



UWF SGA  
Senate  
2/22/19

Call to Order 2:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: 15

Absent: 7

Adoption of Agenda

- Vote:
- Yes: 15
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- The agenda for today's Senate, 2/22/19 is unanimously approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes for 1/25/19

- Vote:
- Yes: 15
- No: 0
- Abstentions: 0
- The minutes for Senate on 1/25/19 is unanimously approved as presented.

Guest Speaker

- None

Administrative Addresses

- None

Appointments

- None

## Unfinished Business

- None

## New Business

### a. 18-19 Bill V by Chair Jordan Negron

- Reviewing of the statutes by Pro Temp Lubowiecki.
  - Question by Sen. Richardson: Is this the place that we can ask questions on amounts listed here?
    - Yes, you may ask questions. As a committee, we are asking that you hear our recommendations and save any amendments until after the Budget committee deliberates again today after Senate. The Budget Committee has spent about 45 total hours constructing this bill, so I hope that you guys take our recommendations into consideration when looking the Bill over today.

### I. Reading of the 18-19 Bill V by Chair Negron

#### A. Jeff Schmidt from Recreational Services

- Asking a reconsideration of line item 121007 entitled "Fitness/Wellness". They requested 188,788.55 and was offered 150,600.00.

#### B. Matt Marshall from the University Commons accepts their allocations as presented under the "UCES" section

#### C. Dr. Ben Stubbs from Student Involvement accepts their allocations as presented under the "SI" section

#### D. Line items under the "Student Orgs" section, line items 120000, 123128, 120001, 123120, 123160, 123137, 123152, 120085, 120003, 120036, 120006, 120099, 123176, 120009, 123124, 123177, 123133, 123126, 123162, 123122, 120097, 123117, 120102, 123145, 120025, 123179, 120031, 120053, 120030, 120075, 120063, National Council of Negro Women

- Sen. Lyons contests the Argo Gaming Line item granting \$700 out of \$2,750.
- Line items 123154 Future Physical Therapists along with line item 120066 Gender & Sexuality Alliance accepted their granted amounts via email.
- Line item 123112 Pre-Dental Society is accepted by Sen. Alexander
- Student Community Gardening Club Line item 123136 accepted via email

- Students for Health Education & Promotion line item 123105 is accepted by their President, Steven Jones and thanks SGA for the funding
  - Line item 123121 Student Nursing Association is accepted by Pro Temp Lubowiecki
  - UWF College Democrats line item is accepted by Alby Clendennin
  - Line item 123158, Wesley Fellowship is accepted by Pro Temp Lubowiecki
- Question by Sen. N Miller
- In Large Departments with Base Budgets, they were granted \$3,000 more than they requested. Why was that?
  - EC SGA line item 122182 was contested by Sen. Norris
- Question by Sen. Norris: Where does the Emerald Coast campus conduct their SGA?
- The governor on that campus is in charge of regulating normal SGA events
- Question by Sen. Lyons: Do we have any statistics on how many students are on the Emerald Coast campus?
- Chair Negrón: Not on hand.
- Question by Sen. Williams: Is there any reason why some organizations did not receive any funding at all?
- Chair Negrón: Yes, so UWF Singers did not come to their scheduled meeting and we could not get a response from their members. Dance Marathon did not receive any funding because per the FL statutes, we can not allocate funding to organizations that sell tickets to attend their events. For this same reason, we also do not allocate funding for Relay for Life
- Point of information Sen. Miller: I also think that Dance Marathon benefits a philanthropy and A&S funding should be given to the students.
- Point of information Pro Temp Lubowiecki: THE funding asked for by DM was going to be used for food for students at the event.
- Question by Sen. Lyons: I know BCM sells tickets to weekly dinners, are they still allowed to receive funding since we do not allocated funding to orgs with ticketed events?
- Chair Negrón: They do have separate funding for those events.

Debate:

1.Chair Negrón: We recommend that we not make any drastic changes to the Bill as presented. We are currently at a safe number.

a. Sen. Williams: What was the actual safe number?

- Chair Negrón: The “safe number” was that 3,110,000.00 that was allocated.

2. Sen. Lyons: Contesting UWF Gaming Club Allocation. As President of the gaming club, we have over 300 students. I go to argue that more funding allocated to the gaming club would just be reaching more students than some of the the other line items due to the larger size of the club itself

3. Sen N Miller contesting Homecoming Budget “because it is bad.”

4. Sen. Norris contesting Homecoming Budget. It seems like an awful large amount being allocated just for one week. Didn't the events get rained out last year? Why is this funding so high.

- Dr. Ben Stubbs: Most of Homecoming's budget goes towards the homecoming concert artist. The last few artists have been \$25,000-\$35,000, lights and tech costs \$7,000-10,000, people request opening DJ's, t-shirts, etc. I believe that this would be a perfect place to cut funding and award more to Rec and Wellness.

5. Question by N. Miller: Are we able to get a copy of the Homecoming funding breakdown?

- VP Johnson: Yes, we can send any proposal's breakdown.

6. Chair Negrón: I would consider not cutting the Homecoming budget down more because in comparison, we have a small budget in terms of Florida Universities.

7. Sen. Lyons: I have 5 shirts from previous homecomings just sitting in a drawer at home that I believe are not necessarily making a lasting impact on students and campus. I feel that maybe

8. Chair Gardener: The Homecoming shirts added a lot of value to me as a freshman as I did not have the money to buy shirts from the bookstore to represent my school.

9. Chair Morrison: Shirts are also free advertising to bring recognition to that org as well as meeting times, and bring recognition to the school.

10. DComm Clark: From a marketing and communications standpoint, I see the value of how much money promo costs to put on a campus-wide event. Try to put yourself in their shoes because what they do through homecoming week does do a lot for many of our students on campus.

11. Sen. Arnold: The budget is something that is extremely difficult to do. Homecoming is something that they work on year-round. We are competing with other FL universities with academics and athletics, but we do need to compete on a student activities level such as homecoming as well.

12. Sen. N. Miller: The notion that we should just accept the budget bill as presented is ridiculous. That is why we bring it here to discuss in Senate, rather than just a Budget committee.

Motion by N. Miller: I move to suspend the rule that limits us to 2 points of debate.

- Yes: 2
- No: 11
- Abstentions: 0
- The motion fails.

13. Chair Negrón: The amount being debated was accepted by the office of Student Involvement. So you can state opinions, but the amount was already accepted by the entity itself.

Vote on the Bill:

- Yes: 16
- No: 2 (N. Miller and Norris)
- Abstentions: 0
- The first reading of Budget Bill V passes.

#### Executive Addresses

##### a. President Malone

- Feeding the Gulf Coast
  - Mission ambassador program
  - Would train over the summer to serve as an ambassador in the fall
  - Will send out email regarding information
- Aramark feedback
  - Will be sending out form to gain student feedback, both good and bad
  - Point of Information Sen. Williams: I do work for Aramark currently, and we already have a survey in place that requires 50 responses a month.

##### b. Vice President Johnson

- Congrats to Freshman committee on the Law and Your community event! We had a great attendance of high schoolers in attendance.
- If you are disrespectful next reading of the budget bill, we will remove you from Senate

c. Chief of Staff Calvert

- Argo Mail: sending out info about athletics
- Student project to have all-inclusive events for the whole student body, rather than exclusive orgs only. Let me know if you would like to help gain more info or data about this!

d. Treasurer McCabe

Legislative Addresses

A. Budget and Allocations Committee - Chair Negron

- Nonrecurring allocations today
  1. Lanyard request from Orientation: a 50/50 partnership with them
    - Allocated \$1,228.00
  2. Community Garden request for help making the garden ADA compliant
    - Needed funding for a Grapevine wall that will have SGA logo and Nautilus shell
    - Came to us as a last resort after exhausting
    - Allocated \$1400
  3. Fish tank in 58A
    - Allocated \$600
  4. Selena Willis and other
    - Total \$230
  5. Nicholas Billings and research partner for conference
    - Total \$400
  6. Cameron Wickerland honors student traveling to Japan and Korea
    - Total \$300 per person
  7. Shelby Henson Physical Education here on campus
    - Taking 13 students to Tampa conference
    - Allocated \$1,000
- Budget committee meets for deliberation after senate today. We will come back next Senate for the 2nd reading of the Bill.

B. Campus Affairs - Chair Tobar

- Tabling for nominations for DSA (Distinguished Teaching Award)
- Please come out and raise awareness so that we can get good nominations

C. Student Affairs - Chair King

- Diversity and Inclusion week April 9th-11th

D. Freshmen Committee - Ruben Gardner

- Thank you to Freshmen committee for all your work on the Law and Your Community
- Feb. 26th, "Let's Taco bout Taxes Event"
  - Question by Sen. Williams: Will there be a vegan option for tacos?
  - Chair Gardener: There will be now!

#### Senator Addresses

- Sen. Norris:
  - I recognize that this Senate is about mutual respect and i just wanted to say that questions regarding the budget bill are nothing personal, it's just me having a question. I know that the budget committee worked really hard and I just want for the next reading of the bill to not be tense or anything.
- Sen. Arnold:
  - Gaining opinions on the possibilities of having a Diversity chair as an established position. Pro Temp Lubowiecki and I saw that it would be best if this chair would serve as a spot on the Exec. Board so that they can work with exec on projects and then relay information to the senate.

#### Cabinet Addresses

- A. Director of Communications Clark
  - Womens basketball is headed to the GSC playoffs on March 5th at 6 PM. We are here to not only represent students but also support them!
  - Shoutout to the Budget committee and freshmen committee for working so hard the past few weeks
  - Senate Spotlights:
    - Student Affairs: Nick Norris
    - University Affairs: Devon Miller
    - Chair Negron: John Kirkpatrick
- B. Director of Governmental Affairs Llanera

#### Closing announcements

- President Malone
  - Tonight is gallery night! Great opportunity to experience Pensacola and the arts
- Sen. Arnold
  - I would like to apologize to those of you who are here. I want to apologize to President Malone and VP Johnson along with Exec for points of contention that have been had this year. My mental health has affected me over the past few years. In recent times I have not been content with Trident, SGA and I reached a point where I was just not content with what I was doing. I hope that you realize that mental health is a big issue on

this campus even though you may not necessarily see it in a person. I am thankful for everyone here and exec. for everything that you have done for the accessibility walk. I would like to thank both Jenny and Brodie along with Dr. Gaymon for everything they have done for me.

- Sen. Williams:
  - Candidate forum is tonight from 5-7PM
- DComm Clark:
  - Dance Marathon is having a spirit night event next Thursday! Please go eat and support.
- Sen. Lyons:
  - Is it possible for everyone running for re-election to stand up?
- Dr. Ben Stubbs
  - Great work to the Budget committee! They have been working nonstop and have done a really great job.
  - Mario's committee has done a great
  - Alternative Spring Break
    - 4-5 days of service
    - \$30 for food, lodging, etc.
    - Would make a very impactful college experience
    - Check it out on Argo Pulse
- Pro Temp Lubowiecki
  - Make sure you tell Mellow Mushroom
- Jenny:
  - Even though it may have seemed contentious, this was one of the smoothest budget
  - Brodie's baby girl was born this morning!!! Send him your congrats!
- VP Johnson:
  - I agree with Jenny that this was one of the smoothest Budget Bill readings that I have seen in the past few years! I don't mind a little push back, I just want to ensure that there is respect.

c. Final Roll

i. \_17\_ present

Adjourn

- Motion: Sen williams
- Second: Sen. Morrison

Meeting adjourned at 3:44 PM