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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & FIU at I-75

MINUTES SGC-BBC General Meeting November 1, 2017

IN ATTENDANCE

Leonardo Cosio, President

Meredith Marseille, Vice President

Jamie Adelson, Chief of Staff

Dianne Morales, Deputy Chief of Staff

Ana Rubiano, Director of Events

Douglas Gavilan, Director of Campus Services

Huahua Jin, Director of International Student Services

Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education

Mers Gabrielle San Pedro, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Jennell Barnett, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Ashley Rosales-Tejeda, Communication + Journalism

Jefferson Noel, Communication + Journalism and Speaker Pro Tempore

Doreen Patichi, Upper Division

Jessalyn Morel, Lower Division

Ronan Kelly, At-Large

Daniel Velasquez, At-Large

Jonathan Espino, Housing and Speaker Pro Tempore

Ryan Mignagaray, Marketing Coordinator

Yaira Viloria, Social Media Coordinator

EXCUSED

Mitesh Addhate, Comptroller

ABSENT

Sigal Dahan, Upper Division Natasha Ramirez, Public Relations Manager

GUESTS

Christine Masseus, Student Larissa Adames, Assistant Director of Campus Life/SGA Advisor Stefano Carl Selorio, SGA Front Desk Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Date – Locale WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at 3:39 PM, approximately, by President Cosio who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the [September 27, 2017] meeting was made by Senator [Ronan Kelly] and seconded by Senator [Ashley Rosales-Tejeda]

PRESIDENT REPORT

President Leonardo Cosio stated the following,

- I. Trail of the Torch Reminder
- II. Tri-Council Reunion/Alumni
- III. Meeting with the Alumni Association
 - A. Encouraging CARTA Alumni to give back to FIU.
- IV. Suicide Hotline Update
 - A. Senator Doreen Patichi and Sigal Dahan are working with FIU OneCard to put the suicide hotline on the back of the card.
- V. In collaboration with former Vice ProVost Raul Moncarz, breakfast will be served in honor of Jose Marti.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Meredith Marseille stated the following,

- I. Meeting with the General Manager of Bayview
- II. Bayview Open Forum, November 29, 12-2pm, Bayview Room
- III. First Generation Day
 - A. SGA will be sponsoring the First Generation Day buttons
- IV. Reflexology Path Project
 - A. We are looking for quotes to finalize the path.

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Jonathan Espino stated the following,

- I. Finance Chair Senator Kelly has filled his committee and will now be able to hold meetings for his finance requests
- II. The only position that is difficult to fill is the I75 Senator
- III. In collaboration with Vice President Meredith Marseille, a meeting with Kristie Zapata the manager at Bayview in regards to the Bayview forum we plan to have. So this forum is going to be a Q&A and be held at the end of November the tentative date is November 29th from around 12-2pm. Room repairs and renovations will begin the 6th of november and go by floors. Bayview is starting a month of thankfulness to show their appreciation to the residents and the forum will essentially cover some Bayview related issues with

- Hurricane Irma etc. and Kristie will be there we are trying to get Pablo Ortiz and someone from environment health and safety to answer any questions comments concerns and the students.
- IV. Senator Velasquez and I are/will be working on a resolution that will try to make the Bayview Forum a semesterly event where students will be able to express their concerns every semester. This will be presented at the next Senate Meeting.
- V. Senator Morel got 4th place in the student bake off for Roary's Birthday.
- VI. Speaker Pro Noel will elaborate on his Meet the Deen event with his updates and all the hard work he has been putting into it.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Speaker Pro Tempore Jefferson Noel stated the following,

- I. Meet the Dean of CARTA is going to happen in 7 days, November 8, 10:00 am, ACII 161
 - A. Construction is being done in building ACII
 - B. Ryan Mignagaray, Marketing Coordinator created a flyer for the event
 - C. The Public Relations board will be launching a marketing campaign to inform students about the event.
 - D. PantherPress has been contacted to cover the event.
- II. CARTA Creators
 - A. Applications are open for students at OrgSync
- III. International Harmony
 - A. Bringing an international atmosphere to the Wolfe University Center through music.

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

Chief of Staff Jamie Nelson stated the following,

- I. Director of Campus Services Gavilan is a part of the Wolfe Day Committee. Wolfe Day is March 29th from 11-3.
- II. Director of Campus Services Gavilan is working with Jeff on the Meet the Dean event to get organizations on campus involved. Meet the Dean is November 8th from 10-12.
- III. Deputy Chief of Staff Morales is working on collecting the information of all SCJ students in the councils at BBC.
- IV. Deputy Chief of Staff Morales created a survey for Bayview students to see what restaurants they eat at around campus. She will close it next Friday.
- V. Director of International Student Affairs Jin is working on the International Culture & Flag Parade on November 13th at 11 a.m.
- VI. The PR Board is working on the SGA t-shirt with Adam.
- VII. PR Manager Ramirez is working on the SGA newsletter.
- VIII. Since last general meeting a Social Media Coordinator has been appointed.
 - IX. Today, a candidate for Director of Lectures will go for confirmation.

X. I'm working with Sharonda Glover, the woman in charge of branding for FIU, to better brand our council. I'm meeting with her tomorrow to discuss creating a really nice SGA-BBC booklet that explains who we are, why we exist, our strategic plan etc.

ADVISOR REPORT

SGA Advisor Larissa Adames stated the following,

- I. NACA Assessments need to be filled out
- II. The new Tabling Sheet is up and needs to be updated
- III. Trail of the Torch
- IV. Block Party
- V. Council members can utilize SGA Interns make sure you email Gerald Johnson by Friday
- VI. SGA Potluck, November 29
- VII. Enrollment Dates
- VIII. Stipend Packets needs to be finished by the end of November, December 12
 - IX. Homecoming Parade Committee, November 4
 - X. Budget Training, November 25, 10:00 am
 - XI. SGA Portal @ OrgSync
- XII. Adam Braun, November 29

OLD BUSINESS

I. Please refer to the APPROVAL OF MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS

I. Director of Lectures: Christine Masseus

A motion to appoint [Christine Massesus] for [Director of Lectures] was made by Senator [Ronan Kelly] and seconded by Senator [Ashley Rosales-Tejeda]

The motion was passed unanimously.

- AYE Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education
- AYE Mers Gabrielle San Pedro, Hospitality & Tourism Management
- AYE Jennell Barnett, Hospitality & Tourism Management
- AYE Ashley Rosales-Tejeda, Communication + Journalism
- AYE Jefferson Noel, Communication + Journalism and Speaker Pro Tempore
- AYE Doreen Patichi, Upper Division
- AYE Jessalyn Morel, Lower Division
- AYE Ronan Kelly, At-Large
- AYE Daniel Velasquez, At-Large
- AYE Jonathan Espino, Housing and Speaker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- I. Homecoming Floats
 - A. Council members to decorate and sign up to be in the float.
 - B. Six members have signed up, but we need 12 to be on the float.
- II. Black Student Union
 - A. Chicken & Waffles
- III. Hospitality & Management
 - A. Senator Jennell Barnett is trying to be in contact with the standing Dean, Michael Chang
- IV. Front Desk Reminder

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at [4:26 PM] was made by Senator [Jefferson Noel] and seconded by Senator [Jennell Barnett]