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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

January 30th, 2012

IN ATTENDANCE

Pablo Haspel, Speaker of the Senator/Honors College Senator

Alix Sanchez, Hospitality Management Senator

Xue Yan, Hospitality Management Senator

Desir Nonhomme, Arts & Science Senator

Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator

Kemeika Clayton, Housing Senator

Christopher Morisset, Lower Division Senator

Olivia Dehaarte, Senator At-Large, **3:54pm**

Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large

Oluwatobi Adekoya, Senator At-Large

Kevin Houston, SJMC Senator

Inemesit Ekanem, Nursing & Health Sciences Senator

Rafael Zapata, Advisor

Absent

Daniel Usma, Speaker Pro-Tempore/Arts & Sciences Senator, **absent**

Sagine Delly, Graduate Senator, **absent**

Guest

None

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a Senate meeting on January 30th, 2012, in Locale WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at **3:34pm**, approximately, by Speaker Haspel who chaired over the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Senator Sanchez moved to table the minutes for November 21st, 2011, January 9th, and January 23rd 2012. The motion was seconded by Senator Odimayo. The motion passed unanimously.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE REPORT

Speaker Haspel started by telling everyone that he tried to meet with Speaker Pro Usma. Speaker Haspel mentions he will be asking Senator Usma for the minutes and he might even consider asking someone else to type minutes. He later confirms that Budget Deliberations have been finalized. Speaker Haspel then reminds everyone that on February 4th 2012, the Leadership Summit will be taking place. It will be a mandatory event for the council. It is expected for

everyone to wear Semi-Formal attire. The following week, on February 11th, the Ropes Course will take place. Speaker Haspel confirms that he will be attending. He acknowledges the purpose of this event, which is to provide teambuilding opportunities. Lunch and possibly breakfast will be provided. On the 15th of the same month, there will a Town Hall meeting where President Rosenberg will be present. Speaker Haspel considers spreading the word to each of the Senators' constituencies since it will provide the opportunity for students to ask questions concerning the university.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Absent.

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

Senator Odimayo started his report by saying that the Finance Committee has received a Graduate Request for \$500. He then concludes his report by confirming that the official meeting time for the Finance Committee will now on Mondays at 2pm.

OPERATIONAL REVIEW CHAIR REPORT

Senator Adekoya started and concluded his report by confirming that the first Operation Review Committee meeting will be held on Fridays at 4pm.

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

Vacant.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS CHAIR REPORT

Vacant.

RULES, LEGISLATION AND JUDICIARY CHAIR REPORT

Vacant.

OLD BUSINESS

A. CAREER SERVICES

Speaker Haspel started by defining the purpose of Career Services. As we all know, Career Services allows students to get a particular job. It permits the students to build relationship with employers. One of the most severe challenges a students faces is the inability to acquire a specific job because of their lack of work experience and no workforce information. The solutions Career Services provide are: for students to participate in workshops resume critique, internship and career fair, and a good student network with employers. Speaker Haspel now opened the floor and wanted suggestions that will allow more students to get in contact with Career Services.

Senator Nakagawa suggested promoting information.

Senator Sanchez suggested alternating times and days from workshops.

Senator Huston requested adding/making more presence in the school.

NEW BUSINESS

A. APPOINTMENTS

- None.

B. NOMINATIONS

- Senator Sanchez moved to open nominations for committees, Senator Ekanem seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - Senator Sanchez nominated Senator Dehaarte for Student Advocacy Chair. Senator Dehaarte accepted the nomination.
 - Senator Odimayo nominated Senator Clayton for Internal Affairs Chair. Senator Clayton respectfully declined.
 - Speaker Haspel nominated Senator Houston for Internal Affairs Chair. Senator Houston accepted the nomination.
 - Senator Odimayo nominated Senator Ekanem for Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Chair. Senator Ekanem respectfully declined.
 - Senator Sanchez nominated Senator Nonhomme for Internal Affairs Chair. Senator Nonhomme accepted the nomination.
 - Senator Adekoya nominated Senator Nakagawa for Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Chair. Senator Nakagawa respectfully declined.
 - Senator Odimayo nominated Senator Yan for Student Advocacy Chair. Senator Yan accepted the nomination.

C. COMMITTEE MEETING DAYS

- Speaker Haspel stated he is missing the meeting times for Operational Review and Finance Committee this semester. Senator Adekoya answered that the Operational Review Committee meeting will now be held on Friday at 4pm. Senator Odimayo replied that Finance Committee will now be held on Monday at 2pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

A. Recruit

- Speaker Haspel announced that there are open positions in the council for Graduate, Arts & Sciences, Journalism, Pembroke Pines Centers, and Lower Division Senators. He asked the council to recruit and spread out the word to those interested in joining council.

B. Speaker Haspel now confirmed that there will be the Badminton on Friday from 5-8:00pm in the Ballrooms.

C. Senator Ekanem announced that the Sex Carnival will have to be moved in order not to clash with the Town Hall Meeting.

Speaker Haspel adjourned the meeting at **4:14pm.**