



## **55<sup>th</sup> Senate Meeting**

### **March 3rd, 2023**

#### ***I. Call to order: 2:44 p.m.***

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Roll Call
  - a. Absent:
    - i. Senator Brewer
    - ii. Senator Vasquez
    - iii. Senator Allick
    - iv. Senator Dortch
    - v. Senator Strickland
    - vi. Senator Cavier
    - vii. Senator Chapman
    - viii. Senator Chatterjea

#### ***II. Adoption of the Agenda***

##### *A. March 3rd, 2023*

- 1. Vote to adopt the agenda

*Motion to approve minutes by Chair Costa*

*Seconded by Senator Nolan*

✓ VOTE

Yay: All

Nay: None

- Agenda PASSES

#### ***III. Approval of the Minutes***

##### *A. February 17th, 2022*

*Motion to approve minutes by Chair Costa*

*Seconded y Senator Hicks*

✓ VOTE

Yay: All

Nay: None

Abstentions: None

- Minutes PASSES

#### ***IV. Administrative Addresses***

A. None

#### ***V. Guest Speaker***

A. None

#### ***VI. Appointments***

a. None

#### ***VII. Unfinished Business***

A. *Bill XIV - A&S Fee Annual Budget Allocations FY 2023-2024*

a. *Second reading of Bill XIV by the Budget and Allocations Committee*

i. *Questions: None*

ii. *Debate:*

1. *Chair Costa: Thank you for passing last time, and please pass this again*

a. *Keep in mind that Dr. Saunders will have to approve this*

b. *Thank you budget committee*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15

Nay: 0

Abstentions: 0

- Bill XIV PASSES

#### ***VIII. New Business***

A. *Resolution XII - Recognizing Student Reaction and Possible Repercussions of Florida HB 999*

a. *First reading of Resolution XII by Vice Chair Montoya and Senator Hicks*

- iii. *Questions: None*
- iv. *Debate:*

House Bill 999 bars Florida’s public colleges and universities from offering gender studies majors or minors, as well as majors or minors in critical race theory or “intersectionality,” or in any subject that “engenders beliefs” in those concepts.

The bill also says that general education courses shouldn’t be based on “unproven, theoretical or exploratory content,” without defining what that means. “State officials would have unfettered discretion to determine which views are ‘theoretical’ and banned from general education courses,” says a statement by the libertarian-leaning Foundation for Individual Rights and Expression.

The bill centralizes political control over hiring by allowing faculty to be cut out of the process. Right now, some boards of trustees have the power to veto hiring recommendations made by faculty and administrators.

✓ VOTE  
Yay: 14  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 1

- 1st Reading PASSES

- b. *Motion for second reading of Resolution XII by Chair Costa*
  - *Seconded by Senator Hicks*

- i. *Questions: None*
- Ii. *Debate: None*

✓ VOTE  
Yay: 15  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 0  
▪ Motion PASSES

- i. *Questions: None*
- Ii. *Debate: None*

✓ VOTE  
Yay: 14  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 1

- 2nd Reading PASSES

*B. Resolution XIII - DSA*

*b. First reading of Resolution XIII by the University Affairs Committee*

- i. Alex Andrews - First-Year Advising*
- ii. Nicole Rawls - Residence Life Coordinator*
- iii. Teddy Siren - Graduate Admissions Coordinator*
- iv. Meagan Russell - UWF STEM Scholars Coordinator*
- v. Nicole Smith - Residence Life Coordinator*

- i. Questions: None*
- ii. Debate: Vice Hair Fess: We have been working for the past three weeks, we have interviewed them, and we would appreciate it if you passed this*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 0

- 1st Reading PASSES

*c. Motion for second reading of Resolution XIII by Chair Costa*  
*- Seconded by Senator Carapazza*

- i. Questions: None*
- Ii. Debate: None*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 0

- Motion PASSES

- i. Questions: None*
- Ii. Debate: None*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15  
Nay: 0  
Abstentions: 0

- 2nd Reading PASSES

*C. Resolution XIV - DTA*

- c. *First reading of Resolution XIV by the University Affairs Committee*
  - i. *Dr. Kurt Wise for the College of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities*
  - ii. *Professor Marissa Cooper for the College of Business*
  - iii. *Dr. Daisy Pua for the College of Education and Professional Studies*
  - iv. *Dr. Brandon Fultz for the Hal Marcus College of Science and Engineering*
  - v. *Dr. Jenae Burkart for the Usha Kundu, MD College of Health*

- i. *Questions: None*
- ii. *Debate: Vice Hair Fess: This is the same thing as the staff awards but for faculty*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15

Nay: 0

Abstentions: 0

- 1st Reading PASSES

- d. *Motion for second reading of Resolution XIV by Chair Costa*
  - *Seconded by Vice Chair Montoya*

i. *Questions: None*

Ii. *Debate: None*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15

Nay: 0

Abstentions: 0

- Motion PASSES

i. *Questions: None*

Ii. *Debate: None*

✓ VOTE

Yay: 15

Nay: 0

Abstentions: 0

- 2nd Reading PASSES

## ***VIII. Executive Addresses***

### ***A. President Marshall***

- *Quick shout out to Freshman Committee for March Mindfulness*
- *Executive Committee has FSA update- I will reach out to Exec*

*B. Vice President Proffit:*

- *None*

*C. Chief of Staff Harris:*

- *None*

*D. Treasurer Gilbert:*

- *None*

***IX. Legislative Addresses***

*A. Senate Pro Tempore Range:*

- *Very proud of you guys, great job*
- *Shoutout to senators and University Affairs Chair Fess*
- *FC if you write a bill it needs to be approved by Bravian*
- *Keep me in the loop, senator's if you want to write a bill*

*B. Secretary Brown*

- *No report*

*C. Budget and Allocations Committee Chair Costa:*

- *Thank you for passing the second reading of budget bill for us*
- *We do have money for travel and project grants*
- *Meetings are being used up*
- *Great job FC and Vice Chair Fess*
- *Cool to see what everyone has done*
- *Funny to see how far we've come*
- *Have a cool safe week and I'll see you all back here for the 24th*

*D. University Affairs Committee Chair Fess:*

- *Hello everyone*
- *Thank you for passing the resolutions*
- *Honors CONvocation will be announced- open to everybody*
- *Say hi, faculty and staff*
- *Resolution book framed*
- *They also get money*

*E. Student Affairs Committee Chair Wiktorski:*

- *We had our final event of the semester this week on Monday, it was a success despite the wind blowing up against us*
- *Thank you Angie for supplying the food thank you SGa and FC for helping us*
- *We are winding down this semester*
- *If you have any questions at all please reach out*

*F. Freshman Committee Chair Hicks:*

- *March Mindfulness was a success*
- *Thank you to everyone who came out*

*F. Senate Addresses:*

- *None*

## ***X. Adjournment***

*A. Standing Committee Report*

- *None*

*B. Closing Announcements*

- *Lindsey Wood: SGA Elections open on Monday at 8 AM as well as paper ballots, voting will close at 8 PM on Wednesday*
  - *Hopefully, announcements will be released on March 10th at 3 PM*
  - *Dierre has set up voting documents*
  - *Only one vote will be read and counted*
  - *Have a lovely Spring Break*

*C. Public Statements*

- *None*

*D. Final Roll Call*

1. *Absent-*
  - a. *Senator Brewer*
  - b. *Senator Vasquez*
  - c. *Senator Allick*
  - d. *Senator Dortch*
  - e. *Senator Strickland*
  - f. *Senator Cavier*
  - g. *Senator Chapman*
  - h. *Senator Chatterjea*

*E. Adjournment:*

- A. *Motion to adjourn the meeting by Chair Costa*
  - a. *Seconded by Senator Dortch*

1. *Questions: None*
2. *Debate: None*

✓ VOTE

Yay: All  
Nay: None

- Adjournment PASSES
- **Adjournment: 3:01 p.m.**