



THE THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Calendar: July 7, 2025

Location: Senate Chambers

Time: 6:30 PM

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Reading and Approval of the Minutes

- COGS 06/02/25 Meeting Minutes

Petitions into the Assembly

- Arezoo Bakhshizadeh- At-Large, Seat 1
- Rasleen Kaur- CCI, Seat 2

Special Introductions and Student Comments

Messages from Student Government

Report from the Office of Governmental Affairs

Report of Officers

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

Advisor Announcements

Committee Report

- Internal Affairs
- Student Advocacy
- Outreach

Funding Requests

- Bill #24: Medical School Council Fall 2025 Budget
- Bill #25: COGS Speaker Request

Unfinished Business

- Bill #23: The Congressional Organizational Session Act of 2025

New Business

- Resolution #8: The Dr. Mark Riley Congratulations Resolution
- Resolution #9: New Logo Resolution

Round Table

Closing Announcements

Adjournment

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Jack Rowan: All right. Time is 6, 33 Pm. I call this meeting to order.

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Jack Rowan: We will. We don't have flag here, so we will skip past pledge. But I will ask I just for quick indulgence at the top of the meeting, as I'm sure many of you all saw on Friday John Brasher, former president of the University, passed away after a brief battle of cancer. president Brasher was live for things over the course of his life

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Jack Rowan: soldier. He was a Senator, Speaker of the House of Representatives here in Florida, and of course the President University. I'll say to me he was professor. I had class with him. This just this past semester that he helped co-teach, and working with him was just the absolute best.

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Jack Rowan: I I didn't really get to know. I didn't really see that much of my undergrad, but seeing him up close in law school, this man was every story they tell about him. I tell you believe it, because if it seems grand, it is because this man was grand, so if y'all would just indulge me one second, and just rise for a quick moment of silence in his memory.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much.

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Jack Rowan: We'll now proceed to the roll. Call.

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Jack Rowan: Jake.

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Jack Rowan: See you out there.

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Jake Aboulhosn: It froze. But I'm here.

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Jack Rowan: Shadeen.

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Shahin: Hi! I'm here. Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Noah.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Here.

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Jack Rowan: Red one

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Jack Rowan: absent Jada.

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Jack Rowan: Oh, well, no, but thank you. So he was here. Jada absent, George absent, Diego absent? Ahad.

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Fahad Hasan: I'm here.

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Jack Rowan: She is absent. Excuse Shazine.

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Jack Rowan: Isaiah's absent excuse. Steven, Luis Islamia absent. I'm here. Seema deshawn here. Taylor.

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Taylor Torres: Yeah.

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Angelique Tran: Here.

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Jack Rowan: And William. Here we have a quorum

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Jack Rowan: bringing approval. The minutes from May 19, th 2025. Does anybody have any corrections to the minutes.

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Jack Rowan: seeing none? Is there a motion to approve the minutes deshawn.

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Jack Rowan: deshawn, moves to approve the minutes. Is there a second seconded by Shazine? Is there any objection to approval of the minutes.

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Jack Rowan: Seeing none. The minutes stand approved. We were to have a petitioner tonight, however, our Zoo has asked us to postpone consideration until our next. So we will do that at our next meeting.

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Jack Rowan: Okay, we're going to quickly pass over to advisor announcements because we do have an introduction as part of that. So I 1st want to pass it over to Andy, who's here tonight? I make a special appearance tonight. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good evening, everybody

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Jack Rowan: for those. I think there's a small number of you in the meeting who I haven't had the opportunity to meet yet. My name is Andy Johnson. I'm the program director for student governance and advocacy here at Fsu, basically the Sga advising office. So for those of you

who I haven't met yet you haven't seen a lot of me, because, frankly, you've been in the very capable, advising hands of the inimitable Kiana Austin.

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Jack Rowan: who obviously helps us with advising cogs and a few other areas of Sga. I'm here tonight to make a special introduction. We have a new member on the advising team who just started with us on Friday, and that is Tanner McKinley Tanner. McKinley comes to us from Northwest Florida State College. We are thrilled to have Tanner on the team with us again. He's going to be assistant director for Sga. Policy and budget, meaning, you know, what you would normally think of as kind of primary branches or offices of Sga. Like the student body, President's office.

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Jack Rowan: the student Senate cogs, elections, student body, Supreme Court. Those sort of things those are going to be in Tanner's wheelhouse just as they are in mine, and many of those are again in Keanu's wheelhouse again as well.

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Jack Rowan: But I'm gonna in just a moment. I'm gonna ask Tanner to give a brief introduction, say a few words and say Hello, but I wanted to be here to not only introduce Tanner. But to give you all a briefing of kind of what to expect from your advising office. Of course Kiana will continue to work with y'all you know, primarily advising cogs.

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Jack Rowan: But I want everybody to know to the the way that we operate is really kind of like a no wrong door. Sort of thing right? There may be times where I don't know if Kiana's on vacation which she is absolutely entitled to and encouraged to take much more often than she does. But you know, if you're ever coming around the office, if if you're trying to reach Kiana in the office or on email. And she's not around. For example, you can always come to myself as hopefully, you all know. You can come to Tanner and it's a no wrong door approach. So we're doing a little mind, Meld, right now, right? We're doing a little

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Jack Rowan: you know, a a fusing of the brain, so to speak. So we get Tanner up to speed as as quickly as possible. But that said, I want to hand over to Tanner just to to say a few words to say Hello.

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Jack Rowan: Oops!

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Jack Rowan: As Andy said. My name is Jared McKinley, Gonna be joining the Sga team. I'm really excited to be working with all of you guys. Of course, coming to the 1st cogs meeting. I'm really excited to be here today.

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Jack Rowan: You know, I've only asked Andy a hundred questions in the past 2 days. So I appreciate the the patience he's had. Like I said, like Mr. Andy said. You know, if you ever have need anything for me? Please let me know. I'll be happy to help out. Stay true. So you know. Don't ask me too intense questions. Yeah, I'm still learning. But yeah, it's been a great resource for my 1st couple of days to her. Have privilege. Had a lunch with

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Jack Rowan: Speaker today. So it was great meeting him, one on one and getting to know him more. But yeah, whatever you need, let me know and

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Jack Rowan: can't wait to learn from you guys. So thank you.

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Jack Rowan: And and tanner coordinated raider life at at Northwest Florida State College. Right? So student affairs side you know, we we love bringing Tanner on board because

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Jack Rowan: he he comes from the perspective of, you know, kind of a small advising shop, but that also means that in addition to advising the student government over there, he was doing all kinds of other things, too, right? So purchasing travel, event, planning all the other things that you know the different branches and offices within. Sg, you know, do

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Jack Rowan: so. He's going to be extremely well rounded, coming in the door, also proud to announce that we did invite in, as I always like to do, student leadership from throughout Sga into the interview process. Because I want to get y'all feedback as well right on who we're going to hire in the to really work with. Y'all very directly. And Tanner was absolutely the you know, the highest rated candidate that we had brought in for an interview. So he's the one that was most

supported by the students and and our staff members as well. That were part of the interview process. So happy to have him on board

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Jack Rowan: with that I don't know if you want to count, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Andy, as well container. And, by the way, that that all being said, if you have any very detailed budget questions, ask him before he leaves. Do you have any other announcements for us

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Jack Rowan: for everyone who joined this summer?

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Jack Rowan: I don't think that I have any updates. We are in the process. Steven and I are working on all the Grants. So if you guys are getting questions with that, just, you know, let us know. But we're going through that just with the transition and everything. So just if anyone's coming through a question, see you specifically, just let us know.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much. Good night. Have a good night.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: All right. So we're going back into our agenda into the agenda order with special introduction student comments. Any members of the public, wishing to speak, seeing none, messages from student government, seeing none for the office. Governmental affairs. There's none. Report of the officers

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Jack Rowan: trying to think what I have for you guys tonight. It is for those who this is your 1st summer with cogs. Welcome to the doldrums. June is June is one of the sleepest months in cogs, because accounting has all of our books shut down as they prepare for the start of the next fiscal year. So no organizations need to transfer funds which, as most of you know, it's like 80% of our work.

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Jack Rowan: So I will try to keep you guys a little bit busy they'll also try to get us out of here at a decent hour. I'll just let you all know that next our next meeting, which is June 16, th is the annual meeting that I am out for. I will still be reachable. If you need to get a hold of me. I just might be slow and getting back to you. But I won't be here for the meeting. Steven will be presiding in my absence, so please go easy on him. Don't kill him too hard

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Jack Rowan: other than that as a reminder. The Board of trustees are meeting next week, I believe. The end of next week to they'll be voting on the activity and service fee increase as well as a few other local fees, and I think they still comment window open for that if you want to comment on that. Otherwise, if you look at our but our agenda for tonight, you do see that there are 2 pieces of legislation on there. Bill 23

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Jack Rowan: and though it isn't specifically noted for that bill, 23 is going to be purely for discussion only tonight. I will not be asking us to take a final vote on Bill 23. Usually, this is kind of what we'll do in summer if they're big. If there are larger code bills, because internal affairs doesn't usually meet is that they'll come for a night for discussion, and then we'll take care of it at the. I will actually have a vote on it, and final debate at our next meeting after any changes.

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Jack Rowan: But other than that I don't think I have anything else, so I will pass it on to the report of the Deputy Speaker for finance. Steven gave you all the update that we have over here that I got the email all set up on my phone. And I've begun going through the grant applications. Now, we have about 68 outstanding. So going to be cracking into that, starting tomorrow morning during office hours. And I'll be replying to emails as well as much and catching up as much as I can, so

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Jack Rowan: please, by any means, if there's any that need to be directly brought to my attention, please just let me know, and I'll try to get to those as soon as I can. But besides anything other than that, I look forward to leading a meeting.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Steven, reporter, the deputy Speaker for communications. Noah.

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Noah Kirchmeyer-Baez: Hi, everyone. I hope that you all are doing well. Not a lot to report on my end. Currently. Just figuring out the finalization of a new cogs logo, which has been a very interesting time. Hopefully, that will get done soon so that can be presented to you all. I hope to have it done by next meeting, and then starting off a purchase request for all of the merchandise.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much. Noah recorded back on. Okay, not yet. We might circle back to him if he makes it on report. The deputy speaker for advocacy to sean

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Jack Rowan: so I am working on some projects

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Jack Rowan: for advocacy in the fall and spring to try to

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Jack Rowan: We get started on some of the things we talked about in our brainstorming session that we had in the in the spring. So I'm working with Dr. Levendall and Dr. Green on some housing questions, leadership, opportunities and certificates and events, as well as working on a unity walk that we were going to try to do in the spring. But

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Jack Rowan: and

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Jack Rowan: some other items just be there and present for our students in a random way, and hopefully, more collaboration with

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Jack Rowan: something like outreach commute. So that's all I have.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you very much to Shawn. Speaking of Outreach Committee, we go into the committee. Reports committees were supposed to meet last week. But then I completely forgot that it was Memorial Day. So committees did not meet unless somebody tells me otherwise.

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Jack Rowan: Okay, so one thing that we talked about at our exact meeting this past week that I want to talk to you guys all about is committee assignments for the summer, because after discussions look like we will not be. Oh, I not have the Advocacy Committee meeting this summer as we're finalizing some things with the strategic plan and trying to get to the end of that because of that, there are like

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Jack Rowan: 10 of y'all who don't have a committee assignment right now. But if you want to stay like that, that is perfectly fine. However, we only have 3 people on our Outreach committee right now, and our outreach committee will be very necessary, especially in late July and early August, as we do orientations. So if you are, if you currently are not, if you were on the Advocacy Committee back in spring, and you would

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Jack Rowan: like to serve on the Outreach Committee for just the summer alone. Please email me as soon as possible we will put. We can put you on the Outreach Committee temporarily again, the big work on that is going to mainly be helping to organize and then going to present at orientations for the summer. We last summer we did 27 departments something like that, and that was covered on a team of maybe 6 of us.

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Jack Rowan: With me doing like a lot of them. I would hope that you guys can do a lot more of that. So if you would like to serve on outreach this summer, please reach out and we'll hopefully get those meetings started back up next week for real this time

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Jack Rowan: but moving on with the agenda, we have no funding request or any unfinished business. Before moving to, we'll start with Resolution 7. As it's our one piece of real business tonight. So for that I'm sponsoring it. So I will pass the chair over to Steven.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you, Speaker.

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Jack Rowan: With that I'll go ahead and open the floor for

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Jack Rowan: thank you very much, Mr. Chair. So bills are. Resolution 7. I know it's oh, wait wrong

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Jack Rowan: looking at the wrong thing on my agenda. I'm sorry. Yep, Resolution 7 is a resolution congratulating the student body president of Fsu on being elected as the chair of the Florida Student Association and proposing a revision to Chapter 607 of student body statutes. Basically, this resolution acts in 2 different parts that are basically related to the same thing. The Florida Student Association is an entity created by Florida statutes that consists of the student body presidents of all

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Jack Rowan: 12 State universities here in Florida. They get together at once a year or multiple times a year, but every spring they get together and elect a chair from amongst them. That chair serves on the Florida Board of Governors, which is the body that oversees the entire State University system. On this past Friday, Carson Dale, our student Vice President was elected by a vote of 10 to

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Jack Rowan: one to one as the chair of the Florida Student Association, which is the

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Jack Rowan: 4th time in 5 years that the Fsu student body President has served as chair of the Fsa. As part of his platform for running for the Fsa. Chair, he proposed the creation of a graduate student committee sitting underneath the Fsa. Board of Directors, where a graduate representative from each university would be able to meet with the other graduate representatives and work on developing policies

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Jack Rowan: and developing legislative items for advocacy to the State legislature that would benefit graduates and professional students across Florida in order to get that body together while they're getting the bylaw changes ready, each university will have to designate in their governing

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Jack Rowan: statutes. Who that person is. So this bill, in addition to congratulating President Dale on his election, also proposes to Senate that they pass a bill changing chapter 607, which deals with cogs to say that the Speaker will serve on that committee. If you pass the resolution tonight, the bill will be introduced on 1st reading in the Senate on Wednesday.

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Jack Rowan: It is a power that cogs has under student by statutes to directly propose legislation to the Senate. We haven't used it since I have been in cogs. But perhaps this could be the 1st of at least a few times that we use this to try to make changes that support graduate students and propose changes that help graduate students. So with that, I'd be happy to answer any questions.

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Jack Rowan: Anybody got questions on Zoom.

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Jack Rowan: all right. Well, if we have no questions. We will have a time for a period of pro. Does anyone have anything to say in favor of this bill?

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Jack Rowan: Yes.

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Jack Rowan: like Jack would be a fantastic person to be on the committee. So I think that's a great idea.

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Jack Rowan: I just want to know if, like the representation of graduate students from each 12 university, it adds like, is it like volunteer presentation? How do they go about representing, like each like you said there should be representative for this committee, like there are 1212 State universities. So each university will have a bureau. How do you? Mostly?

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Jack Rowan: Yeah. So the way that we've set in the way that the proposed bylaw changes. And again, these bylaw changes haven't been officially enacted by Fsa. But it is hoped that they will do that at their next meeting, and the current draft of those bylaw changes says that each

university student government determines by their procedures. So in our case, statutes would determine who that is.

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Jack Rowan: I will say that it's probably unlikely that we will get all 12 universities there, because Florida, Polytechnic, and New College

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Jack Rowan: both have, I believe, under 100 graduate students on campus. So it's probably likely that we won't get all 12 there. But if we can get as many as possible, then hopefully, we can get some a lot better grad student representation.

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Jack Rowan: And I will say, for some universities it'll be very easy. Us Uf and Usf. All have bodies that are already built for the representation of graduate students, and can just easily bring somebody from them. But some of our other universities might have to come up with better ways or with their own way of selecting a graduate student representative

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Jack Rowan: any more pros or curious pros.

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Jack Rowan: and we'll show you.

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Shahin: I think this is a great initiative that you are taking from Cox. One person

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Shahin: is representing Fsu.

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Shahin: At the same time, a lot of issues are around graduate student that

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Shahin: need to be solved through the State.

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Shahin: I think this. I really appreciate this initiative.

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Shahin: Thank you.

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Jack Rowan: Further

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Jack Rowan: great, with no more than we can go ahead. And now enter a period of time. Does anyone have anything to say?

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Jack Rowan: And I undertake a motion to call the question, I move to call the question.

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Jack Rowan: can I get a second second

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Jack Rowan: sponsor? You have time for a closing statement if you wish. And just for the recording shazine was the second on that motion. Yeah, just really, briefly, thank you all for your very kind comments. I will say that one of the other hopes that are being in these bylaw changes is holding business meetings of Fsa. And its committees. Once in the fall, once in the spring. If that does end up happening, and this change does pass.

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Jack Rowan: we'll be able to attend the fall business meeting before my term speaker ends. My hope is that in doing that there's gonna be a lot of prep before that working with our other members to try to figure and figure out ahead of time some of the things we don't have, so we can make efficient time of our work or efficient use of our time. I will want to work with you all. Y'all on Zoom, and our new members, who will join us in the fall to try to figure out what Fsu wants to bring to the table

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Jack Rowan: for priorities for the upcoming legislative session, and I will have more to talk with you all about that hopefully in the early fall. So thank you. And I close. Thank you. Sponsor. No time for the vote.

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Jack Rowan: do we need to motion it for a vote, or we can just go. So everyone anyone in favor of the vote, please go ahead and raise your hand. Now.

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Jack Rowan: 6,

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Jack Rowan: you might wanna yeah, yeah, if you're on zoom, please, like, either raise your hand or put a thumbs up.

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Jack Rowan: didn't know it moved

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Jack Rowan: great, oh, yeah, okay.

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Jack Rowan: please raise your hand, now.

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Jack Rowan: I'll give you all some time to shake your hands down from the previous yess, I love the hybrid perfect, and any abstention votes. Please raise your hands down

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Jack Rowan: great. Well, a majority vote 13 yeses, 0 nos and 0 extensions. This bill does pass. Thank you. Sponsor. Thank you very much, guys.

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Jack Rowan: We'll get that signed. And it again, like I said, the bill that was attached on the bill that was attached to the agenda item will be up in front of Senate. It'll be on 1st reading on Senate Wednesday night.

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Jack Rowan: sure.

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Jack Rowan: We will now move on to the discussion of Bill 23. Since we're not gonna take this to a full to full vote. I'll just preside for this, and just very briefly, introduce the bill. And then I really want to hear from you guys about it. Because this does have some fairly big changes on cogs. And I want to hear thoughts from everyone here and on zoom. So the proposed bill in front of you, which is Bill.

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Jack Rowan: it'll be proposed. Bill 23 is the Congressional Organizational Session Act of 2025. Amending chapter 111 of cogs code, which deals with cogs elections, both election of representatives and election of our officers. It amends it to create an organizational session for cogs

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Jack Rowan: that would occur between fall elections and fall inauguration, where the members elect for the next Congress would meet and elect their Speaker and Deputy Speakers for the next Congress. It stands right now at the 1st meeting of each Congress which happens after fall inauguration.

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Jack Rowan: the 1st thing the Congress does is elected speakers and deputy speakers. Typically, that's most of our business. On our 1st meeting we might have a few holdover bills, but probably not

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Jack Rowan: what this bill would do is it would take those elections and move it into a completely separate meeting that would hopefully happen about 2 weeks before that

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Jack Rowan: the idea behind that is basically to give some time for a real transition period, so that if there is turnover like, for instance, there will be in the Speakership this fall there should be. I would like to see a period of time between when the person is elected and when they take office, that there can be some training and getting them ready to get into the role

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Jack Rowan: and also set them up so that they can take office at fall inauguration and not have to have a weird waiting period like we do right now, where, from fall inauguration to the 1st meeting, the old exec board is acting in the role.

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Jack Rowan: So this would try to get and create some more structure around it. Additionally, it creates more structure around the actual election process for Speaker, requiring that members who would like to be candidates for Speaker file a form with the outgoing Speaker, declaring their candidacy and showing that they have at least 2 members supporting their candidacy.

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Jack Rowan: On that. You can see more details in the bill itself, but that about what is included in that bill or in that form. But I would like to specifically show

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Jack Rowan: that one thing that would be included in there is a declaration from the candidate that they will not graduate during the term they're seeking election for. That's 1 thing I want to particularly flag for you guys, because I know that that might be a point of discussion. I will tell you my reason. My reason behind it is that prior to me, becoming speaker, we had 3 speakers, who, or 4 speakers who did not complete a full term.

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Jack Rowan: Each of them completed a term varying from 4 months to 8 months. And we did not have a full. A speaker. Sorry. Full term going all the way back until 2021.

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Jack Rowan: There's about a 3, 2, and a half to 3 Year Gap, where no speakers are a full term, and that caused a lot of problems for cogs. So my hope is that this bill could allow us to have speakers serve a full term. So you have that stability, at least with the top leadership of the body.

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Jack Rowan: There are a couple of other smaller changes on it, but a lot of those changes just relate to getting it all to work like certifying election, like whence elections are certified. How that's done. And I'd be happy to answer any questions of the technical side of that. But the real substantial changes here are creating an organizational session to elect leadership and having a more solid process for electing speakers.

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Jack Rowan: So with that I will turn it over to you guys if you have any questions about the bill. If you want to talk about the bill, we won't take any motions to amend the bill tonight, because we're not considering it in a formal posture. But if you have any suggested changes, please talk about them here or feel free to email me. And we can work on trying to put together amendments for

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Jack Rowan: not this next meeting, because I'll be gone. But the our 1st meeting in July is when we'll take this bill up formally. And so we have a full month to work on changes depend depending on what you guys have to say.

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Jack Rowan: So I'll throw. I'll throw the floor open. If anybody on zoom or in person has any comments or questions about the bill. Luis.

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Jake Aboulhosn: Hey, everybody! Can you hear me?

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Jake Aboulhosn: Bigger.

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Jack Rowan: We can hear you.

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Jake Aboulhosn: Awesome. I think this is a great idea, part of my job. I work closely with the association of retired faculty and staff.

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Jake Aboulhosn: and they do something similar to where they

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Jake Aboulhosn: elect the day. In the Presidential election. They also in the middle of the year, have the President elect that basically just gets to follow around the current president, and it works out really well for them. So I think this is a great idea, and I'm totally for it.

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Jack Rowan: Yes, would that be something that's specific to the speaker of the body? Or is that something that would apply to the deputy speakers as well or just the top of the ticket. So, as the bill, or as the bill is currently written, it would only apply to the speaker. I'd be happy to entertain any conversation about conversation or changes about that. I will say that my rationale behind it

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Jack Rowan: was we are a bit more used to the deputy speakers having a bit more frequent turnover. Mainly finance finance has been our role where we've had the most turnover we've had. Oh, I think Steven is Steven the 4, th my 4th deputy Speaker for finance in 2 years. I. So that's where we've had a whole lot of turnover in because we tend to have a lot of master's students. Take this. I take that role.

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Jack Rowan: Steven's the 1st Phd student to take this up in a while. But

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Jack Rowan: so it wouldn't require have that requirement for the deputy speakers. But if you would like to talk about that further, I'd be happy to have that conversation.

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Jack Rowan: The deputy super for finance serves as the speaker on an acting basis. But they it's it's quite literally only until the next meeting. So if

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Jack Rowan: it works the same for graduation or resignation. So if I were to, if if the if the meeting ended and I was, and I walked out of the room, and I said, I resign. I? Then Steven would be acting speaker until our meeting on the 16, th and then the 1st thing he would have to do is call an election for the next speaker.

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Jack Rowan: That's pretty much it. Yeah, to get some clarification. So is there gonna be like, is there a requirement gonna be? Actually, is the requirement gonna be that the person cannot have a graduation expected graduation day throughout the duration of their whole term? Or is it like something like like the term goes from August to August? Correct November to November. Okay?

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Jack Rowan: So so basically, if you were I the the big thing would be if you were if if you became Speaker. Say, if you become speaker in this upcoming November you would be when you're filing. If you. If this still passes, you'd be filing a form that says, I do not plan to graduate in fall 2025

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Jack Rowan: spring, 2026, or summer, 2026

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Jack Rowan: at the earliest you would be Gra, the earliest you would be graduating would be fall 2026

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Jack Rowan: shazine. Did I see you have your hand up. This is not if we can like, you know. I think there's points should be in a continuation, because, as I said, it disrupts. If a person is graduating, and then being holding this position that it disrupts, I think similar. I do not know if that book I'm just reading through it, but I think the similar should be applied to vice. Sorry.

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Jack Rowan: yeah. Sorry, deputy speaker, because they are working in conjunction with the speaker. Right? So if one, I think one of the deputy speakers, because we have a lot of things going on that disrupts the functionality of the whole thing, because then again, you have to have somebody step in as an acting, and then take off from that. So it would be. It would be wise to have both of them have one whole academic year to hold this.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, I I definitely. I definitely think that there's a valid I there's a valid point behind that. I would just say the counterpoint to that is that if you find that

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Jack Rowan: it could, it could lock out most master students from being able to serve in line to serve in in any part of leadership. I I mean, it's definitely could be made the argument that if the master students would probably get locked out I would might get locked out of the Speakership if as fast, unless they were getting on their 1st year. But for the time. But if you did for all of them, there's a very strong argument that it would probably make it impossible for most master students to be able to do it unless they like.

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Jack Rowan: got into cogs in the fall, and immediately said, I want to go be an exec then they could serve a full year. But that's typically not the case, for most of our master's student representatives

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Jack Rowan: are most of our representative classrooms.

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Jack Rowan: Let me look at it. Let me count

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Jack Rowan: for. Yeah. I'm thinking also the students that have one year programs, which is pretty minor, so that will benefit to the deputies.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, we have. We have 8 who are on. We have 8 representatives right out of our 20 who are here. We have 8 who are on a master's, and then I'm on a 3 year program for law. And then there's Chica and George, who, while they're technically on 4 year degrees. In reality, it's 1 year because of the weirdness of the medical school and the fact that they leave Tallahassee after their second year.

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Jack Rowan: So med students, while they might. So Md. Med students, while they might have technically 4 years in their program, really ensure, they only have 2, and because they have an Msc election process, they really only have one year.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah.

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Jack Rowan: do you think you may not know the answer to this? The previous speakers, and even maybe the deputy speaker of finances that have kind of stepped down in the middle of their serving terms. Do you think that was due to them, knowing beforehand that they were going to graduate, or circumstances came up, and they had to graduate

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Jack Rowan: like when they before like after they ran for, so I will tell you that I well, I can't speak for anyone who come who came

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Jack Rowan: too too far before me. Most of most of the situations, all the situations that occurred, while, like for the Deputy Speaker, finance, while I've been Speaker, have all been expected. They have been the persons coming into the role on the understanding of take. Take Jared, for instance.

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Jack Rowan: Jared was coming into the role as a second year's master's student on the understanding that he was graduating in spring. And the understanding was, we're gonna get, you know, 6, 5, or 6 months 5 or 6 months actually longer, because he started in the beginning of the fall. So he was closer to like 8 months of service, and we knew that that was gonna come open at the end of spring.

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Jack Rowan: Right? Well, then, with that it sounds like this could help fix this according to our previous track record. And then one suggestion I may have to say, as a compromise with what you brought up is maybe have the one year guarantee you

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Jack Rowan: requirements for the 2 positions, speaker and finance that way. There's always going to be a number one and then a a backup guarantee for the entire year, and then that still allows the one year 2 years of master's students opportunity to

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Jack Rowan: contributed to a leadership role in the executive as well, yeah, I was just gonna say to that question, one, Susan? Oh, yeah, the one Susan had to take for was because he had a position.

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Jack Rowan: So that's unexpected, like someone getting a job here to get jobs. So right now it's kind of dicey. So sometimes, if he's, it's easy for them to learn, it's unexpected. So that's why. So I know that one. And then, even to your other point. Susan had to switch to speakers because she was that she

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Jack Rowan: well, she did probably hold those elections. No one was taking it. So she just kept and kept, and then it was her. So then that leaves deputy and finance opening. That was also kind of how we just

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Jack Rowan: we're much better now, but that's kind of how we got involved.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, I I think that could be a fair point. So I will. I will say for finance. I I could. There's very. There's a very easy argument that can be made for that, because

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Jack Rowan: y'all, y'all, thankfully don't have to see a lot of the work that Stephen and all the clients have to do. But it's a fairly technical job of having to deal with the Grants until we get the Grant assistant at some point hopefully, spring. I. But it's a very technical job that requires a good bit of training before being able to fully get going and fully be able to process those applications. So maybe requiring

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Jack Rowan: year on that could be a way to go forward on it.

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Jack Rowan: Is there anybody else who wants to speak on it, either here or on zoom?

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Jack Rowan: Great question. So there's a few. There's a few things that can go about with that.

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Jack Rowan: I will say

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Jack Rowan: I'll start with the most informal answer, which is the informal answer is, what typically happens in cogs, which is. There's an open position, and there's nobody who's really chomping at the bit, and it tends to come down to the current leadership going, hey? You would be really great at this role. You should really go for it. You should really consider it like, we know you're busy. We're all busy, you know. You should do this.

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Jack Rowan: The formal mechanisms for it. Technically, under our current rules, we have to elect all of our leadership before we gavel out our 1st meeting.

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Jack Rowan: So theoretically, we could basically hold the room hostage now, in practice, everyone could just leave. We lose quorum, and then we have to adjourn. But in theory we could basically lock the doors and just go all right. Someone's gotta be someone's gotta be deputy speaker for judicial affairs or else we're not leaving.

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Jack Rowan: Got it? Okay? That's good to know. Yeah, I will say we have had one. We have had one situation where? Oh.

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Jack Rowan: where we put I it was going into. It was going into last summer, where we put an I where we basically opened. We had

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Jack Rowan: Josh, who was the outgoing deputy Speaker. Finance resign. At his final meeting. We opened the 4 nominations, and no one, not no one, nominated for it, and then we appointed, or we appointed Chris to serve in an act on an acting basis. And then he was elected at our 1st summer meeting. So that is a possibility, for like a mid cycle vacancy. But by the rules, at the beginning of each Congress, we're supposed to basically lock the doors.

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Jack Rowan: That's a good thing you got in there.

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Jack Rowan: It's gonna look like that one pastor's church. Oh, sure, it's lock the doors.

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Jack Rowan: Is there anyone else who has any comments on the bill.

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Jack Rowan: No, at our July 7th meeting. Cause I'll be I won't be able here to present it at our next meeting.

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Jack Rowan: In the meantime, if you have any questions, comments suggested changes. This also goes right away on zoom, please email me. I I or text me, you know. Most y'all got my number and I'd be happy to talk about any of those changes and work on getting the bill perfected, cause it's a pretty big change that's gonna be made. And I wanna make sure it's in the best posture before we pass it. On the 7.th Yeah, the 7th

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Jack Rowan: so if there's no further comments, then I will, then we will move on to.

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Jack Rowan: Actually I just thought of one last quick call. Yes.

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Jack Rowan: no, you're good. It may be it may be worth it to put some sort of asterisk or caveat in it, that if some sort of like emergency, or indeed, the last minute graduation needs to come up. If you put into some sort of

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Jack Rowan: I don't know how to say this like you put it in your notice in 2 months ahead of time. X. Amount of time

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Jack Rowan: to get, say, deputy Speaker of finance in line and trained up and ready to go before you graduate. Say, you have to leave like a month or 2 ahead of that. But that way you can still take the role, even if November is kind of a weird time. So you're graduating that wintertime that way that can give you say that month or 2 that you need to still graduate. Just carry on. Yeah, if you want to write that down and talk to me about it and come talk to me about it. I will say that the way the bill is currently written

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Jack Rowan: it's not like you can't resign. It's the way it's written right now is that you're making a declaration, or you're making an affirmation on your declaration of candidacy that you do not expect that you do not expect to graduate.

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Jack Rowan: So it's not like we don't have like a hard and fast rule on here. That's like you're stuck here. You're you're stuck here for a full year. You can't leave so like in that emergency case, somebody can resign. But if we want to try to create a mechanism, for I create a mechanism where somebody can give advance notice, and we can have an election in advance and have that time for transition. I think that could be a great idea.

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Jack Rowan: Because I know we've we've definitely talked about the the issues of transit and the issues of transition. Even when we think that we have it planned that could even be helpful for the ones that are required for the whole year. Then we could implement that mechanism into like advocacy. Yeah, definitely, I'd love to work with you on the language about that right now for a lot of programs. We don't know if someone's gonna have 2 months notice, like sometimes

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Jack Rowan: the will tell them like, we don't have funding, there's nothing we can do. So maybe like like stipulated, that's like reasonable time. And that's something that can be discussed with like administration. To determine. What does that look like for the administration? Because it might, it might change.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah, we could. We could also, maybe even move just beyond saying, like even saying a timetable, and just say that if you do need to resign, you can provide advance. Notice that resignation, however far out, and once you provide that advance notice. The speaker can set a time for a set, a date for election for per or for like provisional election, basically.

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Jack Rowan: And just a question. How many total? You're still getting to know everything. But how many deputy speaker decisions? So we have the headquarters? 5. So it's Speaker, deputy Speaker for Finance, deputy Speaker for Communications Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs, deputy Speaker for advocacy.

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Jack Rowan: And so we're talking essentially about possibly having a few of those being the speaker, and then a few of finance to possibly have the the requirement of not being expected to graduate. But then the other 3 will not have that expectation. Right? That seems to be. That seems to be where the where the conversations leading to. Yes.

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Jack Rowan: thank you. Yeah.

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Jack Rowan: Okay. I don't see anybody else on zoom. So we'll bring this in for a landing. Do we want to do Round Table at 7 16? I'll also take a motion. If anyone want does want get Steven.

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Jack Rowan: Steven moves to waive the roundtable. Is there a second to that motion? Shazine, shazine seconds the motion? Is there any objection to the waiver roundtable.

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Jack Rowan: Nope, alright, so roundtable is waived for the night. I sorry to. You'll have to get the roundtable at our next meeting, closing announcements. Does anyone have any closing announcements?

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Jack Rowan: Nothing fun to share? Nothing big, nothing upcoming. Wow! Deshawn. But all of them great. Yes, I just finished a song cycle that I'm writing for my friend. So my friend wrote this poetry, and I said it to music, and I just finished it, and we're going to be presenting it to our professor to see if she can do it on her. One of her doctoral

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Jack Rowan: raw.

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Jack Rowan: Thank you to sean congrats anybody else.

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Jack Rowan: Nope, drop offer, hey? We're at.

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Jack Rowan: Yeah.

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Jack Rowan: Congratulations.

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Jack Rowan: Nobody else. Alright, is there a motion to adjourn?

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Jack Rowan: Shazene moves that we adjourned deshawn seconds? Is there an objection, hearing none. We'll be back here on June 16.th This that'll be our last meeting here in Ssb. Thank you. Our last meeting here in Ssb. June 16, th thankfully. I won't have to be here for that. You'll have Steven have fun with at 6 30. Good night.

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Jack Rowan: Oh, weird!

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Jack Rowan: Here was it, love you.

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Angelique Tran: Good, one.

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Jack Rowan: Hi Angelique.



Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 24

Sponsored by: Holdrum

Date: July 9th, 2025

Amount: \$69,245.00

From (account name): MSC Unallocated

To (account name): See below for specific RSO allocation.

Purpose & Description: To provide funding for Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs) under the MSC umbrella in support of initiatives that promote and fulfill student interests.

Itemized Expenditures:

MSC Budget Fall 2025					
Organization	Cont. Serv	Expense	Food	Clothing & Awards	Total
MSC Administration					
MSC Unallocated		\$45,750.14			\$45,750.14
<u>MSC Administration</u> <u>Total</u>	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$45,750.14
MSC Student Organizations					
Anesthesiology Interest Group		\$1,400.00	\$750 .00	\$350.00	\$2,500.00
American Medical Association			\$ 708.00		\$ 708.00



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American Medical Student Association			\$ 420.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 970.00
American Medical Women's Association		\$2,500	\$1,300	\$800	\$4,600
Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association		\$375.00	\$1,200.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 2,125.00
Business and Medicine		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 5,350.00
Biomedical Sciences Graduate Student Association			\$2,000.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 2,550.00
Cardiology Interest Group		\$ 850.00	\$ 1,250.00		\$ 2,100.00
Christian Medical Association			\$ 1,300.00		\$ 1,300.00
Dermatology Interest Group		\$ 365.00	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 1,965.00
Emergency Medicine Interest Group		\$ 1,250.00	\$ 1,100	\$ 525.00	\$ 2,875.00
Family Medicine Interest Group		\$ 500.00	\$ 1,300.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 2,350.00
Florida Rural Health Association			\$ 800.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 1,350.00
FSU Cares			\$ 1,250.00		\$ 1,250.00
Geriatrics Interest Group			\$ 330.00	\$ 620.00	\$ 950.00
Humanities and Medicine			\$ 700.00	\$ 195.00	\$ 895.00
Internal Medicine Interest Group		\$ 100.00	\$ 1,600.00		\$ 1,700.00
Intraprofessional Allies			\$ 700.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 1,250.00
Jewish Medical Student Association					\$ 0.00
Latino Medical Student Association	\$ 100.00		\$ 900.00	\$ 525.00	\$ 1,525.00
Military and Veteran Medicine Interest Group	\$ 500.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 850.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,850.00
Nutrition, Exercise, and Wellness Organization		\$ 300.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,500.00



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Obstetrics and Gynecology Interest Group		\$ 400.00	\$ 800.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 1,750.00
Ophthalmology Interest Group		\$ 10.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 650.00
Pediatrics Interest group		\$ 1,600.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 2,800.00
PRIDE in Healthcare		\$ 300.00	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 2,300.00
Psychiatry Student Interest Group		\$ 200.00	\$ 1,200.00		\$ 1,400.00
Radiology interest group			\$ 600.00		\$ 600.00
Research Interest group			\$ 300.00		\$ 300.00
Student Academy of American Academy of Physician Assistants		\$ 100.00	\$ 3,500.00		\$ 3,600.00
Surgery Interest Group		\$ 2,570.00	\$ 1,650.00		\$ 4,220.00
Student Interested in Global Health		\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00		\$ 1,200.00
Student Interest Group in Neurology		\$ 300.00	\$ 950.00		\$ 1,250.00
Student National Medical Association	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,112.00	\$ 2,000.00		\$ 4,012.00
Terminal Medical Ethics			\$ 1,350.00		\$ 1,350.00
Wilderness Medical Society		\$ 1,600.00	\$ 550.00		\$ 2,150.00
Total	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 19,152.00	\$ 40,058.00	\$ 8,535.00	\$ 69,245.00

Budget Cut Process:

- The budget was reviewed multiple times and each event was assessed one-by-one.
Budget cut process looked like this:
 - Initial overview - reading over paragraphs RSOs sent in and determining any trends within the budget. Comments and ideas were exchanged but nothing set in stone at the time.
 - Deliberations - Determine general rules that will be applied to all RSO's budgets, except for a few exceptions.
 - Round 1 Cuts - General rules applied.
 - Round 2 Cuts - These were the difficult cuts that had to be made. We attempted to cut smaller amounts from each RSO in order to allow RSOs to have as much funding as possible without showing favor or bias to anyone else.
 - Exec board Review - Entirety of MSC exec board reviewed suggested budgets and provided further input. Voted on final total that would be dispersed to RSOs.

AIG	Round 1 - \$700 worth of t-shirts were purchased last semester. Reduced t-shirt allocation from \$600 to \$350. Round 2 - Decreased expenses by \$100 due to limited funding.
AMA	No changes.
AMSA	Considered cutting t-shirt request since they purchased them last semester, but it was set at a high priority with fair reasoning (wanted to provide to incoming M1s during the RSO fair). No changes.
AMWA	AMWA requested one of the highest amounts due to their Women's Health Day event, which is available to not only majority graduate students, but to all of the FSU campus. Last year they held a very successful and informative event which required over 90 volunteers. AMWA requested \$1k in t-shirts to provide for their volunteers. Previous semester they used ~\$300 on t-shirts (100% of their funding). Round 1 - Cut a lunch & learn (\$400) in order to avoid significantly reducing funds for Women's Health Day. \$70 cut from WHD event for Publix and Amazon order. Initially, rental tents were going to be reduced from \$1,950 to \$1,650 because the vendor's website stated different prices. However, the vendor's prices vary from year to year, and in case tent rentals cost the full \$1,950, we did not want the WHD event to suffer. Round 2 - T-shirts were reduced from \$1,020 to \$800 due to limited MSC funding. Food for pizza was reduced from \$740 to \$700.
APAMSA	Round 2 - Cut a lunch & learn due to limited funding.
BAM	Requested the highest amount out of all RSOs due to hosting a large Business and Medicine Symposium open to all graduate students. Round 1 - Decreased food to \$3,000, BAM Symposium t-shirts to \$750, expenses to \$2,000.

	<p>Round 2 - Decreased food to \$2,800 and cut RSO t-shirts completely due to limited MSC funding.</p> <p>MSC Exec Review - Voted to reduce BAM symposium t-shirts to \$550.</p> <p>Vote to limit to \$750 - 3</p> <p>Vote to limit to \$550 - 4</p> <p>Vote to limit to \$0 - 2</p>
BSGSA	Round 1 - Cut 6th and 7th priority due to having over four events (excluding subcommittee event).
CIG	<p>Round 1 - Reduced food for 5k by \$100 since it is a collab with NEW.</p> <p>Round 2 - Expense cost (\$100) for Jeopardy Lunch and Learn cut due to limited funding.</p>
CMA	No changes.
DIG	Round 1 - All skills night food requests were reduced to \$300.
EMIG	<p>Round 1 - Reduced collab events. Due to high cost of the large Disaster Day event (expected attendance of over 70), cut one general skills night.</p> <p>Round 2 - Reduced food for Disaster day from \$1,000 to \$700 and Expenses from \$750 to \$700 due to limited MSC funding.</p>
FMIG	Round 1 - Limit subcommittee event to one. Reduced food costs to \$300 for skills nights. Cut one lunch and learn due to requesting over four events. Sabal Palm supplies cut in half due to the request being for blood pressure cuffs and other materials that are already in MSC's storage closet.
FRHA	Round 2 - Cut one lunch and learn due to limited MSC funding. Previous semester, FRHA hosted two events with only one requiring funding.
FSU CARES	Round 1 - Reduced Immokalee Service Learning Trip Informational to \$500 since it appears to be a lunch and learn.
GIG	No changes.
HAM	No changes.
IMIG	Round 1 - Reduced skills events to \$300 for food. Cut collab event in half.
IPA	<p>Only did one event last semester, with low turnout.</p> <p>Round 1 - Cut one event from the budget. Case collaboration event food reduced to \$300 because it is a smaller event.</p>
LMSA	No changes.
MVIG	Round 1 - Reduced cost of one event.
NEW	No changes.

OGIG	Round 1 - Reduced skills night food cost to \$300 and one of the Lunch and Learns to \$500. Round 2 - Cut one event due to low spending/few events last semester and no additional information provided with budget to take into consideration.
OIG	No changes.
PRIDE	Round 2 - Cut 6th and 7th priority due to over four events requested.
PIG	Round 1 - Cut 6th and 7th priority due to having over four events requested. Round 2 - Cut expenses for teddy bear clinic to \$500 due to limited MSC funding.
PSIG	Round 1- Previous movie night (under a different RSO) had an extremely low turnout and large amount of food wasted. Movie night cost for food was reduced to \$300.
REG	No changes.
RIG	No changes.
SAAPA	Round 1 - Cut three lowest priority events due to over four events requested. Reduced specialty lunch and learn to \$600 due to high expected attendance of PAs.
SIGN	No changes.
SIGH	No changes.
SIG	Round 1 - One suture clinic removed to avoid redundant events. Cut FSU scrub caps completely. Limited each subcommittee to one event.
SNMA	Round 1 - Cut the collab in half and cut the lunch and learn. Cut t-shirts since it was the lowest priority. Cut one general lunch and learn due to a high overall amount requested. Attempted to avoid touching the HIV/AIDS Awareness Day event since it's a large event. Round 2 - Reduced food cost for HIV/AIDS Awareness Day by \$100 and contractual services by \$100 due to limited MSC funding. Late Round 2 - Cut Reproductive Health Lunch & Learn due to limited MSC funding.
TME	No changes.
WMS	Reduced expenses for camping trip. \$1000 of camping materials were purchased last semester. Cut the food to 200 due to low turnout at the last camping event.

General Rules:

- Skills night food costs maximum: \$300.
 - Previous semester, maximum was \$400.00
 - Usually skills nights are hosted in room G120 which has a max capacity of about ~30-40 people.
 - During the Spring 25 semester, there were multiple skills night events that had a significant amount of food leftover which ended up in LC refrigerators. There was a surplus of leftovers from skills nights and lunch & learns, which ended up overwhelming the fridges and going bad. We are reducing food budgets to avoid wasting food and focusing more on allocating funds for expenses in order to have the most beneficial and high quality skills nights.
 - Some of our largest RSOs' skill events spent \$150-250 on food but still held successful events with high turnouts.
 - Examples - Pediatric Interest Group, Surgery Interest Group, Emergency Medicine Interest Group.
- Lunch and learn maximum increased from \$400 to \$500.
 - Lunch & Learns are usually held in the auditorium or lecture room which has a max capacity of over 100 people.
 - L&L can hold more people than skill events.
- Limited maximum events to four per RSO (not including subcommittee events).
 - Near the end of the Spring 25 semester, space on the calendar became extremely limited.
- If a collab event was listed on both RSOs' budget requests, both RSOs' collab events were cut in half to accommodate the difference.
- Cut subcommittees' budget requests to one event. The goal is not to discourage subcommittees, but was due to not having enough to fund them all. We were unable to determine a fair way to allow some RSOs' subcommittees to request funding for more than one event over another RSO, therefore every subcommittee was cut down to one event.
 - Subcommittees are still encouraged to host more events if there is leftover funding from their RSOs.
- Our initial plan was to not allow RSOs to purchase more t-shirts if they already purchased them last semester (Spring 25). However, due to multiple RSOs requesting for more t-shirts (the \$525 limit from last semester allowed most RSOs to purchase around 35-40 t-shirts), we decided to allow them to budget for more.
 - Limit per semester was set at \$550.
 - ***RSOs were allowed to use more funds toward t-shirts when they were no longer able to host or plan for events at the end of the semester.
 - Limit per year is ~\$1,000-\$1,100.
 - The \$100 variability depended on whether our fiscal budget could afford it and how much the RSO requested overall.
 - For example, an RSO purchased \$600 of t-shirts last semester and requested \$550 for the upcoming semester. Instead of cutting it completely, we reduced the allocation to ~\$400-450.

	Date	Priority #	Food	Clothing/Awards	Contractual services	Travel	Expenses	Total	Total Spent	Food vendor
AIG_Skills Night 1: Intubation Basics	Aug	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 69,245.00	Grand Total
AIG_T shirts		2	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 70,000.00	Budget for RSOs
AIG_Co-Event with MVIG/EMIG	Sept	3	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 1,978.43	Average
AIG Skills Night 3: Mixed Anesthesiology Skills	Oct	4	\$ 300.00				\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00		
AIG_Anesthesiology Program Director Zoom	Nov	5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,978.43	1 StDev
AIG_Total			\$ 2,500.00	83%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
AMA,FMA_Legislative watch: Bills to look out for ar	#####	1	\$ 250.00					\$ 250.00		
AMA,FMA_SNaHP and Medicare for All Lunch & Lea	9/1/2025	2	\$ 160.00					\$ 160.00		
AMA,FMA_National Voter Registration Day	10/1/2025	3	\$ 48.00					\$ 48.00		
AMA,FMA_nternational Food Day: Food insecurity	11/1/2025	4	\$ 250.00					\$ 250.00		
			\$ 708.00							
			100%							
								\$ -		
AMSA_T-Shirts for RSO Fair	8/18/2025	1	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		NOT Clothesline
AMSA_Lunch and Learn	9/16/2025	2	\$ 420.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 420.00		Raising Canes
AMSA_Pre-Med Undergraduate Panel	9/28/2025	3	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
AMSA_Total			\$ 970.00	100%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
AMWA_WHD Tshirts		1	\$ -	\$ 800.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800.00		Full Press Apparel
AMWA_WHD Pizza		1	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00		Momos
AMWA_WHD Tables/chairs		1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00		FSU Facilities
AMWA_WHD Tents		1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,950.00	\$ 1,950.00		Best Day Ever Eve
AMWA_WHD Publix		1	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00		Publix
AMWA_WHD Amazon		1		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00		Amazon
AMWA_Lunch and Learn		2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
AMWA_Lunch and Learn		0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
AMWA_Total			\$ 4,600.00	86%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
APAMSA_APAMSA Memberships	August	1					\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00		
APAMSA_Tshirts for RSO fair/events	August	5		\$ 550.00				\$ 550.00		
APAMSA_Lunch and Learn	September	0	\$ -	\$ -				\$ -		
APAMSA_Mid-Autmun Festival Celebration	October	3	\$ 600.00				\$ 200.00	\$ 800.00		
APAMSA_Diwali Celebration	October	2	\$ 600.00				\$ 75.00	\$ 675.00		
			\$ 2,125.00	84%						
								\$ -		
BAM_2025 Business & Medicine Symposium	9/20/2025	1	\$ 2,800.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,350.00		Aramark in previo
T-shirts								\$ -		
BAM_Total			\$ 5,350.00	77%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
BSGSA_BSGSA_Septemeber General Body Meeting	August	1	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00		

BSGSA_Coffee and Conversation: Topic Grant Writing	September	3	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
BSGSA_Tallahassee Science Festival	October	6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
BSGSA_Lab Competition Day	October/November	2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
BSGSA_Holiday Party/ End of Year Party	December	4	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
BSGSA_B.I.G. Welcome Back	August	1 (subcommittee)	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
BSGSA_Halloween Party and Pumpkin Painting	October	7	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
BSGSA_T-shirts	September	5	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		
BSGSA_Total			\$ 2,550.00	81%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
CIG_Jeopardy CIG Lunch and Learn	Aug. 2025	2	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00		Taqueria Miranda
CIG_5K with WWPF (undergrad org) and NEW	Sept. 2025	3	\$ 500.00		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00		CFA
CIG_Advanced Cardiac Skills Night	Oct. 2025	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 650.00		Publix
CIG_Total			\$ 2,100.00	89%						
								\$ -		
								\$ -		
CMA_Worship Event	October	1	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
CMA_Monthly Bible Study with Speakers	September	2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
CMA_Community Building Lunch in Courtyard	November	3	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00		
CMA_Total			\$ 1,300.00	100%						
DIG_Dermatology Skills Night	August	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00		
DIG_Dermatology Skills Night	October	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65.00	\$ 365.00		
DIG_Suture Clinic	November	3	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
DIG_How to Perform a Skin Check dinner & learn	September	4	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		
DIG_T-shirts		5	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		
DIG_Total			\$ 1,965.00	87%						
EMIG_Disaster Day - Saturday Event	December (6th)	1	\$ 700.00				\$ 700.00	\$ 1,400.00		
EMIG_POCUS (Required Subcommittee Event)	October	2	\$ 200.00				\$ 350.00	\$ 550.00		
EMIG_Skills Event	September	3	\$ -				\$ -	\$ -		
EMIG_Tshirts - Long sleeved per request	---	4		\$ 525.00				\$ 525.00		
EMIG_TRAUMA CARE - Joint event with MVIG	Fall Semester	5	\$ 200.00				\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00		
			\$ 2,875.00	73%						
FMIG_Procedure Night with TMH		1-FMIG	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		Chick-fil-a
FMIG_FMIG Interest Meeting & Residency Panel		2-FMIG	\$ 400.00	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 950.00		Momo's Pizza
FMIG_Sabal Palm/Outreach Event		3-FMIG	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00		
FMIG_Procedure Night with LMH		4-FMIG	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		Sonny's BBQ
FMIG_Substance Abuse Lunch & Learn		5-FMIG		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Cane's
FMIG_Kickball Tournament		1-SM	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 600.00		Chick-fil-a
FMIG_Casting Workshop		2-SM	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Publix

FMIG_Total		\$ 2,350.00	51%							
FRHA_Spring Fling Informational Lunch and Learn	November	1	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
FRHA_Tshirts	August	2	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		
FRHA_Dr. Hilary Lash Lunch and Learn	October	3	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
FRHA_FRHAXEMIG Educational at WHS	October	4		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
FRHA_Total		\$ 1,350.00	73%							
FSUCares_Panama & Immokalee Service Learning T	September	1	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00		
FSUCares_SSTRIDES Mentorship Program Meetup	October	2	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750.00		
FSUCares_Total		\$ 1,250.00	83%							
GIG_Health Fair (our minimum of one event is this	September	1	\$ 30.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70.00	\$ 100.00		
GIG_Florida Geriatric Society Dues (8 members at \$	August	2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00		
GIG_MoCa Training	November	3	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00		
GIG_GIG Stickers	August	4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00		
GIG_Total		\$ 950.00	100%							
HAM_Animal Therapy Event	8/29/2025	1	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		Chick-fil-A
HAM_Tshirts		2	\$ -	\$ 195.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 195.00		
HAM_Lunch n'Learn	10/14/2025	3	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		Chick-fil-A
HAM_Total		\$ 895.00	100%							
IMIG_IM Residency Q&A with FSU IM residents	August	1	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
IMIG_GI Endoscopy event night	August	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00		
IMIG_Endocrinology Thyroid Ultrasound event night	September	3	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
IMIG_Pulm Crit Ventilator Lunch and Learn	October	4	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
IMIG_Heme-Onc Lunch and Learn collaboration with	September	5	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00		
IMIG_Heme-Onc Beast Cancer Walk	October	6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
IMIG_Total		\$ 1,700.00	74%							
IPA_Communication in Crisis Lunch and Learn	11/23/2025	3		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Chic-fil-a
IPA_InterProfessional Case Collaboration	9/16/2025	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		Panera
IPA_Chill and Chat: Social event with Shaved Ice/Ga	10/30/2025	2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		Kona Ice
IPA_InterProfessional Allies T-Shirts		4	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		Full Press
IPA_Total		\$ 1,250.00	71%							
LMSA_Hispanic Heritage Month: Cultural Event/Fie	September	1	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00		Publix/La Tiendita
LMSA_Spanish workshop	october	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
LMSA_T-shirts	used in events	3	\$ -	\$ 525.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 525.00		

LMSA_Total		\$ 1,525.00	100%							
MVIG_HPSP/VA Lunch and Learn		3	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		Chik Fil A
MVIG_Trauma Training Event - Collab EMIG?		2	\$ 200.00	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 700.00		Chik Fil A
MVIG_Rope Course at Rez		1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 800.00		Publix
MVIG_Total		\$ 1,850.00	86%							
NEW_Nutrition Lunch and Learn	September	3	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
NEW_5k (collab with CIG)	September	2	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 500.00		
NEW_Walking Challenge Kickoff Event	October	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
NEW_t-shirts	august	0	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
NEW_Total		\$ 1,500.00	100%							
OGIG_T-SHIRTS	9/1/2025	2	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		
OGIG_SKILLS NIGHT WITH WOMEN IN SURGERY CO	11/1/2025	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 700.00		
OGIG_RESIDENT PANEL	10/1/2025	3	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00		
OGIG_DINNER AND LEARN WITH DR.LEE	10/1/2025	4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
OGIG_Total		\$ 1,750.00	66%							
OIG_Ophthalmolofy Skills Night	October	1	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 210.00		Publix
OIG_Lunch n Learn	November	3	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00		Publix
OIG_T-shirts	October	2	\$ -	\$ 240.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 240.00		
OIG_Total		\$ 650.00	100%							
PRIDE_HIV Certification Class	Sept '25	1	\$ 800.00					\$ 800.00		
PRIDE_LGBTQ+ Elder Care	Oct '25	2	\$ 400.00					\$ 400.00		
PRIDE_Inclusive Care & History Taking for Patients v	Sept '25	3	\$ 450.00					\$ 450.00		
PRIDE_Tabling Supplies	Aug '25	4					\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00		
PRIDE_Intersex Patient Care	Nov '25	5	\$ 350.00					\$ 350.00		
PRIDE_Global Care & HIV	Dec '25	6	\$ -					\$ -		
PRIDE_LGBTQ+ Art Therapy	Nov '25	7	\$ -					\$ -		
PRIDE_Total		\$ 2,300.00	79%							
PIG_Fall Teddy Bear Clinic	TBD	1	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		
PIG_Little Medical School	TBD	3	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00		
PIG_Pediatric Skills Night	TBD	2	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600.00	\$ 850.00		
PIG_PIG Lunch & Learn	TBD	4	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
PIG_PIG T-Shirts		5	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00		
PIG_Camp Boggy Creek	TBD	6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -		
PIG_Outdoor Safety for Kids Program Collab with W	TBD	7		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
PIG_Total		\$ 2,800.00	80%							

PSIG_PSIG Addiction Medicine Sub-Committee Lun	Aug	1	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ 500.00		Panera
PSIG_PSIG Movie Night	Oct	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		Momo's Pizza
PSIG_PSIG Wellness Activity - Rock painting	Sep	3		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00		
PSIG_PSIG Lunch and Learn - Tandem Care + Geria	Nov	4	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		Publix
PSIG_Total			\$ 1,400.00	93%						
REG_M2 Summer research panel	September	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
REG_Research Skills presentation	November	2	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		
REG_Total			\$ 600.00	100%						
RIG_RIG Lunch and Learn	Fall	1	\$ 300.00					\$ 300.00		
RIG_Total			\$ 300.00	100%						
SAAPA_Mentor + Mentee Lunch		1	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,400.00		Chick-Fil-A
SAAPA_PA week breakfast and photo-op		5	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 300.00		Costco/Panera
SAAPA_PA week Yoga		7		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Amazon
SAAPA_PA week Frothers Daughter		2	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00		frothers daughter
SAAPA_PA week - Badge Reel Making		6	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
SAAPA_PA week - Sweet Treat Friday		4	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00		Crumbl/Publix
SAAPA_Clinical Lunch and Learn		8	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Panera
SAAPA_Speciality Lunch and Learn		3	\$ 600.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 600.00		Slim Chickens
SAAPA_Total			\$ 3,600.00	70%						
SIGN_SIGN_Skills Night	Oct	1	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 300.00	\$ 500.00		Publix
SIGN_SIGN_PM&R Event	Sep	2	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		Chick-fil-A
SIGN_SIGN_Mission Brain Event	Oct	3	\$ 350.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350.00		Publix
SIGN_SIGN_Virtual Event	Sep	4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SIGN_SIGN_Walk to End Alzheimer's	Nov	5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SIGN_Total			\$ 1,250.00	100%						
SIGH_Skills Night - How to Manage with Limited Re	September	1	\$ 200.00				\$ 500.00	\$ 700.00		
SIGH_SIGH x APAMSA - Cultural Competency on a Global scale		2	\$ 500.00					\$ 500.00		
			\$ 1,200.00	100%						
SIG_Sterile Technique/ Intro to the OR Workshop		1-SIG	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,075.00		
SIG_Sterile Technique/ Intro to the OR Workshop #2		2-SIG	\$ 75.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,075.00		
SIG_Suture Clinic #1		3-SIG	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 70.00	\$ 270.00		
SIG_Suture Clinic #2		4-SIG		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
SIG_Surgeon's advice they wish they had in medical school L&L		5-SIG	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		
SIG_ORTHO - Bone setting Clinic with TOC		1-ortho	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00	\$ 625.00		
SIG_ORTHO - Tendon repair simulation		2-ortho		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		

SIG_WOMEN - Women in Surgery Panel		1-Women	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 225.00		
SIG_WOMEN - Sips and suturing		2-Women		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
SIG_PLASTIC - Tallahassee Plastic Surgery Associates Panel		1-Plastics	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 325.00		
SIG_PLASTIC - Rhinoplasty/ BAM collab		2-Plastics		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SIG_RJOS - Women in Ortho Research		1-RJOS		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -		
SIG_RJOS - Networking Session		2-RJOS	\$ 225.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 225.00		
SIG_FSU Medicine Scrub Caps		0	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SIG_Total			\$ 4,220.00	66%						
SNMA_HIV/AIDS Awareness Day	12/1/2025	1	\$ 1,400.00	\$ -	\$ 900.00	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,800.00		CFA, Panera, Jimn
SNMA_Membership Dues	10/1/2025	2	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 612.00	\$ 612.00		
SNMA_Sickle Cell Awareness Event	9/9/2025	3	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 400.00		CFA, Panera, Jimn
SNMA_Reproductive Health Lunch and Learn on Fo	9/2/2025	4		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SNMA_SNMA & IMIG Heme-Onc NMDP Lunch & Le	9/16/2025	5	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00		CFA, Panera, Jimn
SNMA_Lunch & Learn	10/15/2025	6		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SNMA_T-shirts	8/16/2025	7	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
SNMA_Total			\$ 4,012.00	70%						
TME_1. Advanced Directives Workshop		1	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00		CFA
TME_2. Organ Donation Debate		2	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00		Panera
TME_3. Mature Minor Doctrine Discussion		3	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450.00		Publix
TME_Total			\$ 1,350.00	100%						
WMS_WMS Paintball event	Fall -	1	\$ 300.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 850.00	\$ 1,150.00		Publix/Chic Fil a
WMS_WMS camping trip / med field experience	Fall -	2	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 450.00		Publix/Chic Fil a
WMS_Outdoor Safety for Kids Program (co-event w	Fall -	3	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Publix/Chic Fil a
WMS_FWC / wilderness volunteer event	Fall -	5	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		Publix/Chic Fil a
WMS_WMS membership fees	Fall -	4	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 550.00	\$ 550.00		
WMS_Total			\$ 2,150.00	53%						
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Total			\$ 40,058.00		\$ 8,535.00	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 19,152.00			



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill #: 25

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Mederev

Short Title: Transferring \$3,554 from COGS Reserves to Speaker's Request

Summary of Legislation:

The bill would transfer \$3,554 from COGS Reserves to the Speaker's Request account.

Background Information:

On July 1, 2025, Speaker Jack Rowan issued a memorandum informing the Congress that he has allocated \$3,554 from the Speaker's Request account to the Iranian Student Association and the Civil and Environmental Engineering Graduate Student Association. The transfers, as outlined in the memo, were for events that could not be funded through COGS bill due to difficulties in timing caused by the date of the COGS meeting, the date of the events, and the start of the fiscal year.

Effect of Proposed Legislation:

The bill would transfer \$3,554 from COGS Reserves to the Speaker's Request account. Doing so would reimburse the account for events that would typically be funded by the COGS Assembly, if not for the timing issues, and would ensure that the account can be counted on throughout the fiscal year.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Bill
- Attachment #2: July 1, 2025, Memorandum



FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY
CONGRESS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS

Allocation, Revision, or Transfer

33rd Congress of Graduate Students

Bill #: 25

Sponsored by: Deputy Speaker Mederev

Date: July 7, 2025

Amount: \$3,554.00

From (account name): COGS Reserves

To (account name): Speaker's Request

Purpose & Description: Reimbursing allocations from Speaker's Request account, as outlined in July 1, 2025 memorandum from Speaker Jack Rowan.



ess of Graduate Students
State University
SSpeaker@fsu.edu

MEMORANDUM

To: The Thirty-Third Congress of Graduate Students

From: Speaker Jack Rowan

Date: July 1, 2025

Subject: Notification of Use of Speaker's Request

Representatives,

Pursuant to the 2025-2026 Budget Proviso, I write to you to notify you that I have made the following allocations, totaling **\$3,554**, out of the Speaker's Request account:

1. Iranian Student Association (New Line Item: "Tigran Celebration") - \$1,056 in Food.

TOTAL: \$1,056.

- a. Tigran is an annual celebration in the early summer among Iranians. COGS has provided funding for this event in each of the last two years.
- b. Due to the timing of ISA's event and the requirement for COGS to wait until the start of the new fiscal year before making budgetary changes, it was impractical to bring an allocation bill to the Assembly and get the funding to the organization in time.

2. Civil and Environmental Engineering Graduate Student Association (CEEGSA) (New Line Item: "Career and Research Fair") - \$933 in Food, \$1,565 in Clothing & Awards.

TOTAL: \$2,498.

- a. CEEGSA is hosting a new Career and Research Fair at the College of Engineering in late July and is seeking COGS funding.
- b. Similar to ISA, the odd timelines related to the fiscal year make it necessary to fund the event through the Speaker's Request.

A bill will be presented to COGS at the July 7th meeting asking the Assembly to reimburse the Speaker's Request account for the expense due to the allocations taking up nearly forty percent of the account.

In Graduate Student Solidarity,

Jack Rowan
Speaker



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Bill/Resolution #: 23

Sponsor(s): Speaker Rowan

Short Title: The Congressional Organizational Session Act of 2025

Summary of Legislation:

The bill amends Chapter 111 of COGS Code to establish organizational sessions at the start of each Congress to elect officers. The bills makes conforming changes to Chapter 117 of COGS Code to relocate language establishing the order of seniority when necessary to assume the chair at COGS meetings.

Background Information:

During the 2024-2025 Constitutional Review Commission, discussions began about implementing a series of organizational sessions for the Student Senate and COGS to each elect their leadership prior to fall inauguration. The Commission approved a proposed amendment that would place the Senate's organizational session in the Student Body Constitution.

The Florida Legislature currently holds an organizational session within two weeks of a general election in order to elect the officers of each body, establish rules of procedure, and complete other housekeeping business.

Effect of Proposed Legislation:

The bill requires that, no later than two weeks after the Fall SGA elections, the Supervisor of Elections certify the results of all COGS elections that do not have outstanding violations or contests. The bill provides the form for such certifications.

The bill would require that the Speaker call an organizational session at least two weeks after the fall elections. At this organizational session, the Congress would elect a Speaker, as well as several of the Deputy Speakers.

The bill further lays out a more formalized process for the election of a Speaker, including a requirement that candidates declare their candidacy through written form submitted to the

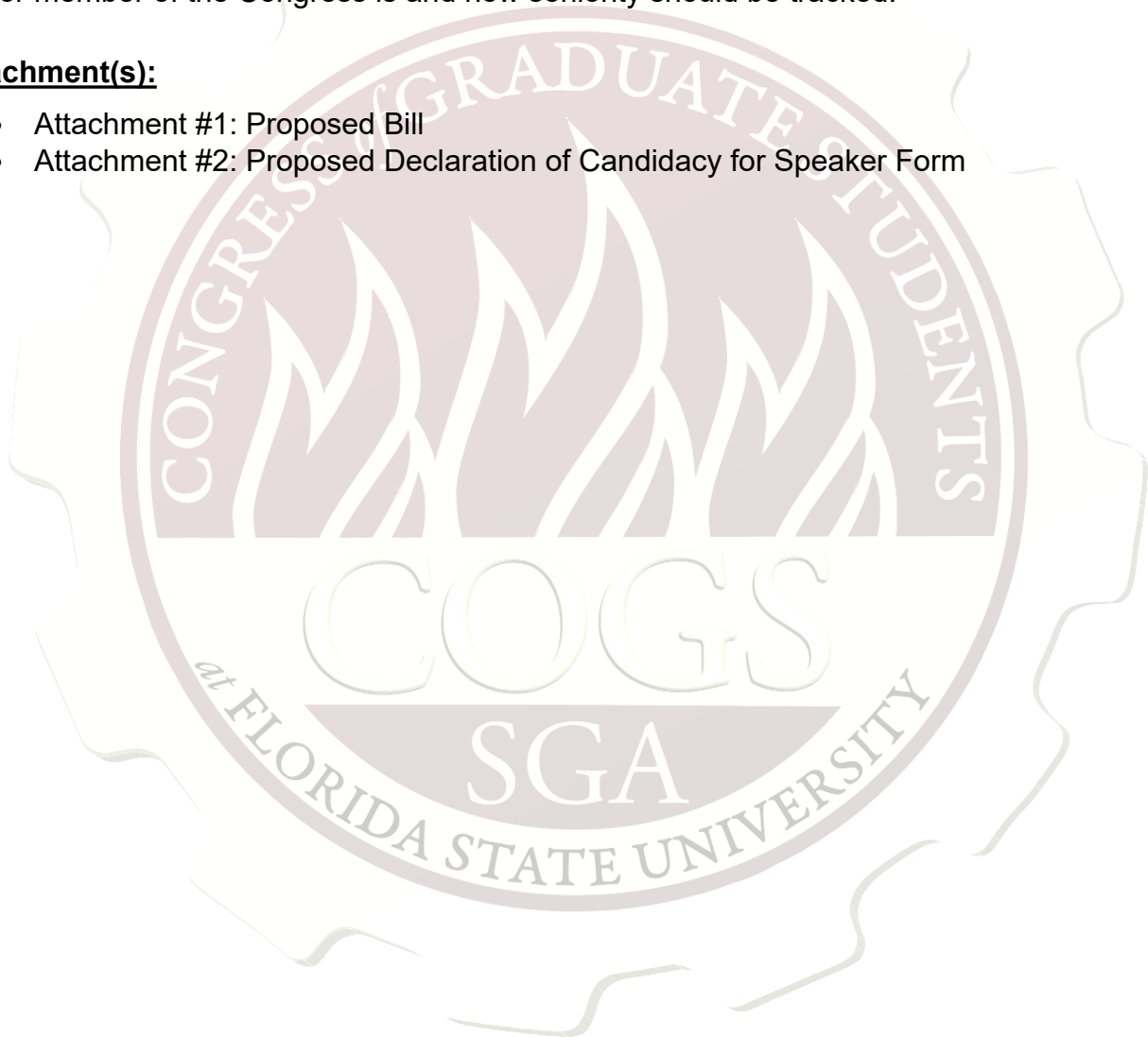
sitting Speaker and affirming that they intend to serve the entirety of their term. The bill provides the contents of such a form, which is attached (in final form) as Attachment #2.

The election process for Deputy Speakers will not change, as a result of this bill, except that the elections will take place at the organizational session and that candidates for the office of Deputy Speaker for Finance will be required, prior to accepting their nomination, to affirm that they are willing and able to serve the entirety of the term they are being elected to.

Section 2 reinserts language from Chapter 111 into Chapter 117 that defines who the most senior member of the Congress is and how seniority should be tracked.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Bill
- Attachment #2: Proposed Declaration of Candidacy for Speaker Form





COGS Bill #: 23

Sponsor(s): Speaker Rowan

AN ACT

Establishing Congressional Organizational Sessions

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

2 **Section 1. Short Title**

3 This act may be referred to as "The Congressional Organizational Session Act of 2025."

4 **Section 2. Amendment to COGS Code Chapter 111, "Elections".**

5 Chapter 111 of the COGS Code, entitled "Elections," is amended to read:

- 6 1. The SGA Supervisor of Elections shall be responsible for conducting elections for the
7 Congress of Graduate Students. The Congress agrees that its elections shall be governed by
8 the Student Government Election Code, as laid out in Student Body Statutes Title VII, except
9 that the following procedures shall control for COGS elections, notwithstanding conflicting
10 provisions of the Election Code:
- 11 a. COGS elections shall be non-partisan,
- 12 b. Candidates for COGS do not need to attend the Candidate Seminars,
- 13 c. Candidates for COGS shall file a combined Campaign Finance Statement by the Final
14 Expense Statement deadline, as set out in Title VII, which shall include:
- 15 1. An itemized list of all campaign contributions and expenditures, or
- 16 2. A statement, under penalty of disqualification, that the candidate received no
17 contributions, nor made any expenditures.
- 18 d. Any ties in a COGS election shall be resolved by a vote of COGS immediately upon the
19 convening of the new Congress, taken by secret ballot, with the tied candidates being on
20 the secret ballot.

- 21 e. No more than two weeks after election day, the Supervisor of Elections shall certify, in
22 writing to the Speaker, the election of all COGS representatives whose elections are not
23 under active appeal. This certification shall include, at minimum:
- 24 1. The date of the Supervisor's certification,
25 2. The name of each Representative certified as elected and their seat,
26 3. A statement of certification under the Elections Code and COGS Code,
27 4. The signature of the Supervisor and a witness, whose name shall be listed in
28 print as well as the signature, and
29 5. The SGA seal.
- 30 2. COGS shall be composed of forty-three (43) seats with the following allocation:
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- 32 a. Thirty (30) seats for the members of each college/academic unit, except for the College
33 of Applied Studies and Special Students, apportioned annually through the D'Hondt
34 Method, based on the most recent annual population data for each college, as provided
35 by the University.
- 36 1. By the second COGS Assembly meeting of the Fall Semester, the SGA
37 Supervisor of Elections shall provide the Assembly, by memo and personal
38 appearance at the meeting, with a list detailing the number of seats apportioned
39 to each college/academic unit, as well as an accounting of the calculations used
40 to determine the apportionment. Should the list not be provided by this deadline,
41 the COGS Executive Board shall be empowered to facilitate the apportionment in
42 the Supervisor's place.
- 43 2. Should there be a discrepancy that results in the erroneous allocation of seats,
44 the Assembly may move to reject the apportionment and request that the
45 Supervisor (or COGS Executive Board, if providing the list under sub-subsection
46 (1)) provide a corrected apportionment to the Assembly at their next meeting.
47 Such motion requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote to pass and is debatable.
- 48 3. If no motion to reject is passed, the apportionment shall become official upon
49 adjournment of the Assembly meeting in which it is presented.
- 50 b. Six (6) advocate seats under the following titles: Graduate Student Housing Advocate,
51 International Student Advocate, LGBTQ+ Student Advocate, Minority Student Advocate,
52 Veteran's Advocate, and Student with Disabilities Advocate. Any graduate student,
53 regardless of college, may serve as an Advocate,
- 54 c. Six (6) At-Large seats, which may be filled by any graduate student, regardless of
55 college, and
- 56 d. One (1) seat for the combined grouping of Special Students, the College of Applied
57 Studies, and the Panama City Campus. Should this seat be filled, attendance by the
58 representative will count towards quorum, but failure to attend will not count against
59 quorum.
- 60 3. The Supervisor of Elections shall advertise the seat allocation information at least twenty-four
61 (24) hours before the first day of the Declaration of Candidacy date, as specified by the Student

Government Election Code. The Deputy Speaker of Communications shall also advertise the seats up for election on the Congress's social media pages.

4. Elections will be held in conjunction with the regular fall semester Student Government elections.
5. All enrolled graduate students are eligible to vote in COGS elections.
6. Election appeals shall be made to the Student Government Elections Commission, as specified by Title VII. Appeals from the Elections Commission shall be to the Florida State University Student Supreme Court.
7. Regular elections to the Assembly shall take place only during the fall semester.
8. Elections of the officers for COGS shall take place at an organizational session in which all COGS members elected at the fall election may vote. Officers elected at the organizational session shall assume office upon being sworn in at fall inauguration. on the first meeting of the newly convened Congress. A Speaker and two other members of the COGS Executive Committee must be elected before the first meeting adjourns.
 - a. The organizational session shall be held at least one week prior to Fall Inauguration and shall be called by the Speaker, within twenty-four (24) hours of the announcement of COGS election results, by memorandum to the elected members and published electronically to the public. The organizational session must occur at least two weeks after the announcement of election results.
 - b. Upon the calling of the organizational session, the Speaker shall provide all elected members with a form for the declaration of candidacy to the office of Speaker. Candidates for Speaker must complete the form and return the form to the Speaker no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the organizational session. The form shall be created by the Speaker and shall include:
 1. The title "Declaration of Candidacy for Office of Speaker",
 2. The statement "I, [NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE], do hereby declare my candidacy for the office of Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students. I affirm, on penalty of impeachment, that I am an enrolled graduate or professional student at Florida State University, that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Student Body Constitution, that I will not graduate during the term I am seeking election for, and that I intend to serve the entire one-year term."
 3. A signature and date line for the candidate to sign and date,
 4. A signature, print name, and date line, entitled "Nominator", for the representative that intends to nominate the candidate,
 5. A signature, print name, and date line, entitled "Seconder", for the representative that intends to second the nomination of the candidate,
 - c. No later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the start of the organizational session, the Speaker shall publish the names of all candidates for Speaker to the elected members.
 - d. The Speaker shall serve as Chair for the organizational session.

101 1. Should the Chair be a candidate in the election of a COGS officer, the Chair shall
102 be assumed by the next eligible person in the Chapter 117 line of succession for
103 the purpose of that election.

104 e. The Speaker shall begin by tabling the certificates of election of COGS Representatives.
105 The Speaker shall then call the roll of Representatives-elect to determine whether a
106 quorum is present. Should a quorum be present, the Speaker shall immediately proceed
107 to the election of a Speaker for the next Congress. Upon the election of a Speaker, the
108 Chair shall move to the elections of the Deputy Speakers for Finance, Communications,
109 Judicial Affairs, and Advocacy, respectively.

110 1. If a quorum is not present, the Congress shall recess for fifteen (15) minutes and,
111 upon reconvening, call the roll of Representatives-elect again. If a quorum is still
112 not present, the Speaker shall adjourn the meeting and call another
113 organizational session to convene no later than seventy-two hours after the
114 noticed meeting time of the original organizational session.

115 f. A Speaker and two other members of the COGS Executive Committee must be elected
116 before the organizational meeting adjourns.

117 g. The Chair shall then move to a period of closing announcements, followed by the
118 adjournment of the meeting, upon the election of all members of the Executive
119 Committee or upon a two-thirds majority vote of the members-elect to adjourn after the
120 requirements of paragraph (f) are met.

121 9. COGS officer election procedures shall be the following:

122 a. Members of the COGS Executive Committee shall be elected from among the
123 membership of COGS. Election shall be by secret ballot and shall require a majority vote
124 in order to elect a candidate. Quorum of the Congress must be present for the election of
125 each member of the COGS Executive Committee.

126 ~~b. The most senior member of COGS who was a member of the previous Congress, based~~
127 ~~on date of swearing in (ties broken by alphabetical order of last name), shall act as the~~
128 ~~Temporary Chair for the first meeting of the new Congress until the Congress elects a~~
129 ~~Representative to the Office of the Speaker, at which time the Speaker shall be sworn in~~
130 ~~and chair the Congress. The Temporary Chair shall have the right to cast a vote for~~
131 ~~election of the Speaker in such cases where his/her vote would be decisive.~~

132 ~~1. The COGS Advisor shall, with the assistance of the Deputy Speaker for~~
133 ~~Communications, maintain a list noting the order of seniority among members of~~
134 ~~COGS.~~

135 ~~2. If all members who were a member of the previous Congress are candidates for~~
136 ~~Speaker, the Student Body President shall act as the Temporary Chair.~~

137 c. Nominations for Officers shall be taken from the floor and shall require a second. Each
138 candidate may accept or decline the nomination. After receipt of nominees, the Chair
139 shall close the floor for nominations, only after ensuring that no other nominations are to
140 be made. If only one candidate is nominated, that candidate shall be declared to be
141 elected by acclamation. The elected officer shall then be allowed to make a brief
142 statement to the Congress.

143 1. At the organizational session, called pursuant to subsection (8), only those
144 candidates for Speaker who have returned a completed form, as specified in
145 subsection (8), to the Chair are eligible for nomination, unless no candidate

returns such form. The chair shall call upon the nominator and seconder listed in each candidate's form to nominate and second the candidate. If the nominator or seconder is not present, the Chair may take the nomination or second from any other member-elect.

2. Nominees for Deputy Speaker for Finance, prior to accepting their nomination, must affirm to the Congress that they are willing and able to serve the remainder of the term they are being elected for.

- d. If there are two or more candidates who accepted their nomination, each shall be allowed, in alphabetical order, to address the Congress for no more than two (2) minutes. The Chair shall allow three (3) minutes of questions per candidate. No "con" debate shall be permitted during the election process. All nominees not addressing or taking questions from the Congress shall remain outside the COGS Chambers. Candidates shall not be present during debate on the candidates. Debate on the candidates shall take no more than five (5) minutes. Motions to extend time for opening addresses, questions and discussion of the candidates may be made by Representatives in the Chambers and pass by a majority vote of the Representatives in the Chambers. Once the question has successfully been called to vote on the position, all nominees may enter the Chambers and cast their own secret ballots with the rest of the Congress.

10. COGS Officers shall take the following oath prior to assuming office: "I, [NAME], do swear that I will support, protect, and defend the constitution and laws of the United States, the State of Florida, and the Florida State University Student Body; that I shall serve and protect the rights and interests of graduate and professional students; and that I shall carry out my duties, in the role of [POSITION] of the Congress of Graduate Students, to the best of my abilities; so help me God."

- a. Officers are entitled to request that the following alternate oath be administered: "I, [NAME], affirm, on pain of impeachment, that I will support, protect, and defend the constitution and laws of the United States, the State of Florida, and the Florida State University Student Body; that I shall serve and protect the rights and interests of graduate and professional students; and that I shall carry out my duties, in the role of [POSITION] of the Congress of Graduate Students, to the best of my abilities."

Section 3. Amendment to COGS Code Chapter 117, "Line Of Succession Of The Congress Of Graduate Students".

Section 1 of Chapter 117 of the COGS Code, entitled "Line of Succession of the Congress of Graduate Students," is amended to read:

1. In the event of a vacancy in the Office of the Speaker for reason(s) of resignation, incapacitation, ineligibility under the Florida State Student Body Constitution, or for any other lawful reason, the Deputy Speaker for Finance shall act as Speaker until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Assembly. At this time, a new Speaker shall be elected to serve until the expiration of the Congress in which the vacancy occurred. If the Assembly does not elect a new Speaker, the acting Speaker will continue until the Speaker returns or a new Speaker is elected.

- a. If the Deputy Speaker for Finance is unavailable, then the order of succession, in descending order, shall be:

1. Deputy Speaker for Communication

- 191 2. Deputy Speaker for Judicial Affairs
- 192 3. Deputy Speaker of Advocacy
- 193 4. Chair of Internal Affairs
- 194 5. Chair of Outreach
- 195 6. Chair of Advocacy
- 196 7. The most senior member of COGS, as defined in COGS Code §111.9(b).
- 197 1. The most senior member of COGS shall be defined based on the date of
- 198 swearing in (ties broken by alphabetical order of last name). The
- 199 Temporary Chair shall have the right to cast a vote for election of the
- 200 Speaker in such cases where his/her vote would be decisive.
- 201 2. The COGS Advisor shall, with the assistance of the Deputy Speaker for
- 202 Communications, maintain a list noting the order of seniority among
- 203 members of COGS.
- 204 b. If the current acting Speaker is nominated for the office of Speaker, the next officer
- 205 willing, able, and eligible to serve as identified in § 117.1(a) of this code, in descending
- 206 order, shall immediately assume the Chair for the purpose of conducting the election. If
- 207 no officer is willing and able, the most senior member of COGS (as defined in COGS
- 208 Code § 117.1(a)(7) §111.9(b)), who is willing and able, shall immediately assume the
- 209 Chair for the purpose of conducting the election.

210 **Section 4. Effective Date.**

211 The provisions of this bill shall take effect upon becoming law.

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:

- Internal Affairs

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

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

Date: _____

Date: _____

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

Date: _____



FSU Congress of Graduate Students Declaration of Candidacy for Office of Speaker

I, _____, do hereby declare my candidacy for the office of Speaker of the Congress of Graduate Students. I affirm, on penalty of impeachment, that I am an enrolled graduate or professional student at Florida State University, that I am duly qualified to hold office under the Student Body Constitution, that I will not graduate during the term I am seeking election for, and that I intend to serve the entire one-year term.

Candidate Signature

Date

Nominator

Nominator Signature

Date

Seconder

Seconder Signature

Date

Received this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Speaker



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Resolution #: 8

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Baez

Short Title: A Resolution Congratulating Dr. Mark Riley on His Tenure as Dean of the Graduate School

Summary of Legislation:

The Resolution congratulates Dean Mark Riley on his tenure as Dean of the Graduate School and thanks him for his work towards improving graduate education at Florida State University.

Background Information:

On June 25, 2025, Dean Riley announced that he would be stepping back from his role as Dean of the Graduate School and returning to full-time status as a member of the faculty. Dr. Mark Riley has been Dean of the Graduate School since 2017 and has been a great friend and resource to several Congresses.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Resolution



COGS Resolution #: 8

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Baez

A RESOLUTION

Congratulating Dr. Mark Riley on His Tenure as Dean of the Graduate School

1 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Mark Riley, a son of Liverpool, avid Beatles fan, and apostle for the Buckyball, has
2 diligently served as Dean of the FSU Graduate School since 2017; and

3 **WHEREAS**, throughout his tenure, Dr. Mark Riley has been a friend to graduate students and to the
4 Congress of Graduate Students; and

5 **WHEREAS**, for eight years, Dr. Mark Riley has been a happy warrior who has fought for the interests of
6 graduate students against all comers; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Dean Mark Riley's tenure at the Graduate School has seen FSU's graduate programs
8 climb to new heights, with twenty-one graduate programs now being in the Top 25 among public
9 universities in the U.S., underscoring the tireless work of Dean Mark Riley towards greatness; and

10 **WHEREAS**, on June 25, 2025, Dr. Mark Riley announced that he will be stepping down from his role as
11 Dean of the Graduate School and returning full-time to his exemplary work as an integral member
12 of the Physics faculty; and

13 **WHEREAS**, it is only proper to stop and take a moment to celebrate those who make FSU the best
14 university for graduate students and a better place for all; and

15 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida**
16 **State University that:** that the Congress thanks Dean Mark Riley for his service to Florida State
17 University and its graduate students during his tenure as Dean of the Graduate School;

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** that the Congress wishes Dean Riley all the best in his return to
19 full-time faculty status and looks forward to seeing how he will push the boundaries of physics next;
20 and

21 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that:** a framed copy of this Resolution shall be provided to Dean Mark
22 Riley by the Speaker.

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

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

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

Date: _____

Date: _____



33rd Congress of Graduate Students Legislation Cover Sheet

COGS Resolution #: 9

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Baez

Short Title: Adopting a New Seal and Logo for the Congress of Graduate Students

Summary of Legislation:

The Resolution adopts a new seal and logo for the Congress of Graduate Students. The Resolution further provides some guidelines around the use of the seal and logo to ensure brand consistency.

Background Information:

In June 2024, COGS was informed that its original logo violated FSU branding guidelines due to the use of the University Seal's flames in the design. As a result, the Congress had to use a temporary logo for the 2024-2025 school year on all merchandise and official university communications.

During the 33rd Congress, Speaker Rowan tasked Deputy Speaker Baez with developing a new design for the COGS logo. (NOAH, FILL IN WITH YOUR WORK)

Effect of Proposed Legislation:

The Resolution, as it stands, does not adopt a design for the new COGS seal and logo. The Congress needs to amend the Resolution to choose either Exhibit A or Exhibit B as the adopted design. Once the Congress amends the Resolution to include one of the designs, the Resolution will adopt such design as the seal and logo for the Congress.

The Resolution also lays out some basic guidelines for the use of the seal and logo. The seal (which will only be comprised of the chosen design) is for official uses, such as authenticating COGS documents or signaling COGS's approval of an agreement, as deemed necessary by members of the Executive Committee. Additionally, the seal may be used for purposes agreed to by the Speaker or by resolution of the Congress.

The logo (which will include alternative logos that reflect the traditional color schemes [Garnet & White; Gold & White; and Black & White] used by COGS in the past) is simply used to represent COGS in all non-official capacities.

The distinction between the seal and logo are fairly minor and simply provides a legislative basis for the Congress to use and require a seal for certain documents.

Attachment(s):

- Attachment #1: Proposed Resolution
- Attachment #2: Exhibit A: Flame Design
- Attachment #3: Exhibit B: Students in Regalia Design





COGS Resolution #: 9

Sponsor(s): Deputy Speaker Baez

A RESOLUTION

Adopting a New Seal and Logo for the Congress of Graduate Students

1 **WHEREAS**, In June 2024, the University made COGS aware that its seal/logo was out of compliance
2 with branding guidelines due to the inclusion of the flames that are extremely similar to the flames
3 on the University Seal; and

4 **WHEREAS**, The Congress worked with FSU Marketing to create a temporary logo for use in the 2024-
5 2025 COGS merchandise, but this logo was not well favored by many members and the public; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Deputy Speaker Baez has worked with Student Publications to create options for a new
7 seal/logo, yielding two options, one with a different flame (Exhibit A) and one with the outlines of
8 several students in graduation regalia (Exhibit B); and

9 **WHEREAS**, It is important for the Congress to have the final decision on the new seal/logo, as this
10 design will be the permanent seal and logo for COGS;

11 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 33rd Congress of Graduate Students at Florida**
12 **State University that:** The design in Exhibit (AMEND WITH CHOSEN DESIGN) is hereby adopted
13 as the official and permanent seal for the Congress of Graduate Students; and

14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The COGS seal shall be used in all places that the COGS seal is
15 currently used, as well as to authenticate any COGS documents as members of the Executive
16 Committee deem necessary and for any other use that the Congress, by resolution, or the Speaker
17 deems necessary; and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The design in Exhibit (AMEND WITH CHOSEN DESIGN) is hereby
19 adopted as the official and permanent logo for the Congress of Graduate Students and such logo
20 shall be used in all places that the COGS logo is currently used, as well as to advertise the
21 Congress; and

- 22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The COGS logo shall be used in all places that the COGS logo is
23 currently used, as well as to advertise the Congress and symbolize the Congress in non-official
24 capacities; and
- 25 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The Executive Committee is authorized to generate alternative
26 logos in the following color schemes: Garnet and White, Gold and White, and Black and White; and
- 27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:** The official seal and logos shall be posted to the SGA Website for
28 use by the public; and

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

FLOOR VOTE: Deputy Speaker to Add Vote Count

By: _____
Jack Rowan
Speaker, 33rd COGS

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

Date: _____

Date: _____