

33 STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

September 10, 2024

Senate President Vijayaraghavan called the Senate meeting to order at 7:41 pm and announced the meeting may be filmed or audio recorded and may be available to the public. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A land acknowledgment was given.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called and quorum was established with a total of 73 senators present.

Not present for roll call:

- Bazen
- Carpenter
- Falasiri
- Goldstein
- Hewitt
- Idiculla
- Khan
- Kinggard
- Koile
- Newsom
- Permane
- Ranson
- Rodriguez
- Sarkar
- Stokes
- Thellab
- Viel

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- There was 1 member of the public who delivered a public comment, including Jonathan Stephens.

FIRST READING:

- Chairman Rubaii presents on SSB 2024-1706.
- There were five minutes of non-debatable Q&A.
- Senator Britton presents on Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1706.
- There were two minutes of non-debatable Q&A.
- Chairman Rubaii receives their first warning.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- There was one minute of final privilege.

- In a rising vote, Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1706 fails.
- Senator Britton presents on Amendment 2 to SSB 2024-1706.
- There were 2 minutes of non-debatable Q&A.
- There were 2 rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, Amendment 2 to SSB 2024-1706 fails.
- Senator Britton presents on Amendment 3 to SSB 2024-1706.
- There were 2 minutes of non-debatable Q&A.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- There was one minute of final privilege.
- In a rising vote, Amendment 3 to SSB 2024-1706 fails.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate on SSB 2024-1706.
- There were two minutes of final privilege.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to refer SSB 2024-1706 back to the Judiciary committee by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to refer SSB 2024-1706 back to the Judiciary committee. Seconded.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves for a recess until called back by the chair by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves for a recess until called back by the chair. Seconded.
- In a rising vote, the motion fails.
- In a rising vote, the motion to refer SSB 2024-1706 back to the Judiciary committee fails.
- In a rising vote, SSB 2024-1706 is approved.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Joseph Ranalleta-Perez for the open Health and Human Performance seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Mia Filoramo for the open Off-Campus seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Matthew Bravo for the open Judiciary committee seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Priya Majethia for the open I&C committee seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Anjali Morris for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Alexis Rowe for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.

- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Jacob Veeder for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Carolyn Hilliker for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Sarah Hussey for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Karen Gomes Velasquez for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Tatiana Mendiratta for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve SSB 2024-1683 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve SSB 2024-1685 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve SSB 2024-1555 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve SSB 2024-1558 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Nikolas Latorre for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Elliana Kirby for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Svetlana Martin for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Nikolas Latorre for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Ethan Borick for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Sarina Husain for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Golda LieberPerson for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Senator Urbenz moves to approve Tobin Hertz for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Daniel Murphy for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Makena Romero for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Lorena Gonzalez-Perez for the open ASOE position by unanimous consent. Objected.

- Senator Hendricks moves to approve Katherine Gonzalez for the open Graduate seat by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Senator Hendricks moves to adopt the agenda by unanimous consent. The motion passes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Vijayaraghavan shares that today is Suicide Awareness Day and encourages senators to reach out to their peers and loved ones.

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Modupeola Lawal presents on their nomination for the open Graduate seat.
- There were three minutes of Q&A.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Modupeola Lawal for the open Graduate seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Katherine Gonzalez presents on their nomination for the open Graduate seat.
- There were three minutes of Q&A.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu moves to approve Katherine Gonzalez for the open Graduate seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Anjali Sethi presents on their nomination for the open Off Campus seat.
- There were three minutes of Q&A.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to approve Anjali Sethi for the open Off Campus seat by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- SOE Lexi Sederopoulos presents on the nomination of Carolyn Hilliker for the open ASOE position.
- There were three minutes of Q&A.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, Carolyn Hilliker is approved for the open ASOE position.
- SOE Lexi Sederopoulos presents on the nomination of Daniel Murphy for the open ASOE position.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, Daniel Murphy is approved.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- In a rising vote, Daniel Murphy is approved for the open ASOE position.
- SOE Lexi Sederopoulos presents on the nomination of Lorena Gonzalez-Perez for the open ASOE position.
- There were three rounds of con-pro debate.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to previous question by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to previous question. Seconded.
- In a rising vote, the motion passes.
- In a rising vote, Lorena Gonzalez-Perez is approved for the open ASOE position.

- SOE Lexi Sederopoulos presents on the nomination of Makena Romero for the open ASOE position.
- There were 5 minutes of Q&A.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to previous question by unanimous consent. Objected.
- Majority Party Leader Seifer moves to previous question. Seconded.
- In a rising vote, the motion passes.
- In a rising vote, Makena Romero is approved for the open ASOE position.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

REPLACEMENT AND AGENDA:

- Pro Tempore Cox reminds senators that if senators were SVIA'd in, then they need to fill out the affiliation forms.
- **Open Permanent Senate Seats:**
 - Graduate & Family Housing
 - Dentistry
 - Medicine
 - Veterinary Medicine
 - Graduate
 - Nursing

JUDICIARY:

- Chairman Rubaii announces that the most recent committee meeting was not standard at all and that they are proud of the committee for their hard work and dialogue.
- Chairman Rubaii announces that the Judiciary committee will not be meeting this weekend so legislation is due next Friday.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairman Rodriguez announces that the committee will likely be meeting on Friday or Sunday and that Docutraq will be opening on October 14th for base funding.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Majority Party Leader Seifer urges senators to finish their probation requirements.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS:

- Chairwoman Wentworth announces that merch orders will be a little more expensive than previously expensive and presents the different merch items that will be available for purchase.

- Chairwoman Wentworth announces that if senators were SVIA'd in, then they need to reach out to schedule an orientation to fulfill the requirement.

FIRST READING:

- Pro Tempore Cox presents on SSB 2024-1682.
- There were five minutes of Q&A.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu presents on Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1682.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu delivered 1 minute of final privilege.
- In a rising vote, Amendment 1 to SSB 2024-1682 fails.
- There were two rounds of con-pro debate.
- Pro Tempore Cox delivered 1 minute of final privilege.
- In a rising vote, SSB 2024-1682 is approved.

SECOND READING:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Majority Party Leader Seifer shares that difficulty in formatting resumés can be a barrier to entry and that today is Worldwide Suicide Prevention Day so there is a resolution that is being drafted in commemoration of this day.
- Senator Insuasti announces that HSA will be hosting a State of the Association tomorrow at 6:00pm at the New Physics Building where DEI and other important topics will be discussed.
- Senator announces that Freshman Leadership Experience applications will be closing on the 21st so to please reach out to freshmen who may be interested in applying.
- Senator McGuire shares that Grace Advocacy Program's first GBM is tomorrow at Matherly Hall.
- Deputy Minority Party Leader Banach announces that they will be meeting with TAPS tomorrow morning and to please let them know of any topics that should be discussed during the meeting.
- Senator Bravo announces that Preview Staff and First Year Florida applications are now open and they are a great way of getting involved.
- Chairwoman Wentworth encourages any senators to reach out if they have any ideas of merch items.
- Minority Party Leader Naidu announces that the elections cycle began at 8:00pm tonight and that the general theme of tonight's meeting has been staying complacent with the bare minimum in applications.

ADJOURNMENT:

- Chairman Rubaii clarifies the voter record.
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 pm.