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IN ATTENDANCE
Camille Williams – Vice President – 4:08
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
Christopher Morisset – At Large Senator
Larissa Adames - Coordinator

ABSENT
Paige Butler – Arts and Science Senator
Yuaqiang Pan-At-Large
Gloria Valencia- Honors College
Jingyi Weng – Graduate Senator-Excused

GUEST
Alexi Cardona – Beacon Reporter
Ana Correa – Journalism and Mass Communication Candidate
Eli Jean-Mary – Lower Division Candidate

CALL TO ORDER
The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Monday, June 30, 2014 in WUC 321 The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:48pm by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

Minutes Approval
Senator Pulido-Velosa moved to approve the last senate meeting minutes. Senator Morisset seconded the motion.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved by a unanimous decision.
SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Mejia stated if the senators wanted to meet every Monday or every second Monday, and meet on August 25th, the first day of fall.
- Speaker Mejia stated Constitution committee, is pushed back. Coordinator Adames said we need to two senate members to be apart of the committee.

SENATE SPEAKER PRO-TEMPORE REPORT

- Speaker Pro-Tempore Pulido-Velosa reminded the council of Coordinator Adames’s homework for the council, which is to bring at least 3 students each into the SGA office and show them around so that more students are aware of the SGA’s presence on campus and goals. That 10:30 AM and 3 PM to be avaised that the fiu tours will be stoping by.

ADVISOR’S REPORT

- Coordinator Adames, spoke about website changes, and asked senators for any changes needed.
- Coordinator Adames, need senators to present at an SLS class on July 14th at 8:00 AM.
- Coordinator Adames, spoke about SGA kickoff august 11th or 18th, Council introduce their goals, visions to the faculty and staff. Freshman conversation is August 24th, Sunday.
- Coordinator Adames, asked for the senator of the colleges to deliver the SGA colleges shirts, to build a relationship with the deans office.
- Coordinator Adames, spoke about a half day retreat sometime in August to help plan for the fall semester.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Meeting Dates

Senator Mejia reiterated meeting dates every Monday or bring up a motion to have meetings the 14th and the 28th. Every second week.

Senator Mahotiere motion to start a discussion
Senator Sheni seconded the motion.

Senator Morisset and Senator Mahotiere agreed on bi-weekly meetings.

Senator Mejia Ended discussion

Senator Mahotiere moved to have bi-weekly meetings, and Senator Morisset seconded.

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Morisset – Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

Motion carries by unanimous consent.

Senator Pulido-Velosa moved to open discussion on meeting August 25th.
Senator Kathmoon seconded the motion.

Senator Mejia said that August 25th is the only available meeting in August.
Senator Mahotiere said that senators need to get accustomed to the fall schedules.
Coordinator Adames said that senators could always call a meeting.

Discussion Ended

Senator Pulida-Velosa moved to meet on August 25th for a senate meeting. There was no senator that seconded the motion; hence the motion failed.

Senator Morisset moved to hold meeting on September 3rd, for the first senate meeting of fall semester. Senator Kathymoon Seconded

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Morisset – Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

Motion passes by unanimous consent.

Senator Mejia asked the senators constitution committee if any senator wanted to be part of the committee.

Senator Mejia motion to table the constitution committee appointment to next senate meeting.

2. Appointments

A. School of Journalism and Mass Communication Senator

* Ana Correa is a sophomore for SJMC. She wants to join SGA to represent the student of SJMC and loves SGA. Ms. Correa is part of a club called Wine to Water and is the president and is involved in the badminton club, and will start being part of ISSS. She is a part Alternative breaks site leader and is a peer leader for an SLS class. Ms. Correa would like to get student of SJMC more involved. Ana Correa was a part of the SGA intern program.
Senator Kathymoon moved to appoint Ana Correa as a new School of Journalism and Mass Communication Senator.

Senator Morisset seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Morisset – Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

By a vote of 5/0/0 Ana Correa was appointed as a Senator of SJMC.

- Eli Jean-Mary is a freshman applying for lower division senator, he is the oldest of ten siblings. Eli is honest and is willing to support a quase. He is the president of the audiovisual at his church. Eli is a skilled musician and plays the trumpet. He has helped students in his Psychology class. He is a people person and hard working. Eli accepts everyone for who they are.

Senator Mahotiere moved to appoint Eli Jean-Mary as a new Lower Division Senator
Senator Pulido-Velosa seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Senator Mahotiere – Yay
Senator Kathymoon – Yay
Senator Morisset – Yay
Senator Correa - Yay
Senator Pulido-Velosa – Yay
Senator Mejia – Yay

By a vote of 6/0/0 Eli Jean-Mary was appointed as a Lower Division Senator.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Speaker Mejia gave a final reminder of the Freshman Orientation next week.
- Speaker Mejia reminded about Senator Pulido-Velosa about giving office tours.
- Speaker Senator Morriesset reminded everyone that there will be badminton practice on Monday and Thursday this week from 5-7pm.
- Senator Mahoriere about the BSU and Caribbean student July 25th by the housing pool.
- Senator Mahoriere reminded senators to be up to date with upcoming events.
- Coordinator Adames asked if anyone is interested in recruitment, which can be set up.
• Speaker Mejia asked senators to join “Human Rhythm” a club based off of the retreat.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia at 4:32pm.