



COUNCIL BILL

STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL · MODESTO A. MAIDIQUE CAMPUS

Agenda Item: SB1818—A BILL TO REQUIRE OFFICE HOURS OF ALL SGC-MMC LEADERSHIP

Date: November 19, 2018

Committee: None

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Sponsors: Senator Dustin Duncan, College of Arts, Science, and Education; Senator Samuel Hernandez, College of Business

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Sections I Policy:

The proposal outlined in this Council Bill are in compliance with the authority granted in Article III, Section 5.A. of the Student Government Association Constitution;

Section II: Terms

The following terms are defined as to ensure the legality of this bill.

- A. "SGC-MMC" refers to the Student Government Council of the Modesto A. Maidique Campus
- B. "Executive Board" refers to the "The leaders of the SGC-MMC: the President, Vice President, Speaker of the Senate, Speaker Pro Tempore, Comptroller, and the Chief Justice.
- C. "SGA" refers to the Student Government Association at Florida International University

Section III: Bill

THEREFORE, LET IT BE ENACTED that

- A. ARTICLE III. LEGISLATIVE BRANCH be amended as follows:

Section 3.02 Structure and Leadership



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(b) Leadership

(i) Speaker

(1) The Speaker of the Senate, hereinafter referred to as the “Speaker”, shall chair all Senate meetings, and be the chief administrative office of the Senate.

(2) The Speaker shall be a Senator, and shall be elected as Speaker by a simple majority of the Senate.

(3) The SGC-MMC Vice President shall be ineligible to serve as the Speaker.

(4) The Speaker shall report on the Senate’s business to the SGC-MMC Executive Board.

(5) The Speaker shall be the voice of the Senate and shall represent the Senate in all Official matters, including, but not limited to, University functions and the Florida Student Association (FSA).

(6) The Speaker shall serve as one of the two (2) SGC-MMC Senators on the University Wide Council, University Wide Budget Committee, and MMC Campus Budget Committee.

(7) The Speaker of the Senate shall have the power to call additional meetings as necessary with forty-eight (48) hours notice. Attendance in these cases is mandatory.

(8) The Speaker shall have all rights of Committee members, except voting power, but shall be exempt from Committee requirements.

(9) The Speaker shall complete an additional 7 regularly-scheduled office hours per week on top of the three (3) office hours required of Senators. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

(ii) Speaker Pro Tempore

(1) The Speaker Pro Tempore shall assist the Speaker in his/her duties and shall assume the role of the Speaker in the event of the Speaker’s absence or dismissal.



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(2) The Speaker Pro-Tempore shall be a Senator, and shall be elected as Speaker Pro Tempore by a simple majority of the Senate.

(3) The SGC-MMC Vice President shall be ineligible to serve as the Speaker Pro Tempore.

(4) In the absence of the Speaker, the Speaker Pro Tempore shall chair all Senate meetings and shall report all Senate business to the Executive Board.

(5) The Pro Tempore shall complete an additional 7 regularly-scheduled office hours per week on top of the three (3) office hours required of Senators. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

B. ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE BRANCH shall be amended as follows:

Section 4.02 Structure and Leadership

(a) President

(i) The President of the Student Government Council is the head of the Executive Branch of Government, the student representative to the Board of Trustees, and the representative of FIU to the Florida Student Association.

(ii) The President shall abide by the SGA Constitution and these Statutes.

(iii) The President shall be able, pursuant to Florida Statutes, to appoint students to serve on university committees on specific areas such as the Health Fee Committee and Technology Fee Committee.

(1) Appointments to these committees shall be made publicly available through the SGC-MMC website. The appointment shall also be announced at the next Senate and Executive Branch meeting.



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(iv) The President shall complete 15 regularly-scheduled office hours per week that classes are in session. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

(b) Vice President

(i) The Vice President of the Student Government Council is the second in command of the Executive Branch of Government and the *ex officio* President of the Senate.

(ii) The Vice President shall abide by the SGA Constitution and these Statutes.

(iii) The Vice President shall complete 10 regularly-scheduled office hours per week that classes are in session. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

(c) Cabinet

(i) Comptroller

(1) The Comptroller shall be in charge of carrying out the distribution of the budget, and of auditing and advising the SGC-MMC

(2) The Comptroller shall attend all Executive Board meetings and provide a monthly financial report to the Senate at the last meeting of every month.

(3) Following the approval of a funding request by the Finance Committee and the SGC-MMC Senate, and the disbursement of these approved funds, the Comptroller shall provide detailed reports of budgetary requests to the Finance Committee.



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a) The Comptroller shall work with the Finance Committee Chairperson to adequately process budgetary requests in compliance with finance policy.

(4) The Comptroller shall complete 10 regularly-scheduled office hours per week that classes are in session. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

(ii) Chief of Staff

(1) The Chief of Staff shall be the chief advisor to the President.

(2) Responsibilities shall include overseeing executive personnel, supervising the execution of office policies, being informed of the SGC-MMC calendar, facilitating the administration's goals and objectives, and helping to preside over the weekly Executive Branch meetings, and proofreading all of the SGC-MMC literature.

(3) The Chief of Staff shall complete 10 regularly-scheduled office hours per week that classes are in session. Their office hours shall be publicly available.

Section V: Enforcement

This Bill shall be presented to the Student Body and all relevant committees on behalf of the Student Body by the SGA;

Section VI: Enactment

This Bill and all its contents shall be the official law of the SGC-MMC upon passage by the concurrence of the majority of the SGC-MMC Senate and approval of the FIU-MMC Student Body President.

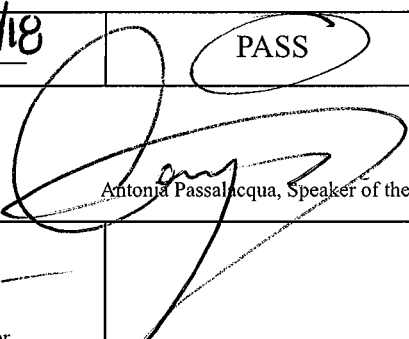
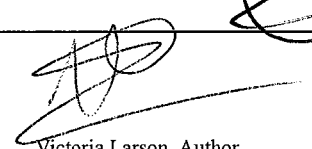
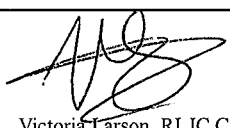
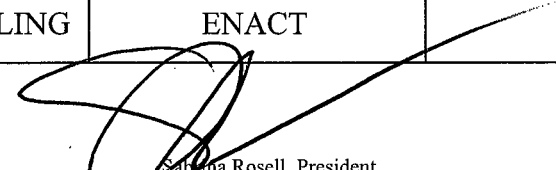
Section VII: Implementation

Upon the enactment of this Bill, this shall be the official law of the SGC-MMC and shall make any prior legislation that conflicts with this legislation hereby null and void; upon the passage and approval of this bill the contents of it shall be incorporated into the SGC-MMC Statutes and those provisions of the SGC-MMC Statutes which contradict this special act shall be made null and void.



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FIU-MMC STUDENT GOVERNMENT COUNCIL		
IN FAVOR OF <u>28</u>	AGAINST <u>0</u>	ABSTENTIONS <u>0</u>
AMENDMENTS:		
DATE <u>11/19/18</u>	<u>PASS</u>	FAIL
 Antonja Passalacqua, Speaker of the Senate		
 Victoria Larson, Author		 Victoria Larson, RLJC Chair
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 Sabrina Rosell, President		