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## MEETING MINUTES

February 22, 2010

- I. Welcome & Call to Order at 4:03pm
  - a. First ever joint Senate meeting (Ramirez)
- II. Roll Call
  - a. Adam Johnson (Excused)
  - b. Alejandro Garcia
  - c. Alex Alonso (Tardy)
  - d. Alex Lastra
  - e. Altanese Phenelus
  - f. Angela Parra
  - g. Angeline Gonzalez (Excused)
  - h. Christina Mellon
  - i. Cristina Loreto (Tardy)
  - j. Daniel Ybanez- (Tardy)
  - k. Daniela Gonzalez
  - l. Dillon Arango (Absent)
  - m. Edward Proenza
  - n. Erica Lovett
  - o. Ernesto Rubi
  - p. Haidar Hachem (Excused Tardy)
  - q. Hector Mujica
  - r. Helena Ramirez
  - s. Janice Rubio
  - t. Katrina Fumagali
  - u. Loren Fraute (Excused)
  - v. Maribel Chaluja
  - w. Muhammad Saleem
  - x. Sandra Perez (Absent)
  - y. Taylor Prochnow
  - z. Yuniel Molina
  - aa. Vignesh Doraiswamy
  - bb. William Jose Velez
  - cc. Robert Yengibaryan
  - dd. Cristina Morales
  - ee. Mykaelle Figueiredo
  - ff. Luis Robayo
  - gg. Nick (BBC Senate Speaker)
  - hh. Zara (BBC Senate Pro-Tempore)
  - ii. Greg
  - jj. Victoria Aguila
  - kk. Andrea

*Move into Reports [Velez] (Passes)*

- III. Chief Justice Report
  - a. Met with Anthony and Sholom last week
  - b. Grievance filed due to the constitutionality of the Elections Code
- IV. Executive Report
  - a. \$2.04 million for MMC next year
  - b. \$750,000 for BBC next year
  - c. 2 committees within SGA ; GSA & Panther Rage
  - d. \$100,000 for GSA conferences
- V. New Business
  - a. SGA Constitutional Discussion
    - i. Discussing how many Senators BBC needs; Constitution = 21 seats (Nick)
    - ii. Reduce numbers, seniority pay, & use the money for something else (Nick)
    - iii. Impeachment 1/3 vs 3/5 (Nick)
    - iv. Define "Senate leadership"
    - v. Amendment Process [Section 12]; effective date after ratification (Rubi)
  - b. SGA Updates and Achievements for 2009-2010
    - i. MYD Education on March 29 (Lovett)
    - ii. Working on reports for the Dean; successful MYD (Loreto)
    - iii. MYD went well; lots of questions; possibly having a Cram Jam at the Engineering Center (Hachem)
    - iv. Helping students meet the requirements for the Honors College; priority deadline & recruitment; events for HC (Andrea)
    - v. MYD Business this Wednesday → clubs, alumni, Dean ; Dean wants this to continue to happen each year (Mujica)
    - vi. Fish bowl had over 220 people; Wolfsonian event had a couple hundred; over 600 people attended the Honors College Convocation; Jeopardy; Leadership Council; Sweetwater partnership (Doraiswamy)
    - vii. Meet and Greet; lots of feedback; Artwork sale (Victoria Aguila)
    - viii. Looking to do a career workshop (Velez)
    - ix. Working with aB to raise awareness → recycling; working with Pan African for their events (Greg)
    - x. Currently working on MYD Arts & Architecture for March 29 (Fumagali)
    - xi. Streamlining graduation flow charts (Prochnow)
    - xii. Built better relationships with RHA; created townhalls (Rubio)
    - xiii. Security cameras; extended hours of breezeway (Proenza)
    - xiv. Speed bump & Career workshop for Public Health field → mock interviews (Garcia)
    - xv. Increasing security presence; parking decals resolution (Nick)
    - xvi. Meet your Senators forum last semester → lots of feedback & great event; surveys; SGA Day on the Bay → clean up; Townhall; Vibin' with the VP; SGA Alumni Reception; Recyclemania; great intern program (Zara)
    - xvii. Major Cut forum coming soon in March; met with Director of Campus Life; met with VP of Student Affairs (Ramirez)
    - xviii. Surveys; MYD at the end of March; visiting classrooms; Associate Deans; Academic Advising (D. Gonzalez)
    - xix. Writing Workshops last semester were very successful; FIU Civility Game had great attendance; FIU Pride Day on March 10 (Figueiredo)
    - xx. Turned in Bills; near impeccable attendance this year (Doraiswamy)
  - c. SGA Retention
    - i. Lots of people didn't run; screening people; senators were nominated; GPA (Nick)

- ii. Try to work on promoting elections to get a Senate and work on retention and the growth of the Senate (Parra)
      - iii. No Elections Commissioner
      - iv. Helena emailed Cici the MMC revised Elections Code
    - d. aB Appropriation (BBC)
      - i. Move to allocate \$227 [Andrea] (Passes 4-0-0)
- VI. Announcements
  - a. MYD Business on Wednesday in CBC 232 (Parra)
  - b. Baseball game on Friday at 7pm (Proenza)
- VII. Adjournment at 5:40pm