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## Florida International University

Student Government Council - Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

# MINUTES SGC-BBC Senate Meeting July 28, 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 4:20 LEFT – 4:22
Sheni Kathymoon – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator
Christopher Morisset – At Large Senator
Eli Jean-Mary – Lower Division
Ana Correa – Journalism and Mass Communication Senator – 4:21 Excused
Jingyi Weng – Graduate Senator
Larissa Adames - Coordinator

#### **ABSENT**

Yuaqiang Pan-At-Large Gloria Valencia – Honors College Senator Paige Butler – Arts and Science Senator

#### **GUEST**

Alexi Cardona – Beacon Reporter Rafael Zapata - Advisor

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Monday, June 30, 2014 in **SGA Conference room.** The meeting was called to order at approximately **3:38pm** by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

#### **Minutes:**

Senator Pulido-Velosa motion to move minutes approval to next meeting Senator Jean-Mary seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere – yay

Allhan Mejia – yay Maria Pulido-Velosa – yay Sheni Kathymoon – yay Christopher Morisset – yay Eli Jean-Mary – yay Ana Correa – yay Jingyi Weng– Abstains

#### **Motion passes**

#### **SENATE SPEAKER REPORT**

- Speaker Mejia stated that the first meeting will be September 8<sup>th</sup>. No office hours
- Speaker Mejia stated that the committees would need to keep a binder of a committee. Senators are required to join two committees.

#### SENATE SPEAKER PRO-TEMPORE REPORT

No Report

#### **Vice-President Report**

No Report

#### **ADVISOR'S REPORT**

- Coordinator Adames, spoke about Freshman conversation is August 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday.
- Corrdinator Adames, SGA kickoff will be August 11<sup>th</sup>, Senators are required to go.
- Corrdinator Adames, Waiting for two more deans to respond so we can plan the date.
- Coordinator Adames, Last general meeting will be this Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Old Business:**

1. 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.

Speaker Pro Mejia said that needs seven senators

Vice-President asked that if you take one class at BBC and one class at Broward programs then will it count towards it.

Advisor Zapata said that it would need to be corrected in the SGA constitution

Senator Pulido-Velosa motion to approve this bill Senator Jean-Mary Seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Ana Correa — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously and Bill#2014.0002 is approved.

#### 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 will allow student to apply for the Broward pines center senate seat.

Senator Kathymoon motion to approve this bill Senator Morieset Seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Ana Correa — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously and Bill#2014.0003 is approved.

#### 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.

Senator Morisset motion to approve this bill

Senator Mahotiere Seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Ana Correa — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously and Bill#2014.0004 is approved.

Bill#2014.0005

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

Senator Pulido-Velosa motion to approve this bill Senator Kathymoon Seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Ana Correa — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously and Bill#2014.0005 is approved.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Student Advocacy Chair Appointment

Does a survey around campus, to see what students want on campus.

Jean-Mary nominators
Ana Accepts nomination

Senator Morisset motion to open discussion Senator Mahotiere seconds

Senator Jean-Mary interested in Operations review

Speaker Pro mentioned that Senator Morisset would be a good candidate for financial chair, since his experience with comptroller

Senator Morisset motion to end discussion Senator Kathymoon seconded

#### 1. Student Advocacy Chair Appointment

Senator Morisset to nominate Senator Correa for Student Advocacy Chair Appointment Senator Correa Accepts nomination Jean-Mary seconded

Senator Mahotiere motion to self-nomination

Senator Correa – is involved in campus and is able to get to students

Senator Faedrah – Apart of other organization and gets to know the needs of other students. She has no problem talking with people and pays attention to great solutions to problems on campus.

Faedrah Mahotiere – **Faedrah**Sheni Kathymoon – **Faedrah**Christopher Morisset – **Ana**Eli Jean-Mary – **Ana**Ana Correa – **Ana**Jingyi Weng– **Ana**Maria Pulido-Velosa – **Faedrah**Allhan Mejia – **Ana** 

#### Ana is the student advocacy chair.

#### 2. RLJ Chair appointment

Senator Puldio motion to table the appointment until September 8<sup>th.</sup> Senator Kathymoon seconded.

Motion passes unanimously.

#### 3. Operational Review Chair Appointment

Senator Kathymoon nominates Senator Jean-Mary Senator Jean-Mary Accepts Senator Mahotiere seconded

Senator Jean-Mary has the experience by helping out his church audiovisual team and he will speak to the former Operational Review Chair

Senator Kathymoon Motioned to appoint Senator Jean-Mary is the Operational Review Chair Senator Mahotiere Seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Ana Correa — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously and Senaor Jean-Mary is the Operational Review Chair

#### 4. Internal Affairs chair Appointment:

Senator Morisset nominates Senator Mahotiere Senator Mahotiere Accepts nomination

Speaker Pro nominates Seantor Weng Senator Weng Accepts

Senator Kathymoon motion to vote Senator Morisset seconded.

Faedrah Mahotiere – **Faedrah**Sheni Kathymoon – **Faedrah**Christopher Morisset – **Faedrah**Eli Jean-Mary – **Faedrah**Ana Correa – **Weng**Jingyi Weng– **Weng**Maria Pulido-Velosa – **Faedrah**Allhan Mejia – **Faedrah** 

Motion passes and Senator Mahotiere is Internal Affairs chair

#### 5. Finance Chair Appointment

Senator Kathymoon nominates Morisset Senator Morisset accepts nomination

Senaor Maria motion to appoint senator Morisset Finance chair Faedrah seconded the motion Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay

Eli Jean-Mary — **yay** Ana Correa — **yay** Jingyi Weng— **yay** Maria Pulido-Velosa — **yay** Allhan Mejia — **yay** 

Motion passes unanimously and Senator Morisset is appointed as Finance Chair.

#### 6. Finance Committee Appointment

Senator Morriest motion to have Senator Jean-Mary part of the finance committee Senator Mahotiere seconded

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — abstain Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes 6 yay and 1 abstains. Eli is part of the finance committee

Senator Morriest motion to have Senator Weng part of the finance committee Senaotr Mahotiere seconded the motion

Faedrah Mahotiere — yay Sheni Kathymoon — yay Christopher Morisset — yay Eli Jean-Mary — yay Jingyi Weng— yay Maria Pulido-Velosa — yay Allhan Mejia — yay

Motion passes unanimously. Senator Weng is part go the fiancé committee.

#### **ANOUNCEMENTS**

- Speaker Mejia gave a final reminder of the Freshman Orientation , August 14<sup>th</sup>. And 22nd, 12-1PM
- Speaker Mejia reminded the senator about recruiting for committees and SGA-BBC.
- Senaotr Morriest recognized Senator Kathymoon and Larissa for graduating on this upcoming Monday.
- Senator Pulido-Velosa spoke about the SOC Picnic, this Thursday.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker of the Senate Allhan Mejia at **4:30 pm**