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Florida International University

Student Government Council - Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES SGC-BBC Senate Meeting September 12, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE

Farah Yamini, Arts & Science Senator,
Jorge Nonell Jr., Arts & Science Senator
Pablo Haspel, Honors College Senator
Alix Sanchez, Hospitality Management Senator
Diana Deonanan, Lower Division Senator
Grace Ingabire, Lower Division Senator
Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Senator At-Large,
Oluwatobi Adekoya, Senator At-Large
Sagine Delly, Graduate Senator
Rafael Zapata, Advisor

EXCUSED

Daniel Usma, Arts & Science Senator

ABSENT

Melissa Khan, Senator At-Large

GUEST

Jonathan Simmons

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate of Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on September 12, 2011, WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at **3:42pm**, approximately, by Speaker Haspel who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Senator Yamini motioned to approve of the August 29th, 2011 senate meeting minutes, Senator Sanchez seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE REPORT

A- Speaker Haspel mentioned that he had a meeting with the United Way representatives and he will keep the senate informed on the progress made.

- B- Speaker Haspel also informed the senate that Senator Melvin will no longer be a lower-division senator, but will be part of the Student Government Association Intern Program.
- C- In addition, Speaker Haspel pointed out that the Student Government Association (BBC) has between 15-16 interns so far.

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

A. Senator Odimayo stated that in the finance meeting held on September 9th, 2011, the committee tabled the finance request of Mr. Xiaoyang Zhang until the proper form is submitted.

OPERATION REVIEW CHAIR REPORT

A- Senator Adekoya informed the senate to contact him if interested in joining the committee before he schedules a meeting time for his committee.

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

A- Senator Sanchez pointed out that she had sent an email regarding the committee meeting day and hours, but only got a response from a couple members of the senate. She also informed the committee that she has a lot of suggestions put together and her first meeting will be on September 14th, 2011 after the general meeting.

INTERNAL AFFARIS CHAIR REPORT

- A- Senator Yamini stated that she had met with her counter part at MMC and she will not be able to move forward until knows the duties of her committee.
- B- Speaker Haspel suggested that she schedule a meeting date and time with the information that she has and to come with ideas that will help her committee move forward.

OLD BUSINESS

- A- Meet the Dean Event
 - 1. Speaker Haspel stated that an email was sent to all senate members in regards of scheduling a date and time that would be convenient to most senators. After all senators gave the time and date that was convenient to them, the senate finally agreed that Monday, October 17th at 12pm will be the *Meet the Dean Event*.
 - 2. Speaker Haspel pointed out that he will not be able to attend the *Meet the Dean Event* because of his class schedule. Also, the event will have refreshments for attendees.
- B- Speaker Haspel reminded the senators that they should be meeting with their Deans once a month.
- C- Senator Nonell pointed out that it was out of order for senators to be using their cell phones during senate meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- A- Soccer Field resolution
 - 1. After Senator Adekoya read the entire resolution, Senator Sanchez moved to capitalize the letter "b" in the word "bay" in the first whereas of the resolution. This motion was seconded by Senator Yamini.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Nay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed.

2. Senator Yamini moved to capitalize the letter "t" in the word "this" in the third whereas of the resolution. This motion was seconded by Senator Sanchez.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed.

3. Senator Sanchez moved to change the capitalization of the words "Construction and Stands" in the Agenda Item to "construction and stands". This motion was seconded by Senator Yamini.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed.

4. Senator Yamini moved to change the capitalization of the words "Rehabilitation and Construction in the sentence: "In support of the Rehabilitation of the Soccer Field

<u>and Construction of stands</u>" to "<u>In support of the rehabilitation of the Soccer Field and</u> construction of stands" This motion was seconded by Senator Sanchez.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed unanimously.

5. Senator Sanchez moved to approve all the corrections made to the Soccer Field resolution which was seconded by Senator Delly.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Senator Odimayo moved to bypass the second reading of the Soccer Field Resolution which was seconded by Senator Sanchez.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Senator Nonell motioned to pass the Soccer Field Resolution which was seconded by Senator Sanchez.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion was passed unanimously and will go to President Halpin.

Senator Odimayo took a point of personal privilege which was granted by Speaker Haspel.

B- Panther Paws Resolution

1. Senator Yamini moved to approve the legislation as it stand and motion was seconded by Senator Delly.

Senator Haspel: Yay Senator Sanchez: Yay Senator Yamini: Yay Senator Delly: Yay Senator Adekoya: Yay Senator Odimayo: Yay Senator Deonanan: Yay Senator Ingabire: Yay Senator Nonell: Yay

The motion was passed unanimously and will go to President Halpin.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

- A- Speaker Haspel reminded the senate to CC him and Larissa in all relevant emails.
- B- Speaker Haspel also reminded the senate to attend the *Meet and Greet* at The Broward Pines Center on Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 at 4:30pm.
- C- Speaker Haspel stated that he is working on the Statutes and will present the changes to the senate in a couple of weeks. Senator Nonell insisted on keeping the senate informed of the changes that are been made to the Statutes.
- D- Senator Yamini informed the senate that she will be sending a link to all SGC-BBC chairs.

The Senate meeting was adjourned by **Speaker Haspel** at **4:18pm**.