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University of South Florida
Student Government Fifty-Fourth Student Senate

Fall Session
September 3rd 2013
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Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:

[Gavel]

Patel: I call this Meeting of Senate to order on September 3rd. This is the first meeting of the Fall session, and it is 6:10 pm. The first item on the agenda is the Pledge of Allegiance. Can I have everyone stand please? Senator Little, can you take us off.

Senators: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

First Roll Call:

Patel: Thank you. Alright, everyone should have a clicker. Umm they don't work all the time, so let us know if they're not working. But the way it works, is you just click one if you are here and look for your name. Yep, make sure your name disappears. And raise your hand if it does not, and use your nail to click the button. Everyone's good? Cool, with that we have 36 present...or not. Okay, one more time, it's been a while. Okay, 36 correct.

Additions/Deletions and/or Clarifications to the Orders of the Day:

Patel: And moving down the agenda. Additions/deletions and/or clarifications to the orders of the day, can I have any motions for the Agenda? I can explain some things if you guys need explanations but other than that there shouldn't be much. Thank you sir. I'll just explain what we have. Intro Recap is for the new Senators to catch them up with what we've been doing, since we've been gone for four, three weeks. We're trying to fill in every other Senator that might have been on vacation or hiatus however it was determined. Expectations and ideas, this is for both of us. Like your expectations for the Chairs, your expectations for the university for things that we can handle, and our expectations for you, and then any cool ideas that you guys want to throw around. That would be just a very...it will be kind of like an ice breaker but more accomplishing. And then the confirmation is of Mr. Sayf Hassounch, right there, very tan suit. Umm alright, any motions? Senator Pelegrino.

Pelegrino: *Motion to approve the Agenda*

Patel: Any objections to that motion? Seeing none, we have accepted our Agenda.

Additions/Deletions and/or Changes to the Minutes:

Patel: Ugh I sent out the Minutes for July 9th, any problems with those minutes? You guys all made sure you didn't say crazy things on the minutes? Cool, any motions approving the Agenda? If you have a problem with the Agenda you can just motion to postpone it until the next meeting and then we amend it and then put it back up. Anything? Nothing? Senator Scharon.

Scharon: *Motion to approve Minutes.*

Patel: Alright, any objections? Seeing no objections, the Minutes of July 9th are now approved.

Legislative Branch Report:

Patel: On to Legislative Branch Report. Senator Antar.

Antar: Hey everybody. Okay so a couple of new people here, so I should introduce myself again. My name is Ali Antar; I am the Chairman for the Senate Committee on Rules. So I'm in charge of writing Legislation or having people write Legislations, whether it's Statutory, Resolutions, you know all that kind of stuff. IF you have any questions for you can just come up to me and ask me, we can talk about Legislation. But anyway in terms of what we did, I guess we can save it for the Introduction and Recap. Should I or should I just go ahead?

Patel: It's up to you.

Antar: It's up to me.

Patel: Honestly it's going to end up being around the same amount of time.

Antar: We did a lot of Bills; we can talk about specifics later. Umm we'll be having our first meeting this week. And my Committee meets Thursdays at 6 pm. I believe that my Vice Chair is...are you still on my Committee?

Pelegrino: Maybe.

Antar: Okay well if my Vice Chair is still on my Committee, we won't have elections, but if she isn't then we will have to have elections. We'll have to find out. So Thursday at 6pm we'll be meeting. Want me to talk about the Ad-Hoc?

Patel: Yeah go ahead and handle everything you deal with your Committee.

Antar: But the Ad-Hoc isn't...

Patel: Well I mean even your Committee, like Legislation, whatever small things you remember.

Antar: Want me to cover my Bills? Okay, hold on I have to get them out. Alright, so we did seven Bills, let me just pull these things out. Alright, so the majority of them were the little fixes here and there that we had saved up from the last term. So for the 53rd Term we had Review Committees to review Chapter...Title VII and Title VIII. So based on the recommendations we wrote Bills up to codify the changes they had recommended to Title VIII that was two of our Bills. We had another Bill which doesn't really count but it does, for the Executive Branch Structure, which was approved. We had a Bill on codifying standard Budgetary Practices, for a few changes that wanted to be made this year, in terms of shipping costs and what should be standardized and all those kind of things. And then we had another one to update definitions in Chapter 103, that's SB[S] 54-006. And then SB[S] 54-007, we updated Chapter 601, and that's the A&S Fee Committee, the ASRC, we changed the representation of the members. I'm proud to announce that every

single one of my Committee members sponsored a piece of Legislation over the Summer, so good job guys. And yeah we did cover a lot of ground there. Even though taught some of them on how to write resolutions. That was also pretty good ground to cover. And yeah that's what we did.

Patel: Ad-Hoc.

Antar: Ad-Hoc Committee. So we had a Constitutional Reform Ad-Hoc Committee, called by Senate Presidents Patel and I was placed in charge of that. We had a few meetings over this past month. In terms of what we've done, we've looked over the Constitution, we've read it together, and we've come up with certain areas that need strengthening. The primary purpose of the Committee was to review the section on referendums and initiatives that would I believe Article 5 Section 1. And so to change those processes because the way they are right now they are a couple, not exactly loopholes, but just things that don't make much sense like we think they should. So we're rewriting the way in which those processes are handled, the way they're carried out, the way they're initiated and all those things. Umm and then we also have certain fixes to make...or proposed fixes, in terms of GPA requirements for Senate, for Student Government, and timing of inauguration of Senators and Senate President, Student Body President, Student Body Vice President. So it makes a little bit more sense, where things are streamline. Because the way it is right now is that they get inaugurated in an inaugural ceremony but they don't actually take office till weeks later. So it kind of makes no sense, why do we celebrate this if they are not really doing anything, so that's a discussion for the Ad-Hoc Committee. So yeah that what we did for the Ad-Hoc Committee. We're meeting again sometime this week, once we agree on the time. And ugh we should be done by September 20th. Okay, that was my standing Committee and my Ad-Hoc Committee.

Patel: Any questions? Okay thank you.

Kattih: Hi guys, for you who don't know me I am in the Appropriations and Audits Committee, my name is Zein. Umm in this Committee we deal with money for this year. IF you're interested in that definitely talk to Adam about putting you in my Committee. So during the Summer we dealt with Transfer Requests we dealt with...what else...off campus requests and we approved 11 Interim Budget Bills and we have over 30 more coming on their way, they are in the process. Shout out to my Vice Chair Bana Abraha for being excellent when I was gone and out of town. She really, you know, met with student organizations and all that. But other than that, I have nothing new, any questions?

Patel: Thank you, Abdool.

Aziz: Hey guys, my name is Abdool. I am the Chairman of the Judiciary and Ethics Committee. So majority of our time in the Committee is confirmations of the Executive of Judicial parties. Also we do Constitution Reviews for Student Organizations and also making the ethics of Student Government, and ethical code. And also, we handle grievances. So during the Summer we had mostly Executive Branch Confirmations, which for some of you, you have seen. And you'll see another one, such as Sayf who came to our committee this Summer. And also we did...what did we do...Oh we had a....we had mock investigations, which pretty much the Committee learned how to do investigations for grievances. And then coincidentally we had a real grievance which umm we handled and we dealt with it for the Summer. Did I forget anything, Adam?

Patel: Constitutional stuff with that...

Aziz: Oh, also, the Committee worked on creating a Constitutional Template for Student Organizations so they have a standardized resource to you when making their Student Organization Constitutions. And that's it.

Patel: Any questions, seeing none, thank you. Hiba.

Alqasemi: I'd like to welcome everybody here for the first time. My name is Hiba and I am the umm Committee on Special Funding. Umm over the Summer we did mostly Travel Grants, we had about two weeks set up for the Fall Signature Events for the organizations. So we met with umm, everybody that submitted a grant, we allocated accordingly. And umm oh and just in case if you guys don't know, Special Funding deals with Travel Grants, Homecoming Grants, any Signature Events Grants, and Engineering Expo Grants. So we kind of anything that needs money, almost, we do. Umm Committee starts Monday, or next Monday, the following Monday at 2pm. And we're basically going to be focusing on first the Homecoming Grant, which if you guys... I don't know if you guys have seen it but you guys should have seen the Ads for it all over the Marshall Center, and hopefully on Social Media, and all of that. The due date is September 23rd, so if you guys know any organizations planning something for Homecoming, and they want money, let them know. And ugh oh for our first Committee Meeting on Monday, we'll be doing view point neutrality which is really important just to make sure we're allocating money fairly. And that should be it, any questions?

Patel: Thank you, any questions? None. Cocco.

Cocco: Hello, I'm Jean Cocco; I'm the Chair of University, Community and Government Affairs. Great to welcome new people. Umm what we did this Summer, Ashley, help me out if I forget anything. She's my Vice Chair, and a wonderful Vice Chair. Umm we first had to deal with the ugh the Provost and the International Services, wanting to move in. And our first task as a Committee was to devise a survey, with the help of President Warmke, to disseminate amongst our Student Body to ensure that the student voice was heard, in terms of whether we wanted International Services in here or not. And for the new people, we'll explain that later, at another time. But ugh that was our first main task and the first time of the history of the committee, Mr. Aldridge correct me if I'm wrong, we got over 900 responses for the Summer Term, which is quite a feat since not a lot of students are here. So that was quite an accomplishment, so kudos to everybody that helped out with that. Umm after that ugh we did a couple Tent Days, trying to outreach to the students that were here. We had a trip to St. Pete and we tried to talk with them, try to get to know their campuses. We also went to Sarasota-Manatee, just got freshman so that was exciting for them. In addition we worked on some administrative stuff within our committee but that's umm (inaudible), is that pretty much it? Cano, is that it?

Cano: Sounds about right.

Cocco: Okay, any questions?

Patel: Thank you, Pro Temp Aldridge.

Aldridge: Okay, for all of you who don't know me, my name is Adam. I'm sure you've seen a lot of emails, I'm sorry for bombarding your inbox. Hopefully you were able to take some of...take advantage of some of the events and notices I sent out both over the summer and over the past week or two. Ugh I'll go through a couple of different things. First let me just say I thank you all for being here, for this being the first meeting that we have. 45 Senators, 2 are excused for the semester, that means we're at 43, and I think with the exception of maybe one, everyone is here or excused. So I appreciate all of you for your work. I know it's a start of hopefully what will be a very fruitful semester, so I appreciate y'all coming. And my first update, we at our last SenEx meeting, we elected a Senator of the Month for July, so I want you to give a round of applause for Bana, for being the Senator of the Month. Both and her Karline have been our two Senators of the Month thus far and I am trying to work with the Director of Communications to try and hopefully get donations from the Bookstore. Hopefully we'll find a ...if not that then we'll find an alternative to reward, to thank you for your time and for your effort for obviously those past months and overall. Committees I will send...I will take a fearful step in sending around the Committee list if you have...well first everyone except for four people have picked a Committee, so I thank you all for that. Unless you told me directly that you wanted to switch Committees, if you pick two I did put you on both. There is a good and a bad to that. The good is if you do attend both and you still not...you know don't receive any points, if you don't get pointed

out, you'll receive positive points, which is a great way to gain some of the rewards that we have. But also the negative is if you are on a Committee Roster for two Committees, you do have to attend both or at least be excused otherwise you will receive the points that if you receive ten points you are removed from Senate. So I'm going to pass it around, if you do have an issue umm just put an asterisk and then flip on the other side and put your name and say what you want to change it to or what you want to take out. So I'll send that around. Umm Positive Points as well, there's a graphic hopefully they'll be on the Marshall Center screens and on the website, by the end of the week. What I did and sort of what we're doing based off of summer is having the standings of all the positive points. Right now I believe Bana is in the lead and Masiel and Karline are second and third. I don't know which, but second and third. But there will be away for all of your constituents that go to the Marshall Center to see who is in the lead, who is coming up the ranks. So obviously besides all the other reason of being involved, there is another reason for you guys to say here I can work and do the positive points and see if the people...you can have the people that actually just randomly walking through to say that this senator from Arts and Science or from Business is really standing out among the rest. And umm the last thing is that last year if you do not remember we had a USF Day with the Bucs, umm and we had, we'll just call it an Unallocated Cash Bill, I know that's a lot of phrasing, but we'll explain more of that later. Bill that was passed by the Senate last year, we've more or less renewed a deal with the Bucs for this upcoming year, we'll give you some of the details now. So we got November 11th, is a Monday night game with the Dolphins. And so we're going to have some graphics and some more details coming out within the next week or two. We won't need to have an Unallocated Cash Bill this time because umm from some of the proceeds that we've received and from the last due, we were able to use those funds to at least offset the cost that are going to be needed to cover the tickets. Also, with the tickets they are on the second row this year, instead of the top row in the nosebleed section. They are \$55; Student Government is covering \$35, so you have a \$20 ticket with a free voucher for a food or drink and we'll have a tailgate before the Monday night. And on top of all of that Monday is Veterans Day, that day is veterans day, so you'll be able to have the day off, relax, go to the tailgate, hopefully have some great food and have a great seat for the game. SO that's an update on the Bucs, it's obviously three months away...ugh two months away, so we will be able to update that as we go further along. But that's where we are standing as of that, and I believe that is it. Also, I probably will sometime tonight, will pass around a couple different forms. For those of you who were not here during the Summer, or forgot to sign, there's a couple of different signatures, on pieces of paper I need, including the clicker policy umm as well as the handbook as well as the Commitment to Honor. And so I'll try to get that throughout the rest of the night. And for those of you who were not here during the Summer I've forgotten both the padfolios and the name tags. You do get padfolios and name tags, I'll make sure if I cannot get them tonight, to get them next week. And I know I've covered a lot but, are there any questions?

Patel: Senator Cocco.

Cocco: Are you...ladies first.

Alqasemi: Aww thank you. Can you tell us a little bit about how ugh or what Senator of the Month takes. Or what it takes to become Senator of the Month, that kind of thing.

Aldridge: So basically Senator of the Month, as the SenEx members know, each meeting umm if we think there has been enough business throughout the month to have require a Senator of the Month, the Chairs pick who they want to nominate. So if you're doing various things, like last Summer Bana was able to help with meeting with various different organizations, as Karline was doing and her ugh both being Sergeant in Arms, and helping out the way she did as Senator of the Month in June. If you go to those things and you're standing out...not necessarily in terms of positive points, but you're standing out in terms of the work you're doing, you will get nominated hopefully by the Chairs, and then the Chairs then they list the candidates then decide, they discuss, I feel like this one should be the Senator of the Month or I feel like this one should be Senator of the Month, and then they vote. So that's how Senator of the Month is chosen. Does that answer your question?

Alqasemi: Yeah.

Cocco: How many tickets?

Aldridge: 700, oh I didn't say that. 700 tickets.

Cocco: And how do we keep track of ...

Aldridge: This year there's going to be a Ticketmaster system that is set up between us and the Buccaneers. I think the system is now in place, so hopefully by the next week or so we should have the graphic for it, we should have the system for it, and we just spend two month on really advertising to the general public, hopefully to get ...well 700 people to reserve tickets for the game.

Cocco: This is for the public as well?

Aldridge: For the USF public, I'm sorry.

Cocco: Okay.

Patel: You're allowed to buy unlimited.

Aldridge: I'm not sure about that, yeah.

Cocco: Okay, thank you.

Patel: Senator Cano.

Cano: The link to the Ticketmaster to buy, when will we get an answer to that.

Aldridge: That's what I was trying to figure out today because the graphics are already sent with Communications along with Marketing. Ugh I think right now we're working on the system with the Bucs, so I'd say by the end of the week I should have the link. I can send it to you separately, along with the graphic and it should be...we're hopefully going to be able to put it on the SG website. So where if that does work, my hope is that you can be able to click there and go directly to the Ticketmaster, fingers crossed on that one. If nothing else I will send out through the SG list server the link to the Ticketmaster.

Patel: Any more questions? Seeing none, thank you. And then I know we have ugh some of our Note-a-Bulls at the back. SO we have Ms. Vicki from ASBO, we have Dr. Freeman who is our Dean of Students; we have Gary who is our Director of SGATO. Umm if you guys would like to give a brief introduction of who you are for some of the new people in the room.

Vickie: Okay, I'm (inaudible) function as the A&S Business office and what we do is oversee and monitor administrative and fiscal processes for student organizations, the Bureaus, the Agencies and Branches. And if any of you are part of student orgs you probably have (inaudible) this year, so you've probably already been in our office, in addition to that we are responsible for processing the travel for the entire student organizations.

Patel: Thank you.

Vickie: And if you have any questions about anything, your budgets, the new purchasing system that a lot of you have attended the trainings for, please just come by we will be more than willing to help.

Freeman: Good evening again, my name is Michael Freeman I'm the Assistant Vice President and the Dean of Students. I'm happy to be here with you this evening, it's the first night so I thought I should come by and ugh just say hi and be a part of what's going on this evening. The area that I work with more closely is defined as Community Development and Student Engagement. That includes Rights and Responsibilities, Student Financials, Center for ugh Student Involvement, Center for Leadership and Engagement, ugh Student Government, Advising and Training, Office of Multicultural affairs, Fraternity and Sorority Life, the Student (inaudible) Office, and let's see what else, no. Ugh and so those are the areas that I work most closely with. And you fund all of those offices except ugh Student Rights and Responsibilities, and I do want to thank you for funding us and supporting us and ugh for those things that we can do to enhance the community we're certainly open to hearing from you and responding. Thank you.

Patel: Thank you sir. Gary.

Manka: Of course I'm Gary Manka, Director of the Advising Office, and I work directly with the political and the operational side of Student Government. For those of you that are paid on time sheets and things like that, my office Manager Tammy Dixon. My Assistant Director Jessica Morgan works with programing side and the Executive Branch. We have two Graduate Assistants, Katherine Burkhard and Adam Kowalski. Adam works with the programming and works directly with Jessica. Our second year grad always works with the Assistant Director in programming. And the first year grad works with my office in the, you know, the operations side. So you'll see Katherine at a lot of your Committee meetings and things like that.

Patel: Thank you. Alright, and then as for my report. Alright, so we had a fun Summer. I right everything that I do on this notepad, it's all public record, you're more than welcome to. But...so let's see here. We had meetings withthis is for like everyone and everyone essentially, because there's new people. So we've had meetings with the Faculty Senate, we've had meetings with the Green Energy Fee Committee, had meetings with Lakeland Budget Committee, the Buccaneers, umm CITF, Computer Bump down in the SGCS...so there was SG that processes the computers, that our constituents...umm... Will and I are Representatives on the Vice President of Student Affairs Search Committee. We met with CSI on how they want to handle concerts and stuff like that for the future. We met with Campus Rec to see what kind of expansion ideas they have, because history shows they come to us for Unallocated Cash Bills to restock their inventory essentially, for like broken treadmills, or like broken ropes course stuff, and stuff like that. And then, I've been communicating with the Directors themselves about Senate Informationals, essentially. Umm I'll just start with that. I guess some of you guys are new; some of you guys don't know what we fund and what we do. Even though you've learned, you pretty much mastered the art of coming here from 6 to midnight on Tuesday nights, I'm sorry. So what we're going to do is ugh essentially it's a exercise. We're going to meet, we'll send out a doodle obviously, to pick out a good time for as many people as possible to come. We're going to meet with all the student life, it's going to be the Director of CSI, the Director of OMA, the Director of what have you, so like you know CLCE, thank you, Campus Rec and what we're going to do is actually tour their office. Because it's kind of hard because like years passed they come here and they just talk about what they do, why we fund them, what they accomplish. It's kind of hard to see, it's hard to explain what Senate does, if you're not in this room to show what Senate does, so we're going to follow the same concept and logic and go see them in I guess their niche. Umm CSI for example, so I know a good portion of you should be involved in student orgs, or at least have some kind of relations...relationship with student orgs. They have things for students, so like imagine you had an event and it rained out, outside, they have plans for backups for you if you're on a very short crunch. You can say hey I need a cooler, hey I need an ice machine, hey I need this, hey I need that, they're here for you so we're just going to do like a quick tour and show you what they have to offer. Same thing with OMA, you can learn how to...imagine you're part of some Multicultural Org, now you have the resource to be able to connect with them and I guess expand out instead of buildup. And then Campus Rec because, I mean they have a lot of the stuff. Like they have a lot of like stuff. We took the tug of war, we took the...like the rope, we took the ropes course for Plunge. So they have all these cool things to offer students, they are all free to checkout but people don't know about it. So like you could have an entire Org building event, where you just have like your org compete, e-board versus

members tug of war. You can do basketball, you could do whatever you want to do and students should know that we pay for all of it. So like when we discuss these little, well they're not little, like thousand dollar org, we should also consider we fund departments and then we have those kind of resources that we can also show it to orgs. So that's just like a ...we'll be traveling, so that day ...we'll figure out what day that's going to be, you should probably dress like Ms. Rum here, all comfortable and in scrubs. So we'll figure out how to navigate ourselves through campus, without being too much of a distraction. But I'd love to 60 people marching behind well I mean 59 people marching behind me, and we'll just tour the campus essentially. And that's an idea that's probably going to happen maybe I want to say October-ish, so we give everyone enough time to open up their schedules and let us in. Other than that, we've been dealing with...I, see I don't want to cut Will short, are you going to talk about the library?

Warmke: Ugh yeah.

Patel: Cool, I won't touch on the library yet. Let's see what else did we accomplish? We're doing...we had talks with ugh IT to figure out our IT (inaudible) and Mr. Fratesi who is ugh SGCS Director, figuring out how to I guess enhance our already provided service. So like when you swipe for prints, that's paid for by SG, but then again it's paid for by the students. But we're trying to figure out a more effective way of doing it. So imagine the Marshall Center is open till 2am, as soon as SGCS closes; now you have nowhere in the Marshall Center to print for free. And it's kind of inconvenient for students, who really wants to walk across to the library at 1am or whatever, or however late it could be, because it's going to be raining and hot outside. Umm and so we're trying to figure out a cool, nice place to put a printer, where it still has supervision. Just so you guys know JP, Juniper Poplar, we installed a printer there and someone took their anger out on it. And the printers cost like \$15,000, so they're not like some cheap little, like here's another one. So it's kind of hard to you know keep up maintenance and like there's no person there, there's no cameras there, so it's like no one...if it jams you just unjam it. And we're trying to avoid that from happening, so we're trying to figure out a really nice convenient place to put it, again these are all talks we can all have together, because there's so many minds in this room and you guys probably have better ideas than I do. We're trying to like...near the information desk, we're trying to figure it out. But yeah, that's pretty much what we do...for the new people, that's pretty much what we do in Senate. We fund a good portion of our Student Affairs. But we try to be very responsible with it, so however we can fund students to benefit students, we do it, but as soon as it becomes one of those iffy situations, that's why we have this many people in the room. And we can, imagine if I want to know the answer to something, I could survey the students. But surveying 45,000 students takes its own amount of time and dedication, that's why you guys are here. You're pretty much our survey for students, so make sure you do keep some kind of contact with students, make sure you do outreach to your constituents who I guess elected you into these positions. Umm we'll figure out a cool way to make that happen, to make it more of an interactive situation, rather than now. And you're a Senator, wow that's nice, you know. So we'll be planning things like that. Hmm...I think that's pretty much it for right now, we'll cover everything else in introduction and recap. Alright, I'm done with my report any questions? Senator Abraha.

Abraha: When the printers have issues, does IT still come and deal with them here or is this SGCS going to have, whenever there is an issue is somebody going to run out? If it's going to be in the atrium it's going to be open access as opposed to SGCS, so whose going to be...is there going to be somebody on call for that?

Patel: We are in constant talk to figure out where to put it to see who would be more responsible at certain times, or even like paper print...paper, toner, who would change it out when it's empty? So we're trying to figure out all the little loopholes as possible or all the little flukes that could come up with it. So I'll keep you posted. Any more questions? And then...let's see Open Forum as you see right there that would be more of like...that's where even the gallery addresses us. That's where if you guys have anything's you want to say like, happy Tuesday....Senator Scharon.

Scharon: Should I stand?

Patel: Yes, thank you. You're supposed to stand just because proper like a full presenter, and for our little recorder thing which is really, really bad at recording. And oh, I'm sorry I didn't introduce here. She's Nadima Ally, thank you I didn't want to pronounce it wrong. She's our Senate Secretary...or Clerk, she actually records or types everything at the meeting umm so if you could say your last name before you talk, that would be very helpful. If you don't know it that's all good. I mean other than that, I'm done, any questions for me. Senator Scharon.

Scharon: Umm I'm sure many of you have heard about like they cut the hours at the library, it's not 24 hours anymore, a lot of students on Facebook, I know...social media, have actually started Facebook groups, to petition the library to restore hours. So maybe that's something we, as Student Government, should maybe do formally instead of having all of these scattered Facebook, I keep getting invited, and obviously students car.

Patel: Yeah, well I mean. I know Will's coming up to present pretty much exactly that. And all of us have been in discussion to figure out what's going to be happening, what the best options are, so rest assured. But we welcome all of you guys to come to those meetings and we'll start...I guess as soon as we figure out something is happening, we'll try and figure out how to let you guys know, as soon as possible, even our constituents. Senator Cano.

Cano: So for those of you who went to the game Saturday, we took a beating....

Patel: Just really quick...open forum.

Cano: Yeah, it's open forum.

Patel: It's not open forum yet.

Cano: Oh it's not open forum yet?

Patel: No, sorry. I just want to let...make sure like the reports get out of the way first. Sorry. Alright any more questions?

Executive Branch Report:

Patel: Alright, Executive Branch Report. If you want to just introduce yourself to the new people.

Warmke: Alright. Hey everyone, my name is Will Warmke and I'm the Student Body President, so I'm in charge of the lovely Executive Branch. Since our last Senate Meeting, the Executive Branch has appointed, 15 new positions, and we're hoping to finish all of our hiring by the end of September. So JEC, I hope you're ready. Umm our first Cabinet Meeting of the Semester will be on Friday, so you guys are more than welcome to come out, we don't have the time yet, we're waiting for the doodle results. Umm but I can get back to you on that. Our first program for the Semester was the Welcome Back Barbeque last week; we did collaboration with Veterans Affairs. The program went really well, everybody loved the free food; Veterans Affairs was especially appreciative for being included. Umm our Marketing Department created a new Marketing request form that way if you guys need marketing, it's simple, it's to the point. And we're umm doing this new thing that if you don't have a marketing request, you don't have marketing materials. Umm so we're trying to get that out there to everybody, so if you guys want promotional items, or marketing for you committees, make sure you guys fill out the form with our Marketing Department. Our Public Relations and Communications Department is designing an entire new website that will launch hopefully...hopefully by the end of September, that's our goal. Umm our Director is designing it from scratch, so he's been hard at work at that. Also, we have the USF Day at the Capital. Our date is finalized, it's February 14th, 2014...oh sorry, February 12th, 2014. And umm so that's USF Day at the Capital, you'll receive more information as we go on about it,

just make sure you keep that day open, we'd love to see you at Tallahassee. And lastly the library, since we've all heard about it. Student Government released a survey last week, umm regarding the library hours, to survey how students felt about it. We received over 1,800 responses within 2 days of releasing our survey, which is great feedback. And so umm Shyam and I and a few others from Student Government, we went to meet with the Provost and the Vice President of Student Affairs, the Dean of Libraries, and we discussed the situation with them. I do want to address couple miscommunications that have been out there. Student Government did not cut the library hours, so...make sure you tell your constituents, because I've spent many nights with all the emails, with the Facebook messages, and all these groups, I went to my first sit in that was kind of cool. But umm I think education is key, umm Student Government has never funded an academic entity, and it shouldn't, that's not the intent of the A&S Fee. And Student Government whole heartedly believes you shouldn't have to pay twice for the same service. You pay your tuition, we believe that should pay for the library, and you A&S fees shouldn't have to supplement that. So that's something we want to get across to all of our constituents. So if you hear anyone upset about it, send them to me. I personally talked to over 100 students about it, explained to it, and everyone who gets it, they understand. So we just want to take that message to the administration. Now as far as Student Government organizing these events, we do want to hold off until we could at least reach a consensus with the Administration. Since we are discussing possible alternatives and solutions, we don't want to take any aggressive stance. But umm if no compromise isn't reach, I'm perfectly open to Student Government hosting these sit-ins, hosting these letter writing campaigns, hosting these things to get the administrations attention to recognize the inherent need to restore the library hours. That's all I got, are there any questions for me? Yes sir?

Bolz: Ugh what are the alternate options that you're talking about with the ugh administration.

Warmke: Well currently we're...like we said we met with administration. We're actually requesting to see their budgets and see where their money is going before they start asking us for money. And so that's kind of the process to see if they can find the money elsewhere from other departments maybe within the academic affairs that could be funded. Umm we also discussed alternative funding the Marshall Center 24 hours, as a 24 Student Union but just wasn't feasible. Umm just letting you know that while we understand that the need for the study spaces, we just can't justify spending that much money when we don't have the money to spend. So we are looking into it, there have been discussion about possible compromise about the University paying for a third, a third, a third, things like that. But at the end of the day they want us to pay for 100% here on out, and that's just not feasible on our end either. So, we are in discussions, we're trying to see if we can come up with a compromise and umm we'll go from there. Any questions?

Abraha: When I was discussing this with one of the students, I didn't even think about it. But is there a way to open the library partially, like certain floors? Somebody brought that up to me and I thought it was interesting.

Warmke: We talked about it umm I mean I guess the library opened one floor at one point umm I guess they had an influx of students, and it wasn't working for them. But what they told us was the amount of money it takes to open the first floor, compared to all six floors is essentially the same. Because of all the staff and everything, so instead of having the custodians go on the 6th floor they just on the 1st floor over and over again. So it kind of made more sense to keep open all six floors because of the essential study space and the amount of students that are there every night. Any other questions?

Cano: (inaudible) as an alternative for...

Patel: Senator Cano

Cano: Sorry. Like one time staying with this, versus and then you know we can, I don't want to say pass the bucket but you know we can revisit this later but let's get it fixed now.

Warmke: Absolutely, and that's certainly an option that we're willing to consider. But at the same time our fear is to commit to paying for an academic or paying for an entity in academic affairs and they come back to us next year and say you already paid for it one year, so why not continue it. And so we don't want to open those flood gates where Student Government can't go back because that's not what the A&S fee is for.

Patel: Senator Pelegrino.

Pelegrino: When do you think we will have a response or some sort of agreement?

Warmke: I think with the amount of attention it's receiving umm and the conversations being had, I think by the end of next week we will have a solution. I mean I can't say for sure, I can't you know speak on behalf of administration. But I do say that the administration is taking a step in the right directions. The Provost is willing to give us back extended hours during mid-terms and finals week. I know that's a small victory but we hope to see it continue throughout the year.

Patel: Senator Aziz.

Aziz: Ugh I guess you can clarify this. Most of the articles say that the University is sending the money to reserves, so they actually have the money or are they deciding to use the money to be put in another place?

Warmke: Gotcha, well when I asked these questions to the Provost, his response was very vague, so we didn't really get a clear answer. But it is my understanding that the University...well the funds were restored to the University and so we're operating on that money to keep our reserves where they are. So I'm not sure if we're putting money back into the reserves, or we're funding the reserves or we're using the reserves. I don't know, we're trying to meet with the CFO of the university to find out those details and we're just waiting for a response from them.

Patel: Any more...Senator Bolz.

Bolz: Umm...

Patel: If you could stand.

Bolz: Sorry.

Patel: Thank you sir.

Bolz: What was the initial reason for cutting hours, like did they give you an actual reason?

Warmke: They told us and then they told you guys, budget cuts.

Bolz: Right.

Warmke: So we're trying to find out...Because our initial response was well you know what are you funding currently, you know, that you had to cut this and that you couldn't fund elsewhere. So we're trying to see those details but they haven't been released yet. So currently I wish I can tell you more.

Patel: Senator Cano.

Cano: So could this issue be resolved in Tallahassee or is it an administrative budgeting issue?

Warmke: Ugh I'm certainly willing to go to Tallahassee and talk to our State Legislatures and our Local Rep Mark Danish but like I said I don't want to reflect...I don't want to do anything that will reflect negatively on our University. Because while I understand that we're frustrated at the same time, I don't want to make USF look bad. Umm but if we have to stand up for the students, it is my obligation to the Student Body to do so.

Patel: And if I may just piggy back real quick. I rather the...the Provost was very adamant on the point that he...I guess repeatedly stated that UF and FSU get \$75 million of I guess are...its \$15 million reoccurring for five years so it totals up to \$75 million, and it's just essentially on top of their allocation. So when we go to advocate at USF Day at the Capital or you know umm Rally and Tally, that's a key point that we need to be I guess representing our University Administrators or even our University as a whole to even figure out why it's that on...that biased. So you see like how is FSU that much different than us, how is UF that much different than us. Those are all things that we can all see to address and it is a very...some unfair funding. Alright, go ahead, Senator Colon.

Colon: Ugh I just want to comment and say kudos to the Executive Branch and everybody higher up than the Senators for taking immediate action on this because my Facebook blew up when I heard about this. And I know that most of y'all probably did too, so I just want to say thank you for actually getting on the ball and not being the typical Executive Branch that just sits there and is like eh, so I just want to say thank you to all of you.

Warmke: Thank you.

Patel: There is no higher up. Alright, anymore questions? Senator Belizaire.

Belizaire: Was there every an option or an alternative for having the library close at...not staying open for 24 but maybe like closing at like maybe 4 or 5 or 3?

Warmke: This has certainly been proposed but it always goes back to whose going to fund those hours. And so...we keep going back and forth with that. So once we find a funding source umm and maybe it's not enough for 24/5, then it turns into the library closes at 3am instead of at like midnight. But, it's certainly been discussed, but we're not at that point yet with our discussion to come up with that kind of solution yet, but we will be.

Patel: Any more questions? Seeing none, thank you.

Warmke: Thank you very much.

Judicial Branch Report:

Patel: Judicial Branch Report, and if you could introduce yourself to everyone.

Hamed: Welcome everyone, good to see new people here. My name is Sammy Hamed, I'm one of the members on the Court, and I'll just wrap up some of the things we did over the Summer. First thing we formed our Ad-Hoc Committee to review our ROPs, and ugh we reviewed those and went over them, and then we approved them and disbanded the Committee. Hopefully we'll have another Ad-Hoc Committee soon. Ugh we completed our Parking Video with a big help, pretty much all of the help from Marketing, so thank you to Marketing and our Director Dan. And ugh ever since then we've just been exploring ways to promote that. We had it play on the first movies on the lawn and there were a lot of kids there so we're hoping it reaches a lot of students and we're going to see our parking appeals numbers rise. Other than that we've had a big push in Outreach. So we've had our new parking brochures that we've been handing out at the Bull Market. We attended our first Bull Market last week with Exec, some Legislative and Marketing was there too. So I guess our big outreach helped us connect with other branches which is big for us because

we're usually pretty quiet in our little room at the side of the hall, so that's good for outreach. We'll be participating in our second Bull Market of the semester tomorrow. Our first general business meeting is tomorrow at 6 o'clock, you're all invited, if you want to hear about what we're doing. Ugh another big thing done over the Summer and continuing over this school year is outreaching to the Judicial Branches of other campuses. So we met with Sarasota and St. Pete twice over the Summer and our third summit is coming up this Friday and it's actually including members of our Exec and Legislative and members of Sarasota and St. Pete and also a couple people from Lakeland as well. So that's this Friday, we're excited about our big meeting. Other than that, just serving justice so. And good luck in your classes.

Patel: Thank you, any questions? Seeing none, thank you. Oh did you have a question?

Aziz: Yeah.

Patel: Oh, Senator Aziz.

Aziz: Did you go over what the Supreme Court does, for the people that don't know.

Hamed: Oh, yeah sure. Well our biggest thing is parking appeals, so usually when a student gets a ticket they are pretty upset, and they appeal to the Parking and Transportation Services, they usually say no and it gets them more upset. So then they appeal to us and we're the final say. So they can do a written appeal which is send it in to us and we'll review it and deliberate. Or they can come and do an oral appeal in front of us here and we wear of robes and everything so it's sort of intimidating, and we'll deliberate and decide on that. And then any other conflicts within SG, which hopefully there are zero.

Patel: Good, any more questions? Thank you sir.

Open Forum:

Patel: Alright, open forum, Senator Cano.

Cano: So back to what I was saying. If you went to the game this weekend, ugh (inaudible) they took us to the woodshed. And it's funny but umm I've been here quite a while, over 10 years actually. And I can tell you that the one thing that we cannot let happen is the student morale go down right now. Don't jump on the teams head, we got a new coach. You know believe it or not the moral on campus does have a lot to do with football. It's football season, it's the Fall. If you ever seen UF on TV they always look so happy, even when they lose. And part of getting USF away from being a commuter campus, is building around our sports and supporting them. So I mean hey we took a bump on the head, but as a Student Body don't like the name sayers out there bring us down. It's just a matter of keep the morale up. Okay we've got a long season ahead; we've got some really big games. And if morale goes down the players aren't motivated. You know if you see a player passing in the hallway, say hey man sorry about the luck, keep up the hard work. You know because I'm not going to be out there at 4 o'clock sweating, I've done that I'm 30 now, I'm too old for that, I'm not 18 anymore, I'm not going to be out there at 4 o'clock sweating. None of you are out there 4 o'clock sweating, okay so keep the morale up there, they do a lot for us. Believe it or not it helps get us out nationally, on TV. It helps people you know all the way in Washington State, say you oh you went to the University of South Florida, oh I saw them on TV. Okay, so you know remember it has a lot to do with the value of your degree as well, so keep the morale up and let's not be too hard on our team.

Patel: Alright, Michigan State, we'll see how the morale stays up. Senator Cocco.

Cocco: Speaking of Football, Dean Respect-a-Bull, tell us what that is so we can get involved.

Freeman: (inaudible) And ugh was started in 2008 and it had to do with encouraging our fans, our students and our visitors to act in a cordial way. We want the fans to be excited, we want them to root on the team. But I think there was an incident when we played Kansas, I think that was the specific incident back in that time, where USF fans, we beat Kansas and then we beat up the Kansas people. So Respect-a-Bull came about where we said we want to be excited about the game and we want to win but we also want to be hospitable to our guest. So before each home game we have volunteers that we call Ambassadors, and we have a shirt that we'll wear and we're actually passing out the programs and information to the fans on how to be respectful, that's one, and it also has the fight song on it. And there's also a little card that we give them, so that if anything happens in the stand, they are able to text this card or make a phone call and somebody from the stadium will come and address the situation. So if anybody is interested, I would love to have Student Government out for one game, for example, to be out front passing out, we greet the opposing team. We did greet McNeese, we did wish them a good game, and we didn't wish them that good of a game. But we did greet them and welcomed them to our house in an essence. So I would love to see Student Government at one of our home games to come out, and actually we cover all four gates. With the Ambassadors we do give them some perks and ugh so each person that volunteers gets a club level seat, and they also get a parking pass, free parking pass and we're also working around some other things, like you get these already but free basketball tickets. We're going to work with Athletics Marketing to put images on the jumbotron, so if Student Government came we would make sure Student Government, got down on the field and we would thank Student Government for being involved with the Respect-a-Bull program. And then after it's all over we'll have a recession and thank folks. So if you're interested, you know my office is right next door to the Student Government. So come on it and talk to my Assistant Judy or myself or ugh your Advisor, Gary is involved in the Program as well.

Cocco: If you could pick a date that's convenient so that these two can tell all of us respectfully.

Freeman: I'll coordinate with the two of them.

Cocco: Alright, cool.

Patel: Thank you sir.

Freeman: Thank you.

Cocco: Thank you Dean.

Patel: Alright, Senator Scharon.

Scharon: I wanted to ask what ever happened with INTO coming into the Marshall Center?

Cocco: Oh Boy.

Scharon: Oh Boy?

Patel: Umm what it looks like, at least is ugh...I don't want to be rude since we are on the record. Well actually Will...go ahead.

Warmke: Well the President has formally given her work that it will not happen. So they will not be moving into the Marshall Center, so that is it.

Patel: Thank you. There's more creative ways to say it. There's ugh...yeah. Alright, so they're not coming. Alright any more questions? It's a Open Forum so if anyone has anything they would like to say. Like even if you guys have...imagine you have a small org of ten people, and you guys have a crisis or a problem come up,

this is the place to bring it up because we have enough people to hash it out pretty quickly. Like open forum is for a lot of different things...okay I guess no one cares, that's fine. Cool, so anything else, Open forum, or else we'll move onto General Business.

General Business:

1. Introduction and Recap

Patel: Okay, General Business, Introduction and Recap. So we pretty much introduced who we are, everything we do. This is Senate umm we have five sub committees; we have random Ad-Hocs...umm...okay thank you. Alright five committees and we have random Ad-Hocs pop up during the year depending on I guess what we want to tackle. Umm I'm more than welcome...actually I can either formally introduce an Ad-Hoc or the Senate can vote on one and make on yourselves. So it's honestly a very flexible way to I guess, handle things as a group. And it's a very formal handling of what we're doing. Umm alright, and then let's see here. So you guys, everyone has a good idea, like the new people, you guys have a good idea of what Committee you want to get on to, and everything that you're going to do this year? Okay, cool. So you know the Committee, you know ...Senate is essentially sisters with Executive and Judicial Branches. We all work hand in hand trying to tackle the same issues. Sometimes we all have the same ideas, sometimes maybe not, but we all have the same goal which is to help students. Alright, other than that I don't think we have much to recap on. I know...well here's some really cool things that I will do my best to catch up on this week. And that is the Green Energy Fee stuff, which is like they want to install parking sensors in the garages. They want to do the bike (inaudible) program, which is going to be like GPS activated bikes and you essentially swipe your ID on and you can ride...I don't know if you guys have ever been up north, or even in Europe. They have those bike racks of pools of bikes, and you swipe your credit card and you take a bike and you bring it back to any other stand, and it just charges you for however long you've had it. Same concept, we're trying...at least they're working on it to mitigate traffic problems. So like imagine you have class in the ROTC building, and your next class is engineering, you're going to drive. That's just the typical thing for Florida; you're going to drive because it's hot and humid. They're trying to stop that, at least limit it, by using Green Initiative, so less emissions, less traffic congestion. They want to use bicycles, really cool idea. They're going to be more expensive bicycles because they're going to be GPS equipped. But it's going to work to where you swipe your ID, you can rent it as a student for the day and then bring it and you take it to another, like another rack, and you just buckle it down and it will automatically know. And then...like...I don't know...have you guys ever tried to steal...like.

Cocco: We don't try to steal.

Patel: A shopping cart...a shopping cart. But no no no. So like even though like it will lock up after a certain point, exactly they will lock up at a certain. So like as soon as you go through far, like if you try to go to Orlando it won't work. Senator Larkins.

Larkins: So won't this take away from the bicycle program from Campus Rec, because they have one as well?

Patel: Right, so essentially what it's going to be is the former bike program is more for recreational use. So like if you look at it, it's a mountain bike, it's to go through random preserves...or I mean parks, all kind of stuff, like uphill downhill. And they also fix your bike, so we're trying to keep that intact and keep that as another. We're not trying to subtract from any services we provide. So imagine you know it's your own bike, you can take it to get fixed still, but this will be a whole other idea. And so like the logistics for all that kind of stuff, again, imagine that everyone has a class by Engineering, all the bikes are going to pile up there, they're not going to have any room. So those are the kind of stuff we're trying to hash out as a whole campus, because they're Committees working on it, but I mean it never hurts to have a whole group of people with different ideas to work on it as well. Senator Sharon.

Scharon: Is there a lot of student support for these GPS bikes? I mean I supposed I understand the logic but if it's really hot outside, I don't think I would want to ride a bike either. I would just hop on the Bullrunner, because I have to cross campus all day long between Engineering and EDU, so couldn't we do like a survey or a poll, something along those lines before messing with GPS bikes?

Patel: Well I mean, the bikes are already underway. Like I'm pretty sure they're underway. And they're only doing 100 of them for now as I guess a test run and then they're going to I guess expand on them as a need base. That's just so far to my knowledge; obviously I'll fill you in as soon as I figure out more, probably by the next Senate Meeting, the next Senate Meeting. Unless did you have...Will?

Warmke: Yeah I just wanted to touch on that. Student Government never conducted a survey. Ugh but before they purchased the bikes, they conducted their own and there was positive feedback for the initiative as a means for an alternative for the Bullrunner and things like that. But I don't have any (inaudible) on it.

Patel: Yeah...if you ever heard as CUTR on this campus, it's like Center for Urban Transportation Research. They are the people that they research alright. Like everything...like every big proposal you'll see, they're going to have done something about it. It's pretty neat the way they work, but they're the ones that obviously are collaborating heavily in the project so they're trying to make sure there's a good...like there's feasible routes, like there's appropriate locations, all of that things. But they monitor travel, its pretty fun. Senator Cano.

Cano: So when you rent the bike, is it a free rental or are you going to use Bulls Bucks, are you going to have to use a Credit Card?

Patel: It's free for students. At least it should be, when they presented everything, it should be free for students because you already paid for it once.

Cano: Gotcha.

Patel: We're trying to limit how many times they could charge you. Senator Abraha.

Abraha: Wait, did you say in anyway if this was connected to the Bull Runner or was that with the same Department?

Patel: See the Bull Runner is PATS, and I'm sure that CUTR does research on the Bull Runner to help them I guess improve their routes and stuff. But I guess CUTR would be the only...or actually PATS, they're not...they're not a related project but they could become.

Abraha: Well my question was would this in any way affect the operational hours of the Bull Runner?

Patel: No. Senator Cocco.

Cocco: Why do we need GPS on bikes?

Patel: So if someone steals it.

Cocco: So it's a monitoring system, is what it is? Okay, that's what you mean by GPS, not like a map or anything.

Patel: No, no, no.

Cocco: I wasn't sure.

Patel: (inaudible) not talking to you.

Cocco: Yeah, okay just making sure. Speaking of bikes, Director Manka, can you tell us about Bike Week and Safety Week? Do you know anything about that?

Manka: It starts next week, ugh... (inaudible)

Warmke: I don't have the list of days, but if Monday is the kickoff, (inaudible) the Branch is kind of spear heading that initiative. Umm but it's all week long, it will be a couple blocks and it's the attention brought to safety of walking on campus and Biking. So be on lookout for that, it'll probably be all over SG Facebook page once that comes around. I'll send it to Adam and Shyam to send it to you guys.

Patel: Thank you sir. And I know last year, I don't want to give credit where it's not deserved. And insurance companies, so like progressive or somebody umm they give out free helmets right outside the Marshall Center. So like they're doing really creative things to try to make people more safe when their like riding a bike or riding a (inaudible) or something. Senator Larkins.

Larkins: Oh and if you guys want a free bike, they are raffling off next week, ten bikes.

Patel: Who?

Larkins: For the bike...the walk...the bike walk week, they're raffling off ten bikes. Last year it was two and he said they got more so.

Patel: Gary.

Manka: If I could clarify a little more. Monday at 9:30 is the Kickoff and the press conference for the bike walk week ugh 9:30 to 10:30 for the speaking period. (Inaudible). And at 10 o'clock (inaudible) ceremonial walk commemorating the week. And then ugh Thursday I think from 12 to 1, and all these events are happening outside the amphitheater. And Thursday at 12 to 1 they are giving away 8 bikes to students and 2 bikes for faculty and staff. You have to register and have to do certain things, that's 12 o'clock...12 to 1 on Thursdays.

Cocco: Thank you.

Patel: Good stuff. Other small things I know we've done around the office are like umm it was David Houseman, Abdool, and Stephen Strenges, who was our Clerk...or I mean our Secretary and resigned. But I mean they went around campus finding USA Today boxes, because we get free USA Today newspapers. But SG, we all here pay for it with like our umm cash bills. But they were trying to find really underused and underserved boxes and relocate them, I guess with consent of USA Today. So we do handle a lot of things, so like even like small concerns like that. Like I know College of Medicine, they were complaining that they lost their USA Today and they also had like an Oracle relocated, and it left the main, I guess, courtyard for them. So like it would be like our Marshall Center, if we didn't have all the new chambers here we would all be like where are the newspapers and then have to walk far. Same concept, so we do try to micromanage small things that we do fund. So if you guys have questions, like things like that, like newspapers, I know we do a lot of contracts like Safe Team. There is something on the table for them to work till 3:30 am to be able to give off free...to be able to call free taxi rides for the intoxicated among us. I mean there's a lot of things going on. I'll try to send out...I know people don't like newsletters but we'll do like one a semester or something, or two a semester. We'll try to at least keep you guys on the loop with what we're doing. Or I might even attach it to our Senate actual emails, so we'll see. Alright, that should be the recap from now.

2. Expectations and Ideas:

Patel: And ideas and expectations. Expectations, I know we were like 10 minutes late, I blame the computer, I apologize once again. Let's see.

Aziz: Should we go save those people.

Patel: One second. Well the broadcasting is not working, it's fine. So normally everything we do inside this room is recorded and there's a camera up there and I think a camera up here, so we're also on the internet. But it is not working because there are question marks all over the cameras. Umm so that's just what our expectations, we try to keep a very professional atmosphere. We will do the occasional like unmoderated caucus but that's again to discuss off the record to just clarify things. So like if we wanted to fill you in on things we done in the past, or like a very long in depth analysis or something, without making a decision, that's how we'd do it. That's our expectations, other than that for the new people here, I don't know if you guys know about getting pointed out or all those kind of like... So in a Senate meeting you can earn, I think up to five points...

Aldridge: For what?

Patel: For missing a Senate meeting.

Aldridge: Yes.

Patel: Perfect. So the first meeting...like the first point you'll miss is if you miss first roll call, which is the thing we all do together where we only had 36 of us present. Umm there could be a middle roll call which is optional. There's voting on legislation, voting on fiscal and there's the final roll call...not fiscal, all legislation, and there could be another middle roll call, I assume. And then the final roll call which is another point. So our cap is 10 points and then you're out for Senate. So imagine you miss two Senate meetings, you could be pointed out for Senate depending on how many like middle roll calls or reestablishment of the forum we've had. We've also had Committees, so if you miss your Committee time without being excused, so like imagine you had an exam or something, that would be excusable but as long as you inform your Chairs ahead of time, or else you'll get two points from the Committee. Missing five Committees you'll be out of Senate, missing two Senates, you'll be out of Senate. And you do have a personal day in here, use it wisely, like save it and if you don't need it...it's like you guys obviously worked to get these positions, I don't know why you would want to skip a day for no reason. It's not like you're paying, it's not like a class, just drop it whenever you want to. Excuse me? Oh yeah and the points also reset each semester. So if you guys almost got pointed out in the Summer, you're good now, because it's now the Fall. But we still like keep an eye on you if you had 9 points, I'm going to look at you and be like wow. So now...we call out good things people do, I don't mind calling out bad things people do. Senator Cano.

Cano: Your positive points are those...are that...are they operating in asylum to your negative points or are they one in the same.

Patel: Well...you said operating in asylum, I assume you mean as separate things...

Cano: Well so...would positive points knock out your negative points?

Patel: They do not. And positive points on the other hand are good points. Umm they're if you become like a Vice Chair, if you go to Tent Days, if you do like above and beyond in Committees. Umm we're trying to get really cool things for you guys, since you guys are not paid but we're trying to make you guys get I guess fairly compensated for the work you guys put in. So like the top people, we're trying to see if we can get hoodies with your names on the back. Come one now, I can find you a nice underarmor hoodie, alright; it's not hard

to do. So like things like that I don't mind. I don't mind obviously splurging on our Senators that do work. But again rest assured it's only for the Senators, like none of the Chairs should get any of this because they are already paid. Look at them, they're all texting. So I mean, we have a certain set of expectations, we just try to handle our business. And oh just for our record, Karline is our Sergeant in Arms still. So when you do check out your clickers it's from her, and if you want to step out, you have to turn your clicker into her so she could let you out the back door, don't go out the front, it's really rude. So we try to keep a really flowy atmosphere back there. So she will, I know she's been very pressing on it, she likes to make sure people are paying attention so don't be on Facebook, she'll see you or if I walk up there, I'll see you, or like Cano will report you and be crazy, you know. You know we're trying to make sure everyone is being respectful when people are presenting, because we will have people presenting. Oh and before I forget, I want to say our Representative...he's coming on...two weeks. Two weeks from now, our Representative Mark Danish for this area, will be coming to Senate to talk to us and it...we'll have like more of a formal meeting in Senate from 6 to 7 where he'll actually talk to us. But before that we'll have like a quick meet and greet with either you guys or if you want to flip it around, with students and you guys are more than welcome to attend. So we'll figure out how to do that, but make sure those are the days that I expect you to dress more properly and appropriately for someone, I guess of his stature. And he's going to come talk to you guys. But we will be trying to have as many of those fun times of bringing in speakers or advisers or what have you. If you guys have any ideas let us know, I'm more than welcome to invite people in. But it's just for you guys. Senator Scharon.

Scharon: When did you say he was coming?

Patel: In two weeks, so September 17th. Senator Pelegrino.

Pelegrino: Going back to positive points, do they reset every semester as well or do they accumulate?

Patel: No ma'am. It was voted on by SenEx and we thought it would be more useful to have it all the way through, so people could feel like you're actually building up these points. So it's not like you didn't do anything in the Summer but now you can do everything in the Fall, doesn't really balance out. Senator Cano.

Cano: Just a quick point of information, the State House goes into Committee week at the end of the month. So if you do have any issues like the library funding, this would be the last opportunity to talk to our State Representative before he actually goes to Committee. We always wait till the legislative recession and there is a crisis, but the time to take care of it is now while they are in Committee. So...since most legislation in Florida is decided before we even get to December. So if you had any issues, have any issues to do with funding, with this University, brainstorm them night, over the next two weeks, because this will be our only opportunity week before Committee week to talk to our State Rep about them

Patel: Thanks. Again more than welcome to set aside a portion of Senate to have you guys brainstorm, if that's what you guys want. Again this is your forum. But that's that. Any more questions about like...do you guys have any questions about expectations? Do you guys have any or want to say what you expect of us, any cool ideas you guys would like to try this year? I know something we did talk to CSI about, and now again this is all in the works so we'll see how it pans out. The new Director we addressed the problem that students don't really get to see who they're picking for like imagine a concert, you don't know whose coming. And then it could be all internal, it could all one person's preference, it could be fair, we don't know. So we're trying to make it more fair to where they could bring to Senate...like imagine if they compile a list of five people and they bring it to Senate and Senate could like show what students would want. Because you're like a small representation of our student body, and then after that they could narrow it down to like a list of three and they could bring that to the student body as a whole. That way it's more like interactive in that if you get to pick you get more excited about whose coming to campus, because you actually know who's coming to campus. But you do like get that secret...it will have that little secrecy about it. We'll see what we can get for

you guys to have fun with, essentially and be more fair about it because something are really confusing. Alright, yeah. Any more questions, ideas, concerns? Senator Cano.

Cano: Umm just to something we might want to start thinking about is umm bringing the gubernatorial debates back to USF. I know it's almost a year and a half out, but those things we kind of have to plan a year in advance. So we'll most likely will need this Senate to deal with it, I just want to throw that out there.

Patel: Perfect, thank you sir. We'll...we can even start an Ad-Hoc about even figuring out and planning out small little things we want to accomplish as a Senate. But we'll see how we...I guess we'll see how we want to handle it. We'll talk about it in Senate.

Aldridge: Sure, just a sort of point of information. I'm sure that ugh there's going to be candidates that come up for certain period of government affairs that will be in JEC. I think that they'll come through JEC, not Senate. But one of those will be Government Affairs, and so in the past that role has been sort of been to helping to advise maybe coordinate events that come up for debates, so whoever is in the Committee at the time can ask what are the sort of things and initiatives that she may have for that idea, that may be coming up.

Patel: And that will be in JEC as soon as we get her nomination. And we also have our Chair for Government Affairs. So we do have a place to figure out what we want to do. Alright, any more questions, or potential ideas? Seeing none.

3. Confirmations:

a) Supervisor of the Election Rules Commission Mr. Sayf Al-Deen Hassounch

Patel: Alright, we're going to move down the agenda to Confirmations. Oh really quick before we move down to confirmations. What a confirmation is is the Executive Branch nominates a person and we confirm them as a check and balance. So when you want to hammer things out and be more...be more fair and umm I guess it's not very...like it's not all my friends, it's not all your friends, it's everybody's friends. This is how you figure out the way it works. So confirmations the way it will work, just for the new people, the person will be introduced by who he reports to. The person will present themselves, you will ask questions, he will respond, he will leave, you guys will discuss however you want to discuss. He can come back in if you guys have more questions, if not you vote. You have to...if you're in the room you're voting, you can't just leave. And if you have a conflict of interest, maybe you're married to him; you can email us and then abstain. Other than that, it's a yes or a no. So like the final vote is like a yes or a no. Cool? Alrighty then. Without further ado if I can have Mr. Hassounch be presented.

Warmke: Alright, good evening again. The position is the ERC Supervisor of Elections. The roles and responsibilities include overseeing the Election Rules Commission, and all the elections and processes associated with it. Within the ERC there are four positions, so three under Mr. Hassounch, if he were to be confirmed. And umm some of these duties include the candidate information setting, meetings the grievances, ugh polling stations and certifying the election results. So you have all had one way or another interaction with the ERC in order to become a Senator. Are there any questions about the position itself?

Patel: And questions now are addressed about the...let me just pull up...but they're pretty much about here. About his roles, responsibilities and then this. So pretty much the paper work, do you guys have any questions about the paperwork? Senator Aziz.

Aziz: So umm if you could recall how many people applied?

Warmke: We had 33 apply and we interviewed the top three candidates, sorry I should have mentioned that earlier.

Patel: Thank you sir, any more questions about the positions? Senator Aldridge...Senator Antar.

Antar: It says 15 hours a week, isn't it more than that?

Warmke: Yeah I think there was (inaudible), so I'm going to clarify with Gary to get me that afterwards.

Antar: Oh okay.

Patel: Senator Aziz.

Aziz: Umm were there any other changes to the rules and responsibilities and qualifications?

Warmke: No.

Patel: Seeing no more questions, thank you sir. Umm here is the clicker. You have five minutes, one tap at one minute, two taps at 30 seconds, and three taps when you're out. Make sure it works. Yep, and you have a laser if you want, you know about it

Hassounah: Hello guys my name is Sayf Al-Deen Hassounah. I am ugh the appointee nomination, I guess, for the ERC Supervisor of Elections. Umm a Sophomore majoring in Microbiology and I'm currently taking 14 credit hours, so that gives me a very flexible schedule. Two of them are Humanities classes, which are pretty low key. Ugh my previous employment before joining Student Government, I worked with a political organization known as Emerge USA. And that was pretty much my first job...sorry about that...my first job with a political like organization, so it though me a lot about how to increase voter turnout, how to communicate with voters and constituents, and how to get their ideas all compiled into a reasonable and concise opinion. Ugh it thought me to better communicate, as I said here, and it gave me experience with increasing voter turnout. Alright, after that I worked as the ERC Deputy Supervisor of Election, which was last year, as many as you guys know. I'm sure you guys all saw me last year. Ugh I've gained a lot of knowledge and intricate understanding of the election process. and allowed me to see firsthand ways to improve the election processes and events, such as polling locations, how to run them, when to have candidate mixers and where, ugh how to distribute things among the candidates, or among the students as well, how to give out incentives for polling locations, and it gave me leadership experience within the agency. Ugh some of my...some of my Student Government Experience was when I was a member of various Committees. I was an appointee or designee for the ASRC as a Senate President (inaudible). I was also a member of the Title VII Ad-Hoc Committee, and member of the Green Fee Initiative Committee. I also attended various meetings in Committees as a non-voting member, so I just sat there to watch and learn. Some of them were the Title VIII Ad-Hoc Committee, various Senate Committee meetings, and I was pretty much here every night of the second semester last year, after I got my position as a Deputy Supervisor, I'm sure you guys saw me then. Some of my goals is to conduct a fair and just election, make the constituents and candidates much more informed, ugh assist students and candidates throughout the elections, we're here really to help you guys as well as the students. It's not like you can't visit us except to turn in your application, if you ever need any help with umm what to do when you're campaigning, or where not to campaign, or where not to chalk or write and things like that, we're here to help you guys out. I also want to increase candidate applications of course. And definitely increase voter turnout, so that we have a more accurate representation of the student body, and make the students and candidates an integral part of election events. Some of my improvements to achieve those goals is to publicize and advertise those elections more affirmatively. For example we want to use more flyers, more of those stick on the ground poster board things, I don't know a technical term for the. Umm we also want to get more sponsorship, which we already started working on from the first day I got my appointment. We want to bring more students and candidates to election events, get more poll workers that were exposed to ugh Natalie back in Exec, about that...she's already helping me get more poll workers. We want to better inform the poll workers. Ugh we also want to utilize Assistant Deputies, that was a position that was never utilized before and they're volunteer positions

that assist the ERC that technically members of the Electoral Commission but they aren't paid and they are honestly a great asset because they further our reach without depleting our budget. Umm we also want to increase transparency in campaigns and better educate expected candidates of the offices that they are running for. Which none of you guys obviously applied for the midterm elections, seeing as you have a seat, but I have amended some of the applications to actually describe some of the things you do in Senate and what various Committees do to give people a better understanding when they come into Senate. So that they don't come in and not understand what they're going to do and they're just going to be dumb about it. Any questions?

Aldridge: Alright, we'll go into question and answer, we'll start with Mr. Cocco.

Cocco: Could you go back to the previous slide.

Hassounah: I can.

Cocco: What do you mean by pole workers?

Hassounah: Alright....

Cocco: I digress.

Aldridge: Mr. Aziz, Senator Aziz.

Aziz: Okay, are you ready Sayf?

Hassounah: I've been ready.

Aziz: So given a situation that a random student, going to class and you pull me over. Convince me why I should participate in Student Government elections.

Hassounah: Well first of all to simply convince student to participate off of their own...you almost want to get them to participate because they believe in it. But as this is a democratic system, there is always a low blow to ethicacy feeling; you know they always feel like their vote doesn't matter. So the first thing was always try to do is try to communicate with them and try to get them to understand what's on the table. So for now let's say I was to stop you tomorrow, elections were happening tomorrow, the first thing I would definitely bring up would be library hours. That's something a lot of students believe in, that's definitely a way to get your opinion out there, voting for specific candidates that will actually pursue the goal you had in mind. Umm a lot of things that we also do, is we have incentives and we have candidate mixers so you guys actually get to speak with the constituents and form a bond, so that they're not voting for people they've never seen or heard of. But they're voting for people that they know and people that they've spoken to and people that they understand their platform.

Aldridge: Senator Cano.

Cano: Two items that I'm curious to address. I've been through two Student Body President Elections, and a Senate Election. Um with you said...ugh polling locations. Are there any polling locations in particular right now that you feel that we should change or that you have in mind that should be changed?

Hassounah: Well what happens is polling locations aren't statutorily mandated, so I do decide as Supervisor of Elections, where to put them...every semester I can choose where.

Cano: But I'm asking you off the top of your head, what is one right now you know that you don't feel is effective or do you think...

Hassounah: Okay yeah, that's perfect. So last year during the general elections we had for example, a polling station at Juniper Poplar for two days straight. That is a dorm and resident goes in there...pretty much on the first day you are going to see pretty much everybody. So that was a definitely a waste of effort, that was a superfluous polling station on the second day. So that's a great example of one I would definitely like to remove. And then there was one in front of the Rec Center that was poorly planned. It was supposed to be in front of the Rec Center, we had to move it at the last minute because we had (inaudible) logistics of it. So of course this year before I made any polling locations, I went ahead and sat there for a good 50 minutes making sure everything was a viable location.

Cano: The other item on my head was...

Aldridge: Follow up?

Cano: Follow up yeah. The other item was umm...ughh...setting candidates up for failure. For example, putting a polling location right on the courtyard right there in front of the MC, but then student organization is having an event there, and you go speak at it, but now you're in a violation of a polling site. So little logistic issues like that I hope you would address as our ERC.

Hassounah: Well the reason we always, always, always have a polling location in front of MSC because that's where you get the most traffic. So that's where you get the most students every day. So the whole thing is we already release the polling locations before campaigning. So if people make a mistake and go and campaign there, they will get assessed one point. That's something that you can live with and you can learn from. It's not going to knock out a campaign, but I do recommend that you guys be more diligent when you read through the locations for our polling stations, because within 50 yards is illegal. You can't do any passive any passing or active campaigning within 50 yards of a polling location or SG suite or you know Student Government buildings.

Aldridge: Alright, you guys have any more questions? Yes, Senator Belizaire.

Belizaire: Umm what is your availability for the Fall and how active would you be on the ground as far as at polling stations.

Hassounah: That's a great question, because I'm already very active on the ground level. I go ahead...I'm not sure how many of you guys have seen me at umm a lot of the events that happen. First of all, sorry I didn't answer the first question, very flexible schedule for the Fall. Second of all I'm very active already with all of the ground works and technically I'm the only person in the ERC, I do have three other volunteers and they always come out and help me. But for a while I was the only one in the ERC so I was the one going out to all of the events and giving out flyers and speaking to all the student organization leaders. For example, Student Organization President Mixer, I was there with a couple of the volunteers. I also went to the global barbeque. We went to the College of Education ice cream social, things like that; we went to all of the Colleges for the midterm that don't have anybody in them. So for example, a lot of you guys are College of Arts and Sciences, you may not have seen me that much, but that's just because right now you guys are full. So I have to pay more attention to the Colleges that are empty because we need to fill all the seats in Senate. So I definitely do go out, I do a lot of groundwork. I've already spoken to a lot of sponsorships, we've already gotten a couple of sponsorship, so we have the ERC as a whole, including myself, has been doing a lot of the work.

Aldridge: Yes, Senator Aziz.

Aziz: What were some of your shortcoming on the job last time around, and how will you address them as supervisor?

Hassounah: I mean, I only think ERCs bigger shortcomings last year was a low voter turnout, due to the fact that we didn't publicize elections as we should have and I'm sure you guys all recognized that. So this year I've already started, right when I first got my appointment, literally the first day in the office, right after my JEC Confirmation I started calling sponsorships because the more sponsorship money we get the more incentives we can get, the more marketing and advertising we can do around campus, more banners, more poster boards, more flyers, I'm sure you guys have seen my flyers already, right, good flyers. So the more money we can get from sponsorships the more we can help out to get our entire student population to understand what's happening. SO that was the biggest thing, poor publicity for the elections.

Aldridge: Yes, Senator Abraha.

Abraha: Umm hi, I was wondering do you utilize the Street Team in any of your...

Hassounah: That's a great question. For Marketing we do not...

Abraha: Marketing but then polling and everything like that.

Hassounah: So for marketing we don't, and during the midterm elections we will probably utilize them but to a minimum degree. Because a lot of times during the midterms the active Senators like to join in, and that is always, always welcomed because you like to see everybody get more involved in Student Government. So it's not like just Tuesday night Senator sort of thing, you guys should come out. And it always happened, like last year or the year before, Senators joined it. But we do kind of utilize the Street Team and then for the general elections we always utilize Street Team, we try to get 30, 40 members to come help us out, that way we have a bigger reach. And the Assistant Deputies always helps alleviate the stress it puts on the ERC because it's a pretty big event, campus wide for 4 days straight, so we definitely use Street Team.

Aldridge: Yes, Senator Cocco.

Cocco: Ummm what's your goal number for the midterm, in terms of turnout?

Hassounah: I don't like to put numbers on it, but honestly my goal, if I was to personally speak honestly, I would get every single student to vote. It's not about putting 5,000 or 10,000; it's about getting every single student to understand what's happening and every single student to vote. Now obviously is not reasonable because College of Arts and Sciences won't vote, and neither will Medicine, or Behavioral Sciences or the Arts, but the rest that do have open seats, we'll definitely...it will definitely be my goal to get all those Colleges to vote.

Aldridge: You have a follow up?

Cocco: Are you going to talk to like CLCE and stuff like that...

Aldridge: It's related to the position though?

Cocco: Yeah in terms of collaboration, I'm asking how much collaboration he's going to use.

Hassounah: Well I actually got a couple of contacts; I already got a couple of meetings planned with Nursing, College of Education and Pharmacy. So we are trying to collaborate with different Colleges to actually get them to also do some of the work, to find a way to get us to the students more effectively.

Cocco: Thank you.

Aldridge: Yes, Senator Aziz.

Aziz: Two part question. What is your management style?

Hassounah: I don't necessarily have a certain management style that I try to abide to. I just like to do what I believe is right. I like to tell... I like to inform the people that work under me, to answer your question. I think I am a bit more of a micromanager honestly, because I like to make sure things are done properly and I don't like to leave it up to chance.

Aziz: Okay part two is...

Aldridge: Follow up I guess.

Aziz: Yes.

Aldridge: Okay.

Aziz: Given a situation where one of your employees is working or assisting a campaign ticket, how would you handle that situation?

Hassounah: They would obviously be fired immediately, because there's no tolerance for that sort of behavior. We're supposed to be an independent agency and we don't have any collaboration with the campaigns.

Aldridge: Okay, yes Senator Scharon.

Scharon: So there is some like misconceptions about elections time. Like I know that students are under the impression that you shouldn't vote till the last day because that's why you get a t-shirt, there's a lot of weird things that go around. Do you have a plan in mind to kind of inform students more by the procedures and just elections overall?

Hassounah: Like we like to do... honestly the best meeting with students is Bulls Market and talking with them face to face to actually get them understand, because you can't just send out flyer or email because that's not really in depth enough. So I do like to speak to them face to face and inform them. And of course this year we're going to properly incentivize the elections, we're not going to just be giving out shirts on a first come first serve bases. It's going to be staggered, we're going to have different awards, and hopefully we're going to have a lot of different activities. Not all set in stone, but we might very well have a car smash guys. That sounds fun right? Alright.

Aldridge: Are there any other questions? Seeing no other questions, is there a motion to discuss? Yes, Senator Pelegrino.

Pelegrino: *Motion to move into discussion.*

Aldridge: Yes what type of discussion?

Pelegrino: How about pro/con

Aldridge: And how many speakers?

Pelegrino: 3 speakers, one minute speaking time.

Aldridge: Okay, thank you. You have an amendment?

Aziz: I'm going to object and amend.

Aldridge: Can you stand and say what your objection is?

Aziz: *I object, I would prefer a moderated caucus for the first one so...because if we do pro/con, no one is going to talk and no one is going to have a discussion base.*

Aldridge: Okay, so how many minutes would you like to do the moderated caucus?

Aziz: Five minutes...wait...yeah five minutes, one minute speaking time?

Aldridge: Alright, is it okay to do moderated caucus, five minutes, one minute speaking time?

Pelegrino: Yes.

Aldridge: Okay, thank you very much. Are there any other objections? Alright, seeing none, we are now in discussion, if the candidate can please step out. Thank you very much.

Patel: Alright, any speakers? Well since Senator Aziz opened it, I'll let you go first.

Aziz: So this is the second time we've had Sayf. He was presented to the Judicial and Ethics Committee, and so far since confirmation I've seen him in meetings and doing some work and also like bouncing out...bouncing ideas through different people. So that's why I think he's qualified for this position.

Patel: Thank you sir. Anybody else? Senator Scharon.

Scharon: He's obviously very involved in the process, he participates a lot in Student Government, he takes the effort to go to Committee meetings and to get involved everywhere. I think that proactive quality is what we want when we have someone in charge of the ERC.

Patel: Anybody else? Senator Hartmann.

Hartmann: As being a Deputy he has experience with the position so I definitely feel like he's qualified and therefor has the potential and skill to carry out the duties that are required.

Patel: Alright, there's a total of 3 minutes and 45 seconds left. Senator Antar.

Antar: *It seems to be a unanimous consent, I would like to motion to close discussion and enter into voting procedures.*

Patel: Any objections to closing the debate and entering voting procedures? Seeing none, we're now in voting procedures. Don't... you can't really talk because you're not supposed to talk. What you do is click one for yes, two for no and three for abstain. Only abstain if you're married to him, or If you let me know, other than that you should be voting. And you have to vote, so it's like you can't say I'll vote next time. Cool any procedural questions, because we can't really handle anything else. Cool, so we're now voting. And I abstain as Chair, just so you guys know. Is that everybody? Cool, with a vote of 39:0:1 this nominee is confirmed. Well since there is no p-drive we're going to do this based off of...let's see.

Kattih: It's on the website.

Patel: It's on the website? Alright, it's the oath of office, its part of...the third...Title II if I can find it. Here we go, cool. Alright, just repeat after me, raise your right hand

Patel: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Hassouneh: As a member of the Student Government of the University of South Florida.

Patel: I, state your full name.

Hassouneh: I, Sayf Al-Deen Hassouneh

Patel: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of

Hassouneh: Do hereby affirm to uphold the office of ERC Supervisor of Elections.

Patel: To abide by the Student Body Constitution.

Hassouneh: To abide by the Student Body Constitution.

Patel: To uphold the Statutes incorporated therein.

Hassouneh: To uphold the Statutes incorporated therein.

Patel: And to represent the Student Body to the best of my ability.

Hassouneh: And to represent the Student Body to the best of my ability.

Patel: Thank you sir.

Final Roll Call:

Patel: Alrighty then, umm I know you put the Accounting Society of USF on here but I didn't have their actual budget unless she....Alright cool. Alright, other than that, we're pretty much wrapped up, since some of the things we're going to handle I guess are going to be handled in Committee funding from here, we have Resolutions coming through Rules, I know there's going to be a bunch of interim budgets coming to Appropriations, Confirmations in JEC...(inaudible) and all of those fun things. And surveys and obviously outreach to our like I know when more changes come (inaudible). So make sure you do pick a committee before we leave for the night. Anything else, do you guys have any more questions? Senator Abraha.

Abraha: *Motion to adjourn.*

Patel: Any objections...oh we have to take final roll call.

Abraha: Oh sorry.

Patel: So that's fine thank you. Any questions essentially about what we do...okay cool. Alright, I'll take a motion for final roll call, or actually we don't need a motion for final roll call. Alright have your clicker ready, remember you can't talk if your clickers are out, and remember just click one if you're here. For the record Adam is here, I'm just clicking for him.

Adjournment:

Patel: Alright, with that I'll take a motion, Senator Ali.

Antar: *Motion to adjourn.*

Patel: Any objections to adjourning the meeting? Seeing none we're now adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Adjournment called by Senate President Patel at 7:49 pm.

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