

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES
October 13th, 2020

The Senate President called the Senate meeting to order at 7:00 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 a total of 83 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Barna
- Dabbs
- Fleischer
- Kimbrough
- Louis
- Williams, K.
- Xu

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Student Body President Pope:
 - Congratulations to expiring senators and incoming senators.
 - Reflect on all that has happened over the last year.
 - Welcoming new senators right now is a pivotal time to be in student government.
 - Hopes for positive change in the Gator Nation.
 - Welcomes all new student government.
 - State of campus address is in exactly 2 weeks at 6pm.
 - You will be able to reflect on all accomplishments the student government has done so far this term.
 - Will be held right before the next senate meeting.
 - Currently working towards a cap and gown project for free.
 - Check social media for an update on the cap and gown project.
- Daniel Badell:
 - First generation affairs cabinet director this year.
 - Congratulates expiring senators as well as the incoming senators.
 - Here to ensure senators are aware of his job.
 - Events are important for the cabinet but hopes these benefits will continue for first gen students in the future.
 - Worked tirelessly to create a first-generation live learning community

- More than 10 proposals, and about 3 were chosen.
- Will be student led in this new LLC.
- Many short-term events have also been planned for first-gen students.
- These accomplishments would not have been possible without the legislative body.
- Executive body and this branch have led these endeavors to success.
- Hopes to make a more welcoming community for first gen students.
- Senator Kendrick gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Muralidha gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Attlesey gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Patel gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Faisal gave a goodbye speech.
- Minority Party Leader Shawn Zimmer gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Oni gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Nelson gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Solomon gave a goodbye speech
- Senator Wilder gave a goodbye speech.
- Senator Kaighin gave a goodbye speech.
- Chairwoman Girschick gave a goodbye speech.
- Chairwoman Hoffman gave a goodbye speech.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Chairman Luis moves to refer the Student Senate bill 2020-1061 Senate Freedom of Religion Rules and Procedures Amendments to the Judiciary Committee. By unanimous consent.
- Chairman Luis moves to approve student Senate Bill 2020-1062 Resolution Supporting the Creation of a First-Generation Living Learning Community in the Murphree Area. By unanimous consent.
- Chairman Luis moves to fail amendment one to the Student Senate Bill 2020-1063 Resolution Recognizing the University of Florida as a number 6 Public University.
 - Senator Solomon moves to move to the previous question.
 - In a raising hand vote of 56 to 7, that motion passes.
 - In a raising hand vote of 51 to 13, the Student Senate Bill 2020-1062 passes.

- Chairman Luis moves to approve Student Senate Bill 2020-1063 Resolution Recognizing the University of Florida as a number 6 Public University. That motion is objected.
- Chairwoman Hoffman moves to approve the absence excuse for Katelyn Cullen.
- Chairwoman Hoffman moves to approve the absence excuse for Tyler Kendrick.
- Chairwoman Hoffman moves to approve the absence excuse for Casey Mason.
- Chairwoman Hoffman moves to approve the absence excuse for Karen McGee.

OFFICE OF THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT:

- There were none.

SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Supervisor of Election Hayley Price validates the election results.
- Following the recount of district D, the results have been posted on the SG website.
- Majority Party Leader Zlatanoff moves to approve the election results by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- The John Matten Stratten award is presented to one senator each term.
- The Majority Party Leader Zlatanoff moves to open the floor for nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- The Majority Party Leader Zlatanoff moves to close the floor for nominations by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- The Majority Party Leader Zlatanoff moves to open the floor to nominations for the Paul Clark outstanding chairperson award by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- The Minority Party Leader Zimmer moves to close the floor to nominations for the Paul Clark outstanding chairperson award by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Senate President Garner gave his goodbye speech.
- Senate President Garner gave out Paper Plate Awards to senators.

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- There were none.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA:

- Pro-Tempore Brown welcomes the senators.
- Open Senate Seats:
 - Dentistry
 - Graduate (2)
 - College of Medicine
 - Liberal Arts and Sciences

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairwoman Girschick welcomes the senators.
- The organizational funding opens on October 19th.
- This will remain open for at least 12 days.
- Base funding is automatically given (\$500).

ALLOCATIONS:

- Chairman Reineke wishes senators a good evening.
- Chairman Reineke gives his goodbye speech.

JUDICIARY:

- No report tonight.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Hoffman welcomes the senators.
- Please continue to do constituency work.
- Reach out to the future chair with any questions.
- Have a fantastic week and term.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION:

- Chairman Kays welcomes the senators.
- Wants to shoutout his outgoing committee members.

FIRST READINGS:

- Student Senate Bill 2020-1063 Resolution Recognizing the University of Florida as a number 6 Public University.
 - Majority Party Zlatanoff calls the previous question. Seconded.
 - In a raising hand vote of 49 to 4, that motion passes.
 - In a raising hand vote of 53 to 5, Student Senate Bill 2020-1063 Resolution Recognizing the University of Florida as a number 6 university passes.

SECOND READINGS:

- There were none.

VETOED LEGISLATION:

- There were none.

BILLS PENDING SIGNATURES:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senator Solomon: Shout out to returning senators and newly electees. Please attend (Ira) meetings
- Senator Hartzog: Birthday shoutout to Senator Kantamneni.
- Minority Party Leader Zimmer: The Heat lost, congrats to LeBron James and the Lakers. Vote and wear a mask. Shoutout to the SG staff team. Reach out if you want to chat.
- Senator Kantamneni: Shoutout to Chairwoman Grischick who has taught her so much. Hopes to continue the legacy of Senator Muralidhara.
- Senator Wilder: If anyone would like to help with the LLC feel free. No longer the co-caucus leader contacts Matt for new information.
- Senator Nelson: Vote.
- Pro-Tempore Brown: The second meeting will be starting 15 minutes following the gavel in this meeting.

ROLL CALL:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 pm.