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IN ATTENDANCE
Denise Halpin, President
Emilio Collyer, Vice President, 3:40pm
Suyen Fernandez, Chief of Staff, 3:46pm
Madison Moreno, Press Secretary, 3:40pm
Weiyi “Max” Wang, Elections Commissioner, 3:40pm
Angiela Lazo, Special Events Coordinator, 3:40pm
Simbisai Angie Mubau, Academic Affairs Coordinator, 3:40pm
Xinyu “Allen” Tian, Academic Affairs Coordinator, 3:40pm
Fang “Frank” Shu, Marketing Coordinator, 3:40pm
Desir Nonhomme, Arts & Science Senator, 3:40pm
Abel Taype Ramos, Arts & Sciences Senator
Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator
Pablo Haspel, Speaker of the Senator/Honors College Senator, 3:56pm
Xue Yan, Hospitality Management Senator, 3:40pm
Kevin Houston, SJMC Senator, 3:40pm
Inemesit Ekanem, Nursing & Health Sciences Senator
Kemeika Clayton, Housing Senator, 3:40pm
Christopher Morisset, Lower Division Senator
Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large, 3:40pm
Oluwatobi Adekoya, Senator At-Large, 3:40pm
Olivia Dehaarte, Senator At-Large, 3:56
Martha Ochoa, Chief Justice
Francheska Periche, Justice, 3:40pm
Jungeun Kim, Court Clerk, 3:40pm
Rafael Zapata, Advisor
Larissa Adames, SGA Clerk

Absent
Kevin Gonzalez, Comptroller
Adrianna Smith, Athletic Campaign Manager
Giselle Heraux, Director of Governmental Relations, excused
Alix Sanchez, Hospitality Management Senator
Patrick Milord, Justice
Micaela Cohen, Justice

Guest
CALL TO ORDER
The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on March 7, 2012, in WUC 155. The meeting was called to order at 3:40 pm, approximately, by President Halpin who chaired over the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHO MOTIONED TO TABLE THE MINUTES?

PRESIDENT REPORT
President Halpin began her report by stating that she attended along MMC President O’keefe, the APAC conference in Washington DC. APAC is a pro Israel Alliance in which the US supports. There were two thousand student government president from all over the United States that attended. Ms. Halpin spoke to Carlos Becerra from Governmental Relations, regarding a possible lobbying trip to Washington DC in April. Three council members will be able to attend along with herself the lobbying trip.

Ms. Halpin paused her report to give the council a chance to vote for council member of the year. The winner will be announced during the BBC Banquet on April 18th.

Ms. Halpin mentioned that she met with Terry Witherell regarding the pantherization of ACI &II. It cost around $32,000-35,000. They are currently trying to figure out who will sponsor the pantherization.

Ms. Halpin reiterated that they must either attend the lecture or the baseball game. Please let her know which one you will be attending. As for the Marling game all 15,000 tickets have been sold.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT
Vice President Collyer reminded the council that the Adrian Grenier Lecture is today at 6:30pm. It was moved to the theater. He will be speaking about the Teenage Paparazzo movie he produced.

Mr. Collyer announced that the university wide budget hearing will be tomorrow at MMC. There is 1.43 million that need to be allocated. Everyone is welcome to attend. The BBC specific hearing will be scheduled after Spring Break, he encouraged everyone to attend.

Spring Break is next week, everyone please be safe.

SENATE REPORT
Speaker Haspel encourage everyone to attend the lecture or the game. The senate approved the Chaz Bono appropriation.
**CABINET REPORT**
Ms. Fernandez reiterated that Back on Track will be March 20th. She will be needing everyone’s help in promoting this event.

**JUDICIAL REPORT**
No report.

**OLD BUSINESS**
No old business.

**NEW BUSINESS**
No new business

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS**

March
A. March 7, Adrian Grenier Lecture, 6pm, WUC Ballroom
B. March 14, SOC: Field Day Club Fair, 12-3pm, Basketball Courts, Panther Square/Flagpole
C. March 20th, Back on Track, Time & place: TBA
D. March 22, Sam Sifton Lecture, 2pm Theatre
E. March 22, Late Day Latte, 4:30-6pm, Flag Pole Area
F. March 27, Tuesday Times Roundtable, 12:30-1:30pm, WUC 159

April
A. April 3, SGA Elections, 9am-7pm, ACI
B. April 4, SGA Elections, 9am-7pm, ACI
C. April 5th, SGA Election Announcements, Panther Square
D. April 10, Tuesday Times Roundtable, 12:30-1:30pm, WUC 159
E. April 12, SOC Super Stars, 4-7pm, Ballrooms

President Halpin adjourned the meeting at **4:01pm**.