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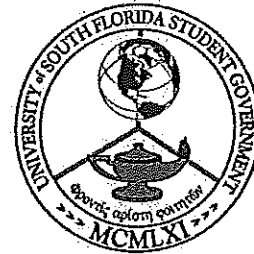
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## University of South Florida Student Government Senate



SB [S] 52-003  
Updates to Title IV  
52<sup>nd</sup> Term  
Summer 2011

*The purpose of this legislation shall be two-fold. It is meant to update Title IV to reflect the cessation of the Senate class. In addition, the deletion of Chapter 401 is intended to avoid repetition of clauses and sentiments already present in Chapter 209 and Senate Rules of Procedure.*

### A SENATE STATUTORY AMENDMENT

Be it enacted by the Senate of the University of South Florida Student Government assembled, that the following changes be made to the Student Government Statutes:

#### Chapter

400

#### Legislative Branch Composition and Authority

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- 400.1 The composition and authority of the Legislative Branch shall be as contained in the Student Body Constitution.
- 400.2 The Legislative Branch shall have the authority by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority vote of the Senate to review, investigate, and subpoena any student employee of Student Government and its associated entities.
- 400.2.1 Failure of said employee or member to act in accordance with said Legislative Branch investigation or subpoena shall result in disciplinary action which may include, but is not limited to, any combination of financial sanctions of their respective entity or articles of impeachment.<sup>1</sup>
- ~~400.3 Further enumeration includes the Legislative Branch academic course: Leadership Development in a Political Context.~~
- ~~400.3.1 This course is a supplemental leadership course of which is intended to benefit all Student Senate Members.~~

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<sup>1</sup> SB [P] 49-005, Adds from 400.2 through 400.2.1

~~400.3.1.1. The course description shall be outlined in Title 4.~~

~~400.3.1.2. The roles of the members shall be outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.~~

~~400.3.1.3.400.3.1.1. This course will be facilitated by a course instructor, the Student Government Advisor, and the Senate Executive Committee.~~

~~The course composition will be determined each term by these members and the process is further outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.<sup>3</sup>~~

## **Chapter**

### **401**

#### **Senator Code of Ethics**

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~~401.1 Every Senator is a representative of the Student Government Senate and shall act in accordance with decorum at all official Student Government functions or any situation where a Senator is acting as a Representative of Student Government to some outside body.~~

~~401.2 Every Senator is expected to attend all Senate meetings, all senate committee meetings, as well as all scheduled college council meetings.~~

~~401.3 The University of South Florida Student Government Senate shall abide by all Local, State, and Federal laws.~~

~~401.3.1 Any Senator who is convicted of a Felony shall be expelled from office immediately.~~

~~401.4 The use of threats or physical violence during a Senate meeting shall be considered grounds for impeachment. Any member of the senate involved in such an action shall be brought up for censure immediately. Any officer of the Senate involved in such an action shall be brought up for a vote of confidence.~~

~~401.5 No senator shall be allowed to slander a fellow senator or student during a senate meeting. Slander may be used for grounds of censure as well as grounds for impeachment.~~

~~401.6 Senators shall not serve in any role in which their service shall cause a conflict of interest for the Senate and the Senator.~~

~~401.6.1 The Senate Committee on Appropriations Chair shall not serve as the accountable officer for any A&S funded student organization.~~

~~401.7 Senators are expected to serve in accordance with the values set forth in the Official Student Government Mission Statement.~~

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<sup>3</sup> SB [S] 49-016, Adds from 400.3 through 400.3.1.4

~~Violations of this Code shall be dealt with in accordance with appropriate actions outlined in the Student Government Statutes.~~

## Chapter

### 402

#### General Requirements

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402.1 This Chapter shall consist of the general requirements of the Senate.

402.2 ~~Senators shall be in compliance with the standards for being a member of the Legislative Branch as stated in Article III Section III of the Constitution of the Student Body of the University of South Florida. Any deviation from the standards set forth in the Student Body Constitution shall result in immediate expulsion of any member of the Student Government Senate.~~

402.3 All Senators are required to serve on at least one standing committee. Voting rights to be outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

~~402.3.1 These committees will be on OASIS as labs and must be signed up for, in addition to the course. The procedure for time conflict is the same as for the course outlined above.~~

~~402.3.2 Senators may register for multiple committee times if they choose to.~~

~~402.3.3 These labs times shall be determined at the end of each term by the Senate Executive Committee.<sup>3</sup>~~

402.4 Standing Committees of the Senate shall be outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

402.5 ~~Senators are expected to attend all Senate Meetings and Standing Committee Meetings for which they are voting members, as well as their College Council Meetings.~~

402.5.1 Attendance at these meetings shall be monitored by means of the Senate Point System which is further outlined within the Senate Rules of Procedure, in two ways:<sup>4</sup>

~~402.5.1.1 During the term<sup>5</sup> a point system will monitor attendance.~~

~~402.5.1.2 During the Fall and Spring Semesters the Senators shall also be held responsible by the course syllabus and by their S/U grade.~~

~~402.5.1.3 These shall further be outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.<sup>6</sup>~~

402.5.2 Additional and alternative<sup>7</sup> attendance requirements may be outlined in the Student Government Senate Rules of Procedure.

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<sup>3</sup>SB [S] 49-016, Inserts from 402.4.1 through 402.4.3

<sup>4</sup>SB [S] 49-016, Modifies 402.6.1

<sup>5</sup>SB-50-014, Changes "Summer Semester" to term

<sup>6</sup>SB [S] 49-016, Inserts 402.6.1.1 through 402.6.1.3

<sup>7</sup>SB [S] 49-016, Modifies 402.6.2

402.5.3 Any senator removed from the Senate for being pointed out, ~~or that receives an Unsatisfactory for the course,~~<sup>8</sup> may not be eligible to run for or hold a Senate seat for one calendar year after being pointed out.

402.6 The Senate President shall submit all bills to the Student Body President within five business days after those bills have been passed by the Senate.

402.7 If the Senate President fails to submit a bill within the five working days after the bill has been passed by the Senate, the Senate President Pro Tempore will present the bill to the Student Body President within another five working days. The Senate President Pro Tempore will then inform the Senate as a whole of the violation of this Statute by the Senate President at the next Senate meeting during his or her report.

402.8 The Senate President shall present all vetoed bills that have been overridden by the Senate to ~~the SG Business Manager~~SGATO and the Student Body President within five school days after those vetoes have been overridden by the Senate.

## Chapter

### 403

#### Officers of the Senate

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403.1 The officers of the Student Government Senate shall be as follows:<sup>9</sup>

- 403.1.1 The Senate President
- 403.1.2 The Senate President Pro Tempore (hereafter referred to as Senate Pro Tempore)
- 403.1.3 The Senate Committee on Rules
- 403.1.4 The Senate Committee on Judiciary and Ethics
- 403.1.5 The Senate Committee on Appropriations
- 403.1.6 The Senate Committee on University Affairs
- 403.1.7 The Senate Committee on Community and Government Affairs
- 403.1.8 The Senate Committee on Programming Audits

403.2 When a Senate Bill creates a new Senate Officer it shall include an amendment to update Section 403.1.

403.3 ~~All Officers of the Senate shall be elected or appointed as defined in Senate Rules of Procedure in the manner outlined in Title 4 of the Student Government Statutes. The exception to this rule shall be the Senate Clerk who shall be appointed by the Senate President with the approval of SenEx.~~

403.4 All Officers of the Senate may be subjected to a vote of confidence as outlined in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

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<sup>8</sup>SB [S] 49-016, Modifies 402.3

<sup>9</sup>SB [P] 49-005 Changes Committee titles and adds Community and Governmental Affairs

403.5 The terms of all officers shall coincide with his or her term as a Senator.

403.6 All officers of the Senate shall be Senators in good standing.

403.7 The Duties of the Senate President shall be:

403.7.1 Those duties enumerated in the Constitution

403.7.2 To Represent the Senate before the administration

403.7.3 To oversee the administration of the Senate accounts

403.7.4 To prepare the agenda for all Senate meetings

403.7.5 To oversee the day-to-day operations of the Senate

403.7.6 To call special sessions of the Senate when deemed necessary provided notification is given to the Senate forty-eight hours before the start of the Special Session.

403.7.7 To appoint any positions deemed necessary according to the Senate Rules of Procedure

403.7.8 Those duties enumerated in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

403.7.9 To call an ad hoc committee to review the election process within two weeks of the certified results of the general elections.<sup>10</sup>

403.8 The Duties of the Senate Pro Tempore shall be:

403.8.1 To fulfill the duties of the Senate President should the Senate President become unable to perform his or her duties

403.8.2 To aid the Senate President in his or her duties

403.8.3 To represent the Student Senate before the Faculty Senate

403.8.4 To update and publish the Student Government Constitution, Student Government Statutes, and Student Government Rules of Procedure each time there is a valid change made to these documents

403.8.5 To maintain a record of all Committee Reports

403.8.6 To maintain the legislative area of the SG Website

403.8.7 To maintain a list of all Senate members and their contact information

403.8.8 Those duties enumerated in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

403.9 The Duties of the Committee Chairs shall be:

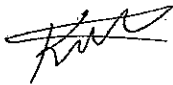
403.9.1 To manage all activities within their respective committees

403.9.2 To complete committee reports after all committee meetings

403.9.3 Those duties outlined for Committee Chairs in the Senate Rules of Procedure.

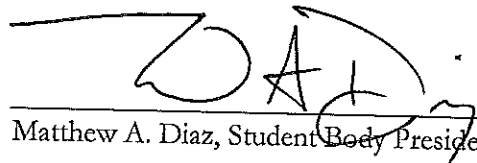
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<sup>10</sup> SB 50-018, adds this section



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