

# Florida A & M University

# 55<sup>th</sup> Student Senate | Fall Academic Term

# Ninth Session Agenda

October 27, 2025 | 6:00 pm

## Senate Chambers

- A. Call to Order 6:10pm
- B. Moment of Dedication/ Mission Statement Given by Judicial and Rules Chairwoman Braclet / Vice Chairman Mackey so moved to bypass mission statement
- C. Alma Matter / Pledge of Allegiance Senator Gaines so moved to bypass the Alma Mater/Pledge of Allegiance

# D. Roll Call / Verification of Quorum

Senator	Present	Absent	Excused
Kennedy Figurs	X		
Ashton Scott		X	
Glenroy O'Gilvie			X
Desmond Whitfield	X		
Ashton Hayes		X	
Adria Stacker		X	
Kaden Calvas		X	
Cayden Scriven	X		
Destiny Anderson	X		
Zariah Smalls	X		
Nathaniel Worrell	X		
Laila Fields	X		
Lauryn Canty	X		

Deshawn Kirklin	X		
Kei Peterkin	X		
Khalil Orsborn II	X		
Dallas Hill	X		
Adora Barnes			X
Rose Laure Louis	X		
Kaitlyn Gaines	X		
Tron Jones	X		
Vice Chairman Gavin Mickler	X		
Vice Chairman Micah Askew	X		
Vice Chairwoman Mykala McDonald	X		
Vice Chairman Jabari Mackey		X	
A&S Liaison Joseph Stuckey	X		
Chairman Jonathan McClover			X
Chairwoman Tiana Daniels			X
Chairman Monquarius Williams		X	
Chairman Rayshawn Bien- Aime	X		
Chairwoman TaMya Braclet	X		
Pro-Tempore Harmony Person	X		

President Nikiyah Brown	X		
Total (33)	23	6	4

### E. Approval of Agenda / Minutes

- Pro-Tempore Person moved to add IROP to old business
- Pro-Tempore Person moved to approve the changes; rescinded
- Pro-Tempore Person moved to strike through SR25FA-008
- Pro-Tempore Person moved to approve the changes
- Chairwoman Braclet moved to approve last meetings minutes and this meetings agenda

### F. Disclaimer for Behavior to the Gallery Given by JR Chair

### G. Introduction of Guests and Speakers

### H. Announcements and Committee Reports

- . Internal Development Committee
- Will present a report when present
- No Reports at this time
  - ii. Student Relations Committee
- Edited the IROP
- So You Think You Can Lead is tomorrow
- Two bills tabled, one bill sent through to JR
  - iii. Activity & Service Fee Liaison
- AS due Nov 3 for Oct
- Sent out pdf last week for assigned agencies
  - iv. Organization & Finance Committee
- Reviewed ASBC application submissions
- Looking for two freshman senators for a video
  - v. Elections & Appointments Committee
- Still waiting to fill those vacancies
- Met this Thursday for IROP correction for Article 4-6
  - vi. Judicial & Rules Committee
- Subcommittees presentations have been finished
- Plan on having post made and applications turned in
- You are required to go to committee meetings as well as senate meetings
- Met last week
- Citation Forgiveness was tabled in JR
- Waste Management bill was killed; there would not be enough time to execute the bill
- Mental Health bill was tabled, already mental health programs
- Make sure you are finding out information before putting bills on the floor
  - vii. Senate Executive Committee
- Trainings will be held on bill writing
- Bridge The Gap Event tomorrow with FSU's BSU
  - viii. Branch Head Report
- Post was released asking students too join remind about updates, volunteer opportunities, etc, keeping them updated on all things SGA

- Confirmations fro the Supreme Court will be coming up soon
- Law School Chief Justice will be getting with our Chief Justice to let him know who will be apart of the Supreme Court
- J Branch wants us to collab for an LSAT test prep event for the end of this semester, or at the beginning of next semester
- Vice President Williams is waiting on a couple of invoices, finalizing her report
- Turning Point USA will be coming to our campus soon, more info will be coming soon
- FAMU Day at the Capitol is coming up in January, trainings would be required in order to lobby at the capitol; highly encouraged for SGA to attend
- Reviewed the point system for the new senators
  - ix. Senate Secretary Report
- New voting system is in full effect

## I. Executive / Judicial Branch Report

- i. Vice President Kennedy Williams
- Logistical Report will be given today
- Back next Monday with a Financial Reports
- As of last Wednesday, \$560,000 were made on tickets
- Report was given as a handout, will be sent out as an email later
- All questions were answered by Vice President Williams
- Question asked by a senator: Explain the first bullet point on the report?
- Answer: We cannot sign legally for the University, the Homecoming Steering Committee can not see contracts
- Only people who see them are University employees, like Mr. Smith
- Was notified that Mr Smith wanted to cancel the gospel concert on Wednesday (of homecoming week
- Could have been prevented with proper oversight of logistics
- Question asked by a senator: Did we put money in the budget for the gospel concert?
- Answer: We had to outsource for funding for the gospel concert, some money had to be given from the Gospel concert to stage/production cost
- We have to account in the budget for a good homecoming concert, had to cancel the comedy show, did not have enough cushion within the budget
- President Brown mentions that we are gonna have to prioritize within our budget cuz a lot of other things will be cut
- VP Williams commented that with tariffs, everything has gone up, and it wasn't enough to balance the funds
- Question asked by Senate President Brown: Does Be Out Day generate revenue?
- Answer: No, we may need to edit the documents to allow that
- Question asked by senator: Will little adjustments to the budget, like that, make a difference?
- Answer: Some things do need to be taken away, it requires an overall judgement; reassessment of events or statues, we didn't have an itemized budget, but we should add that back
- Question asked by senator: No allocation for the Gospel Concert?
- Response: He wanted 50,000 dollars; we didn't have it; the money had to go to other production cost
- Split 20,000 for the gospel concerts, some of the payments were sent to the presidents office

- Before it got sent to the president, it was cancelled. The money she allocated was given to production cost
- Question asked by a senator: What was the profit split?
- Answer: They get the money they invested back; we get the rest; don't have the exact financial information
- Question asked by a senator: Do they (employees involved with homecoming) have financial literacy training? If so, from whom?
- Answer: IDK, lack of financial oversight from the higher up, no guidance from planning
- Question asked by a senator: Is it lack of training or communication?
- Answer: Both, complacency when it comes to employees
- Senator Louis moved to open the gallery for 5 minutes to allow other school employees to comment
- Ms. Mallard: The budget for homecoming was established back in the spring, needs to be better communication, encourages you to evaluate the budget (can't have a homecoming for a G Wagon when you have the budget for a Honda) gonna have to see what has to be let go, be financially efficient (events numbers)
- Question asked by a senator: Were you seeing student turnout for the movie drive thru event?
- Answer: We knew how many people were gonna come to the event, but we had enough snacks for everyone
- Sometimes we prioritize profits over experience, encourages prioritizes student enjoyment and success; we should be breaking even and receiving profits
- President Brown moved to open the gallery for two minutes to allow the public to speak
- Question asked by the public: What are we gonna do when it comes to communication between the students and the senate about homecoming?
- It starts with informing the students about it, Work on transparency that go on within the senate
- Pro-Tempore Person so moved to open the gallery for 2 minutes
- Question asked by the public: Would you also be making this document available to the student body?
- Answer: Will be sending this out as will as given a memo
- Question asked by a senator: Is he the designated graphic designer from the school?
- Answer: He is a contractor; major issues were where he refuses to do the student events
- Question asked by a senator: Do we have to have a designated graphic designer? What was the reason for the price? What makes us have to outsource?
- Answer: There is a branding standard, branding over what's best for operational things, the other VPs don't say anything, so they keep hiring him back; we need to reevaluate who we use in graphic designing, we don't want to create a culture of coasting
- He breached his contract, we did not pay him, other sources (FAMU Foundation) paid for the other graphic designers; WE DON'T PAY!
- Question asked by a senator: Can we put out an application for students to do graphic design?
- Answer: The main fight is with branding as far as what things looks like
- Pro-Tempore Person so moved to go to Speakers and Lobbying so that our speaker can have to present
- Question: Who is the Faculty Lead?
- Answer: Mr. Bryan Smith
- Question asked by a senator: What was the confusion between the student performers and the concert?

- Answer: When it came to planning, the steering committee was kept out of the loop, a lot of confusion
- Question asked by a senator: Why weren't y'all given that creativity
- Answer: In artists our reveal, original plan was to have it at the set so the student performers could preform, it was in the best interest to have it at the game
- Question asked by a senator: How can we ensure that our safety equipment was up to date?
- Answer: Was not made aware that there were issues, we don't have the money to pay for additional people, had side conversations with Chief Alexander
- Vice President Williams gives thanks and gratitude

### J. Campus Activities Board Report

- i. Freshman Class President and Vice President
- Applications coming out for the freshman E-Board
- Will start planning more events

## K. Lobbying and Speakers Forum

- NMDP Presentation
- Moved to revisit the report
- L. University Liaison Report
- M. Confirmations
- N. Old Business
- SR25FA-008 Citation Forgiveness Giveaway Program
- SR25FA-009 Let the Diamonds Dance
  - i. Senator Figures accepted those changes
  - ii. Bill was tabled until more information can be provided; requested that members of this organization come present this bill and share its impacts for more insight
- IROP
  - i. Was tabled till next meeting

#### **New Business**

- i. SR25FA-012: Transfer Student Life Skills Course
- This bill would add an entry level course fro transfers
- This bill moved to the proper channels
  - ii. SR25FA-013: Maintenance Within the Housing Facilities
- This bill advocates for the maintenance of elevators to be prioritized
- Gaines so moved to open the gallery for 2 mins to allow the public to speak
- The makers want to shoot for maintenance in general, but first with the elevators
- This bill went through the proper channels
  - iii. SR25FA-014: STOP for Pedestrians
- This bill advocates for signs to be added to the crosswalk between Towers and Campus
- The bill was moved through the proper channels
  - iv. SR25FA-015: More Lights Around Campus
- This bill advocates for more light poles on the pathway from West Osceola St and other dark paths
- This bill was moved to the proper channels
  - v. SR25FA-016: No Flex Left Behind
- This bill would allow the remaining flex bucks from fall to roll over to the spring
- Gaines so moved to open the gallery for 2 minutes
- Previous Pro-Tempore Buggs recommends to put out a survey so that data can back up this bill

#### **Open Forum**

#### Final Roll Call

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<sup>-</sup> Vice Chairman Mackey moved to adjourn this meeting at 8:57 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:57pm