

STUDENT SENATE MINUTES

April 21st, 2026

Senate President Rubaii called the Senate meeting to order at 7:40 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. A land acknowledgment was given.

ROLL CALL:

Roll was called and quorum was established with a total of 74 senators present.

Not there for roll call:

- Armstrong
- Avera
- Cafferata
- Conger
- Dahan
- Donovan
- Dotson
- Filannino
- Hudziet
- Liu
- Meis
- Murphy
- Robinson
- Sanghrajka
- Shah
- Smolenski
- Tedesco
- Thalji
- Wyman
- Yaciuk
- Zenkewicz

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- There were three members of the public that gave public comment including Tyler Sklar, Don Kennedy III, and Cassie Urbenz.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH REPORT(S):

- Xavier Hanson delivers the Chomp the Vote Agency Report as of Spring 2026.
- Elijah Files delivers the Student Government Accountability Agency Report as of Spring 2026.
- Phoenix Cumpstone delivers the Gators Going Green Agency Report as of Spring 2026.

- Chancellor Wilson delivers the Student Government Productions Agency Report as of Spring 2026.
- Eunice Pierre delivers the Bridges Agency Report as of Spring 2026.

JUDICIAL OFFICER REPORT(S):

- There were none.

GOODBYE SPEECHES:

- Nicholas Andrews delivers their goodbye speech.

AMENDMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

- There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve the bloc of all Assistant Treasurer Executive Branch Nominations by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve Maya Sakellarios for the Judiciary Committee Seat Legislative Branch Nomination by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve Avery Brown for the Off Campus Permanent Seat Legislative Branch Nomination by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve Casey Foran for the Graduate Permanent Seat Legislative Branch Nomination by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve the bloc of all Summer Replacement Legislative Branch Nominations by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to add Pedro Rubio's Off Campus Summer B Replacement Legislative Branch Appointment to the agenda by unanimous consent.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to create a bloc of all Summer Replacement Legislative Branch Appointments by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to confirm the bloc of all Summer Replacement Legislative Branch Appointments by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to add Amendment I to SSB 2026-1049 to the agenda by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve Amendment I to SSB 2026-1049 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve SSB 2026-1049 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve SSB 2026-1058 by unanimous consent. The motion passes.

- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to add SSB 2026-1057 to the agenda under Second Reading by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to remove SSB 2026-1054 from the agenda by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to create a bloc of all legislation under Second Reading by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve the bloc of all legislation under Second Reading by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to approve all Excused and Unexcused absences by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Majority Party Leader Finfrock moves to adopt the agenda by unanimous consent. The motion passes.

NOMINATIONS:

- **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.
- **JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.
- **LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS**
 - There were none.

FIRST READING:

- There were none.

SECOND READING:

- There were none.

VETOES:

- There were none.

ABSENCES:

- There were none.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

- Senate President Rubaii shares the initiative started by Julia Seifer regarding EpiPen availability has been approved.
- Senate President Rubaii announces his resignation.
- Senate President Rubaii delivers their goodbye speech.

REPLACEMENT & AGENDA:

- Member-at-Large Dees shares there will not be a meeting this weekend and announces the open seats.
- **Open Permanent Seats:**
 - Graham Permanent Seat
 - Graduate Permanent Seat (3)
 - CLAS Permanent Seat
 - Beaty Permanent Seat
 - Dentistry Permanent Seat
- **Summer Replacement Seats:**
 - Graduate and Family Housing Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Jennings Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Lakeside Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Murphree Replacement Seat: May 22nd - July 10th
 - Off Campus Summer B Replacement Seat
 - Off Campus Summer C Replacement Seat (4)
 - Off Campus Summer A Replacement Seat
 - Yulee Summer C Replacement Seat
 - CALS Summer A Replacement Seat
 - Arts Summer B Replacement Seat
 - Education Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Engineering Summer B Replacement Seat
 - Graduate Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Hamilton Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Law Summer A Replacement Seat
 - Journalism Summer B Replacement Seat
 - Nursing Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Pharmacy Summer C Replacement Seat
 - PHHP Summer C Replacement Seat
 - Sophomore Summer A Replacement Seat
 - Veterinary Summer C Replacement Seat

JUDICIARY:

- Chairwoman Melamed congratulates their new committee member and bids farewell to Senate President Rubaii.
- Chairwoman Melamed commends exiting senators.
- Chairwoman Melamed clarifies the voter record.

BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS:

- Chairman Cumpstone discusses committee accomplishments and upcoming initiatives.

RULES & ETHICS:

- Chairwoman Metchick shares the constituency period has been extended to the end of the Spring 2026 term.
- Chairwoman Metchick encourages senators to contact her with any concerns regarding constituency and bids farewell to Senate President Rubaii.

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS:

- Chairwoman Patel presents a QR code for a storefront.
- Chairwoman Patel shares updates regarding nametags and graduation stoles.

AD-HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- There were none.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Senate President Rubaii moves to set the first Summer Term meeting date to 7 PM, Tuesday, May 12th by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- Senator Ferber shares updates regarding the Engineering Caucus Toolkit initiative.
- Senator Orsey encourages senators to connect with the Engineering Caucus.
- Senator Dahan announces there will be an impromptu Graduate Caucus meeting.
- Senator Jacobson encourages senators to attend an upcoming event with the Hamilton Society.

ADJOURNMENT:

- There is a motion to use the voter record as final roll call by unanimous consent. The motion passes.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 pm.