



The University of West Florida

Student Government Association

Electronic Usage

Legislation: 19-20 Bill XIII

Author(s): Senator Wilber

First Reading: <u>2/21/20</u>	Second Reading: _____
Yes: <u>4</u>	Yes: _____
No: <u>14</u>	No: _____
Abstain: <u>0</u>	Abstain: _____

Ms. Noemi Gaytan
Senate Pro Tempore

Be it known that Student Government 19-20 Bill XIII is hereby signed on _____.

Pass

Veto

Date

Ms. Zenani D. Johnson
Student Body President

Legislative Intent: An effort to encourage more involvement and attentive participation in Senate meetings.

TITLE XI: MEETING TRANSPARENCY

Chapter 1100: Meeting Regulations

- 1101.01 All Student Government Association meetings must be open to the Public; otherwise, any formal action shall not be considered binding.
- 1101.02 Anyone shall have the option to attend all meetings held under the patronage of Student Government Association except as provided for in these statutes.
- 1101.03 Anyone shall have the right to speak at all meetings held under the patronage of Student Government Association, so long as they have been recognized by the Senate **President Chair**.
- 1101.04 All Minutes, voting records and forms of correspondence related to the Student Government Association are public records, available upon request.
- ~~1101.05~~ Personal electronic devices may not be used by Senators during Senate meetings, and must be left with sound and vibration turned off ~~in a secluded area of the chamber from the point the meeting is convened until it is adjourned~~. Senators may not access personal electronic devices during recess or excusal from the chamber. A Senator in violation must retire from their seat and may only participate as a non-voting member of the public for the remainder of the meeting.
- ~~1101.06~~ It shall be at the discretion of the Senate Chair to provide exemption to a Senator to retain or use personal electronic devices during Senate meetings, including during recess or excusal from the chamber, provided the Senator requests such an exemption from the Senate Chair prior to convening the meeting, or as reasoning for a Point of Privilege, and the Senate Secretary documents the exemption in the meeting Minutes.
- 1101.0~~57~~ Any person may be requested to leave any meeting held under the authority of the meeting's presiding member.
- 1101.0~~68~~ No provision of this section shall be construed to prohibit the presiding member of a meeting from maintaining decorum necessary to the facilitation of business, nor to waive anyone's right to call upon law enforcement officials in the event of a criminal disturbance.
- 1101.0~~79~~ Public notice shall consist of notifying the SGA Executive Board, Graduate

Assistant, and Advisors of the meeting time, place and purpose. Formal meetings, which include Senate, Committee Meetings, Cabinet Meetings, and Staff Meetings, must provide public notice. Meeting details may requested by any individual by emailing sga@uwf.edu.