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# Florida International University

*Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center*

## MINUTES

### **SGC-BBC Special Session**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

#### IN ATTENDANCE

Pablo Haspel, President

Christopher Morisset, Vice President, **(Newly Appointed)**

Jazmin Felix, Nursing & Health Sciences Senator/ Speaker of the Senate

Carolina Krauskopf, Honors College Senator/ Speaker Pro Tempore

Magalie Gabriel, Lower Division Senator

Monique Lewis, Lower Division Senator

Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator

Ismail Hassan, Arts & Sciences Senator

Whitney Saint-Fleur-Arts & Sciences Senator, **3:35pm**

Olivia Dehaarte, Senator At Large, **3:35pm**

Sola Adebodun, Senator At Large

Jianyi Wang, Housing Senator

Yiran Ding, Graduate Senator, **4:02pm**

Sheni Kathymoon, Journalism & Mass Communications Senator

Andres Perez, Senate Page

Martha Ochoa, Chief Justice

Rafael Zapata, SGA Advisor,

Juliana Aragon, **3:42pm**

#### Absent

Pablo Gonzalez, Lower Division Senator

Darelyne Joseph, Hospitality Management Senator

Kerline Honore, Arts & Sciences Senator

Ertha Jean Francois, Senator At Large

#### Guest

Donaldy Salvant, Deputy Elections Commissioner Nominee

#### CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held an Emergency Senate meeting on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013, in WUC 155. The meeting was called to order at approximately **3:32pm**, by Speaker of the Senate Jazmin Felix.

- President Haspel thanked everyone for coming to the Special Session; he stated that former Vice-President Adekoya can no longer be Vice-President and that he selected Senator Morisset to replace him.

## NEW BUSINESS

### i. Appointments

- 1) **Christopher Morisset-Vice President**
- 2) **Ami Nakagawa-Finance Chair**
- 3) **Donaldy Salvant-Deputy Elections Commissioner**
- 4) **Magalie Gabriel-Student Advocacy Chair**
- 5) **Monique Lewis-Finance Committee Member**
- 6) **Hezheng Wang-Elections Commissioner**

#### 1) **Christopher Morisset- Vice President**

- Introduced himself, said he is capable of taking over the role of Vice President, he was first out of the freshman class last year and that he was Speaker Pro under Pablo last year. He also stated that this semester he is the Finance Chair and that if he becomes Vice President, Senator Nakagawa would take over the role of Finance Chair.
- Senator Gabriel moved to appoint Christopher Morisset as the new Vice-President. Senator Kathymoon seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Morisset	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	Yes
Senator Dehaarte	Yes
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 12 yays/ 0 nays/ 5 abstains; Christopher Morisset became the new Vice-President.

#### 2) **Ami Nakagawa-Finance Chair**

- Introduced herself, she said that she has been the Vice-Chair for the Finance Committee, and that she is capable of taking the position. She also said that she has taken two accounting classes and one financial management class, and that she is very strict.

- Senator Krauskopf moved to appoint Ami Nakagawa as the new Finance Chair. Senator Kathymoon seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	Yes
Senator Dehaarte	Yes
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 11 yays/ 0 nays/ 5 abstains; Ami Nakagawa became the new Finance Chair.

➤ Speaker Felix asked that if anyone wants to join the Elections Board to let her know ASAP.

### 3) **Donaldy Salvant-Deputy Elections Commissioner**

➤ Introduced himself, said he is really thrilled if he is able to join SGA and that he tried joining last semester but wasn't able to. Said he was president at one of the clubs in his previous school and had won best club out of the whole school. He also stated that he is part of the Modern United Nations and that he has competed with IV **league** schools. He believes he can handle the pressure.

- Senator Dehaarte moved to appoint Donaldy Salvant as the new Deputy Elections Commissioner. Senator Adebodun seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>

Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	Yes
Senator Dehaarte	Yes
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 11 yays/ 0 nays/ 5 abstains; Donaldy Salvant became the new Deputy Elections Commissioner.

➤ Senator Nakagawa moved to add to the agenda the appointment of Magalie Gabriel as the new Student Advocacy Chair. Senator Krauskopf seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 4) **Magalie Gabriel-Student Advocacy Chair**

➤ Introduced herself as a Lower Division Senator. She said that she likes to be involved in SGA.

- Senator Dehaarte moved to appoint Magalie Gabriel as the new Student Advocacy Chair. Senator Adebodun seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	Yes
Senator Dehaarte	Yes
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 11 yays/ 0 nays/ 5 abstains; Magalie Gabriel became the new Student Advocacy Chair.

➤ **Senators Dehaarte & Saint-Fleur Personal Privilege 3:51pm**

## 5) Monique Lewis-Finance Committee Member

➤ Introduced herself, said she joined SGA because she wants to make an impact. She also said that she is capable of doing whatever is required of her and that she is very dependable.

- Senator Krauskopf moved to appoint Monique Lewis as the new Finance Committee Member. Senator Nakagawa seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	<b>Abstain</b>
Senator Dehaarte	<b>Abstain</b>
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 9 yays/ 0 nays/ 7 abstains; Monique Lewis became the new Finance Committee Member.

➤ President Haspel petitions to vote in abstention in favor of Hezheng Wang as he wasn't able to attend the meeting. President Haspel stated that he and Rafael had spoken to him already and that Mr. Wang had said that he was able to do the job. He concluded by saying that due to unfortunate events they lost the Elections Commissions Board and they are currently trying to rebuild it.

## 6) Hezheng Wang-Elections Commissioner

- Senator Krauskopf moved to appoint Hezheng Wang as the new Elections Commissioner. Senator Adebodun seconded. Senate proceeded to a roll call vote.

Senator Felix	Yes
Senator Krauskopf	Yes
Senator Gabriel	Yes
Senator Lewis	Yes
Senator Gonzalez	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Nakagawa	Yes
Senator Joseph	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>

Senator Ding	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Honore	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Hassan	Yes
Senator Saint-Fleur	<b>Abstain</b>
Senator Dehaarte	<b>Abstain</b>
Senator Jean-Francois	<b>Abstain-Absent</b>
Senator Adebodun	Yes
Senator Wang	Yes
Senator Kathymoon	Yes

- By a vote of 9 yays/ 0 nays/ 7 abstains; Hezheng Wang became the new Elections Commissioner.

➤ **First Reading of the Finance Code**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS/ CONCERNS**

- Speaker Felix announced that the second reading and voting for the Finance Code will be after spring break.
- Senator Nakagawa congratulated Senator Gabriel and wished her good luck on her Study Abroad to Belize during the spring break.
- Speaker Felix also asked senators to let her know any ideas for senate bonding activities.

**Speaker Felix adjourned the meeting at 4:07pm**