

Executive Order 03-01

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the Statutes of the Student Body at Florida International University, it is hereby ordered as follows:

WHEREAS The Senate of the Student Body has struggled to meet and maintain quorum;

WHEREAS SGAC§12.01.2.9 provides constitutional authority for executive orders to amend the Statutes within 80 calendar weeks from the date of passage of the Statutes;

WHEREAS Senate Leadership has specifically requested this change be made for the proper functioning of the Senate;

WHEREAS A functioning Senate is necessary for the effective governance of the Student Government Association and its body of regulations;

WHEREAS The current definitions set in SGAS\3008 for the Senate Rules of Order are too vague to eliminate ambiguity in the transaction of Senate business;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *Cristhofer Lugo*, Student Body President of Florida International University, in obedience to my solemn duty to uphold the Constitution and Statutes of Student Government and pursuant to SGAC§5.03.1.9 and SGAS§4001.4 issue the following order;

Section 1. The text of SGAS\\$3008.1 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following provision: "The quorum of the Senate shall be set at a simple majority (50\%+1) of the filled seats of the Senate. The quorum shall not consider vacant seats, such that quorum shall be established with the presence of at least half of the duly elected or appointed and confirmed members of the Senate plus one additional senator (50\%+1)."

<u>Section 2.</u> The text of SGAS§3008.2 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following provision: "A simple majority of the Senate, for the purposes of a vote, shall be set at half of the members of the Senate present for the vote and contributing to the quorum, plus one senator."

Section 3. The text of SGAS§3008.5 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following provision: "The entire Senate membership shall be defined as all duly elected or appointed and confirmed members of the Senate presently filling a seat within the total Senate composition."

<u>Section 4.</u> Section SGAS§3008 of the Statutes shall be amended to include the following provision as SGAS§3008.8: "The total Senate composition shall be defined as the total number of seats of the Senate, as determined by the Constitutional rules of apportionment."

Section 5. Section 1 would be repealed and replaced by the original provision at the start of the Fall Semester.

Section 6. These changes shall take effect immediately upon the valid signature of this executive order.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused this order to be carried out, this Wednesday, June 29, 2022.

Cristhofer Lugo, Student Body President

Wednesday, June 29, 2022