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SENATE LEGISLATION

SB-17F-3234

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- Whereas: The Student Government of the University of North Florida was established to represent student concerns in all University wide matters, and;
- Whereas: The Senate is the legislative body of the University of North Florida's Student Government given the responsibility of carrying out such legislative acts that are necessary and proper for the Student Body of the University of North Florida; and;
- Whereas: The Student Government Constitution and Statutes has inconsistent formatting, and;
- Whereas: The current formatting of the Student Government Constitution and Statutes wastes space, and;
- Whereas: The Student Government Constitution and Statutes unnecessarily repeats information, and;
- Therefore: The following necessary and proper revision to the Student Government Constitution and Statutes is being proposed in order to ensure consistent formatting, decrease the size of the document, and eliminate repetitions.



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TITLE II: PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Chapter 200: Parliamentary Authority

200.1 Parliamentary Procedure

- A. The Student Government parliamentary authority shall be the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order.
- B. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the procedural authority for all publicly noticed Student Government Meetings.
- C. Robert's Rules of Order shall be the authority only over those questions that have not been specified by general law, university regulations, the Constitution and Statutes of the Student Government of the University of North Florida, or the Policies and Procedures from each the respective branch of Student Government.

Chapter 201: Membership

201.1 Rights of Membership

- A. Members of the Student Government are defined as current officers who meet all of the eligibility requirements for participation in the Student Government of the University of North Florida as prescribed by law.
- B. Members of Student Government Committees are appointed as prescribed by law.
- C. During a publicly noticed Student Government meeting, a respective member of that meeting has the following rights:
 - 1. The right to attend meetings
 - 2. The right to make motions
 - 3. The right to debate
 - 4. The right to vote
- D. The presiding officer must ensure that the rights of members are upheld. The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order defines the limitations at which a member may practice these rights.

201.2 Ex-Officio Members

- A. An Ex-Officio member shall be defined as a member who serves on a board or committee by virtue of holding an office, and whose rights do not include the full rights of membership.
- B. An Ex-Officio member of publicly noticed Student Government meetings is expected to provide guidance and pertinent information as related to their position within Student

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- C. An Ex-Officio member of publicly noticed Student Government meetings has the following rights:
 1. The right to attend meetings
 2. The right to be recognized by the presiding officer

- D. An Ex-Officio member of publicly noticed Student Government meetings does not have the following rights:
 1. The right to make motions
 2. The right to vote

201.2 Professional Staff

- 2. Professional Staff members have the right to be recognized by the chair of all Student Government meetings.

201.3 Non-members

- A. During a publicly noticed Student Government meeting, a non-members has have the right to attend the meeting and a reasonable opportunity to be heard.
- A.B. During a publicly noticed Student Government Meeting, non-members do not have the following rights:
 1. The right to make motions;
 2. The right to debate; and
 3. The right to vote.

Chapter 202: Statutory Authority

202.1 202-1 Statutory Terminology

- A. The current edition of Black's Law Dictionary shall be used in understanding the terms contained within the Statutes. An appeal regarding the definition of a term may be filed with the Judicial Branch Supreme Court; the final determination of usage will continue to rest with the Judicial Branch Supreme Court.

HISTORY:

SB-96F-934 (September 17, 1996)
SB-06SA-2028 (June 19, 2006)

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SB-16F-3061 (October 24, 2016)

Therefore: Let it be enacted that the following changes to Title II be made effective contingent upon the date of the validation of the Fall 2017 election, January 1st, 2018.

Legislative Action

Author: Constitution Revision Committee
 Sponsor: Senator Vargas
 Committee: Constitution & Statutes
 Committee Action: 3-0-0
 Date of Committee Action: October 13, 2017
 Senate Action: Unanimous Consent
 Date of Action: October 27th, 2017

Signed and Delivered to the Student Body President
 on this 30th day of October 2017

Executive Action

Let it be known that SB-17F-3234 is hereby
 APPROVED / VETOED / LINE-ITEM VETOED
 on this 31st day of October, 2017

Signed, _____

Thomas Beaucham, Student Body President

Signed and Delivered to the Senate Secretary

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Signed: _____

Nina Lee, Interim Student Senate President