

University of North Florida Student Senate

Senate Meeting Minutes - March 31st 2014 - 6:30 PM - Senate Chambers

- I. Call to Order-Meeting is called to order?
- II. Pledge of Allegiance Sen. Caudio
- III. Invocation Sen. Wolf
- IV. Roll Call Senate President Pro-Tempore Kaitlin Ramirez sgaspt@unf.edu
 - Quorum is established with 31 voting members.
- V. Approval of Minutes
- VI. Approval of Agenda
 - To add SB-14S-2768 to 2nd read.
- VII. Recognition of Students Seeking Appointment
 - Tarek Kishek, T. Bishop,
- VIII. Student Remarks

IX.

Tory McClesky- talked about services for sexual assault victims

Star Caudio

Mitchell Moore

- Guest Speakers- none
- X. Judicial Branch Report
 - a. Chief Justice Alex Goetz (sgajc@unf.edu) (5-minutes)
 - Next Monday the Judicial Branch elects a new Chief Justice, so this will be my last Senate Meeting. I
 would like to take this time to thank everyone who helped me up here.
- XI. Executive Branch Reports
 - a. Osprey Productions John Chwalisz opdir@unf.edu (3-minutes)
 - Tomorrow is battle of the sexes, We are showing American Pie on Wednesday. Thursday we have sex trivia. Then we have a drag show. I also would ask everyone to advertise for the concert. *Shows presentation of "OP a year in review"*
 - b. Club Alliance Brett Weisman <u>sgacluba@unf.edu</u> (3-minutes)
 - *shows presentation about the club alliance's year and the stats of the students that participated in the events* I created a club selection page on our website, much like a roommate search. This was a part of my initiative when I started as director. It took me about 13 months to put together. I had a lot of fun this year; I really appreciate all the help.
 - c. Attorney General Hailey Guerra sgaag@unf.edu (3-minutes)
 - I just want to give thanks to my biggest advocates and supporters. I am sure the next administration will do amazing things.
 - d. Treasurer Joseph Turner sgasbt@unf.edu (3-minutes)
 - I will hold my comments till my later report.
 - e. Vice President Tony Stevens <u>sgavpres@unf.edu</u> (3 minutes)
 - I don't have much to report tonight. As John stated we have a lot of events coming up this week, please go out and support, they put a lot of work into these events. I just would like to say to both agencies, that they both did an amazing this past year. I look forward to seeing what they do.
 - f. President Carlo Fassi sgapres@unf.edu (5-minutes)
 - I have a few things to report on for my last meeting. I first want to thank Hailey Guerra, Ryan Traher, and Alin Cepoi for putting on such a great Rally in Tally. Senate bill 1400 will be heard tomorrow by the senate. Lastly, we have \$9,000,000 being requested for Skinner Jones Hall north and south. Matt, myself, and Joe Turner will be advocating for that request to renovate those

buildings. The new recreation gym, pending President Delaney's approval, will be named the Osprey Perch. We wanted something that is relative to our mascot. The faculty aren't necessarily happy with the new initiative to make scantrons available in the classroom. But the Provost has graciously enough gone ahead and made that work. This will be piloted this summer. I know would like to thank Tony Stevens for being such a great Vice President these past 3 months. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you as senators, your voice really matters. When fighting for what the students want, trust the facts. Last, it's never too late to make a difference. I would like to thank all of the Pro-staff and the Student Affairs staff.

- g. President Elect Joseph Turner joseph.turner@unf.edu (7-minutes)
 - First I would like to start with my report for Treasurer. We had our first CBC meeting on Friday, we had 11 clubs presented. Tonight we are hearing two special requests, and I would suggest that these be taken from the Student Union funds, since they are both related to the Student Union. Now for President Elect business, I have made my first hire. That is Collin Waychoff for my Chief of Staff, he has been doing a great job so far and I look forward to working with him this upcoming year. There are 4 position applications that I have made extensions to, Osprey Productions Director, Osprey Productions Assistant Director, Lend-A-Wing Pantry Coordinator, and the Student Advocate. These will be open until filled. By Friday at 5 we will know about the other Executive Branch positions. Kate Savage has sponsored a bill that will remove the Volunteer Center formally from our statues that is in Title 11 from the executive order from President Fassi. I am hearing that the Senate will hear that to remove that formally at the CSC meeting. I thank all of you for your dedication to the student body. I look forward to working with all of you. I will be making further remarks at the SG Banquet next Wednesday.

XII. Legislative Cabinet Reports

- a. Constitution and Statutes Committee Chairwoman Kaitlin Ramirez (sgacsc@unf.edu)
 - I would like to remind all of you that your scholarship forms are due this Friday to the Rotunda so we can go ahead and your scholarships processed. There are many events going on this week in OP, and if you need to fulfill your involvement requirement this would be a fantastic way to do that. Also, this Saturday is Senator Orientation from 9:00-4:30. If you won't be able to make it please email me and let me know.
- b. Budget and Allocations Committee Chairman VACANT (sgabac@unf.edu)
 - Former B&A chair resigned.
- c. Elections and Appointments Committee Chairwoman Emily Antworth (sgaesac@unf.edu)
 - At my last E&A meeting we discussed online voting and decided to not go ahead with it since we have other issues that need to be worked on first. If you are against how my committee voted, you are more than welcome to write a bill to bring online voting on.
- d. University & Student Affairs Committee Chairwoman Star Caudio (sgausac@unf.edu)
 - I want to talk about the Round Table event; we had great turnout of students and horrible turnout of senators. As for the Osprey Voice we just did, over half the senators didn't complete it. I think this is something you should be concerned about. I believe osprey voices are so important. So many of you guys are not making this a priority. If you think this isn't important I would suggest you take it out of the constitution, because that's the only conclusion I can draw. It has been a real pleasure serving as your U.S.A. chair, thank you for this opportunity.
- e. Senate President Christopher Brady (sgasp@unf.edu)
 - I would like to thank my cabinet for such a great year. I would also like to thank Paige Lehman; she was very supportive and helpful. The next person is Tony Stevens; he always gave me a different perspective on things. Also, I would like to thank Joe Turner, whatever it was Joe was always there for me. In my 2 years in SG, there have been a lot of Pro-Staff here. But the staff we have now I think is by far the best. I would like to take this time to thank all of them. Don't be afraid to speak your opinion, always speak up. Thank you for this opportunity to serve as Senate President this past year.

XIII. New Business

- Legislation considered for 1st Reading
- Senate and Joint Resolutions on 1st Reading
- Legislation considered for 2nd Reading
 - i. SB-14S-2765 Student Union Charging Stations Sen. Silberstein

- I am here to get your approval on SB-14S-2765; I can prove to you that this is a necessary
 expenditure. This is to keep the golf carts running at maximum contingency. I will now turn it
 over to Mr. John Simms once he has his PowerPoint set up.
 - ♦ John Simms (Director of Student Union): The amount requested is just shy of \$2,000. This request is for the condition of the current golf cart station. We also have more golf carts than actual charging stations. *shows pictures of current condition of the charging station* This request would be coming out of the Student Union Fee fund balance.
- Sen. Caudio: Motion to approve SB-14S-2765. Second. No objections. No Discussion. Roll call vote- Motion Passes 34-0-0.
- ii. SB-14S-2766 Executive Branch Lounge Space Sen. Gloster
 - This request is for a Lounge space across in the 1st floor of the Student Union West. I will let Tony explain it to you further.
 - Tony Stevens (Vice President): The idea of this lounge area started off summer of last year when we took a trip to Florida Gulf Coast. As we were touring the campus we were impressed by their lounge. It wasn't just seating, it was an area for students to escape to hang out after class. Also, when we went on the trip to Greece our sister university had something similar as well. This is something our university doesn't have. We were looking for areas where we could do it, and we decided the Student Union 1st floor in the very back in the food court. With this location being in the Student Union, it is for the students. The only thing for the students currently is the Game Room everything else is mainly office spaces. *shows layout of lounge space on PowerPoint*. We also had an idea to add a book sharing area for students to pick up a book to read and bring books to share with others. Also, we will be adding charging stations in the lounge. I know it is a little pricey, but walking around and looking at furniture around campus the ones in the wellness complex are the best fit. The couches themselves need to be very durable, which tends to be more expensive. The way I look at it, we might as well spend more money now, rather than buying a cheaper couch that will need to be replaced in the future. The new lounge would fit about 30+ students. Now for the hammocks, they will be located by the lake. They are stand-alone hammocks so they won't be attached to trees. They are water resistant and are meant for the outside.
 - Sen. Petrosyan: Motion to table this bill. Second. Objection (Sen. Caudio). Sen. Pres: I am
 deciding not to hear motion to able this bill.
 - Sen. Caudio: Motion to approve SB-14S-2766. Second. No objections. Discussion. Roll call vote-Motion passes 25-3-6.
- iii. SB-14S-2768 OP Revenue Utilization Act of Spring 2014- Sen. Wolf
 - Basically Osprey Productions earns revenue and it has a cap at \$25,000. It is on 2nd read tonight because they are so successful and they have a concert coming up, in which they need this cap to be taken off. This is very time sensitive, especially with this upcoming concert. This is a very exciting bill to pass.
 - ♦ Motion to approve SB-14S-2768 by unanimous consent. Second. No objections. Moved.
- Senate and Joint Resolutions on 2nd Reading
- XIV. Swearing in of the Newly Elected Senators
 - Sworn in by Chief Justice Alex Goetz.
- XV. Division of the House- reestablished with 32 voting members
- XVI. Senate Appointments
 - Emily Antworth
 - Chase Baker
- XVII. Legislative Cabinet Elections
 - Senate President
 - i. Kaitlin Ramirez
 - Senate President Pro-Tempore
 - i. Shomari Gloster Won 26-8 final vote count
 - ii. Emily Antworth

- Budget & Allocations Committee Chair
 - i. Morgan Wolf
- Elections & Appointments Committee Chair
 - i. Jon Mack -declined
 - ii. Kate Savage-New E&A chair.- approved- unanimous consent
 - iii. Spencer Harold-declined
- University & Student Affairs Committee Chair
 - i. Connor Klein
 - ii. Chase Baker- New USA chair. Won 24-10 final vote count
- Parliamentarian: Tyler Stovall. –unanimous consent

XVIII. Swearing in of the Newly Elected Legislative Cabinet

- Kaitlin Ramirez: Senate President
- Shomari Gloster: Senate President Pro-Tempore
- Morgan Wolf-Budget and Allocations Committee Chair
- Kate Savage-Elections and Appointments Committee Chair
- Chase Baker- University & Student Affairs Committee Chair
- Tyler Stovall-Parliamentarian
- *Sworn in by Chief Justice Alex Goetz*
- XIX. Swearing in of the Newly Elected Vice President
 - Tony Stevens
 - * Sworn in by Chief Justice Danny Powers*
- XX. Swearing in of the Newly Elected President
 - Joseph Turner
 - * Sworn in by Chief Justice Danny Powers*
- XXI. Executive Confirmations-None
- XXII. Judicial Confirmations-None
- XXIII. Announcements
 - Don't forget about your scholarship forms
 - Senator Orientation is Saturday
- XXIV. Final Roll Call Senate President Pro-Tempore Shomari Gloster sgaspt@unf.edu
 - Quorum is reestablished with 32 voting members
- XXV. Adjournment
 - This meeting is adjourned at 10:20PM

Shore, Victoria 6/4/14 4:59 PM

Comment: The actual recording started late –at the beginning of the session and then after division of the house. However, we used hand written minutes from SG Advisor Shore