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Florida International University

Student Government Council - Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES SGC-BBC Senate Meeting July 21, 2014

IN ATTENDANCE

Jazmin Felix – President – **LEFT 3:55**Camille Williams – Vice President - **4:08**Faedrah Mahotiere – Arts and Sciences Senator

Sheni Kathymoon – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator – **LEFT 4:00**Christopher Morisset – At Large Senator

Paige Butler – Arts and Science Senator

Eli Jean-Mary – Lower Division

Gloria Valencia – Honors College Senator

Maria Pulido-Velosa – Arts and Sciences Senator / Speaker Pro-Tempore – **3:40**Allhan Mejia – Business Administration Senator / Speaker of the Senate

Larissa Adames - Coordinator

ABSENT

Jingyi Weng – Graduate Senator-**Excused** Ana Correa – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator Yuaqiang Pan-At-Large

GUEST

Alexi Cardona – Beacon Reporter
Ashley Reid – Comptroller Candidate – **LEFT 3:55**Zico Fremont – Governmental Relations Candidate – **LEFT 4:00**Francy Alfrena – Guest
Kayla Byrd - Guest

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Monday, June 30, 2014 in **WUC 221** The meeting was called to order at approximately **3:36pm** by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

Minutes:

Senator Jean-Mary motion to move minute's approval to July 7th meeting

Senator Kathymoon seconded.

Motion passes unanimously

Senator Mahotiere moves to approve the minutes from last meeting on July 14th. Senator Valencia seconded.

Motion passes unanimously

President Report

• Reported that the leadership forum went well and that all students stayed. President Felix hopes to get more student participation for future forums.

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Mejia stated the SLS presentation went will and gave students a tour of the office.
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senate that even though there won't be a senate meeting the first week of fall class. office hours still need to be done.
- Speaker Mejia took back that office hours needed to be done the first week of Fall as per president Felix request
- Speaker Mejia spoke about committee chairs, and that will be happening next week

ADVISOR'S REPORT

- Coordinator Adames, spoke about Freshman conversation, which is August 24th, Sunday.
- Coordinator Adames, said that the constitutional meeting will happen in August.
- Coordinator Adames, said that if senators don't have a messenger bag then they can stop by the SGA office.
- Coordinator Adames, reminded the senators about the SGA social media and that the target goal is 1000 followers for each social media.

OLD BUSINESS

• The student financial request is no longer needed, as she is no longer an FIU Student.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointments

A. Comptroller Candidate

* Ashley Reid is a senior at FIU, studying Biology with a minor in chemistry; she does financing at a regular basis, as her sister owns her own business. She was the marketing coordinator the BBC Science club. Ms. Reid mentioned that BBC is a commuter school and that this school needs to get more students involved.

Senator Mahotiere moved to appoint Ashley Reid.as a new Comptroller

Senator Valencia seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – Yay
Sheni Kathymoon – Yay
Christopher Morisset – Nay
Paige Butler – Yay
Eli Jean-Mary – Yay
Gloria Valencia - Yay
Allhan Mejia – Yay
Maria Pulido-Velosa – Nay

By a vote of 6/0/2 Ashley Reid was appointed as SGA Comptroller.

• Zico Fremont is aware of SGA, his enjoys playing sports and is doing an internship for the Haiti and Dominican Republic Councilor. He was the arts and science senator in SGA in the 13-14 school year. His goals are to graduate. Mr. Fremont is also associated with BSU, comic club, badminton and several other clubs on campus.

Senator Morisset moved to appoint Zico Fremont as a new Governmental Relations Senator Pulido-Velosa seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Faedrah Mahotiere – yay Sheni Kathymoon – nay Christopher Morisset – yay Paige Butler – yay Eli Jean-Mary – yay Gloria Valencia - yay Allhan Mejia – nay Maria Pulido-Velosa – yay

By a vote of 6/0/2 Zico Fremont was appointed as Governmental Relations.

2. Meet your Dean

- Speaker Mejia showed the senate their prospective College Dean's location, email and contact information.
- Possible dates for meet your dean event: October 1st and 8th and the 22nd

3. Bills:

Speaker Mejia presented four bills to the senate.

Bill#2014.0002

Allows student-taking classes at BBC and/or Broward pines center will be counted towards the 50% of class's requirement.

Bill#2014.0003

Will allow the Broward pines center senator to be able to video conference in to two senate meetings allowing the seat for the Broward pines (which was empty last academic year) will allow a student to apply for the Broward pines center senate seat.

Senator Pulido mentioned to make it clearer whether or not it's monthly.

Bill#2014.0004

Bill will allow senator of the Broward pines seat to complete office hours at the Broward pines center, under the supervision of the coordinator of student life.

Bill#2014.0005

Will allow the Broward pines center senator to videoconference into committee meetings.

Senator Valencia moves to discussion Senator Pulido seconded

Motion passes by unanimous consent

Senator Pulido said that these bills will allow for a senator from Broward pines center to get involved in SGA-BBC, Pulido also mentioned how there is no shuttle from BBC to Broward senator.

Senator Valencia and Senator Mohotiere Agreed with Senator Pulido

Senator Butler asked if there was any potential candidate.

Speaker Mejia mentioned that last year there was a potential candidate that did not meet the requirements.

Speaker Mejia mentioned that coordinator of student life, Diana, mentioned that in order to get a student involved it would be easier to change the requirements

Senator Morisset moves to end discussion Senator Mahotiere seconded

Motion Passes by unanimous consent

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Speaker Mejia gave a final reminder of the Freshman Orientation next week July 28th and the August 14th. 12-1PM
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senator about giving three students a tour of the SGA office.
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senators that we need nine more senators and then the senate will be full.
- Senator Pulido-Velosa spoke about the SOC Picnic.
- Senator Mahotiere said that BSU will hosting a pool part at MMC on Friday.
- Senator Mahotiere said that BSU will be having a general meeting next week Wednesday,

The meeting was adjourned by the Speaker of the Senate Mejia at 4:17 pm