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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

June 11th, 2012

IN ATTENDANCE

Oluwatobi Adekoya, Vice-President
Oluwatamilore Odimayo, Speaker of the Senate/Senator At-Large
Sola Adebodun, Senator At-Large
Christopher Morisset, Lower Division Senator
Ami Nakagawa, Business Administration Senator
Kerlime Honore, Arts & Sciences Senator
Desir Nonhomme, Arts & Sciences Senator
Ertha Jean-Francois, Arts & Sciences Senator

Absent

Abel Ramos Taype, Speaker Pro-Tempore/Senator at Large, **excused**
Xue Yan, Hospitality Management Senator, **excused**
Kevin Houston, SJMC Senator, **Leave of Absence**
Stephen Nuñez, Journalism & Mass Communication Senator, **absent**
Carolina Krauskopf, Honors College Senator, **Leave of Absence**

Guest

Rafael Zapata, SGA Advisor
Pablo Haspel, President
Emilio Collyer, Comptroller nominee
Rebekah James, Graduate Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a Senate meeting on Monday, June 11th, 2012, in WUC 159. The meeting was called to order at approximately **4:20pm**, by Speaker Odimayo who chaired over the meeting in its entirety.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Senator Nakagawa moved to approve the Senate Meeting minutes for May 29th, 2012. Senator Jean-Francois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE REPORT

No report

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Absent. No report

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

Vacant

OPERATIONAL REVIEW CHAIR REPORT

Vacant

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

Vacant

INTERNAL AFFAIRS CHAIR REPORT

Vacant

RULES, LEGISLATION AND JUDICIARY CHAIR REPORT

Vacant

OLD BUSINESS

A. NOMINATIONS

Finance Chair

- Senator Nakagawa moved to nominate herself for Finance Chair. Senator Nonhomme seconded the motion.
- Senator Nonhomme moved to close nominations in its entirety. Senator Honore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Senator Nakagawa stated that as a Business major, being Finance Chair will greatly improve her skills. She is quite knowledgeable on the allocation of money and she is well versed in the business world thanks to her experience.
- Senator Morisset stated that he was part of the Finance Committee last semester. He has learned a lot and would like to challenge himself with the duties and expectancies that the position requires. Thanks to the U-Wide retreat, he is aware of the Finance Chair duties and the double-dipping effect. Senator Morisset stated that he would like to continue the past finance Chair legacy.
- Senator Adebodun stated that she is a businesswoman and that after reading the Statutes and Constitutions, she would like acquire the position of Finance Chair. She is aware of the responsibilities and duties that are expected.
- Senator Nakagawa moved to vote on the position of Finance Chair. Senator Adebodun seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call

Speaker Odimayo

Senator Morisset

Senator Nakagawa

Senator Honore

Senator Jean-Francois

Senator Nonhomme

Senator Adebodun

Christopher

Christopher

Ami

Christopher

Christopher

Christopher

Sola

Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 5/1/1 in favor for Senator Morisset, Senator Morisset was appointed as Finance chair.

RLJ Chair

- Senator Jean-Francois stated she always wanted to be a lawyer. Being RLJ Chair will make her more knowledgeable on the field.
- Senator Nakagawa moved to close nominations for RLJ Chair and proceed to voting. Senator Honore seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Speaker Odimayo	Yay
Senator Morisset	Yay
Senator Nakagawa	Yay
Senator Honore	Yay
Senator Jean-Francois	Yay
Senator Nonhomme	Yay
Senator Adebodun	Yay
Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 7/0/5, Senator Jean Francois was appointed as Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Chair

Internal Affairs Chair

- Senator Honore stated that even though her major is unrelated to the field, she would like to learn a lot more about the student government.
- Senator Nonhomme asked if she could provide a brief job description.
- Senator Honore replied that the Internal Affairs Chair is responsible to ensure that all Senators are fulfilling their requirements.
- Vice-President Adekoya asked if she was well versed with the Ethics Code.
- Senator Honore replied no, however, she is willing to learn about it.
- Senator Nonhomme moved to close nominations for Internal Affairs Chair and proceed to voting. Senator Nakagawa seconded the motion.

Speaker Odimayo	Yay
Senator Morisset	Nay
Senator Nakagawa	Yay

Senator Honore	Yay
Senator Jean-Francois	Yay
Senator Nonhomme	Yay
Senator Adebodun	Yay
Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 6/1/5, the motion passed

Roll Call

Speaker Odimayo	Yay
Senator Morisset	Nay
Senator Nakagawa	Yay
Senator Honore	Yay
Senator Jean-Francois	Yay
Senator Nonhomme	Yay
Senator Adebodun	Yay
Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 6/1/5, Senator Honore was appointed as Internal Affairs Chair.

NEW BUSINESS

Senator Nakagawa moved to bypass Oath of Office and proceed to Committee Chair Appointments. Senator Honore seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. COMMITTEE CHAIR APPOINTMENTS

As mentioned in University Wide Finance Code, the Finance Committee shall be composed of a chairperson and five members.

- Senator Nonhomme moved to open nominations for one week. Senator Morisset seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Senator Honore moved to nominate herself as member Finance Committee. Senator Jean-Francois seconded the motion.
- Senator Adebodun moved to nominate herself as member Finance Committee. Senator Jean-Francois seconded the motion.
- Senator Nakagawa moved to nominate herself as member of the Finance Committee. Senator Morisset seconded the motion.
- Senator Jean-Francois moved to nominate herself as member of the Finance Committee. Senator Adebodun seconded the motion.

- Senator Nonhomme moved to overrule the chair. Speaker Odimayo disregarded the motion.
- Senator Nonhomme moved to suspend rules and proceed to voting on all nominees. Senator Honore seconded the motion.

Speaker Odimayo	Yay
Senator Morisset	Yay
Senator Nakagawa	Yay
Senator Honore	Yay
Senator Jean-Francois	Yay
Senator Nonhomme	Yay
Senator Adebodun	Yay
Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan, Hospitality	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 7/0/5 the nominees were chosen as members of the Finance Committee.

C. RETREAT DEBRIEF

- President Haspel welcomed everyone back from the retreat. He thanked those who attended the General Meeting. After the University Wide Retreat, President Haspel required the Senate to provide feedback on the trip so that future retreats could be improved if there was a need to.
- Speaker Odimayo suggested providing feedback by email.
- President Haspel took the suggestion in consideration and asked each Senator to email him by the end of the week in order for them to provide feedback on the U-Wide Retreat.

D. CABINET APPOINTMENT

- Student Emilio Collyer was chosen as nominee for the position of Comptroller. Student Collyer stated that he had been through the allocation process last summer and spring semesters. He is well versed on the duties of Comptroller and is knowledgeable on the A.S. funds.
- Senator Nonhomme moved to appoint Emilio Collyer as Comptroller. Senator Adebodun seconded the motion.

Roll Call

Speaker Odimayo	Yay
Senator Morisset	Yay
Senator Nakagawa	Yay
Senator Honore	Yay
Senator Jean-Francois	Yay
Senator Nonhomme	Yay
Senator Adebodun	Yay

Senator Ramos Taype	Abstain-absent
Senator Yan	Abstain-absent
Senator Houston	Abstain-absent
Senator Nuñez	Abstain-absent
Senator Krauskopf	Abstain-absent

By a vote of 7/0/5, Emilio Collyer was appointed as Comptroller.

Senator Nonhomme moved to bypass quiz. Senator Jean-Francois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUCEMENT/CONCERNS

- President Haspel stated that on June 19th, 2012, there will be a Mrs FIU Send- off here at BBC. Emails will be sent as a reminder. He later stated that on Wednesday, June 27th, 2012 there will be a general meeting. Everyone is expected to attend. It will be a mandatory meeting.
- Senator Nonhomme moved to adjourn the meeting. Senator Jean-Francois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - a. Schedule meetings with your deans
 - b. Student advocacy should start working on surveys before the fall semester starts
 - c. Finance committee has two pending requests and must meet within two weeks
 - d. Rules and regulations committee has two resolutions and must meet within two weeks

Speaker Odimayo adjourned the meeting at **4:44pm.**