



Florida A&M University
46th Student Senate
Spring Academic Term
Sixth Session Agenda
02-13-2017

A. Call to Order

- Meeting call to order at 6;16

B. Moment of Dedication

- Senator Anderson leads moment of dedication

C. Alma Mater/Pledge of Allegiance

- All present individuals stand in respect for the university and country

D. Roll Call/Verification of Quorum

- 1.Senator Martin-ABSENT
- 2.Senator George-PRESENT
- 3.Senator Muhammad-PRESENT
- 4.Senator McMiller-PRESENT
- 5.Senator Eden-PRESENT
- 6.Senator D. Jackson-PRESENT
- 7.Senator Hall-PRESENT
- 8.Senator Jean-Baptise-PRESENT
- 9.Senator Miller-PRESENT
- 10.Senator Moricette-PRESENT
- 11.Senator Knox-PRESENT
- 12.Senator Butterfield-ABSENT

- 13.Senator Mitchell-PRESENT
- 14.Senator Plasir-PRESENT
- 15.Senator J. Jackson-PRESENT
- 16.Senator P. Williams-PRESENT
- 17.Senator President-ABSENT
- 18.Senator Barrett-PRESENT
- 19.Senator Pringle-PRESENT
- 20.Senator Gardner-ABSENT
- 21.Senator London- PRESENT
- 22.Senator Orsborne-PRESENT
- 23.Senator Ford-PRESENT
- 24.Senator Nisbett-PRESENT
- 25.Senator Sawyer-PRESENT
- 26.Senator Anderson-ABSENT
- 27.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-PRESENT
- 28 Senate President- PRESENT

E. Approval of Agenda/Minutes

- Senate pro-temp 5.02 ayes have it
- Senate Pro-temp moves to add legislation from last week to new business black out loud week to point o
- Senator Nisbett 6.02 section f 1-3 naves division

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- 4.Senator Eden-FOR
- 5.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
- 6.Senator Hall-FOR
- 7.Senator Jean-Baptise-FOR
- 8.Senator Miller-FOR
- 9.Senator Moricette-FOR
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- 11.Senator Mitchell-FOR
- 12.Senator Plasir-AGAINST
- 13.Senator P. Williams-FOR

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 - 16.Senator London- FOR
 - 17.Senator Orsborne-FOR
 - 18.Senator Ford-FOR
 - 19.Senator Nisbett-FOR
 - 20.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 21.Senator Anderson-FOR
 - 22.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-ABSTAIN
- motion passes 18 for 3 against 1 abstain

- Senate Pro-temp moves to add sr17sp-0073 Sabsp17-013 point o
- Senator Moricette AACTE Holmes and colleges against cancer scholars under unfinished business Strike point k everything except sub-points f g h k l
- Senator Barrett bill clashes of the city week to point p new business ayes have it
- Senator Ford Moves to sixth session agenda ayes have it
- Senator London accepts last session minutes

F. Introduction of Guests/Speakers

- Tiara Bell representing Occupational Therapy

G. Announcements/Committee Reports

- A&S Strike out reports are due on February 20th ask senators to do their reports so that we are not seen as incompetent and not able to do our jobs.
- OFC, we need to be aware of the reason we are giving organizations money we have also OFC will be meeting this week with organizations to determine whether bills will be entertained 53,264.76
- E&A will be meeting this week for appointments within the senate Ronald Nelson and Dawayne King are up for appointments within the supreme court Kiera Riley will come before E&A this week so that after next week supreme court will have quorum Spring elections updates should be locked in by the end of this week dates
- SRC had strike out showcase this weekend they passed a new resolution also let's talk about it panel discussion that they are looking to

put on for the student body

- IDSC dollar and dream at the end of the semester senate will donate what is raised to give in a charitable aspect Senate will also match what is raised from outside funding training will next Saturday 12-4
- J&R met last Wednesday J&R is trying to follow the law and rules and procedure so they did not entertain bills due to lack of quorum
- SEC chose to meet with EC the committee meetings will resume again this week

H. Executive/Judicial Branch Reports

- Attorney General met with SGA president Bruno on last Friday he hopes to grant students clarity on spring elections
- Senator Eden motions that SGA President Bruno and vice president Harrison to give a report next week ayes Senate President will send memorandum to trustee Bruno
- Chief Justice Nelson there has been informal meeting with the attorney general and President Bruno

I. Campus Activities Board Report

- No report

J. Lobbying & Speakers Forum

- Senators George's comments during Lobbying and Speakers forum. Good evening senators and gallery guest. It is my pleasure to speak to you in regards to an issue that is critical to me. In 2010 I enrolled at FAMU, in 2014 I graduated from FAMU. In 2015 my law school career began. FAMU was so nice I had to do it twice. In short, I have been in student government in some fashion for the past 6 six years. In all these years, I have never had to doubt who the SGA president was. Today, that is not the case. This should never be the case. Our Senate has passionate advocates for various causes, none more intense than having our autonomy and freedom to govern ourselves. Recently the passion has centered around making sure the student serving as SGA president is duly elected by the student body following our governing documents. The Senate cannot and should not run student government alone. We have a monumental task, but there are some areas where we

must concede to other branches to ensure checks and balances. The check that I want to address in the time I have left is the judiciary. Our judicial branch must function effectively for the SGA to operate efficiently. A part of that effectiveness has to do with the people we decide to put in those roles. It is clear that these are important decisions because our documents require the nominations pass with a 2/3 vote and not a simple majority. Student leaders who served before us knew that appointments to the branch could make or break our government. So how do we decide who is going to be on the court? Is it whoever that we must unanimously approve whoever the president puts up? Or do we set standards that reflect the mission of the university - excellence. FAMU is much larger than Tallahassee. We have a global presence as evident in some of the legislation we have passed just this semester. We have students traveling the globe providing much needed health services; we have students going to Cuba to immerse themselves into an environment that is ripe for educational expansion and commercial growth. But we also have students in Orlando who put in countless hours of studying all areas of law. They study the ins and out of the constitution, trained by the best and the brightest this world has to offer. These students have talents and experiences that could fill up an encyclopedia. Many of you have met personally with law school students, and you know them to be of the utmost character and fitness. I ask rhetorically speaking: why aren't we using them when we have such a great need for them now more so than ever before. If we look across the street to our neighbor and partner, Florida State, we can see that their entire supreme court is made up of their law students. I believe that is for a good reason. No, we do not follow everything that FL state does. To the contrary, we set the pace and lead the race. However, there are some best practices that they have implemented that would be in our best interest to consider. This past week, four nominations were made for the supreme court, these nominees

come from diverse backgrounds, but all have two things in common: they are eligible to serve; and have been trained by the best to serve. This Senate talks about writing legislation to ensure that the mistakes of the past stay in the past and I agree with that position. But some things don't need legislation. They need individuals who are educated in that field. Some things take a courageous judiciary filled with the passion for doing what is right and just with the knowledge and skills of doing so. You might ask what kind of court is courageous and just. Take, for instance, marriage equality. The reason why same-sex couples across this country can get married is not that their individual state legislators decided it was in their best interest to do so. It was because of a courageous and just court who penned the Obergefell decision which made it a fundamental right for same-sex couples to get married. Or in the same context a few decades earlier in the Loving decision which overturned a relic of law that didn't allow interracial marriage to take place in Virginia. The courts play a vital role. But they are only as good as the people we confirm to take those seats. I ask that this Senate reach out to the individuals who have been nominated to be associate justices by Mr. Bruno; and that we give them fair and impartial treatment. It is our job to confirm the court. Let us confirm the best court possible. We have the talent, and the skills let's use them. Let's give them the opportunity to serve just as we have all been afforded this wonderful opportunity. Let's use the legal expertise of the students at FAMU Law, which our university fought so hard to get back. Our student government is lacking expertise in the judiciary. Let's see to it that not another student at FAMU will have to question the validity of their SGA president due to an inexperienced Supreme Court. Let's put leaders in place who will serve this university based on their knowledge experience, and career goals. Let's do what we can to help our university; & let's do it now

- Senator Hall asks for suggestion as to what to do to prevent the failure of technology within the class

- Pernell Mitchell ask senators to make changes to legislation and be the leaders that the student body need going forward with legislation and documents being accounted for all student body documents
- Finish all business before A&S agency reports

K. A&S Agency Reports

A. Senator Miller – Journey magazine Beg: \$6,000 Used: \$2611.41 remaining bal \$3388.59

B. Senator Sawyer- Concert Choir upcoming events and prices 2/26-\$2650 4/8-\$2000 4/9-\$2000

C. Senator Jackson- presidential ambassador badges 226.8 blazers 3,045 Spring semester funds amount \$1773.2

D. Senator Pringle OPS 10,200 Chemicals 3,000 additional chemicals 1500.45 ending balance 5,299.55

L. University Liaison Reports

- There are none

M. Second Roll Call

- 1.Senator Martin-ABSENT
- 2.Senator George-ABSENT
- 3.Senator Muhammad-ABSENT
- 4.Senator McMiller-PRESENT
- 5.Senator Eden-ABSENT
- 6.Senator D. Jackson-PRESENT
- 7.Senator Hall-PRESENT
- 8.Senator Jean-Baptise-ABSENT
- 9.Senator Miller-PRESENT
- 10.Senator Moricette-PRESENT
- 11.Senator Knox-PRESENT
- 12.Senator Butterfield-ABSENT
- 13.Senator Mitchell-PRESENT
- 14.Senator Plasir-ABSENT
- 15.Senator J. Jackson-PRESENT
- 16.Senator P. Williams-PRESENT
- 17.Senator President-ABSENT

- 18.Senator Barrett-PRESENT
- 19.Senator Pringle-PRESENT
- 20.Senator Gardner-PRESENT
- 21.Senator London- PRESENT
- 22.Senator Orsborne-PRESENT
- 23.Senator Ford-PRESENT
- 24.Senator Nisbett-PRESENT
- 25.Senator Sawyer-PRESENT
- 26.Senator Anderson-PRESENT
- 27.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-PRESENT
- 28 Senate President- PRESENT

N. Confirmation(s)

A. Dawayne King – Associate Justice

Senator McMiller moves to accept

Senator Ford 2nd the motion

- 1.Senator George-AGAINST
- 2.Senator Muhammad-AGAINST
- 3.Senator McMiller-FOR
- 4.Senator Eden-FOR
- 5.Senator D. Jackson-AGAINST
- 6.Senator Hall-FOR
- 7.Senator Jean-Baptise-FOR
- 8.Senator Miller-FOR
- 9.Senator Moricette-FOR
- 10.Senator Knox-AGAINST
- 11.Senator Mitchell-FOR
- 12.Senator Plasir-FOR
- 13.Senator J. Jackson- FOR
- 14.Senator P. Williams-FOR
- 15.Senator Barrett-FOR
- 16.Senator Pringle-FOR
- 17.Senator Gardner-FOR
- 18.Senator London- FOR
- 19.Senator Orsborne-AGAINST
- 20.Senator Ford-FOR

- 21.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 22.Senator Anderson-ABSTAIN
 - 23.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-FOR
- 17 for 5 against 1 Abstain Associate Justice King Passes
B. Ronald Nelson – Chief Justice
Senator Jean-Baptise extend question time indefinitely
Senate Pro-temp 2nd the motion
Senator Nisbett moves to accept
- 1.Senator McMiller-ABSTAIN
 - 2.Senator Eden-FOR
 - 3.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
 - 4.Senator Hall-FOR
 - 5.Senator Jean-Baptise-FOR
 - 6.Senator Miller-FOR
 - 7.Senator Moricette-FOR
 - 8.Senator Knox-FOR
 - 9.Senator Mitchell-FOR
 - 10.Senator Plasir-FOR
 - 11.Senator J. Jackson-FOR
 - 12.Senator P. Williams-ABSTAIN
 - 13.Senator Barrett-FOR
 - 14.Senator Pringle-FOR
 - 15.Senator Gardner-FOR
 - 16.Senator London- FOR
 - 17.Senator Orsborne-FOR
 - 18.Senator Ford-FOR
 - 19.Senator Nisbett-FOR
 - 20.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 21.Senator Anderson-FOR
 - 22.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-ABSTAIN
- Senator Eden 2nd 20 for 0 against 2 abstain

O. Unfinished Business

A. SAB17SP-004 – FL ASABE

Subtracted registration fee 600\$ strike hotel line item blanketing

Senate Pro – temp motion to blanket amount of 9,000\$

Senator Jean Baptise 2nd

- 1.Senator George-FOR
 - 2.Senator Muhammad-FOR
 - 3.Senator McMiller-FOR
 - 4.Senator Eden-FOR
 - 5.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
 - 6.Senator Hall-FOR
 - 7.Senator Jean-Baptise-FOR
 8. Senator Miller- FOR
 - 9.Senator Moricette-FOR
 - 10.Senator Knox-FOR
 - 11.Senator Mitchell-FOR
 - 12.Senator Plasir-FOR
 13. Senator J. Jackson- FOR
 - 14.Senator P. Williams-FOR
 - 15.Senator Barrett-FOR
 - 16.Senator Pringle-FOR
 17. Senator Gardner- FOR
 - 18.Senator London- FOR
 - 19.Senator Orsborne-FOR
 - 20.Senator Nisbett-AGAINST
 - 21.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 22.Senator Anderson-ABSTAIN
 - 23.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-AGAINST
- 20 for 2 Against 1 abstain

B. SAB17SP-008 Student occupational therapy
Association

Senator McMiller moves to 7,479,32 blanketed amount

Senator Barrett 2nd the motion

- 1.Senator George-FOR
- 2.Senator Muhammad-FOR
- 3.Senator McMiller-FOR
- 4.Senator Eden-FOR
- 5.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
- 6.Senator Hall-FOR

- 7.Senator Moricette-FOR
- 8.Senator Knox-FOR
- 9.Senator Mitchell-FOR
- 10.Senator Plasir-FOR
11. Senator J. Jackson- FOR
- 12.Senator P. Williams-FOR
- 13.Senator Barrett-FOR
- 14.Senator Pringle-FOR
15. Senator Gardner-FOR
- 16.Senator London- FOR
- 17.Senator Orsborne-FOR
- 18.Senator Ford-FOR
- 19.Senator Nisbett-FOR
- 20.Senator Sawyer-FOR
- 21.Senator Anderson-FOR
- 22.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-FOR
- 22 FOR 0 AGAINST

C. Black Out Loud week resolution

Senator London Moves to accept

Senator Eden 2nd motion

- 1.Senator George-FOR
- 2.Senator Muhammad-FOR
- 3.Senator Eden-FOR
- 4.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
- 5.Senator Hall-FOR
- 6.Senator Moricette-FOR
- 7.Senator Knox-FOR
- 8.Senator Mitchell-FOR
- 9.Senator Plasir-FOR
10. Senator J. Jackson- FOR
- 11.Senator P. Williams-FOR
- 12.Senator Barrett-FOR
- 13.Senator Pringle-FOR
14. Senator Gardner- FOR

- 15.Senator London- FOR
- 16.Senator Ford-FOR
- 17.Senator Nisbett-FOR
- 18.Senator Sawyer-FOR
- 19.Senator Anderson-FOR
- 20.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-FOR
- 20 for 0 against

D. AACTE Holmes Scholars

- Senator Knox moves to accept legislation -resend
- Senator London Straw poll vote.
- Senator London Moves to strike registration item
- Senate Pro-Temp ask about hotel occupancy with two people to a room
- Senator McMiller move to have a blanket incumbrancer of 5,927.04
- Senator London Straw poll vote bill pass
- Senator Eden 2nd motion

- 1.Senator George-FOR
- 2.Senator Muhammad-FOR
- 3.Senator McMiller-FOR
- 4.Senator Eden-FOR
- 5.Senator D. Jackson-FOR
- 6.Senator Hall-FOR
- 7.Senator Moricette-FOR
- 8.Senator Knox-FOR
- 9.Senator Mitchell-FOR
- 10.Senator Plasir-FOR
11. Senator J. Jackson- FOR
- 12.Senator P. Williams-FOR
- 13.Senator Barrett-FOR
- 14.Senator Pringle-AGAINST
15. Senator Gardner- FOR
- 16.Senator London- FOR
- 17.Senator Ford-FOR
- 18.Senator Nisbett-FOR

- 19.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 20.Senator Anderson-FOR
- Accept bill 19 for 1 against
E. Colleges Against Cancer
Strike printing and beverage ayes have it
Strike out supplies ayes have it
Senator Eden moves to straw poll vote ayes have it
Senator Knox moves to accept
Senator Ford 2nd the motion
- 1.Senator George-FOR
 - 2.Senator Muhammad-FOR
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 - 13.Senator Pringle-FOR
 14. Senator Gardner- FOR
 - 15.Senator Orsborne-FOR
 - 16.Senator Ford-FOR
 - 17.Senator Nisbett-FOR
 - 18.Senator Sawyer-FOR
 - 19.Senator Anderson-FOR
 - 20.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-ABSTAIN
- 19 FOR 1 ABSTAIN
- F. SAB17SP-013- BSLA
- Senator George moves to accept
 - Senator Muhammad 2nd naves have it.
 - Senator London move for straw poll vote

- Senator Knox motions cut in half the cost of speaker in entertainment ayes have it

- Senator Mcmiller moves to accept

- Senator Eden 2nd the motion

1.Senator George-FOR

2.Senator Muhammad-FOR

3.Senator McMiller-ABSTAIN

4.Senator Eden-FOR

5.Senator D. Jackson-FOR

6.Senator Hall-FOR

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8.Senator Knox-FOR

9.Senator Mitchell-FOR

10.Senator Plasir-FOR

11. Senator J. Jackson- ABSTAIN

12.Senator P. Williams-ABSTAIN

13.Senator Barrett-FOR

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15. Senator Gardner- FOR

16.Senator London- FOR

17.Senator Orsborne-FOR

18.Senator Ford-FOR

19.Senator Nisbett-FOR

20.Senator Sawyer-FOR

21.Senator Anderson-FOR

22.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-AGAINST

17 for 1 against 4 abstain

P. New Business

- Senator Eden moves to go to point n

- Senator Ford 2nd

- Senator ford moves to overrule chair naves have it division

1.Senator George-AGAINT

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- 16.Senator Orsborne-FOR
- 17.Senator Ford-FOR
- 18.Senator Nisbett-FOR
- 19.Senator Sawyer-FOR
- 20.Senator Anderson-FOR
- 21.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-FOR

18 for 3 against motion passes

A. SR17SP-003

B. Clash of the cities Jacksonville Club

Jacksonville club-Clash of the cities

Q. Senate Secretary Report

- Senators please remember to correctly name the bills so that the record can remain correct and send in changes to bills where changes we recommended.

R. Open Forum (2 Minutes)

- Senator Williams your vibe speaks volumes
- Senator McMiller a thousand dollars so get ready for amendments of constitution
- Senator Moricette A&S reports for next week please check with the A&S liaison for your assignment
- Senator Nisbett pay attention in the meetings, consider university policies

- Senator Sawyer will be sending out finalized dates for election
- Senator Ford thank for the support with SRC come to SRC meetings
- Senator Anderson says that we can go up we need to get into training so that we can brush up on our school
- Senate Pro-temp be respectful of alma mater and be conscious during the voting
- Senate President time sheets need to be filled out bill transmittal need to be submitted on time

S. Final Roll Call

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27.Senate Pro-Temp Webster-PRESENT

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T. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 11:58 PM