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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

Date

June 9th, 2014

IN ATTENDANCE

Jazmin Felix – President - **Left at 3:38**

Camille Williams – Vice President

Allhan Mejia – Business Administration Senator / Speaker of the Senate

Maria Pulido-Velosa – Arts and Sciences Senator / Speaker Pro-Tempore

Faedrah Mahotiere – Arts and Sciences Senator

Sheni Kathymoon – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator

Gloria Valencia – Honors College Senator

Yuanqiang Pan – At-Large Senator – **Tardy 4:42pm**

Paige Butler – Lower Division Senator – **Tardy 4:46pm**

Larissa Adames – Office Assistant

ABSENT

Jingyi Weng – Graduate Senator

GUEST

Alexi Cardona – Bacon Reporter

Christopher Morisset – At Large Senator Candidate

Alexandra Bendayan – Justice Candidate

Laura Urdaneta - Parent

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Monday, June 09, 2014 at **WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at approximately **3:34pm** by Speaker of the Senate Mejia who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- President Felix met with the Provost Douglas Wartzok and they discussed the upcoming Bachelor of Life Sciences Museum that will be built on the BBC campus in 2015, most likely near the soccer field.

- President Felix stated that the leadership retreat was great and that she enjoyed the experience with the other members of SGA.
- President Felix recently visited the Broward Pines Center Campus. She stated the campus will be renamed as “Broward Programs” and they will have a new location in August. The new location will be a four story building to be shared with Broward College. Broward College will occupy the top two floors of the building, while FIU Broward Programs will occupy the lower two floors.

VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT

- Vice President Williams stated that she had fun with everyone at the retreat during the past weekend as well.
- Vice President Williams met with the Freshman Convocation Committee on Friday in place of President Felix. During the meeting, the committee gave Vice President Williams a summary of the events to take place during the Freshman Convocation, such as performances by the band & cheerleaders, and they will give out special FIU t-shirts, etc.
- Vice President Williams plans to visit the Broward Pines Center as well, on Tuesday.

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Mejia stated that he enjoyed the retreat as well and that it was a great bonding experience.
- Speaker Mejia stated that Vice President Williams will be heading the Second Road to Success campaign and needs volunteers to help her.
- Speaker Mejia stated that the Finance Code will be put into the statutes and the constitution will be updated.

SENATE SPEAKER PRO-TEMPORE REPORT

- Speaker Pro-Tempore Pulido-Velosa stated that she is currently planning the Meet Your Dean event and will set the date soon.
- Speaker Pro-Tempore Pulido-Velosa also wanted to incorporate a Meet Your Advisor portion into the event as well because many students do not know their advisor.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Minutes Approval

Senator Mahotiere motioned to approve the last senate meeting minutes. Senator Pulido-Velosa seconded the motion.

The minutes from the previous meeting was approved by a unanimous decision.

2. Appointments

A. Senator At-Large

- Christopher Morisset has been a member of the SGA since October of 2011. He has been the Vice President, Comptroller, and a Senator throughout his time with the SGA. He would like to see SGA members grow and sees potential in everyone.

Senator Kathymoon moved to appoint Christopher Morisset as a Senator At-Large

Senator Pulido-Velosa seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Valencia – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Butler – Yay
Senator Pan – Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

By a vote of 7/0/0 Christopher Morisset was appointed as a Senator At-Large.

B. Justice

- Alexandra Bendayan is a sophomore and hopes to have a law career in the future. She has always had an interest in law, loves being involved, and would like to learn from the SGA.

Senator Mahotiere moved to appoint Alexandra Bendayan as a Justice.

Senator Kathymoon seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Valencia – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Butler – Yay
Senator Pan – Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

By a vote of 7/0/0 Alexandra Bendayan was appointed as a Justice.

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Senator Mejia reminded the council members to please sign up to table during at least one Freshman Orientation.
- Senator Mejia also reminded everyone to continue thinking about the different committee chair positions to run for.
- Senator Mejia would like council members to continue recruiting new SGA members
- Senator Pulido-Velosa encouraged everyone to attend the World Cup Kick-off Party on Thursday in WUC 221. There will be food, stickers, and everyone can watch the Brazil vs. Croatia game.
- Senator Mahotiere stated that she received some complaints about vending machines that do not work in the library.
- Larissa Adames stated that for all vending machine issues, go to shots.fiu.edu and send them a message about the complaint with the vending machine # attached.
- Larissa Adames reminded everyone to turn in Member Info Sheets that are in the retreat binder.
- Larissa Adames would like council members to contribute to ideas for BBC Hats.
- Senator Mejia reminded everyone about Badminton on Monday from 5-7pm.
- Senator Mejia also stated that he and Senator Pulido-Velosa will help the other senators to fill out Senate Reports properly.

The meeting was dismissed by Speaker of the Senate Mejia at **3:57**.