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Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES
SGC-BBC Senate Meeting
July 14, 2014

IN ATTENDANCE

Camille Williams – Vice President
Faedrah Mahotiere – Arts and Sciences Senator
Allhan Mejia – Business Administration Senator / Speaker of the Senate
Maria Pulido-Velosa – Arts and Sciences Senator / Speaker Pro-Tempore
Sheni Kathymoon – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator
Christopher Morisset – At Large Senator
Paige Butler – Arts and Science Senator
Eli Jean-Mary – Lower Division
Ana Correa – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator
Yuaqiang Pan-At-Large
Gloria Valencia – Honors College Senator
Larissa Adames - Coordinator

ABSENT

Jingyi Weng – Graduate Senator-**Excused**

GUEST

Alexi Cardona – Beacon Reporter
Michema Lafontant – Director of Internal Relations Candidate
Nadia Bryham – Marketing Coordinator Candidate
Carlos Burgos – International Student Services Coordinator Candidate
Ruth Roa – Justice 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 **3:40p.m.** by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

Minutes:

Senator Morisset motioned to move the minute's approval to the next meeting. Senator Kathymoon seconded.

Vice-President Report

- Vice President Williams gave a report from the NACA Conference in Colorado: she learned tools that will be used to get to know each council member, how to be productive, and how to lead.

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Mejia stated that he learned a lot from the conference in NACA.

SENATE SPEAKER PRO-TEMPORE REPORT

- Speaker Pro-Tempore Pulido-Velosa reminded that President Felix said about the Leadership forum with Dr. Arneson that he wants feedback from student leaders and encourages council to make it.

Old Business:

- Tentative dates for constitution at BBC: July 23
Tentative at MMC campus August 6, 8, at 9:30 AM – 12 PM
- Speaker Mejia asked for one senator to volunteer.

Speaker Pro-Tempore Pulido-Velosa moves to go to advisors report.
Senator Mahotiere seconded the motion.

ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Coordinator Adames stated that the SGA Kickoff will be on August 11th from 2-4PM.
- Coordinator Adames stated that SGA Day will be on September 3rd. The event will present to the student body the goals of the council in panther square from 11 am to 2 pm.
- Coordinator Adames said that freshman convocation will be held on Sunday, August 24th.
- Coordinator Adames asked for feedback about a mini retreat before the semester starts, which will be on campus.

Old Business:

- Senator Valencia will be able to be a part of the constitution committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointments

A. Director of Internal Relations

* Michema is a former member of SGA BBC. She is looking for a new learning experience by applying for Director of Internal Relations. She is studying at the BBC Campus.

Senator Faedrah moved to appoint Michema Lafontant as the new Director of Internal Relations.
Senator Gloria seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – **yay**
Sheni Kathymoon – **yay**
Christopher Morisset – **yay**
Paige Butler – **yay**
Eli Jean-Mary – **yay**
Ana Correa – **yay**
Gloria Valencia - **yay**
Yuaqiang Pan- **yay**
Allhan Mejia – **yay**
Maria Pulido-Velosa – **yay**

By a vote of 10/0/0, Michema Lafontant was appointed as the new Director of Internal Relations.

B. Marketing Coordinator

Nadia Bryham thinking of getting masters in Marketing and wants to join SGA as the marketing coordinator to see if she will like it as a future major. She is a former SGA BBC member and is also a member of model eclipse. She works in retail. She believes that we can broadcast future events at other events.

Senator Kathymoon moved to appoint Nadia Bryham as the new Marketing Coordinator.
Senator Pulido-Velosa seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – **yay**
Sheni Kathymoon – **yay**
Christopher Morisset – **yay**
Paige Butler – **yay**
Eli Jean-Mary – **yay**
Ana Correa – **yay**
Gloria Valencia - **yay**
Yuaqiang Pan- **yay**
Allhan Mejia – **yay**
Maria Pulido-Velosa – **yay**

By a vote of 10/0/0, Nadia Bryham was appointed as Marketing Coordinator.

C. International Student Services Coordinator

Carlos Burgos is from Mexico who is pursuing his master's degree in the Chaplin school of hospitality and tourism. He wasn't to mark navigating the campus easier for international students. He is currently not a member of ISSS. He wants international students to know all the opportunities that are available.

Senator Mahotiere moved to appoint Carlos Burgos as the new International Student Services Coordinator. Senator Kathymoon seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – **yay**
Sheni Kathymoon – **yay**
Christopher Morisset – **yay**
Paige Butler – **yay**
Eli Jean-Mary – **yay**
Ana Correa – **yay**
Gloria Valencia - **yay**
Yuaqiang Pan- **yay**
Allhan Mejia – **yay**
Maria Pulido-Velosa – **yay**

By a vote of 10/0/0, Carlos Burgos was appointed as the new International Student Services Coordinator.

D. Justice

Ruth Roa is journalism major. She is part of the Chinese delicacy club.

Senator Valencia moved to appoint Ruth Roa as a new Justice.
Senator Mahotiere seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – **yay**
Sheni Kathymoon – **yay**
Christopher Morisset – **yay**
Paige Butler – **yay**
Eli Jean-Mary – **yay**
Ana Correa – **yay**
Gloria Valencia - **yay**
Yuaqiang Pan- **yay**
Allhan Mejia – **yay**
Maria Pulido-Velosa – **yay**

By a vote of 10/0/0, Ruth Roa was appointed as a Justice.

2. The finance committee hasn't been formed yet and the senate will need to approve it and take the funds out of discretionary. Senator Mejia told the senators that it's their discretion if they would like to take the money out of the senate discretionary.

Senator Mahotiere moved to open discussion.

Senator Morisset seconded the motion.

Motion passes unanimously.

The full amount that is being requested is \$300, and the document is missing some information and isn't typed.

Senator Kathymoon motioned to end the discussion.

Senator Mahotiere seconded

Motion passes by unanimous consent.

Senator Mejia told the senators that President Felix would like for the senate to meet on the 21st of July 2014, in order to appoint a new comptroller. Senator Mejia informed the senators that it's their decision in order to meet.

Senator Morisset asked if the senate meets on the 21st July 2014, will the meeting on the 28th of July 2014 still be a senate meeting. Senator Mejia informed that the senate has already voted to meet on the 28th of July 2014.

Senator Mejia said that the bill would need two readings and that since there are no committees, the senators will act as a committee for the time being.

Senator Mejia spoke about a special meeting that he can implement 48 hours in advance.

Senator Valencia said that she didn't mind a meeting on the 21st of July 2014.

Senator Pulido motioned to end the discussion.

Senator Kathymoon seconded the motion.

The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Senator Valencia moves to meet next week Monday.

Senator Butler seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – **yay**

Sheni Kathymoon – **Nay**

Christopher Morisset – **yay**

Paige Butler – **yay**

Eli Jean-Mary – **yay**

Ana Correa – **yay**

Gloria Valencia - **yay**
Yuaqiang Pan- **yay**
Allhan Mejia – **yay**
Maria Pulido-Velosa – **yay**

By a vote of 9/0/1, the motion passed.

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Speaker Mejia gave a final reminder about the Freshman Orientation next week July 28th and on August 14th.
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senators about giving three students a tour of the SGA office.
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senators that we need 9 more senators and then the senate will be full.
- Senator Pulido-Velosa spoke about the Wine to Water bake sale that will be on Mondays.
- Senator Mahoriere spoke about the BSU and Caribbean student July 25th by the housing pool.
- Senator Kathmoon spoke about the badminton club group meeting today July 14th.
- Speaker Mejia asked for the senators to go to freshman convocation.
- Senator Pulido-Velosa reminded members about the free breakfast tomorrow.
- Coordinator Adames introduced the high school intern.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker of the Senate Mejia at **4:25 p.m.**