

**Florida A & M University
46th Student Senate
Senate Bill
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Title: Undecided Offices
Legislation: Senate Bill

Whereas,	The Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University Student Senate is the Legislative Branch of the Student Government Association and is empowered to pass legislation as it deems necessary to carry out the functions of the Student Government Association, and
Whereas,	The Student Government Association has implemented an order of succession over five years ago to ensure the business of the Student Government Association moves forward smoothly, and
Whereas,	The policies and procedures that align with Student Body Presidents and other Student Representatives in the State of Florida don't correspond to the specific chapter, and
Whereas,	Special elections will be held too much due to the frequent changes in leadership and will eventually become a financial conflict
Therefore,	Be it enacted that Chapter 601 remove the following language.

601.1 Undecided Election for the Offices of SGA President and Vice President

Should the office of Student Body President and Student Body Vice-President be left undecided due to a contestment after the last day of exams of the semester in which these positions are elected, the student government association shall employ the order of succession to the office of Interim SGA President/ University Trustee.

Should the Senate President for the upcoming academic year be unable to serve in this capacity and/or not meet the qualifications for the office of Student Body President, the Senate President Pro-Tempore for the upcoming academic year shall be next in the order of succession. Should the Senate Pro-Tempore also be unable to serve, the Senate shall follow its order of Succession.

During the summer academic semester, the Interim Student Body President shall simultaneously maintain his or her office in the Student Senate while performing his/her duties as the Interim Student Body President.

The interim Student Body President may not appoint interim or permanent executive branch officials, but may establish a committee of volunteers to carry out the duties of the executive branch.

The powers of the Interim SGA President shall be to:

- A. Serve as an Interim Voting Member of the University Board of Trustees
- B. Provide for the Effective Expenditure of Student Funds
- C. Approve all expenditures from the Student Government Executive Budget
- D. Recommend to the University President students for appointment to university wide councils, committees, and boards with student seats, If these committees shall meet before the contestment of the SGA election is resolved
- E. Represent the Student Body on the FAMU Board of Trustees, State Council of Student Body Presidents, the Florida Student Association, or their equivalents, in the interim.
- F. Officially represent the Student Body at functions on or off the University campus in person, in the interim.

Immediately following a special election for the Office of SGA President and SGA Vice-President, or the settlement of the previously contested election, The Interim Student Body President shall be void and released of all duties of the office, but shall maintain his/her office in the student senate.

601.2 Undecided Election for offices of The Royal Court

Should the Office of Mr. FAMU be left undecided due to a contestment, after the last day of exams of the semester in which this position is elected, The Office shall be left vacant until a

special election is held. The King of The Orange and Green shall escort Miss FAMU in official appearances. The Royal Escorts shall be selected in accordance to Section 1004.4 of the Student Body Statutes, except with out the input of an upcoming Mr. FAMU.

Should the Office of Miss FAMU be left undecided due to a contestment, after the last day of exams of the semester in which this position is elected, The Office shall be left vacant until a special election is held. Mr. FAMU will escort the Queen of the Orange and Green in official appearances.

Should the office of The King of the Orange and Green or The Queen of the Orange and Green be left undecided due to a contestment, after the last day of exams of the semester in which this position is elected, the contested office shall be left vacant until a special election is held.

601.3 Undecided Election for The Offices of Class Officers and class Attendants

Should any Class President, Class Vice-President, or Class Attendant office be left undecided due to a contestment, after the last day of exams of the semester in which this position is elected, the position shall be left vacant until a special election is held.

For: 11 Opposed: 1 Abstain: 0

Pass: Fail:

Senate President Keiridell Gates Date: June 13, 2016

SGA President Jaylen Smith Date: 6/14/16