima:
 - Begins by declaring himself constructively present.
 - Thanks the Inspire Party Caucus for selecting Senator Lima to run to represent District D in this term.
 - Tremendously excited about this term.
 - All represent the student body that voted them in.
 - Opinions are divided by we are all here for a purpose.
 - Urges everyone to be responsible stewards of their positions.
 - Asks to defy the status quo, and question your leadership.
 - Not just here to show up to meetings.
 - Act a way that you would be proud of 20 to 30 years from now.
 - “Let’s raise the bar, senators.”
- Senator Bindi:
 - Senator representing college of liberal arts and sciences.
 - Previously served as the Inspire Caucus leader.
 - Over the summer, he had the privilege of holding a position of power.
 - Was given this opportunity because he was lucky.
 - Talks about a conversation with someone, who said that his leadership was a “mistake.”
 - High over turn over in senate led to positions being opened, allowing Senator Bindi to apply to leadership positions.

- Now looking forward to no longer serving in senate leadership.
- Can serve in other ways in senate.
- Gives advice to new senators.
- “Consider this a hello speech.”

Chief Justice Walsh swears in the new senators.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- There were none.

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SENATE ELECTIONS

There will be a five minute presentation period followed by a five minute question-and-answer period for each candidate.

Senate President

- Senator Hernandez moves to open the floor to nominations.
- Senator Hernandez nominates Senator Dunson.
 - Senator Dunson accepts.
- Senator Lima nominates Senator Chou.
 - Senator Chou accepts.
- Senate Pro Tempore Dunson:
 - Wishes all the senators a good evening.
 - Congratulates new senators.
 - As one of the longest serving senators, can attest that this chamber will shape your heart, what advocacy means to you, and shape your college experience.
 - As Senate Pro-Tempore she has instilled programs and practices that bring the chamber together during a trying and dividing time in the chamber.
 - Committed to reshaping the culture that is focused on education, engagement, and advocacy.
 - Education: will include a procedural workshop that helps senators learn the UF Constitution, Senate Rules and Procedures, Robert’s Rules of Order and professional etiquette.
 - Will also be pairing with the CCC to help senators gain tools and gain experience of interviewing processes.

- Wants to create an environment where mental health matters and is important.
 - Engagement:
 - Student Organization Leadership Forum: wants to create a sustainable forum that will help create solutions that help give more support to senators.
- 5 minutes of question and answer:
 - Senator Hernandez: What does the advocacy term look like?
 - Senate Pro Tempore Dunson: wants to create a diversity and inclusion ad hoc committee that will create bipartisan leadership with hopes of increasing minority enrollment. As well as working with campus partners to increase minority faculty, and assess area of campus to increase inclusion. Believes that advocacy within the chamber could be
 - Senator Diaz: Feels there has been a lot of divisiveness, how will she fix that?
 - Senate Pro Tempore Dunson: plans to do that through continued one-on-ones with senators. Strongly believes in the power of personal connections. States that if everyone is here for the student body, the chamber should be working together to help them.
- Senator Chou:
 - Has served in senate for four terms.
 - Mentioned running into a senator missing a meeting last week. The senator said he did not care anymore. That was hard for him to hear.
 - Statistically speaking you will not make a change as a senator.
 - Has seen many people go through senate with most not making differences.
 - The question is: what can we do to actually make a difference?
 - If you want to make changes you have to often talk directly to those you are trying to help.
 - Odds are often stacked against you.
 - Wants to be a Senate President that reminds you that you do not have to be a “nobody.”
 - As a senator he has done the following:
 - Led protest to urge the provost to bring more funding to CWC.
 - Secured funding for items at the Field and Fork Pantry.
 - Secured funding for Blue Lights.
 - Notes the people in the community that have thanked Chou for his service, and often times people have to ask Chou to work in their constituency.
 - The way we work in Senate, clearly does not work.
 - Wants to help senators be able to come back and lay their hand on something tangible and say, “I did this.”

- As Senate President, wants to create more Ad-Hoc Committees, specifically regarding combating sexual assault. He would also like to have a 700 and 800 codes revision committee.
- He wants to bring more sexual awareness to the chamber.
- Five Minutes of Questions and Answers:
 - Senator Karim: You have been a relentless advocate for the student body. How do you intend to resolve animosity within the chamber?
 - Senator Chou: Wanted to do after Senate Socials. An example would be to get food with each other to gain comfort with each other.
 - Senator Nelson: If you lack such a belief that we can make a difference as senators how can we trust you to help us in the chamber?
 - Senator Chou: People do not often get things done. Wants to help people get to where they need to be to be in a position where they can enact change.
 - Senator Tio: Can you explain how as a Senate President you will help us make as many changes on campus as you have?
 - Senator Chou: I know how this university works and I want to share that with all of you so that each senator has the same opportunities that I had to make those changes.
 - Senator Ragan: Do you plan to use the \$10,000 line item provided by SG to help with live streaming?
 - Senator Chou: Does not think that money should necessarily be taken from that line item so long as it is being spent appropriately.
 - Senator Lima: We have seen a recent change in codes, would you spearhead movements to bring change to that?
 - Senator Chou: Would make sure that the codes are reviewed and revised as needed, to ensure a fair set of codes.
 - Senator Nimer: Could you talk about your experience with student organizations in the past?
 - Senator Chou: Has been contacting as many organizations as possible to make sure that students are informed about budget changes and how to walk through the budget cycle.

- Roll Call Vote:

Name:	Senate Elections: Senate President
Alexander, Brady	Dunson
Amrose, Zachary Aaron	Chou
Anderson, Drew	Dunson
Attlesey, Dylan	Chou
Barocas, R. Matthew	Chou

Bennett, Madeleine	Dunson
Bindi, Nikolas	Chou
Blomeley, Emily	Dunson
Brown, Cooper	Dunson
Castillo, Melody	Chou
Ceesay, Ibrahim	No VR
Chatoff, Jordyn	Dunson
Chou, Zachariah	Chou
Cordover, Julia	Dunson
Diaz, Matthew	Chou
Douglas, T. Colson	Dunson
Dunson, Emily	Dunson
Espinoza, Maria	Absent
Faisal, Mohammed	Chou
Fallin, Brandon	Dunson
Freedman, Austin	Dunson
Galeano, Noemi	Dunson
Garcia, Isabella	Chou
Girschick, Samantha	Dunson
Glover, Jackson	Dunson
Goel, Nandini	Dunson
Gomez-Clavijo, Santiago	Chou
Goren, Andrew	Dunson
Groux, Anabelle	Dunson
Gunby, David	No VR
Hernandez, Gabriela	Dunson
Hoffman, Feraby	Dunson
Jackson, Kristen	Chou
Jain, Mallika	Chou
Jesurajan, Jessica	Dunson
Jones, Meryl	Dunson
Kaighin, Lindsay	Dunson
Kanouse, Laura	Dunson
Karim, Raisa	Chou
Karimi, Solmaz	Chou
Kays, David	Dunson
Kendrick, Tyler	Dunson
Lai, Zhonglin "Savannah"	Chou
Le, Lynn	Chou
Lima, Ben	Chou
Lloyd, C. Thelwell (Wells)	Dunson
Longland, Seth	Dunson
Lovesky, Bailey	Chou
Maniti, Faith	Absent
Marsh, Eric	Chou

Martinez, Jessica	Chou
Martinez, Ramon	Dunson
Miller, Timothy	Dunson
Morris, Abby	Dunson
Muralidhara, Sparsha	Chou
Murshid, Minaal	Chou
Nelson, Marcus	Dunson
Nimer, Sana	Chou
Oni, Busa	Chou
Orban, Steven	Chou
Patel, Sahil	Chou
Pepple, Grace	Dunson
Portugues, Anthony	Absent
Potthast, Olivia	Dunson
Ragan, Rebecca	Chou
Rajaei, Moein	Chou
Reineke, Chase	Dunson
Rodriguez, Yanissa	Chou
Rush, Alana	Dunson
Sandifer, Will	Dunson
Shaw, Libby	Unable to Vote
Shoaf, Alexander	Dunson
Silva, Angel	Chou
Singleton, Stephen	Dunson
Skinner, Ryan	Chou
Solomon, Colin	Chou
Stern, Alyssa	Dunson
Tio, Paola-Claudia	Chou
Urbanski, Mary Kate	Dunson
White, Wynton	Dunson
Wiggins, Lillian	Dunson
Wikan, Audrey	Dunson
Wilder, Ryan	Chou
Wray, Kyle	Dunson
Zimmer, Shawn	Chou

In a roll call vote of 43 to 36, Senate Pro Tempore Dunson has been elected Senate President. Chief Justice Walsh Swears in Senate President Dunson.

Senate President Pro-Tempore

- Senator Hernandez nominates Senator Sandifer.
 - Senator Sandifer Accepts.
- Senator Lima nominates Senator Jackson.

- Senator Jackson Accepts.
- Senator Lima closes the floor by unanimous consent. Approved.
- Senator Sandifer:
 - Congratulates the newly elected senators.
 - Confident that every senator here will do great work for all 50,000 students on our campus.
 - Excited to be running.
 - Through high school he, believed that student government just picked homecoming spirit days.
 - Perceptions on SG changed when coming to the University of Florida.
 - Joined a student financial group in the business school.
 - Won a senate seat, but wanted to help students in even larger capacities.
 - His sophomore year, he was on the Career Connections Center advisory committee.
 - Was appointed to the Capital Improvement Trust Fund Committee.
 - Having served as the Judiciary Chairman, has written many pieces of legislation to benefit the student body.
 - Thanks Senate President for showing him how to have a good connection with those in the chamber. Hopes to still have one on ones and meet all new senators.
 - Notes that the Senate does not currently table at the architecture school, for an example of how to increase outreach and bring in more senators.
 - Wants to upgrade the website to have more easily accessible information.
 - Hopes that the chambers allows him to move into this role as Pro-Tempore.
- Five Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator Jones: What aspects of you currently being a senator will help you be a good Senate Pro-Tempore?
 - Senator Sandifer: My tenure in senate is one of the main factors. Wants to implement his own things after being with SG for so long. Wants interact with administration and outside entities, and has the experience to do so. Also wants to work with outreach to transfer and out of state students.
 - Senator Goren: You named a lot of ideas and things you want to do, is there a goal for that?
 - Senator Sandifer: Wants to continue the one-on-one program because it creates a community amongst the people in the chamber. Also wants to improve resources for senators, based on the SG website being down often. Finally wants to make information on committees much more accessible.
 - Senator Bindi: As Senate Pro Tempore, you will be chairing the Replacement and Agenda and it is important to have experience and knowledge on the governing documents, how will your experience help you do that well as chair of the committee?

- Senator Sandifer: As Judiciary Chair, we are working on constitutional documents on a daily basis to make sure legislation complies when passing it.
- Senator Girschick: How is being an out of state Gator going to help you bring new perspective?
- Senator Sandifer: Being an out of state student brings a totally different mindset.
- Senator Jackson:
 - Represents the College of Engineering.
 - One of the founders of the LGTBQ+ caucus in the chamber.
 - Has worked hard for senators to feel that they have a voice and space to be heard.
 - Was appointed to one committee, and has worked towards passing legislation to work on pressing campus initiatives.
 - When the recommendations for the Rules and Ethics Committee were sent back the R/A committee, Senator Jackson was not appointed for the next set of recommendations.
 - Will do everything in her power to work with justice to make sure no senator ever feels like she did.
 - Wants committees to be efficient and clear.
 - Have met with ample amounts of people, including speaking with administrators and forming caucuses, and have been able to reach conclusions that people can agree on.
 - Has worked with people who know the process and those who do not.
 - Has worked on codes to be less gender bias and help support LGBTQ+ community.
 - Wants to be part of the body that people can reach to.
- 5 Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator Lima: As a senator how do you feel that you have actively worked those on the other side of the aisle in a bipartisan way?
 - Senator Jackson: Most proud of a 700 code revision that will allow those who don't identify with their name to use an alternative name on the ballot.
 - Senator Karim: The Replacement and Agenda committee often does not release the agenda until Monday, do you intend to make the committee more efficient so that we can get the agenda potentially earlier?
 - Senator Jackson: Would rather the agenda be sent out on Saturday rather than the day before the meeting.
 - Senator Hernandez: Based on walking out of the chamber, can you expand on your commitment to the senate because of these actions?
 - Senator Jackson: Cannot morally stand behind decisions that hurt students, which should speak to the commitment that Senator Jackson has to the chamber.
 - Senator Tio: Can you talk about how your past campus leadership experiences have prepared you to be Senate Pro-Tempore?

- Senator Jackson: Was the president of a campus organization where she had to prepare agendas and look after many similar tasks that senate pro tempore would have to. She also works for Gator Nights and is currently serving as a manager. As a manager she has learned to be unbiased, make schedules, and oversee others.
- Senator Kendrick: Do you plan on having oversight for committee chairs?
- Senator Jackson: Time expired.

Roll call vote:

Name:	Senate Elections: Senate President Pro-Tempore
Alexander, Brady	Sandifer
Amrose, Zachary Aaron	Jackson
Anderson, Drew	Sandifer
Attlesey, Dylan	Jackson
Barocas, R. Matthew	Jackson
Bennett, Madeleine	Sandifer
Bindi, Nikolas	Jackson
Blomeley, Emily	Sandifer
Brown, Cooper	Sandifer
Castillo, Melody	Jackson
Ceesay, Ibrahim	No VR
Chatoff, Jordyn	Sandifer
Chou, Zachariah	Jackson
Cordover, Julia	Sandifer
Diaz, Matthew	Jackson
Douglas, T. Colson	Sandifer
Dunson, Emily	Sandifer
Espinoza, Maria	Absent
Faisal, Mohammed	Jackson
Fallin, Brandon	Sandifer
Freedman, Austin	Sandifer
Galeano, Noemi	Sandifer
Garcia, Isabella	Jackson
Girschick, Samantha	Sandifer
Glover, Jackson	Sandifer
Goel, Nandini	Sandifer
Gomez-Clavijo, Santiago	Jackson
Goren, Andrew	Sandifer
Groux, Anabelle	Sandifer
Gunby, David	No VR
Hernandez, Gabriela	Sandifer
Hoffman, Feraby	Sandifer
Jackson, Kristen	Jackson

Jain, Mallika	Jackson
Jesurajan, Jessica	Sandifer
Jones, Meryl	Sandifer
Kaighin, Lindsay	Sandifer
Kanouse, Laura	Sandifer
Karim, Raisa	Jackson
Karimi, Solmaz	Jackson
Kays, David	Sandifer
Kendrick, Tyler	Sandifer
Lai, Zhonglin "Savannah"	Jackson
Le, Lynn	Jackson
Lima, Ben	Jackson
Lloyd, C. Thelwell (Wells)	Sandifer
Longland, Seth	Sandifer
Lovesky, Bailey	Jackson
Maniti, Faith	Absent
Marsh, Eric	Jackson
Martinez, Jessica	Jackson
Martinez, Ramon	Sandifer
Miller, Timothy	Sandifer
Morris, Abby	Sandifer
Muralidhara, Sparsha	Jackson
Murshid, Minaal	Jackson
Nelson, Marcus	Sandifer
Nimer, Sana	Jackson
Oni, Busa	Jackson
Orban, Steven	Jackson
Patel, Sahil	Jackson
Pepple, Grace	Sandifer
Portugues, Anthony	Absent
Potthast, Olivia	Sandifer
Ragan, Rebecca	Jackson
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Reineke, Chase	Sandifer
Rodriguez, Yanissa	Jackson
Rush, Alana	Sandifer
Sandifer, Will	Sandifer
Shaw, Libby	Sandifer
Shoaf, Alexander	Sandifer
Silva, Angel	Jackson
Singleton, Stephen	Sandifer
Skinner, Ryan	Jackson
Solomon, Colin	Jackson
Stern, Alyssa	Sandifer
Tio, Paola-Claudia	Jackson

Urbanski, Mary Kate	Sandifer
White, Wynton	Sandifer
Wiggins, Lillian	Sandifer
Wikan, Audrey	Sandifer
Wilder, Ryan	Jackson
Wray, Kyle	Sandifer
Zimmer, Shawn	Jackson

In a roll call vote of 45 to 35, Senator Sandifer has been elected Senate President Pro-Tempore. Chief Justice Walsh swears in Senate President Pro-Tempore Sandifer.

Member at Large

- Senator Bindi moves to open the floor for nominations.
- Senator Kendrick nominates Senator Rush.
 - Senator Rush accepts.
- Senator Lima nominated Senator Solomon.
 - Senator Solomon accepts.
- Senator Brown moves to close the floor for nominations.
- Senator Rush:
 - Serves as a senator for the CLAS.
 - Congratulates new senators.
 - Excited to work with everyone.
 - Running as a member of student government.
 - Will uphold the Member at Large position to make sure that campus' best leaders are able to lead in the chamber.
 - One way she would personally describe herself as a leader.
 - Joined SG to serve as a voice regardless of political party.
 - Puts in the work for all students to feel included.
 - Currently serves in the Budget committee.
 - Received advice from past members on the R/A committee.
 - Coming as a replacement senator was intimidating but she will not stop working towards serving constituents and helping appoint qualified candidates.
- Five Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator Cordover: What best prepared you to be a member at large?
 - Senator Rush: Mentions her previous involvements and experiences, including involvement in SG, her sorority, and other organizations.
 - Senator Jesurajan: How many people serve on the Replacement and Agenda Committee?
 - Senator Rush: 10 total.

- Senator Bindi: How can you look through your biases and choose the most qualified applicants?
- Senator Rush: As stated before she has been a director of PR, and she has had to interview people for committee seats and she has continuously had to choose the best people for the committee seats. She is here to elevate the student body, not herself or a party.
- Senator Freedman: Who serves on the Replacement and Agenda committee?
- Senator Rush: States who serves on the Replacement and Agenda committee.
- Senator Tio: Can you name a specific instance when you had to reach across the aisle to work on a common goal?
- Senator Rush: Has worked on legislation with Alfredo Ortiz.
- Senator Amrose: Will you promise to make sure that students are given 5 minutes to speak on their qualifications.
- Senator Rush: Yes, given everyone deserves a chance.
- Senator Jackson: Can you name a piece of legislation you have written or sponsored from across the aisle?
- Senator Rush: I have not written legislation.
- Senator Hernandez: How will you advocate for inclusion and representation?
- Senator Rush: Wants to support students to feel that they belong. Every Gator counts, and they should feel like they belong.
- Senator Amrose: Time expired.
- Senator Solomon:
 - Newly elected senator for Keys complex.
 - Has written legislation.
 - Over the spring and summer, he attended every senate meeting and numerous committee meetings.
 - Before he even had a voice or title, he showed up to the chamber.
 - He is extensively knowledgeable in the Replacement and Agenda application process due to having to go through it numerous interviews to hold a seat.
 - Shares Senator Solomon's vision.
 - Wants to be an active vocal participant in the R&A committee.
 - Would ensure that each and every application is heard and deliberated properly.
 - Would challenge the status quo.
 - Has written legislation with every party.
 - Wants to aid prospective applicants to senate and committees.
 - Firmly believes that at the end of the day we are all Florida Gators and we all want our school to thrive. As member at large he would fight for that every day.
- Five Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator Lima: Do you feel you have a new perspective on how the Replacement and Agenda committee operates?

- Senator Solomon: We need transparency in the Replacement and Agenda Committee.
- Senator Diaz: Can you talk to me about a time you were bipartisan?
- Senator Solomon: Last spring, I worked on a resolution regarding the burning of the Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, France with support and assistance from senators across the aisle, including former senator Sophia Bond.
- Senator Hernandez: Given you voted for your own party previously, do you think that you are contributing to this bipartisanship?
- Senator Solomon: Voted for the way he voted based on who he thought was the right candidate, and to “even the score.”
- Senator Tio: What do you think are the best qualifications for the R&A committee?
- Senator Solomon: States what Solomon looks for in a candidate for the Replacement and Agenda Committee.
- Senator Amrose: Will you promise to give candidates an adequate time of 5 minutes?
- Senator Solomon: yes
- Senator Shaw: Can you name all of the duties of the replacement and agenda committee?
- Senator Solomon: Gives the various duties of the committee.
- Senator Nimer: What would you like to say to the other party?
- Senator Solomon: It is not about a system, it is about what you do for the students.
- Senator Fallin: Do you think that your voting for candidates is just evening the score?
- Senator Solomon: Feels that he is voting for the most qualified candidates.
- Senator Lima: Over the summer, they changed the wording in the codes to say the best suited instead of best qualified. What are your thoughts on that?
- Senator Solomon: Does not agree with this change, and will make sure that qualifications are considered thoroughly.
- Senator: Since we often have vacant seats how do you plan on working to fill those?
- Senator Solomon: In the past, have fielded questions about how to get involved in senate.
- Senator Garcia: Can you please elaborate on what you have done for this chamber?

Roll Call Vote:

Name:	Senate Elections: Member at Large
Alexander, Brady	Rush
Amrose, Zachary Aaron	Solomon

Anderson, Drew	Rush
Attlesey, Dylan	Solomon
Barocas, R. Matthew	Solomon
Bennett, Madeleine	Rush
Bindi, Nikolas	Solomon
Blomeley, Emily	Rush
Brown, Cooper	Rush
Castillo, Melody	Solomon
Ceesay, Ibrahim	No VR
Chatoff, Jordyn	Rush
Chou, Zachariah	Solomon
Cordova, Julia	Rush
Diaz, Matthew	Solomon
Douglas, T. Colson	Rush
Dunson, Emily	Rush
Espinoza, Maria	Absent
Faisal, Mohammed	Solomon
Fallin, Brandon	Rush
Freedman, Austin	Rush
Galeano, Noemi	Rush
Garcia, Isabella	Solomon
Girschick, Samantha	Rush
Glover, Jackson	Rush
Goel, Nandini	Rush
Gomez-Clavijo, Santiago	Solomon
Goren, Andrew	Rush
Groux, Anabelle	Rush
Gunby, David	No VR
Hernandez, Gabriela	Rush
Hoffman, Feraby	Rush
Jackson, Kristen	Solomon
Jain, Mallika	Solomon
Jesurajan, Jessica	Rush
Jones, Meryl	Rush
Kaighin, Lindsay	Rush
Kanouse, Laura	Rush
Karim, Raisa	Solomon
Karimi, Solmaz	Solomon
Kays, David	Rush
Kendrick, Tyler	Rush
Lai, Zhonglin "Savannah"	Solomon
Le, Lynn	Solomon
Lima, Ben	Solomon
Lloyd, C. Thelwell (Wells)	Rush

Longland, Seth	Rush
Lovesky, Bailey	Solomon
Maniti, Faith	Absent
Marsh, Eric	Solomon
Martinez, Jessica	Solomon
Martinez, Ramon	Rush
Miller, Timothy	Rush
Morris, Abby	Rush
Muralidhara, Sparsha	Solomon
Murshid, Minaal	Solomon
Nelson, Marcus	Rush
Nimer, Sana	Solomon
Oni, Busa	Solomon
Orban, Steven	Solomon
Patel, Sahil	Solomon
Pepple, Grace	Rush
Portugues, Anthony	Rush
Potthast, Olivia	Rush
Ragan, Rebecca	Solomon
Rajaei, Moein	Solomon
Reineke, Chase	Rush
Rodriguez, Yanissa	Solomon
Rush, Alana	Rush
Sandifer, Will	Rush
Shaw, Libby	Rush
Shoaf, Alexander	Rush
Silva, Angel	Solomon
Singleton, Stephen	Rush
Skinner, Ryan	Solomon
Solomon, Colin	Solomon
Stern, Alyssa	Rush
Tio, Paola-Claudia	Solomon
Urbanski, Mary Kate	Rush
White, Wynton	Rush
Wiggins, Lillian	Rush
Wikan, Audrey	Rush
Wilder, Ryan	Solomon
Wray, Kyle	Rush
Zimmer, Shawn	Solomon

In a roll call vote of 44 to 36, Senator Rush has been elected as the first Member at Large.

Member at Large

- Senator Bindi opens the floor for nominations.

- Senator Shaw nominates Senator Hoffman.
 - Senator Hoffman accepts.
- Senator Lima nominates Senator Barrocas.
 - Senator Barrocas accepts.
- Senator Lima closes the floor for nominations.
- Senator Hoffman:
 - Second year accounting major from Tampa, Florida.
 - Loves being a gator.
 - We are all bonded by the Gator Nation.
 - Ironically loves how large the university is, despite being scared of that before attending the University.
 - Feels that it has given her the opportunity to meet everyone on campus and his or her backgrounds.
 - It is inspiring to hear the stories that make up the student body.
 - Interviewed for a freshman seat in the fall, and has come a long way since then.
 - Loves this university with her whole heart and she wants to give back to it just as much as it has given to her.
 - Has worked with the Replacement and Agenda Committee in the past, which can equip her for the future.
 - Outside of senate, she serves on her sorority's judiciary committee, which has equipped her to be un-biased.
 - Currently serves as the Treasurer for her sorority, and being on the Executive Board of this sorority qualifies her to be on the R/A committee.
 - Strongly believes that her leadership positions have set her up well to be a member at large.
 - Wants to uplift other women in pursuit of their goals.
 - Wants to help women have a voice.
 - Wants to create more clarity during the interviewing process.
 - Creating awareness of the open seats is very important.
 - Although she did not get a seat when she first applied to an open seat, she learned a lot and gained a valuable experience.
 - Promises to remain devoted to the body, and that the committee selects the most qualified students on this campus.
- Five Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator: How did time on your sorority's judiciary committee best prepare you for this position?
 - Senator Hoffman: It helped tremendously. Being objective in these decisions will equip Senator Hoffman to remain unbiased.
 - Senator Girschick: What are the specific qualifications that you would look for in a candidate who applies to seats?

- Senator Hoffman: Wants to look for those who are dedicated, and will go the extra mile for their constituents.
- Senator Garcia: How can we trust you to be bipartisan and represent both sides of the aisle?
- Senator Hoffman: It is very important to have an open mindset, and learn those in the chamber more than she already does, and will exhibit this through the Replacement and Agenda Committee.
- Senator Shaw: You talked about how you went through the process of being on the R&A committee, can you talk about that process, and what you would like to do with the committee based on that previous experience.
- Senator Hoffman: Even being able to interview as many time as herself, it gives Senator Hoffman a chance to work with those who diligently apply for Senate.
- Senator Bindi: In your presentation you claimed to be the clerk of the replacement & agenda committee, when did that happen?
- Senator Hoffman: It was when Senator Shaw was the Pro-Tempore so either the spring of the fall. It helped her learn a lot and get her foot in the door.
- Senator Jones: Can you talk about your experience on the executive board for your sorority?
- Senator Hoffman: Time expires.
- Senator Barocas:
 - Represents the CLAS.
 - Asks to be one of the Members at Large elected to the R/A Committee.
 - Previously was not considered during deliberations in an R&A meeting for a seat on the Budget and Appropriations Committee.
 - Felt this was disheartening.
 - Will not let this happen as a Member at Large.
 - Will ask thorough questions to make sure candidates are the right fit.
 - Wants to reflect the idea of “checking partisan affiliations at the door.”
- Five Minutes of Question and Answer:
 - Senator Lima: Given that everyone in committees is on the majority party, do you think that this is unfair?
 - Senator Barocas: This is unfair. Resumes and qualifications always take precedence over affiliation.
 - Senator Amrose: Do you promise to give at least 5 minutes of deliberation time for those applying through R/A?
 - Senator Barocas: Yes.
 - Senator Tio: Can you briefly explain how your past leadership experiences have equipped you for this position?
 - Senator Barocas: Gives his previous experiences that he feel qualifies him for the committee.

- Senator Hernandez: How do you plan on surrendering your bias to your party to remain un-biased during your time on this committee?

Roll Call vote:

In a roll call vote of 45 to 35, Senator Hoffman has been elected as the second Member at Large.

Name:	Senate Elections: Member at Large
Alexander, Brady	Hoffman
Amrose, Zachary Aaron	Barocas
Anderson, Drew	Hoffman
Attlesey, Dylan	Barocas
Barocas, R. Matthew	Barocas
Bennett, Madeleine	Hoffman
Bindi, Nikolas	Barocas
Blomeley, Emily	Hoffman
Brown, Cooper	Hoffman
Castillo, Melody	Barocas
Ceesay, Ibrahim	No VR
Chatoff, Jordyn	Hoffman
Chou, Zachariah	Barocas
Cordover, Julia	Hoffman
Diaz, Matthew	Barocas
Douglas, T. Colson	Hoffman
Dunson, Emily	Hoffman
Espinoza, Maria	Absent
Faisal, Mohammed	Barocas
Fallin, Brandon	Hoffman
Freedman, Austin	Hoffman
Galeano, Noemi	Hoffman
Garcia, Isabella	Barocas
Girschick, Samantha	Hoffman
Glover, Jackson	Hoffman
Goel, Nandini	Hoffman
Gomez-Clavijo, Santiago	Barocas
Goren, Andrew	Hoffman
Groux, Anabelle	Hoffman
Gunby, David	No VR
Hernandez, Gabriela	Hoffman
Hoffman, Feraby	Hoffman
Jackson, Kristen	Barocas
Jain, Mallika	Barocas
Jesurajan, Jessica	Hoffman
Jones, Meryl	Hoffman

Kaighin, Lindsay	Hoffman
Kanouse, Laura	Hoffman
Karim, Raisa	Barocas
Karimi, Solmaz	Barocas
Kays, David	Hoffman
Kendrick, Tyler	Hoffman
Lai, Zhonglin "Savannah"	Barocas
Le, Lynn	Barocas
Lima, Ben	Barocas
Lloyd, C. Thelwell (Wells)	Hoffman
Longland, Seth	Hoffman
Lovesky, Bailey	Barocas
Maniti, Faith	Absent
Marsh, Eric	Barocas
Martinez, Jessica	Barocas
Martinez, Ramon	Hoffman
Miller, Timothy	Hoffman
Morris, Abby	Hoffman
Muralidhara, Sparsha	Barocas
Murshid, Minaal	Barocas
Nelson, Marcus	Hoffman
Nimer, Sana	Barocas
Oni, Busa	Barocas
Orban, Steven	Barocas
Patel, Sahil	Barocas
Pepple, Grace	Hoffman
Portugues, Anthony	Hoffman
Potthast, Olivia	Hoffman
Ragan, Rebecca	Barocas
Rajaei, Moein	Barocas
Reineke, Chase	Hoffman
Rodriguez, Yanissa	Barocas
Rush, Alana	Hoffman
Sandifer, Will	Hoffman
Shaw, Libby	Hoffman
Shoaf, Alexander	Hoffman
Silva, Angel	Barocas
Singleton, Stephen	Hoffman
Skinner, Ryan	Barocas
Solomon, Colin	Barocas
Stern, Alyssa	Hoffman
Tio, Paola-Claudia	Barocas
Urbanski, Mary Kate	Hoffman
White, Wynton	Hoffman
Wiggins, Lillian	Hoffman

Wikan, Audrey	Hoffman
Wilder, Ryan	Barocas
Wray, Kyle	Hoffman
Zimmer, Shawn	Barocas

SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Dunson welcomes the senators.
- Congratulates and thanks the previous Senate President: Libby Shaw.
- Will be sending out a Doodle by the end of next week for one on one signups.
- Gives the location of the Student Government Office in the Reitz Union: on the 3rd floor in the SAI Portal.
- Email at: Senatepresident@sg.ufl.edu
- Asks all those elected for Senate leadership meet in the back after the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Senate President Pro-Tempore Sandifer welcomes the senators.
- Thanks everyone for voting.
- Open Permanent Replacement Seats:
 - Architecture
 - Business
 - Education
 - Graduate (6)
 - Veterinary Medicine
- Open Committee Chairs:
 - Budget & Appropriations
 - Allocations
 - Judiciary
 - Rules & Ethics
 - Information & Communication
- Open Committee Seats:
 - Budget & Appropriations (1)
 - Allocations (1)
 - Judiciary (4)
 - Rules & Ethics (2)
 - Information & Communication (2)

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- There is no report

ALLOCATIONS:

- There is no report.

JUDICIARY:

- There is no report.

RULES & ETHICS:

- If Senator Morris is mispronouncing your name, please come find her.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- There is no report

FIRST READING:

- There were none.

SECOND READING:

- There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senator Solomon: If you are an on-campus senator in a dorm, and you need to find out about attending events or doing constituency, please let Senator Solomon know.
- Senator Jackson: Gator nights is this Friday, invites everyone to come out.
- Senator Jackson: Will be sending out an email for the LGBTQ+ caucus, invites everyone to apply.
- Senator Glover: KA Cookout - Benefitting the Parkhill Family is happening on Thursday, October 17th @ 6:00pm at the Kappa Alpha Order fraternity house.
- Senator Rush: Dominican Student Association is having their GBM on Thursday, October 17th @ 7:00pm.
- Senator Karim: ASHA is having a an event at Gatornights this Friday.
- Senator Nimmer: Islam on Campus is hosted “Fast-a-Thon” on Thursday, October 17th at 6:00pm at the O’Connell Center.
- Senator Lima: if anyone wants to work on legislation with him, please reach out at blima@ufl.edu
- Senator Hernandez: CASA is having a GBM tomorrow at CSE at 6:30pm.
- SG Advising & Operations Program Coordinator Jacobi Bedenfield:
 - Introduces himself and encourages those to see him with advising.
- Senate Pro-Tempore Sandifer: All senators must fill an affiliation form.

- Senate President Dunson: Explains how final roll call will be tallied.

ROLL CALL:

- A motion to use voting records for final roll call by unanimous consent. Approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 PM.