



THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Calendar: May 19, 2025

Location: Senate Chambers

Time: 6:30 PM

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Report of Officers

- Report of the Speaker
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Finance
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- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
- Report of the Deputy Speaker for Advocacy

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New Business

- Bill 22: Law School Council Electing Leadership

Round Table

Closing Announcements

Adjournment

WEBVTT

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Jack Rowan: We come to this great campus to learn and to join a community that's second to none, and not to be sent running from hail of bullets

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Jack Rowan: or a shelter behind a barricaded classroom door.

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Jack Rowan: These were people having lunch. They were working or taking a break and preparing for finals. They were employees, graduate and undergraduate students alike.

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Jack Rowan: Some of us were in the area teaching in the buildings near the Union or working nearby, and now we all find our world irreversibly changed.

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Jack Rowan: It's not the same ground we walked on just a week ago. It will never be the same.

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Jack Rowan: The world maybe continue, and the camera crews might leave. But we will never forget what happened here on April 17, th 2025.

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Jack Rowan: We will not forget those who were injured, and we'll certainly not forget those who we lost.

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Jack Rowan: We will not let this act of power to stop the work we need to do.

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Jack Rowan: Somebody needs us in this time, and we need each other.

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Jack Rowan: We need to be there to try to provide that sense of family and community that makes Fsu home.

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Jack Rowan: That coward tried to break our community, but we will never break.

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Jack Rowan: We are, and we will always be unconquered.

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Jack Rowan: The coming days and weeks will be difficult, so we gotta be here for each other. We gotta hold each other closer and fight even harder for this family.

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Jack Rowan: As my email, this weekend stated, we will continue to hold our 2 events this week on land is green

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Jack Rowan: tomorrow from 2 to 4 Pm.

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Jack Rowan: And Thursday from noon to 2 Pm.

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Jack Rowan: Because we need it.

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Jack Rowan: We need to keep the spaces where we can hug our friends, chat with a student we've never met before about their work and enjoy a free meal from a friendly face.

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Jack Rowan: I hope these 2 events can provide a space for us to do this, and help each of us in walking down the long road of healing that lies ahead.

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00:02:00.040 --> 00:02:09.919

Jack Rowan: Tonight we will continue with the original agenda. We will continue. We'll complete our legislative business for the school year and celebrate those reps who will be leaving us with graduation.

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Jack Rowan: and at the end we'll take some time to reflect time for every person who's comfortable with talking to talk.

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Jack Rowan: but for now I would just ask that if you could please rise and join me in a moment of silence to honor the memories of Robert Morales and tru Chaba, and to pay our respects for the 6 students who were injured Thursday.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you. All kind of I do mean this. I do love you all.

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Jack Rowan: We'll now move forward with our agenda for the night.

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Jack Rowan: Let me pull up our agenda actually flossed it, and all that.

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Jack Rowan: Since we're online, we'll we'll just pass through the pledge for for our meeting tonight, and we'll move straight into roll call

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Jack Rowan: Jake.

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Jack Rowan: Shake here.

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Jake Aboulhosn: Here. Sorry I had to unmute.

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Jack Rowan: We got shaheen.

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Shahin: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Jamila.

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00:03:43.350 --> 00:03:44.110

Jamila: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Noah.

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00:03:46.770 --> 00:03:47.460

Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Here.

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00:03:48.020 --> 00:03:48.950

Jack Rowan: Red, one.

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00:03:49.910 --> 00:03:50.780

Balogun Ridwan: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Jared, Jada, Isabella.

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Jack Rowan: Francis.

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Francis Ebuara: Yeah.

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Jack Rowan: George.

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George F: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Diego

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00:04:13.060 --> 00:04:24.940

Jack Rowan: Evelyn, Madeline Bahat, Najika.

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00:04:25.300 --> 00:04:25.715

Nichika Holdrum: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Shazine.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Ashley, Isaiah.

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Isiah Maxey's iPhone: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Steven.

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Steven Medarev: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Islamia, Eden.

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Eden Punch: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Seema.

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Sima Sabbagh: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Hey Sean!

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DaSean Stokes: Here.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): I'm here.

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Jack Rowan: Taylor.

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Taylor Torres: Sure.

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Jack Rowan: Angelique, Laura.

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Laura Vaughn: Here.

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Jack Rowan: William.

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William Wyckoff: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you all. We do have a quorum

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Jack Rowan: reading and approval of the minutes. We have the minutes from our April and from our April 7, th 2025 meeting. Is there? Are there any corrections to the or to the minutes?

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Jack Rowan: If there are none? Can I get a motion to please approve the minutes.

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Laura Vaughn: Motion to approve.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): Second.

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Jack Rowan: Laura moves to Laura, approves to move, or sorry moves to approve the minutes. Who is the second from.

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00:05:37.353 --> 00:05:38.460

Lauren Strickland (she/hers): Lauren, Strickland.

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00:05:38.840 --> 00:05:42.339

Jack Rowan: Seconded by Lauren. Is there any objection to approving the minutes?

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00:05:44.290 --> 00:05:46.580

Jack Rowan: Seeing none. The minutes stand approved.

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00:05:47.225 --> 00:06:06.374

Jack Rowan: Tonight we have 4 items of business we have, Luis Morales Gamarez, petition for the and for Ann's college seat 2. And we also will have Bill 21 returning from the Internal Affairs Committee, as well as 2 resolutions.

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Jack Rowan: So we'll begin tonight with the petition into the Assembly from sorry Luis Morales Gumarez, who is petitioning in for Seat 2 from Ann's College. Luis, you'll have 5 min to give an opening statement, followed by a period of questions from the members, and then I'll ask if you'd be willing to step into the waiting room while we debate your petition, followed by a final vote. Does that sound good?

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00:06:34.280 --> 00:06:36.500

Luis Morales Guemarez: Yes, thank you very much. I appreciate that.

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Jack Rowan: Perfect. You have 5 min, so you may begin whenever you're ready.

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00:06:40.010 --> 00:07:04.620

Luis Morales Guemarez: Thank you very much. Hi, everyone, good evening. And thank you so much for your guys's consideration. I know that these are very difficult times. So I appreciate that you guys are taking the time to be here and giving me the time and the space to perform my petition. So I'm here today, as I have petition to fill the vacancy for the Ann Spencer Davis College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences.

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00:07:05.010 --> 00:07:28.840

Luis Morales Guemarez: In the past few months it's been difficult navigating grad school, and one of the things that has always stood out to me is the amazing work that the Congress of graduate students has done here on campus for all of us. I've seen this firsthand through Laura and Lauren's work, representing our college, and as a 1st year student for the masters of higher Education administration here at Florida State.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: It's been very inspiring to see the work that they put forward, and all the the will that they put forward to advocate for students on campus that come from different backgrounds. In the past year I've had the privilege to work with different faculty members and organizing and

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00:07:46.160 --> 00:08:11.100

Luis Morales Guemarez: conducting research specifically with understanding multicultural students, their backgrounds and their interactions within higher education. And I am very interested in bringing this experience from my research background to help students and advocate for students in grad school, and also being able to advocate for those that want their voices to be amplified here on campus, and I know that this is something that I could achieve if I was

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00:08:11.100 --> 00:08:29.920

Luis Morales Guemarez: to be selected as one of the representatives here in the Congress of graduate students. I thank you guys for the consideration and for the time that you guys are giving me today to speak to you all. And I am open to answer any questions. And yeah, just giving you guys the time to ask me anything that you would like to know about me. Thank you so much.

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00:08:31.880 --> 00:08:37.899

Jack Rowan: Thank you very much, Louise. We'll now move into a period of questions. Are there any representatives who have any questions for the petitioner?

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Jack Rowan: I can also kick it off with or or is there a particular committee that you'd like to be? You'd like to serve on.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Yes, for for that particular matter, I am open to working in any area that you guys find the most need. I? I will say my experience lines up more with advocacy. So I was particularly interested in that committee. But I also understand that there might be different needs that you guys might identify so that I am totally open to participate in any committee that you guys deem are are more necessary for me to participate in. But yes, if I had to choose one, it would be advocacy.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much. Are there any other questions from any members? You can just raise your hand or unmute.

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Laura Vaughn: Do you have any conflicts that you think with classes for the next academic year on Mondays.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Yes, so I was looking at my schedule for that. We have a class from 3 to 5, 40, and it is my understanding that you guys meet at 6 pm. On Mondays. So I believe it's not gonna be a problem. I'm probably gonna have to rush a little bit after class to to get to the meeting. But I hopefully, I will be able to to attend the meetings. Yeah.

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00:09:50.910 --> 00:09:53.889

Jack Rowan: Good news is we're 6 30, so I see you'll have plenty of time to get here.

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00:09:54.167 --> 00:09:57.492

Luis Morales Guemarez: Okay, I thought it was 6. So yeah, so even better. Yes.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you any further questions.

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00:10:02.820 --> 00:10:09.120

Jack Rowan: If there are no further questions would you be okay with me? Placing you in the waiting room for a few minutes, while we alright. Thank you very much.

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00:10:09.120 --> 00:10:10.480

Luis Morales Guemarez: Okay, thank you so much. Yeah.

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00:10:13.660 --> 00:10:21.550

Jack Rowan: All right, folks, we'll now move into a period of debate on the petitioner. Are there any members wishing to speak on the petitioner.

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Laura Vaughn: I can't speak.

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00:10:25.270 --> 00:10:40.890

Laura Vaughn: I have worked with him at with various higher education, events and classes. He's fantastic. I think he'll be a wonderful addition to the Congress of graduate students, and you know I am all for approval of his petition.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Laura. Are there any other members who can speak? Jamila.

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Jamila: Yeah. So I also work with Louise, at my graduate assistantship. And I agree he is amazing. And he's done great work there, and I know he'll do great work here as well. And even his work with Hesa. He's done a lot of great things. So I think he'd be a an amazing asset for cogs.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): I also. Yeah, sorry I'm so sorry, Jack. I second Laura, and Jamila's comment. Ever since I met Louise. It. It's just. He's been very dedicated to serving

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00:11:18.720 --> 00:11:24.299

Lauren Strickland (she/hers): outside of higher education on top of what he's doing there. So a second, what? They said, yeah.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Lauren. Any other members wishing to speak at this time?

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Jack Rowan: If none is there a motion to call the question on the petitioner.

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00:11:36.640 --> 00:11:38.929

Jamila: Call a question emotional, follow up, question.

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00:11:39.260 --> 00:11:42.129

Jack Rowan: Jamila moves to call the question on the petitioner. Is there a second.

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00:11:42.130 --> 00:11:43.100

Balogun Ridwan: Settled it.

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00:11:43.410 --> 00:11:47.639

Jack Rowan: Seconded by Ridwan. Is there any objection to calling the question on the petitioner?

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00:11:49.390 --> 00:12:14.700

Jack Rowan: Seeing none? The question is called. The question is now on Luis Morales Gamarez to fill Seat 2 for Ann's college. Normally we'd have a for those who will be here in summer attending. Virtually we'll usually have polls set up. But this is it on the fly, so we'll just do it by raising hands virtually so. Those members in favor of Luis's petition. Please raise your hand virtually.

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00:12:19.790 --> 00:12:21.680

Lauren Strickland (she/hers): I'm finding it, Jack. Hang on.

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00:12:22.110 --> 00:12:22.990

Jack Rowan: All good.

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Sima Sabbagh: My computer is not helping. So I'm raising my hand. But I just, it's not working.

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Jack Rowan: Perhaps perhaps it's easier to say I to ask, is there anyone like, are there any members who object to that to his petition?

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Jack Rowan: Okay. If there are no objections, if there are no objections, the petition will say that the the petition is approved unanimously.

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Jack Rowan: Before I bring him in red one could. Do you have the oath pulled up.

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Balogun Ridwan: Yes.

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Jack Rowan: Perfect. Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Welcome back, Louise. We're very happy to tell you that your petition has been approved.

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00:13:19.960 --> 00:13:20.900

Luis Morales Guemarez: Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Our I read one. Our deputy of judicial affairs will now swear you in and he'll he'll walk through with you.

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00:13:32.210 --> 00:13:45.219

Balogun Ridwan: Welcome, Louise, so you repeat after me, candidate for student body, office may replace so heavenly God with on pain of impeachment. So I you mentioned your name.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Yes, hi, Luis Morales, Gamares.

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Balogun Ridwan: Promise to support and defend.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Promise to support and defend.

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Balogun Ridwan: The Constitution of the United States of America.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: The Constitution of the United States of America.

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00:13:57.640 --> 00:13:59.129

Balogun Ridwan: The State of Florida.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: The State of Florida.

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Balogun Ridwan: And the Florida State University student, body.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: And the Florida State University Party.

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00:14:06.510 --> 00:14:08.590

Balogun Ridwan: And I shall perform my duties.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: And I shall perform my duties.

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Balogun Ridwan: To the best of my ability.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: To the best of my ability.

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Balogun Ridwan: So help me God.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: So help me God.

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Balogun Ridwan: Congratulations to you.

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Jack Rowan: Congratulations, Louise. I wish we could have been able to do this in person. But I look forward to hopefully seeing you at one of our in person meetings soon.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Same here. Thank you so much, guys, thank you very much.

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Jack Rowan: We will reach out to you in the coming days with more information about kind of the onboarding process in the cogs, and we hope, later in the week, to be able to provide you with your committee assignment.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: Thank you very much. I appreciate it everyone. Thank you so much.

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Jack Rowan: Bentley. Welcome to cogs!

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Jack Rowan: We'll now continue on with the agenda, and we will move to special introductions and student comments. Are there any members of the public, wishing to make a public comment at this time.

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Jack Rowan: seeing none. Messages from student government are there any messages from student government.

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00:15:05.160 --> 00:15:08.789

Jack Rowan: seeing none. Report of the office of governmental affairs.

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Jack Rowan: Seeing none, report to the officers.

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Jack Rowan: I will just provide some quick updates, I said. Most of what I wanted to say at the top of the meeting, but we are still holding our 2 events. We're still holding our 2 events on land to screen this week. Tomorrow from 2 to 4 pm. We will be out there with Talkerie and Miranda. We have food for the 1st 100 graduate students. If you are comfortable coming out. We highly suggest it.

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Jack Rowan: and we're also currently planning on still having our brother's daughter on land. A screen on Thursday from 12 to 2 Pm. I will say that we are in conversations right now with the University and with the undergrad student government about if there is scope to expand that event. I hope to have more information for you guys on that in the next day or so.

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Jack Rowan: but we're really we're really trying. I since we already had these events on the calendar, we're talking or seeing if we can maybe make it as something to kind of provide more community for Fsu at this time.

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Jack Rowan: Summer is coming up. If you have not filled out the summer survey that we sent you. I guess it's now 2 weeks ago, and some change. Please make sure to fill that out. Just so. We have an idea of how many people will be able to attend in person for our for our summer meetings. Versus how many people will have to attend? Virtually

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Jack Rowan: and then we'll definitely talk a lot more about our graduating representatives later. But I wanna say to everyone who is who will not be joining us again after this meeting, that it has been a pleasure working with you all, and I

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Jack Rowan: can't wait to see all the great things that you all do.

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Jack Rowan: And I think my last thing is for this week. Because of the announcement that the Union is closed until further notice. I will be holding. I held one of my 2 days office hours this week. Today. I will also be holding office hours from 12 to 5 30 on Wednesday. I have a zoom link for that. That'll be by zoom. I will also, as you probably see, by the background.

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Jack Rowan: I'm also basing myself out of my office at the law school. So if you want to come and be with me in person, you'd rather just talk in person. We can get it worked out. Just reach out, and you can come down to the law school and meet me here.

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Jack Rowan: But I wanna be wherever you all need me at this time. Because I'm here for y'all

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Jack Rowan: but we'll now move on to the Deputy Speaker for Finance. Steven.

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Steven Medarev: Thanks, Jack. I have no no updates from me here that I'm still working with Jared on the transition documents.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Steven. The report of the Deputy Speaker for communications. Noah.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Hello, everyone! I hope you all are doing well. In terms of updates. Tomorrow we will be having our Taqueria Miranda event from 2 to 4 for the people that are from outreach that are wanting to help. Kind of set that up. I will be there at 1 30 to help with the truck and facilitation of where it needs to park everything like that. Luckily we have Jack and Kiana both already going to the office.

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00:18:28.737 --> 00:18:42.319

Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Because they've been given clearance to go into the Union to grab some of our merchandise so we can give it out there as well. So by 1 30, we're just gonna have everything set up. There are some rules that are gonna be talk going over. So

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: once it becomes that time I will let you all know just kind of where I might need you. I really kind of want you guys more just to walk around, just be with the people. If you guys choose to come again. We do appreciate you guys. And whatever decision you make, we're not trying to steer you in one way or another. I want that to be very clear. Everyone

has their own process for how they grieve and how they handle the situation. We want that we want to ensure that there is nothing we are trying to plan on that front

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00:19:11.410 --> 00:19:23.830

Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: for, and then for the survey for summer. If you have not filled it out yet, I will be checking by later tonight. I will then send an email just to remind you to

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00:19:24.220 --> 00:19:35.189

Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: to fill out that survey. If so, if you don't get one, then you are fine. If you do get that email, just fill out the survey. But yeah, that's really all that I have.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Noah. Report of the deputy for judicial affairs. Ridwan.

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Balogun Ridwan: I will skip this time.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you. Ridwan. Deshawn.

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DaSean Stokes: Hi, everybody! I just want to encourage you to use the resources available. The counseling center is doing walk-in appointments all week. I went myself today. It's a very easy process. They were very friendly and open to helping in whatever capacity they could. So I just wanted to encourage you to do that. I believe there's also

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DaSean Stokes: some type of Mini fair by the counseling center. They had lots of snacks and things that they were giving away, and it was a really nice communal moment that I went by there this afternoon. So I just want to encourage everyone to use the resources as we work through this difficult time. And yes, that's all I have.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Shawn. Advisory announcements. Kean.

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Kyanna Austin: Thank you.

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Kyanna Austin: I don't have any announcements. Obviously, I just wanted to

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Kyanna Austin: say Hi to everyone. This is really hard, happy to see faces and names. I'm just very thankful giving just the tragic events that I'm able to gather with you guys

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Kyanna Austin: virtually and hoping to get. I'm going to be asking for many of hugs when I see you guys in person as we do get back to a place where we can be in person. Please also know that I'm here with the Union being closed. I am fully remote, but I will be on campus for the upcoming events that we do have, and then taking meetings as needed. But please know I'm here. I'll share my cell phone number in the chat.

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Kyanna Austin: but I'm here as well, like some of the others mentioned, there are available services, but also know that I'm here for you guys and just really happy to be able to gather with you guys.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Kiana.

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Jack Rowan: We'll now move to the committee report Internal Affairs. Steven.

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Steven Medarev: No further updates here.

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Jack Rowan: Student advocacy, shazine.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: Hi, good evening, everyone. I hope you all are doing all right so we met last on 14 of this month, and we basically had some. We met in person in the on the 3rd floor, near the in the project room. So we just finalized on the survey question. I guess we do not have any feedback which which is ready for being

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: for the students to take eventually, if you do tabling, or however you want to get it across.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: Promise.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: and for the housing we have been working myself and Francis are behind on it, because I was supposed to have my defense on last Friday, but, due to Thursday's event, it got canceled. So I have upcoming one on, most likely on Friday, after doing my defense. So once that's done, I can go back on the housing sheet, and some people have already completed, like Jamila Dashawn, Isaiah, Jada.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: and some people are still working on it.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: That's for that and for transportation. Jada did have a last follow up. She gave us on that

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: they are going to meet Sja President is requesting to meet with the chair of Transportation Committee, and also the Rep will ask graduate student to sit in the committee, and hopefully, by fall they will have an updated bus app which is not in existence right now, or whichever the move it, one is not currently working because you have to pay.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: and they're also doing like statistical finding to see where parking spots are available at peak times on campus, and for future they're planning to have short term.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: They plan to charge students for short term parking during the day on campus, and also, lastly, we spoke. We have some graduating members Jamila. Jada and Angelique will be graduating in May and August. So that's all we had. We just had a general discussion. So, and we finished at 8 45. Yeah, that's all from advocacy.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Shazine, and I do want to just put an emphasis on part of what Shazine said about the parking situation I've had conversations with, and Carson Dale, the summit president about the parking situation, and there is currently talks from the University of

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Jack Rowan: further expanding paid permit system. from what it's already been expanded to, and I know I there is a lot I I don't know.

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Jack Rowan: I, of course, haven't checked in on that in the last week or so. But it will be probably a continuing conversation over the summer, and I know I have talked with Carson and made my view on this very clear, and I believe the view of a lot of us in this room. I am very clear about where we stand on this

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Jack Rowan: and I will continue to work with Jada and Sean and and the Ft. Committee where needed to make sure that not just the university, but also the board of trustees. If they have to get involved, that they're fully aware of our viewpoint on this and hopefully, maybe we can put a stop to it at some point. But that's kind of conversations for another week.

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Jack Rowan: Outreach committee Lauren, can I? Do you want me, or do we have to? Or I

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Jack Rowan: I'm off.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): I'm okay. Hey? Everyone. I I'm very glad. I'm sorry. I sound a little, you know. Kind of choked up. It's very

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): soothing to my soul to hear everyone's voice and to hear everyone today. Please! We have the event Tuesday, and then we also have frother's daughter on Thursday of this week

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): and definitely come out. Get you some food and a cup of coffee, and just have a little bit of joy, and I had a little bit of joy. This weekend I got to see a high school classmate win in his wrestlemania event this weekend. So that was my little joy. So I hope you guys also had some joy this weekend as well.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Lauren. We'll now move to our business tonight. We have no funding request in. We do move, so we'll move to the unfinished business, which is Bill 21

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Jack Rowan: the cogs double dipping bill. As a reminder to representatives before I hand it off to and to Nichika and Jay to discuss or to open on it. I just want to remind you all that we have considered this bill. I guess this is now our 3rd meeting, considering it. We tabled it on Budget night.

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Jack Rowan: At our meeting 2 weeks ago we had further debate, and then referred the bill to the Internal Affairs Committee. Internal Affairs did meet last Monday. Heard amendment put up by Natrika and myself

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Jack Rowan: and has then then reported the bill favorably to the floor. So it is now ready for further consideration by the whole body. So

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Jack Rowan: I'll now pass it over to Nachika and Jake for the opening. On that you have 3 min to explain the bill.

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Nichika Holdrum: I can go.

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Jake Aboulhosn: Oh!

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Nichika Holdrum: Get.

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Jake Aboulhosn: Go for it. I was gonna pass my time to you, so go all your.

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Nichika Holdrum: Okay, perfect. Alright, Hi, everybody. It's really good to see everybody here. Just to jump right into it. Basically what this amendment is talking about is creating a 3rd Grant application after hearing everybody's concerns of if we take away the the double dipping aspect.

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Nichika Holdrum: there'd be less funds for for an individual conference. But there are a lot of graduate students that only go to one conference. So I worked with Jack to make this amendment, which is basically a 3rd grant. 3rd conference. Grant. So it's it's a 1 time \$600 grant for only one conference? And so if people decide that they want to have a larger amount for the one conference that they're going to for that year, then they're able to

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Nichika Holdrum: utilize a higher amount. Because if they're not gonna do 2 different conferences, then they're only gonna get \$300. And we really want to maximize how much we're supporting our graduate students, because I know conferences can get extremely expensive. And

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Nichika Holdrum: and we're still keeping the original amendment where it says you can't apply for multiple different grants. Just so we have clarification. So that hasn't been changed. But we're just adding on top of it since we were discussing a lot about it. And I that's all.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much. Chica I'm sorry I'm trying to pull. I'm trying to pull up and if I can share my screen to show you all

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Jack Rowan: the the bill. There we go. Okay. It does pop up here just not a good way.

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Kyanna Austin: I have it on. Pdf. If you want me to share. I don't know what what you have.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, you should. You should be able to share. You have because your co-host.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, I appreciate it. Is there any? Are there any questions to the sponsor of the bill. Just raise your hand. If you have a question.

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Jack Rowan: I'm just gonna get a couple seconds more.

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Jack Rowan: If you could just scroll down to the little text deshawn.

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DaSean Stokes: Just checking the the Max amount for the one time.

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DaSean Stokes: Attendance is only if they present correct.

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Nichika Holdrum: Correct, because we really want to promote

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Nichika Holdrum: our students to do presentations and represent Fsu.

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DaSean Stokes: Awesome. Thank you.

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Nichika Holdrum: Bye.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you. Are there any further questions for the sponsor?

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Shahin: Can I ask you a question.

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Jack Rowan: Yes shaheen.

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Shahin: Is that \$600 for local conference also

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Shahin: and also international conference as well.

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Shahin: I mean, the 600 is the maximum amount that we know that for the international travel.

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Nichika Holdrum: I believe it's for the it's for local conferences. And to get some clarification, I think it's \$700 already for international. Is that right?

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Jack Rowan: Yes, I I would just say, Shaheen, that if I were an applicant and I was presenting at an international conference I would not apply for the combined. I would just apply for the normal presentation grant to get the full 700.

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Shahin: Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Any further questions for the sponsor.

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Jack Rowan: Okay, if there are none, then we'll move into the 1st round of pro debate on the bill. Are there any member position to speak in favor of the bill.

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DaSean Stokes: excited that it's coming forward. And we made the changes. And I'm just glad that we're going to support grad students even more so.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you to sean I I shaheen I did see. Francis raised his hand. So I'm gonna go to Francis. Then Shaheen.

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Francis Ebuara: Oh, looks like my video. Okay, there we go. I I think that this bill is great. I think it's holistic.

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Francis Ebuara: I think it takes everyone into consideration.

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Francis Ebuara: and it seems to me that this is what we needed from

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Francis Ebuara: the onset to get this going. So I'm in full support of it, because everyone celebrates everyone benefits.

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Francis Ebuara: Everyone will be happy about this. So good job.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Shaheen, or Thank you, Francis Shaheen. You're recognized.

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Shahin: I think. This is a great initiative. I really support the initiative and also the amendment.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you. Shaheen. Laura.

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Laura Vaughn: I just wanted to say thank you to everyone, because we've had a lot of really good debate over the past 2 meetings. So thank you to everyone who worked to really find a good compromise on what we really wanted this bill to look like.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Laura. Any other members who should speak in favor of the bill.

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Jack Rowan: if there are none we'll then move to the 1st round of Con. Are there any members wishing to speak against the bill?

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Jack Rowan: If there are no members wishing to speak against the bill? Is there a motion to call the question.

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DaSean Stokes: Motion to call a question.

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Jack Rowan: Sean moose called question, is there a second to the motion.

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Balogun Ridwan: Back on there.

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Jack Rowan: Seconded by George, is there any objection to calling the question?

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Jack Rowan: Seeing no objection, the question is called on Bill 21, as amended. Nachika would. Do you like to give a closing statement.

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Nichika Holdrum: Yeah, sure, I'll do one really, briefly. Thank you. Everyone for helping out with this, especially during the internal affairs meeting. It really was eye opening to see everybody's perspective, and I'm glad I was able to work on this a little bit. I will say that Jack carried me. I think he really helped me out with this so big. Thank you to Jack Big shout out. And I'm excited for us to continue supporting our graduate students, and this is my 1st bill. So yay, that's all. Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Nachika. So the question is now on Bill 21 as amended. I think we'll kind of see the same thing as last time. Are there any members, I'll just ask, are there any members wishing to vote against the bill?

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Jack Rowan: Are there any members wishing to abstain on the bill.

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Jack Rowan: Okay, seeing none. That means the bill passes 22. Yes, 0, no. 0 extensions. Congratulations, Ajika and Jake.

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Jack Rowan: We'll now move on to Resolution 5 and 6. Resolution 5. So resolution 5 and 6 are both. Are both items that I have.

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Jack Rowan: are both items that I've sponsored. So Steven, would you be okay taking over the chair or like, I know we were gonna get. I was gonna give you a little placard, but

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Jack Rowan: have that I can give it. We can do it to give it to know if you need.

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Steven Medarev: Maybe if Ridwan or someone with some more experience wants to take over, I don't know what to say exactly.

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Jack Rowan: No, or red one would either of y'all be able to preside.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: I think I've seen you do it enough to where I could potentially do this. So okay.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: hold on. Y'all.

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Jack Rowan: We're recording so that so you can just pull. You can use that for the minutes later.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Yeah, that's what I was just gonna do.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, oh, my goodness, it's, now, realizing like

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: for those who aren't, aware, when you have to like when you see someone do it a bunch of times, and then you have to do it. Your mind just immediately blanks as okay.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: So. Thank you, Jack. So you have 5 min for your opening statement.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: You may begin when you are ready.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much. Noah. So the resolution 5 is basically just a little bit of last clean up from the budget. So, as you all are aware, when events happen off campus, we have to approve it by resolution. I, after budget was kind of wrapping up. I had a conversation with Jared about some of the off campus stuff, and one thing that I brought up was, well, we approved some off campus events in the budget.

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Jack Rowan: And so we were gonna go back and do a bit a bunch of resolutions for them, and I thought it might just be a good idea to to wrap it all up into one resolution and say, if we put a line item in the budget saying, you can have the event. Then we're approving the fact that it might be off campus so that's what this resolution would do would just preemptively get that out of the way for the next budget. If anything that we did not directly fund in the budget as like a line item were to be happen off campus, those would still have to be brought back here for

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Jack Rowan: for an off campus. Approval resolution in the New Year.

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Jack Rowan: So that's really, that's really all the resolutions a fairly simple one. I yield back.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Alrighty.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Thank you so much. Okay, so we are now in a period of general questioning. Right?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, does anyone have any questions for the sponsor of this bill.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Alrighty, seeing none. We are now in a period of pro. Does anyone have anything to say in favor of the bill?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, seeing none. We are in a period of con. Does anyone have anything against this bill?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: I will also entertain a motion to call question.

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Nichika Holdrum: Motion to call the question.

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George F: Okay, motion to call to question by Nachika. Does anyone second, second.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, I heard. So seconded by Lauren. So thank you. So, sponsor, you have the rest of your time. For your closing statement, you may begin whenever ready.

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Jack Rowan: Wave, flows.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Alrighty. So our representative has chosen to waive. So now I will administer the vote any. So just because

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: of how we're doing this. I'm just gonna ask if anyone is in is against this bill. If not, then we will decide. Then we will declare it past unanimously.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Alrighty, seeing nothing Bill number.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Oh, my goodness, sorry! Oh, my goodness!

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Resolution number 5! My apologies has been passed.

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Jack Rowan: Alright. Now we gotta move to 6. That's still me.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Are you? Oh, you are also 6. Okay.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: so resolution 6. The congrats resolution. Sponsor. You have 5 min to begin your opening statement whenever ready.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you. Noah. So everyone, this is so we started this up last year when we had. We also had a whole bunch of reps who graduated at the end of spring last year. And you know, 1 1 great thing about cogs is we're definitely as I

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Jack Rowan: is the amount of time that we want to spend talking about the student body, and we try to avoid navel gazing as much as possible. But I do think it is appropriate in times or in times like the end of the semester and the end of the school year, that we do take the opportunity to thank some of the representatives for the work that they've done, especially thanking the ones who are graduating this semester.

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Jack Rowan: So you will see in the resolution that I have several graduating. We tried to double check this, though, last year I've less still managed to somehow accidentally leave somebody off the resolution. So if I did, please let me know, and I am so so sorry in advance.

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Jack Rowan: But we have graduated this semester, Dr. Laura Vaughn

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Jack Rowan: Hi Lauren, Strickland, Jamila, INA

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Jack Rowan: or well oh, gosh! I screwed that up, Jamila, I'm so sorry

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Jack Rowan: it's just a lean. It's simple.

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Jack Rowan: I. It was coming out of the mouth and sounded horrible. Jared Beth Key, Madeline Guerra and I just want to thank you guys so much for all the work that you've done. Their work is mentioned in this resolution, but the words, the words on this resolution are nowhere near comprehensive for the work that they have done for this Congress, and I think it's the very least that we can do to

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Jack Rowan: thank them for that work. If this resolution passes, though I can't provide it tonight in person. I will seek to provide each representative graduating representative with a copy of the resolution as well as our cogs lapel PIN as a token of appreciation for their work here in the Congress. I want to thank you all so much for your work, and it has been just the pleasure of a lifetime to serve alongside you guys. So thank you all. And we really want to celebrate you guys for your great work.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Yes, thank you, Kiana. So much for showing the resolution.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: We really do appreciate it again. Just kind of

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: wanting to thank all representatives for their hard, due diligence.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: We greatly do appreciate you all from the bottom of our heart.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Cogs would not be what it is if it was not for you all.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, so we are now in a period of general questioning. Does anyone have any questions for the sponsor of this of the bill at this time.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, seeing none. We are now in a period of pro. Does anyone have anything to say in favor of the resolution.

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Balogun Ridwan: Yes, I just want to join Jack in appreciating these individuals. They've been so great, you know, performing well within the committees as well as the general issues affecting various students all through their time in Cox. So we so much appreciate them. And it is a huge gap, you know, for us to fill, and I hope we're able to do that in

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Balogun Ridwan: after them. So. But it is a very great gap that we are missing from from Cox. So thank you very much for your service. So we just need to support this bill. Yes.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Yes, thank you, Ridwan. Is there anyone else wishing to speak in favor at this time?

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: I just want to say I do not know if I missed hearing, but what I'm reading from the bill. I think there are 2 other people who are also graduating, but in August that's Jada and

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: Angelique.

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Shezin Waziha Hussain: Please correct me if I am wrong. I do not know, because I think, in the last meeting of Advocacy Committee, I believe they were. The ones were also supposed to graduate. So I wish them my best wishes to them to do. And okay, so there will be a resolution

at the end of summer, too. Oh, okay, all right. Okay. I just wanted to draw attention on that. Thank you.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Yes, thank you. Shazine.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: so we are still in a creative pro. Does anyone else have anything to say in favor of the resolution.

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DaSean Stokes: I'm just going to echo and say thank you to all those who have served, and I wish you all the best

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DaSean Stokes: in your next endeavors and adventures and

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DaSean Stokes: Don't forget to drink water in the summer if you're in Florida because it's hot, even after you graduate.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Yes, thank you to Sean for that wonderful advice.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Is there anyone else wishing to speak in pro at this time.

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Jamila: Can I just say, Thank you like, I really appreciate it being a part of cogs this last little bit, and this is like my 3rd time, being a part of a student government, and I will say, this is my favorite for sure. So thank you all.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Thank you, Jamila. Does anyone else have anything to say in favor of this bill?

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Luis Morales Guemarez: I would like to say something.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: I have gotten to know Jamila, Lauren and Laura at a personal level, and they have all been incredible professionals and just incredible people to work with and to be around.

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Luis Morales Guemarez: you guys have inspired me to do this, and I'm sure that you guys have also inspired many people around you. So I just wanted to extend my gratitude to you guys for setting the example for other people and for being such like committed professionals to your students and to the people around you. I just have a lot of admiration for you guys so congrats. And I wish you guys the best, the absolute best in your

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Luis Morales Guemarez: future endeavors.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Thank you, Louise. Is there anyone else wishing to speak in favor of this resolution?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, seeing none. We are now in a period of Con. Does anyone have anything to say against the resolution?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, I will also entertain a motion to call the question.

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Balogun Ridwan: It's a question.

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George F: Okay. Written one motion to call the question, Is there a second? So.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): Second.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay, I heard from 2 people. So.

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Lauren Strickland (she/hers): I'll let the second. The second person. I don't know who that was.

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George F: That was me. Thank you.

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00:46:29.760 --> 00:46:38.440

Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Okay? Seconded, by George. So, sponsor, you have the remaining time for your closing statement. You may begin whenever ready.

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Jack Rowan: I might go a little long winded on this. I'm gonna try not to cry as I go through this, but I do want I I talked a little bit in general at the beginning, but I do want to get more specific about each of these 5 members.

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Jack Rowan: Laura, you were the thing keeping me sane. In my 1st year, or my 1st term as speaker. I I definitely can get a bit passionate. Sometimes the passion can get a bit out of control, and Laura was the one who kept it was the person out of the entire exec board who kept me grounded, and who made sure that to kind of basically

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Jack Rowan: control my energy. And I would not have gotten through the 1st year without her. Lauren

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Jack Rowan: on the subject of passion. It's your passion that that drove me to do some of the work that I do here. The passion and your willingness to serve anywhere, I mean, I remember

the moment when I asked for people to serve on garlic and cold votes. I think I don't know how fast your hand went up, but it might have broken a sound barrier, and it's that passion that makes cogs work, and it makes cogs.

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Jack Rowan: The the institution that it is Jamila. The number of great conversations I have had it's got to have with you, and the

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Jack Rowan: the just, the insights that you bring have really shaped

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Jack Rowan: how this Congress works, how I work, and the the outcomes of this Congress, and it has truly been for the better.

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Jack Rowan: Jared, although he isn't here. Jared Jared probably told him this enough times. Jared. I Jared is was a workhorse as deputy speaker did so much good work in getting everything set up and hopefully setting Steven up for success as well as being someone that I've had the full good fortune to know outside of cogs as well as inside cogs.

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Jack Rowan: And last, but definitely, not least, Madeline, who also wasn't able to make it out tonight. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Madeline throughout this whole time. Even seeing Matt, I even seeing her at birds, Karaoke sometimes. And just I. She has been an amazing rep, and

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Jack Rowan: someone else said it. But you guys are leaving some very big shoes to fill, especially our in our Eds, our Ed silo. We're losing 2 of our Ed people. And if 2 people are gonna be really hard to replace so I just wanna thank you all so much for your work.

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Jack Rowan: you guys are the best. Are you true? Really are the and you guys are the things the people that

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Jack Rowan: make me proud to be a grad student here at Fsu.

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Jack Rowan: So thank you, and I yield.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Sorry. Thank you. Sponsor.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: So we will now motion to call to question

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: So just how? Just as we've been doing before.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: This will be done with the unanimous consent, unless anyone objects, so are there any objections

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: already, seeing none?

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Sponsor resolution? 6 has passed.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you guys so much. That does take us to the end of our business. For the evening. I will say to to the representatives I mentioned. They're in the resolution again. I will reach out to you guys. Over the next few days. And we'll try to get top of the resolutions, as well as some of the lapel pins lapel PIN to each of y'all before you leave Tallahassee, because I want you all to have something to to remember us by. And hopefully look back fondly on your time here in cogs.

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Jack Rowan: I'm gonna

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Jack Rowan: I think I'm gonna pause. The recording the recording at this part. Because we'll now move into the roundtable. And I just don't wanna have this report. I don't have this recording, of course, for y'all say then we'll move and and we'll now move into closing announcements. So are there any members of any closing announcements. I would just want to give one real quick just to reset everybody when it comes to summer

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Jack Rowan: budget. Report a few few things that I want to talk about a little bit higher up in the meeting. We're still waiting on getting the budget report back. It is in printing right now I've seen a proof. I've gotten a proof of it. It is very beautiful. I'm very happy with it. And I do hope to be able to get you guys copies of it.

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Jack Rowan: When I get it in I will reach out. If

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Jack Rowan: I'll probably send something in the group chat as well as an email, just trying to figure out a distribution plan for it. So each of you guys can get a copy of it.

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Jack Rowan: But you guys can get a copy of it as soon as possible, hopefully get it sometime this week or early next week. And then I think the real last thing is summer. As a reminder, we do have, I believe, 5 summer meetings the 1st of those will be May 19th that's the 3rd month or the 3rd Monday of May.

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Jack Rowan: is that right?

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00:51:49.160 --> 00:52:02.985

Jack Rowan: Yeah. May 19.th alright. So that'll be our 1st meeting, and again we'll have. We'll have it hopefully in person at the Union. Of course, there'll be updates if that changes. With an online option for those who will be out of town.

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Jack Rowan: I hope to see you all there again. Make sure to fill a certain summer survey out. So we know if you are going to go on a leave of absence, or if we need to get you a waiver, we'll process all of that. Probably in the next few weeks. We'll have it processed before the 19.th But I think that's about it. Yeah, thank you. Guys, are there any other closing announcements?

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Jack Rowan: If none, then is there a motion to adjourn.

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DaSean Stokes: Motion to adjourn.

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Jack Rowan: Deshawn, moves to adjourn. Is there a second.

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Balogun Ridwan: Is that kind of there.

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Jack Rowan: Seconded by Ridwan. Is there any objection to the motion?

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00:52:48.710 --> 00:53:02.939

Jack Rowan: Seeing none? I. Our next meeting is May 19, th 6 30 Pm. Hopefully, in the Senate chambers with a zoom option for those out of town. This meeting is officially adjourned at 7 40 Pm. Thank you. All.

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Kyanna Austin: Thank you. Good night all bye.



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill/Resolution #: 22

Sponsor(s): Speaker Rowan

Short Title: An Act Authorizing the Law School Council to Elect Leadership When Elections for At-Large Members are Uncontested

Summary of Legislation:

The bill authorizes the Law School Council (LSC) to elect its Vice Chair and Treasurer internally when the election of at-large members is uncontested. Current law does not account for situations where at-large elections are uncontested.

Background Information:

Bill #35 of the Thirty-First Congress, the Law School Governance Reform Act (LSGRA), overhauled the LSC chapter of COGS Code in several ways. One of those ways includes transitioning from a wholly-appointed board to a hybrid board where seven members are elected (one Chair and six at-large members), three are appointed by the Student Bar Association, and three are the College of Law's COGS Representatives, who sit as ex-officio voting members.

As part of that reform, LSGRA also prescribed that the Vice Chair and Treasurer of LSC be selected through the at-large members election, with the candidate receiving the most votes being the Vice Chair and the candidate with the second-most votes being the Treasurer.

In the Spring 2025 Student Bar Association elections, there were only six candidates for the six at-large seats on LSC. Therefore, the members were elected unopposed and there was no vote. Therefore, there was no way to determine which candidate becomes the Vice Chair and which one becomes the Treasurer.

The bill creates an exception for situations like this, allowing the new LSC board to elect its Vice Chair and Treasurer through an internal process. Only the at-large members will be eligible to be Vice Chair or Treasurer.

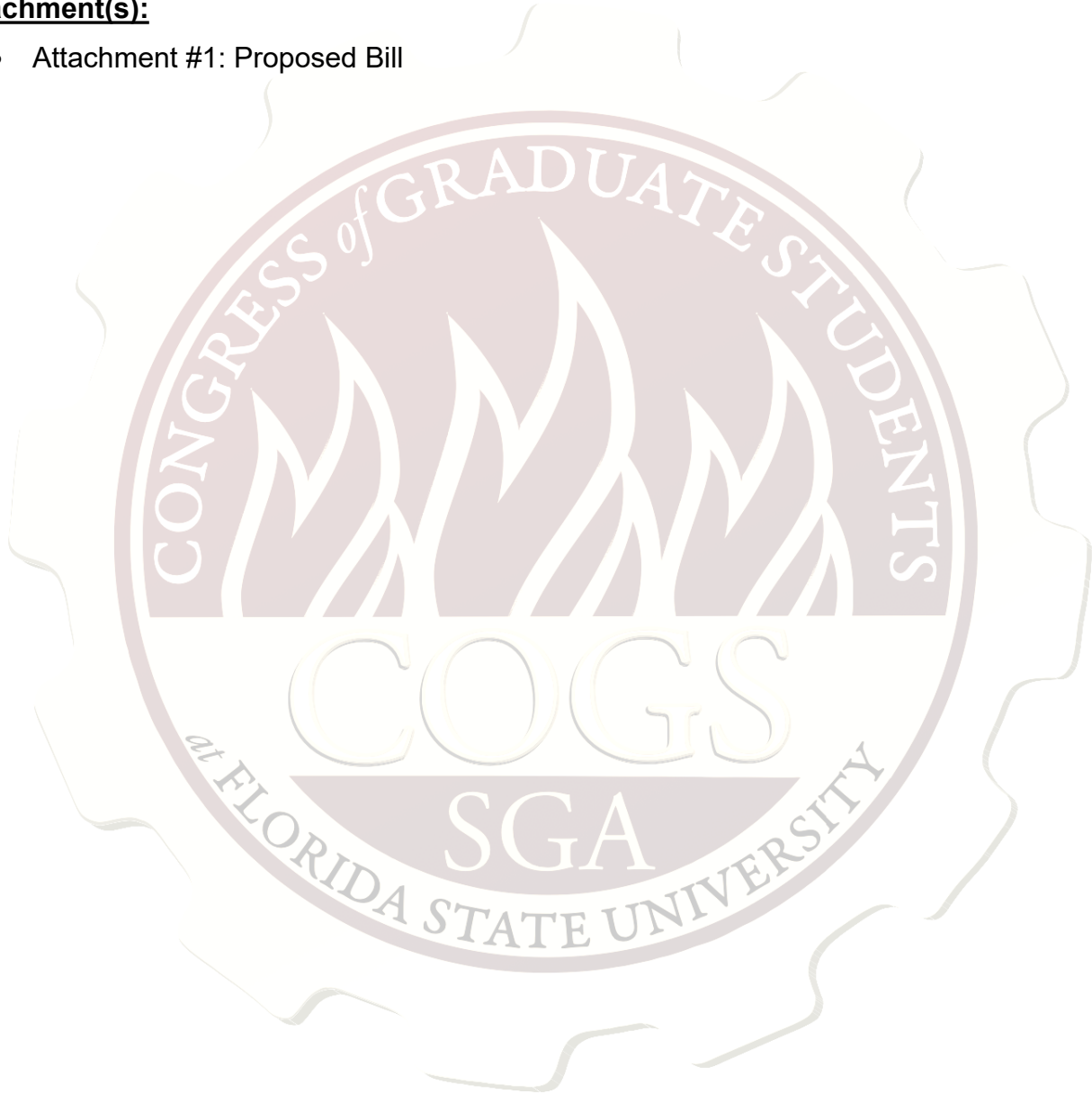
Effect of Proposed Legislation:

The bill authorizes the Law School Council (LSC) to elect its Vice Chair and Treasurer internally when the election of at-large members is uncontested.

The bill also applies retroactively, insofar as is necessary to authorize the newly-elected LSC to elect its Vice Chair and Treasurer internally.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Bill





COGS Bill #: 22

Sponsor(s): Speaker Rowan

AN ACT

Authorizing the Law School Council to Elect Leadership When Elections for At-Large Members are Uncontested

1 ***Be it enacted by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University that:***

2 **Section 1. Amendment to COGS Code Chapter 300, "The Law School Council".**

3 Section 300.4 of the Florida State University COGS Code, entitled "The Executive Officers" is
4 hereby amended to read:

- 5 a. The at-large candidate who receives the most votes at the Spring election shall become the
6 Vice Chair of the LSC. The at-large candidate who receives the second-most votes at the
7 Spring election shall become the Treasurer of the LSC.
8 b. If there are not more candidates for the at-large seats than open seats at the Spring election,
9 the Vice Chair and Treasurer of the LSC shall be elected from the at-large members at the first
10 meeting of the new LSC board.

11 **Section 2. Retroactivity.**

12 This act shall have retroactive effect insofar that the LSC board elected at the 2025 Spring SBA
13 elections shall be authorized to elect its Vice Chair and Treasurer through the provisions of § 300.4(b)
14 due to the unopposed nature of the at-large elections.

15 **Section 3. Effective Date.**

16 The provisions of this bill shall take effect upon signature of the Vice President for Student Affairs.

DONE AND PASSED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida State University this DAY
of MONTH, YEAR.

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

COMMITTEE REFERENCES AND DATES OF PASSAGE:

- Deputy Speaker to Add Committee References and Dates of Passage

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

Date: _____

By: _____
Andy Johnson, Program Director
Student Governance & Advocacy

Date: _____

By: _____
Dr. Amy Hecht
Vice President for Student Affairs

Date: _____