

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

September 5, 2023

Senate President Pro-Tempore McGinnis called the Senate meeting to order at 7:45pm 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 59 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- **Ali**
- **Amster**
- **Bowman**
- **Clark**
- **Hazlett**
- **Holmes**
- **Imbrigiotta**
- **Jayanti**
- **Liang**
- **Locascio**
- **Drashti Patel**
- **Pelton**
- **Santiago Perez**
- **Solomon**
- **Stephens**
- **Wilson**
- **Wolcott**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- **Senator Panish:**
 - People have told me my whole life that people tend to do the right thing under pressure.
 - The new election map has a 37 at-large-seat district.
 - You have now witnessed a gerrymandering of the UF student government election.
 - People will do whatever they can to maintain power that they don't deserve.
 - You have systematically destroyed the minority movement of UF student government, and you have done it willingly.
 - You have thus contributed to the political machine that has dominated student government for centuries.

- I hope you all understand the reality of what happened here: you screwed me over because you could.
- I want you all to have a bit more morale.
- It is not impossible to win this election, but it will be very hard.
- If you know anyone or have any connections, you tell them to vote for Change Party.
- At this point, if we don't pull through here, we will lose 25 seats out of pure gerrymandering.
- Change Party started out as a group of 10 people whose goal was to make alternative paths to student government.
- Gator Party, I hope you know that you are part of a party that openly chose an openly corrupt tactic to get rid of us.
- If you have any respect for me, please consider helping us as this is literally the last attempt to overcome gerrymandering.
- Accept the reality that you are part of a political machine.
- I beat you on your own map.
- Senator Mia:
 - I will start my public comment talking about my time in Change party.
 - Change has been accepting of everyone, and has never told us how to vote.
 - We are a group of free thinkers, and we come from all sorts of backgrounds; it's truly an inspiring group to be a part of.
 - I am a member of a fraternity, and I have never felt any slight against me.
 - We created a lot of positive legislation over the summer.
 - We passed legislation, including a budget with a line item that equates to a quarter million dollars of additional funding to student orgs, which was vetoed.
 - When I was here last summer, we tried to make progress on Marston Science Library; we made a proposal that was also turned down.
 - I am not surprised by today's ruling.
 - It was a 4-1 vote for a 37 at-large district.
 - It is a gerrymandered and racist map that destroys minority voices on campus.
 - I know many people in this chamber are affiliates of Florida Blue Key; they will try to sell the narrative of this chamber needing change, ironically.
 - There is actually a paper written by David Bradshaw, and specifically Florida Blue Key is mentioned in this multiple times.
 - To my Change caucus members, thank you for caring.
- Akshat Pant:
 - I am a computer science student here at UF and co-founder of Candor.
 - Many students care about our community, yet they feel disconnected from the political community.

- I am proud to introduce Candor, a platform that will give students the ability to voice their ideas and finally give senators the opportunity to take credit and showcase their work to students.
- In essence, Candor is a communication platform for all things politics.
- Three key features are that we have proposal posts, progress updates, and aggregated profiles.
- If a student at UF has an idea, they can be posted as proposals on Candor where they can be engaged with by other students.
- Every proposal has a progress bar; clicking on the progress bar reveals more in-depth status updates on the post.
- Constituents can view a clear and objective tracker on what a senator has accomplished, aiding in more informed voting decisions.
- For the first time in UF history, senators can have the opportunity to take credit and publicly showcase your legislative progress.
- This will increase re-election chances and move elections toward something that is a little more merit-based.
- I gave this same presentation over the summer and since then, multiple student organizations have downloaded this app.
- If you sign up, our team will be able to make you leaders by the end of the night.
- I'm looking forward to working with all of you this year and thank you for your time.
- Senator Wood-Barron:
 - I come into this chamber often with friends on both sides of the aisle and I'm very grateful for that.
 - When I first came into this university, I was told stories of the system and the affiliate party of Gator, and the injustices that they had impacted over the years
 - I painted everyone who was a part of this system as a bad person.
 - I found out when I was elected that individual affiliation has nothing to do with being a good person.
 - Both parties have put their needs and agenda before the student body.
 - Creating a new party with a new name does not solve this issue of ethics.
 - We're in politics; no matter whatever political campaign you run in the next month, we are all corrupt.
 - I am not innocent from this, I have done it myself and I won't lie but I know you have too.
 - We're all playing this game of politics while we are in charge of millions of dollars that could change people's lives.
 - I have voted against my party lines, and I have seen some of you do the same; that is what I judge your moral character on.

- Last week's election of the map was disheartening; finding out about the Supreme Court's decision was very disheartening.
- I am not saying that I am any better than you, but you can't make it better by slapping a new sticker on it and calling it new.
- I want you to think about if you are abiding by your moral compass.
- Pro-Tempore McGinnis:
 - I wanna speak about a supposed error in the agenda.
 - For full transparency, in Sunday's R&A meeting, I suggested that we make a motion to carry over all of the agenda items that were canceled by the hurricane to make things a little easier for us.
 - As a result of this motion, 2 nominees who were not approved last week were not carried over.
 - A motion last week was made to add the executive nominee and that motion was failed.
 - I try my best to suggest motions while also relying on committee members to make sure items were not left out.
 - It's very easy to forget a motion; it's been done with R&E absences and even some legislation in the past.
 - Please understand that I do my best to act in good faith, but to claim that I would "intentionally bypass nominations" as a "violation" or "overstep of authority" as claimed by both SBP Green and Member-at-large Liu over email is just blatantly disrespectful.
 - All I ask for is professionalism and courtesy; my entire character should not be put to question over a simple oversight.
- Senator Rassel:
 - I want to talk about a bill I authored, SSB 2023-1183.
 - This bill advocates for a few things from RecSports, such as a trophy case and more transparency as a funding model.
 - I'll also be discussing this with the director of RecSports, Laura.
 - I also want to talk about the court's ruling on apportionment.
 - I know that my seat will not be guaranteed.
 - I hope that the next Rec Sports liaison carries forward these initiatives and gets the recognition they deserve in the future, even if I'm not here.
 - Revelations 22:11 says "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.".
- Senator Simes:
 - I came here to attempt to make change for something I believe in.
 - We rarely have a unanimous bill unless they're not controversial or have no groundbreaking effects.

- We have public comment after public comment filibustering or patting our egos/accomplishments.
- We have con/pro debates where people will just vote behind party lines anyways.
- We have burnt out senators, people crying in chambers, and fights that break out every meeting that makes everyone stress and making everyone's day just a little bit worse.
- Unsurprisingly, the Supreme Court made a horrible decision about a 37 at-large district.
- At the end of the day it doesn't matter because we're spoken for by 2 or 3 e-board members on either side pulling the strings; you're just doing what you're told.
- We knew we were fighting a losing battle and still made meaningful change, and for that I'm proud.
- I am sorry and I'm trying to pivot from this hard pill to swallow.
- Let's try to actually make positive change, and I think Change party has been doing this despite fighting a losing battle from the very beginning.
- We all care about UF no matter our political affiliation, and I really do believe that at the bottom of my heart.
- **Minority Party Leader Liang:**
 - I would like to make this really interactive.
 - Who in this room is in Florida Blue Key?
 - It seems like none of you are proud to be a part of Florida Blue Key, despite posting about it on your Instagrams.
 - If none of you are proud of what you are a part of, why are you in it?
 - I don't know why I keep coming up here every Tuesday trying to make for an emotional appeal and I look you all in the eyes and plead.
 - I noticed that the seating configuration is a little different today; some of you are sitting on the opposite side of where you normally sit, so maybe that signals some sort of rebranding of the system because you're scared you may lose the election.
 - They are so scared of us that they had to use a century-old political machine tactic to strip the rules, discard them, and win.
 - I tried appealing to UF administration and I talked to Dr. Tyger today, and I was disappointed with how it went and I am assuming nothing will change.
 - Change senators, you are so strong, persistent, and passionate that they cannot face you fairly.
 - We did the impossible, and they can't accept it.
- **Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino:**
 - I am a double major in political science, and the idea of a two-party system versus a multi-party system is always on our radar.
 - In my own philosophy, I believe plurality and ideas are important, especially in a thriving democracy.

- I was quite excited at the possibility of more parties joining, but I was very disappointed to see the same people with the same dated ideas but just in a different font.
- The Vision party shall be showcasing their vision to us by the end of this evening.
- The requirement of a land acknowledgment is questioned and criticized for fallacious political arguments from those who are not even indigenous, contradicting our commitment to DEI.
- Student organization funding is blocked even by the senator who now leads Vision party, who unsuccessfully fought for the presidency of such organization.
- We stand idly by while the Center of Inclusion & Multicultural Engagement is under attack and we refuse to even give a fraction of our reserves to help the people who gave us their money.
- Our constitutionally mandated rights to the student body are lost in committee over fear of overriding the senate despite how these exist because of the student body due to popular sovereignty.
- Our representatives don't pay attention to debates because they base everything on opinion and "I feel like..." when implication is convenient to them.
- Is this the new vision that you hold? A new vision held by people who have held office for even longer than I have? A new vision for DEI, mental health, and rule of law is unaccounted for?
- A change senator is characterized by having three things: social justice, equity, and representation.
- This supposed "change" senator, who has barely served this chamber for a full semester, has not upheld these standards.
- Senator Ali:
 - In the past year and a half, we have been fighting for 24/7 libraries, online voting, and now reapportionment.
 - I don't think anything was as miserable and ridiculous as what I went through at Sunday's special meeting.
 - All of a sudden, there's a whole new rebrand party? I feel violated and I feel that my year and a half of commitment to senate has been a waste of time.
 - I thought a lot about resignation this week.
 - I don't really have to think about it much anymore because I can't represent District C anymore.
 - I want all of you on the right side of the aisle to think about the decision that you may not know affected many constituents of different races, demographics, and backgrounds.
- Laurel Wentworth:
 - I want to summarize this public comment with one word: hypocrisy.
 - I recently served as a summer replacement senator.

- Just as for many of you, this was not a pleasurable experience.
- Through threats, attacks, and unbelievable disrespect, I remained steadfast in my commitment to vote for what I thought was right.
- Chairperson, understand that for those coming back from not being in senate over the summer, something changed.
- Something changed that made Change party feel entitled to the majority that they won and subsequently lost; something made Gator party feel as though they deserve the majority after losing two elections in a row.
- Through my time with Change party, I was confronted with nothing but pure hatred.
- Change party was twisted to fit a narrative: win the next election, and fight against whatever new evil Gator party was cooking.
- I'll admit that when I first voted with Gator party I was expecting questions and backlashes, but I never expected it to the extent I experienced.
- Senator Coe Leavengood was kicked out of Change party for his votes; other Change senators have spoken to me in private about my "bravery," explaining to me that they were afraid to vote against Change in fear of retribution.
- If a Gator party senate president used his authority to solely determine the result of a vote as important as the budget, would you be angry? Would you believe that democracy was being upheld?
- Senator Budhai:
 - I have been learning about court-packing in class.
 - You are using packed courts to make an un-democratic, racist, classist district.
 - I talked about why this plan was racist and classist over the summer.
 - You know that you have Gator control of the Supreme Court.
 - I came up here during the summer and gave a presentation and two public comments on why this plan is viscerally racist and classist, and you laughed.
 - I have never felt so unheard by a group of white faces in my life and I am sick of it.
 - There is a reason people ask me if Change is the party for minorities.
 - Look at the voter record, and tell me this isn't exactly what you see in the United States Senate.
 - You voted me down.
 - I am a first-gen queer woman of color, and you took away my voice.
 - None of you said anything during the pro-con debates about dissent except that you didn't like the registrar's data.
 - They didn't like the university's data, but they sucked dry the university's money for themselves.
- Elizabeth Stokes:
 - I am the executive press secretary.

- SBP Green can not be here tonight so I will be giving a report on her behalf:
 - I am giving this message to express my frustration on the R&A committee, specifically the chair's decision to continue to utilize their authority to ignore pending nominations.
 - I find it imperative to share some insight on the matter regarding nominations.
 - The nominations are due every Friday at noon prior to the Sunday of the R&A meeting.
 - I am required to send the Senate President Pro-Tempore, President, and the Judiciary Chair if the judiciary nominations are due.
 - I would like to commend Chairperson Stephens for always providing confirmation and ensuring that nominations are added to the agenda.
 - I never received a confirmation from Pro-Tempore McGinnis that these nominations were viewed.
 - Although I am frustrated, I'd like to provide clarification on where these grievances lie.
 - I am frustrated because the nomination that is being sent on time is not even being brought up during meetings to have the opportunity to be heard.
 - At this point, my faith in the committee is waning as this is the second week in a row that the nomination has not even been brought up to be heard.
 - One of these nominations is going on its 17th week into being submitted correctly and not even being brought up for the committee to hear.
 - When I served as pro-tempore, I made sure that everyone in the committee heard about any of the emails I received pertaining to the upcoming R&A meeting.
 - Seeing as this is the 2nd week and these nominations are being purposely ignored, I have no other choice but to express this to the senate in hopes of promoting fair nominations.
 - Thank you and have a great night.
- Faith Corbett:
 - Each year, snakes sliver out of their holes to prey on innocent students.
 - They devour all they can, becoming too fat and nasty to handle themselves, and then shed their skin.
 - You exist not of yourselves, but instead of the shell of corruption of the past.
 - Before you claim Change, how many of you ran and won a seat with us?
 - What have you done for social justice, equity, and inclusion?
 - Actions speak louder than words and it doesn't matter what you put on paper..
 - You were never a member of Change Party, you were just misguided.

- This is one that is a pure result of narcissistic behaviors.
- How about the removal of the only Divine 9 president and one of three Black senators over the summer?
- The snake may be perceived as powerful and indestructible, but the truth is that it is engulfed in failure.
- We beat you with your own maps before, and we will do it again.
- If you ever try to leave, good luck in the real world without mommy, daddy, and your leaders to tell you what to do.
- Senator Pelton:
 - Unite, Swamp, Impact, Gator, Vision, The System, Florida Blue Key – each of these synonyms can be found under the dictionary as grifting.
 - I did not get involved with SG for the politics or the partisanship; I entered the chamber with genuine intention of good faith to advocate for my peers.
 - I have shown my dedication to maintaining bipartisanship in this chamber.
 - Tonight, we've heard from senators about their plan to create a new party caucus, Vision party.
 - Their mission has fallen flat and their promises are dead on arrival.
 - Vision vetoed Change's land acknowledgment bill.
 - Vision's previous student body president accepted the \$75,000 position immediately after voting for Ben Sasse, which shows they care more about profits than keeping student tuition costs low.
 - Vision's current SBP has taken every possible step to prevent members of Change from meeting with her to discuss issues that matter the most to the students.
 - Vision continues to manipulate Greek life by making them believe that Change party wishes to see the end of their cherished tradition.
 - I have already seen the grifting that Gator or Vision party is capable of.
 - In reality, I was emotionally manipulated by Vision to gather intelligence about myself and my party.
 - This has left me in an emotionally taxed state of anxiety that no student should ever have to feel.
 - In Spring, we were urged not to be gaslit by Green and look where that got us.
 - I urge you all to not be a victim of Vision; I know I was, so don't let it happen to you too.
- Senate President Santiago Perez:
 - This Student Senate has drained a lot out of me.
 - We already know that a rebrand is coming. Bring it on.
 - I'm already looking at the fact that on August 27, 2019, students discussed funding issues, a new Gator coalition was established at the first SG senate meeting of the semester – this was published on the Alligator.
 - Former Impact party member announce the bipartisan coalition of the Gator Party.

- Congratulations for getting your map approved in the courts; it seems as though going through the legislative process was too much of a hassle.
- For me, it's really been a very frustrating time dealing with a lot of individuals from one side of the aisle.
- I am officially retiring from the Student Senate, and I will not be running in the Fall.
- I really tried to be amenable to both sides when I became senate president.
- Why should anyone be subjected to this?
- Senator Alvarez:
 - Many members of my caucus have shared their disdain for the recent actions of Gator, or Vision, party.
 - I've always considered myself slow to anger and I'm confident in saying that no member of my caucus has seen me angry.
 - Today I am sad because at the last senate meeting, members of Gator party voted to take away my voice.
 - What you just pulled was extremely ballsy.
 - Last semester, Gator party won the executives by 1,507 votes; they won Student Body Treasurer's office by even less votes.
 - In the fall election, Change party won the majority of the seats in the campaign, where 9,858 votes were cast.
 - In the spring, Change party won the majority of seats in the election where 12,417 were cast.
 - Since the fall, voter turnout has increased greatly.
 - Students are just pissed and really tired of you and all that Gator party has done.
 - I'd like to address the rebranding of Gator party.
 - A Vision Party campaign can only rely on them believing that their constituents are stupid enough to be fooled by a new font.
 - I'm not here to engage in passive aggressive rhetoric.
 - I, a Change senator, am committed to a different vision, one where this student government is a true reflection of our diverse community and where the lines of fairness are not distorted for political gain.
- Chairperson Stephens:
 - In Summer 2022, I considered taking my own life.
 - It was because of Student Government.
 - I remember giving this public comment back in January.
 - If you are feeling this same way, I see you and I feel you.
 - I remember when Blake Cox casually came over to my side of the aisle and comforted me.
 - Cat Giordano asked me if I had heard of the CWC.

- I wanted to believe that it was authentic and that the people who are my adversaries would maybe have an ounce of humanity..
- It felt like in those moments, I shared the most vulnerable piece of my life, and it meant nothing to them.
- I'm happy that I made it through to become the Judiciary Chair.
- The first time I sat in this position, I took on the ownership of a lot of hard things.
- I have reflected over my time in the summer when there were hard moments of me being degraded and being laughed at or being called slurs.
- I know that none of you care and that it's just a job or a resume title
- It's hard to try to fight for basic things.
- Every day that I came into this chamber, I didn't care about any of you people who sat there and degraded me.
- As much as I know that I'll still be degraded, I know that I fought and I'm still the Judiciary Chair of Student Government.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1176 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1177 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1179 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1180 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1181 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1183 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1184 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve SSB 2023-1186 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1189 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1190 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1191 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1192 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1193 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1194 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1195 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1197 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1198 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1199 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1202 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1203 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Pelton moves to approve SSB 2023-1204 by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Mia moves to override SSB 2023-1115 by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Chair Stephens moves to override SSB 2023-1062 by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Ali moves to rescind the decision of the Judiciary Committee to indefinitely postpone SSB 2023-1182. Seconded.
- There were 2 rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a standing vote, that motion fails.
- Senator Mia moves to override the veto on SSB 2023-1064 by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Mia moves to override the veto on SSB 2023-1061 by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Mia moves to move the Ad-Hoc committee report for Satellite Affairs to after amendments to the agenda by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Senator Mia moves to approve Jonathan Stephens for the Sustainability Committee. That motion passes.
- Chair Stephens moves to fail Julia Van De Bogart for the Chief Justice Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Chair Stephens moves to fail Jesse Dieterle for the Elections Commissioner by unanimous consent. Objected.

- Chair Stephens moves to fail Connor McClay for the Elections Commissioner by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Alexis Rowe for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Allison Brown for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Aysia Lewis for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Christopher Migoya for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Ezra Rader for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Golda Lieberperson for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Grant Gibson for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Hadassah Sternfeld for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Lexi Sederpoulus for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jack Pagan for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Lizet Mejia for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Matthew Shake for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Morey Miranda for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Pat Hladum for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Talia Hassell for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Timothy Hodges for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Tyler Pinkowski for Assistant Supervisor of Elections by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Lauren Bonet for the Career Connections Advisory Center by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jacob Kanfer for Commencement Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.

- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Saketh Damera for the Food Service Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Sazzad Mabud for the Food Service Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Johnny Liu for the Food Service Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Leah Golberg for the Food Service Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Nikhil Patel for the Food Service Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Wesley Littleton for the Lakes, Vegetation, and Landscaping Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jacob Kanfer for Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Mason Solomon for the Land Use and Facilities Planning Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Riley Towbin for the LGBT Concerns Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jason DeHart for the LGBT Concerns Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Julia Seifer for the LGBT Concerns Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Nyla Pierre for the Local Fee Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jacob Kanfer for the Local Fee Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Aidan Coffey for the Persons with Disabilities Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Ayesha Khuddus for the Persons with Disabilities Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Mikhail Mikhaylov for the Persons with Disabilities Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Wiley Johannesmeyer for the Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Sidney Ruedas for Preservation of Historic Buildings and Sites Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jessica Ellingsworth for the Student Petitions Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.

- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Michael Chehade for the Student Petitions Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Shelby Schultz for the TAPS Advisory Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Jonathan Hurst for the Student Financial Aid Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Fabie Jacques for the Student Financial Aid Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Joshua Thomas for the Student Financial Aid Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Kendrick Panoch for the Professional Curriculum Committee by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Elizabeth Stokes for the University Library Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve Emma Carter for the University Library Committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 7/18/23 absence for Ayesha Khuddus by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 7/18/23 absence for Ryan Summerville by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 7/25/23 absence for Anamika Naidu by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 7/25/23 absence for Ryan Summerville by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 8/8/23 absence for Jonathan Stephens by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 8/8/23 absence for Monish Vijayaraghanvan by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to approve the 8/8/23 absence for Ryan Harrell by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Roberts receives their first warning.
- Senator Reich moves for a five minute recess by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Reich moves for a five minute recess. Seconded. 1
- Chairperson Stephens moves to amend the motion to have a 25-minute recess. Seconded.
- In a voice vote, that motion fails.
- In a voice vote, that motion passes. 1
- Senate President Santiago Perez calls the meeting back to order at 9:52pm.
- Chair Stephens moves to suspend the rules to conduct roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Chairperson Stephens moves for a five minute recess by unanimous consent. Objected.

- Chairperson Stephens receives their first warning.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves for a five minute recess or until called to order back by the chair by unanimous consent. ²
- Chairman Cox moves to amend the motion to strike the “or until called back to order by the chair” by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- That motion passes. ²
- Senate President Santiago Perez calls the meeting back to order at 10:00pm.
- Chair Stephens moves to suspend the rules to conduct roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- Chairperson Stephens moves to rescind the decision of the Judiciary committee to fail Naidu and Elwell. Seconded. ³
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves to call previous question by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
- In a standing vote of 58-0, that motion passes. ³
- Senator Wood-Barron moves to approve Julia Seifer for the LGBT Concerns Committee. Dilatory.
- Majority Party Leader Roberts moves to add the PACE Affairs and Gators Going Green executive nominations to the agenda. Dilatory.
- Senator Mia moves to adopt the agenda by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

SATELLITE AFFAIRS AD-HOC:

- Senator Mia:
 - For those of you who were not here over the summer, a new ad-hoc regarding satellite affairs has been established.
 - There is a new campus being built in Jacksonville that will potentially house 10,000 graduate students.
 - Since they are about 80 miles away, we should look into creating their own student government because it would be so far to govern them from so far away.
 - Right now we are drafting the 900 codes.
 - The constitution says that we have the power to create any governing organization in satellite campuses.
 - Senate President Oscar Santiago Perez added myself, Judiciary Vice-Chair Marcelino, and Kendrick Panoch to the committee.
 - If anyone is interested in helping out, please reach out as I am trying to complete this by the end of this legislative session.
 - This allows the campus to have their own form of representation.

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Chairwoman Hartzog:
 - I officially resign from student government at UF forever.
 - Student Government Institute was an absolute success.
 - I am very excited to let you guys know what happened.
 - We were able to introduce a lot of new elements to the conference this year.
 - Our marketing team, led up by Cassie, was incredibly successful.
 - We were able to have over a 10,000% increase on all of our social media.
 - We were able to reach out to over 200 colleges and universities across the southeast.
 - This was the first time we were able to hold the institute in over 5 years.
 - This would not have been possible without the help from my executive board.
 - There is never enough praise that can go to my advisor, Jackie Phillips.
 - I will take any questions that you have.
 - Thank you all for a great ride, and I love student government.
 - If you see me in the library say hi, but don't ask me about student government.

SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Santiago Perez yields their time to Parliamentarian Lupien:
 - Parliamentarian Lupien:
 - There has been a lot of confusion so far over proper parliamentary procedure.
 - This presentation will hopefully be on the SG website at some point.
 - Most of the items we have voted on here have been main motions.
 - There has been not-great decorum in this chamber; I would reference Robert's Rules and suggest that we not engage in attacking people for their motives.
 - As of an hour and a half ago, we have entered election season.
 - Additionally, please make sure that you stand up and try to address the chair to make sure that they give you the floor.
 - Do not speak until you are recognized by the chair.
 - There are different classes of motions.
 - Main motions are all the bills and nominations that we consider
 - There are also secondary motions which are all the other motions made during the night: motion to rescind a decision, motion to commit something, etc.
 - There are subsidiary motions which include moving to postpone indefinitely, move to amend, etc.
 - While you can amend an amendment, you can not amend the amendment to an amendment.

- You can rescind something which sends it back to the committee.
 - You can move to extend a debate, and this often happens in our chamber.
 - You can move to lay something on the table which temporarily puts something aside if the chamber feels that there is something more urgent.
 - If the senate veers off the agenda, calling for the orders of the day is to put the senate back on track unless there is a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote.
 - If something is said against you and you feel misrepresented, I encourage you to make a motion.
 - Incidental motions include points of orders, movements to appeal the decision of the chair, movements to suspend the rules, objecting to the consideration of a question, movements for a division of the question.
 - A point of information and point of parliamentary inquiry are generally used to draw information.
 - The motion to rescind is to amend/strike an action that has previously been taken.
 - The motion to reconsider brings the action to consideration again immediately.
 - One final thing I wanted to mention is that the $\frac{2}{3}$ vote to suspend the rules or call previous question is because even the majority already has their mind made up, it is still important to hear the minority.
 - I will leave my presentation with a quote from William Jennings Bryan: “Never be afraid to stand with a minority when that minority is right, for the minority that is right will one day be the majority.”
 - Think about the decisions you make and really deliberate on if it is right or not.
- Chairperson Stephens moves to a three minute recess by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
 - Senate President Santiago Perez calls the meeting back to order at 10:35pm.
 - Senator Mia moves to suspend the rule for roll call by unanimous consent. Objected.
 - Chairman Cox moves to suspend the rule for roll call. Seconded.
 - In a standing vote, that motion passes and the rule is suspended.
 - Deputy Minority Party Leader Marcelino moves for a two minute recess or until called back by the chair by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
 - Senate President Santiago Perez calls the meeting back to order at 10:45pm.
 - Member-at-large Ponce moves to suspend the rule for roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.
 - Chairperson Stephens moves to withdraw their objection for the nominee Alexis Rowe for Assistant Supervisor of Elections. Dilatory.
 - Chairperson Stephens moves to appeal the decision of the chair. Seconded.
 - In a rising vote, that motion passes.

- Senate President Santiago Perez:
 - Senate President Santiago Perez clarifies the voter record.

ROLL CALL:

- Senator Mia moves to use voter records as the final roll call by unanimous consent. That motion passes.

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA:

- Senate Pro-Tempore McGinnis welcomes the senators.

Open Permanent Senate Seats

- Agricultural & Life Sciences
- Beaty Towers
- Dentistry
- Design, Construction, & Planning
- District A
- District C (3)
- District D (2)
- Graduate (8)
- Journalism
- CLAS (2)
- Veterinary Medicine

Open Permanent Committee Seats

- Budget (1)
- I&C (3)
- Judiciary (4)
- R&E (4)

ADJOURNMENT:

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 pm.