



Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & FIU at I-75

MINUTES

SGC-BBC General Meeting

April 17, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE

Jefferson Noel, President
Jonathan Espino, Vice President
Sabrina Javellana, Chief of Staff
Karla Hernandez, Public Relations Manager (3:47 PM)
Stephanie Morisset, Director of Cultural Affairs
Coral Murray, Director of Campus Sustainability
Aaliyah Gordon, Director of Events
Gabriella Malak, Director of Accessibility
SaVonne Reddick, Director of Student Wellness (3:51 PM)
Merveline Nelson, Director of Community Relations
Jennifer Nguyen, Director of Campus Services
Yimin Feng, Director of International Student Affairs
Regine Brown, Elections Board Member (4:05 PM)
Leonoria Beasley, Elections Board Member
John Habib, Speaker of the Senate
Mahalia Balfour, Senator/Student Advocacy Chair
Yuze “Crystal” Ji, Hospitality & Tourism Management Senator
Xu Chang, Hospitality & Tourism Management Senator
Mark Monaco, Health Services Administration Senator
Mickalia Paisley, Upper Division Senator
Gabriel Hernandez, Upper Division Senator
Pamela Ho Fung, Lower Division Senator/Speaker Pro Tempore (4:05 PM)
Catalina Nemmi, Lower Division Senator (3:47 PM)
Priscila Sevil, Senator At-Large/Internal Affairs Chair
Xin Wang, Senator At-Large/Operational Review Chair
Keanu Orfano, Senator At-Large
Jiaqi Chen, Graduate Senator/Finance Chair

EXCUSED

Ronan Kelly, Comptroller
Bryan Regalado, Elections Board Member
Brian Levine, Housing Senator/RLJ Chair

ABSENT

Chelsea Oscar, Elections Board Commissioner

GUEST

Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor
Dr. Kerrie Montgomery, Campus Life Director
Nedjina Dol, Student Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on April 17, 2019 – Located in **WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:43 PM**, by President Noel who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

- President Noel welcomed everyone with a story about coming to FIU in 2016 and his application for SGA.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The council reviewed the minutes of March 27th, 2019.

Senator Orfano moved to approve the minutes of March 27th, 2019.

Senator Hernandez seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's Official Report Is As follows...

- Today I attended Ms. Malak event, Light it up Blue, and it was a great event.
- The Leadership Banquet was amazing.
- I attended the Hall of Fame.
- May 3rd, we will be taking our composite pictures follows by the transition luncheon.

FIU AT I-75 REPORT

The FIU At I-75 Official Report Is As Follows...

- Was Read by President Noel from emails.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Espino...

- Stated that he will forward all emails to Senator Balfour as the next V.P.
- "Much Love and Stay Beautiful"

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Habib...

- Gave remark to SGA as a whole.
- “It was a successful year, hope it continues.”
- Proud of all the cabinet leaders, senate has done a phenomenal job and has been extremely active with 37 pieces of Legislation, highest in many years.
- Senator of the month is Gabriel Hernandez.
- Mentioned to the council, if they need anything, do not hesitate to come to him.

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

Chief of Staff Javellana...

- We reached over 20 events, used all the funds, and two clubs were created.
- I traveled a lot with SGA.
- Cabinet did a really great job this semester, I am proud of you all.

CABINET REPORTS

Director Gordon...

- Breakfast at Bayview was a success, had a lot of feedback and I will plan to do it again next year. Hope everyone had a great semester.

Director Morisset...

- It has been a great year.

Director Murray...

- Will not be here next semester.
- “I love everyone.”

CABINET REPORTS

Senator Balfour...

- Thanked everyone who has been helping with the petition, we are at 2864 signature.

Senator Hernandez...

- Joining SGA has been the best decision in my life.

ADVISOR’S REPORT

Dr. Montgomery...

- It’s the end of the semester, you all did a great work this year.
- Continue to encourage others to be involve.
- Good luck with finals, have a great summer.

Ms. Adames...

- Please answer to the emails in regards to the stipend.
- Composite picture is May 3rd, attire is long sleeve.
- Clear out the office physically and electronically.
- I will be out of the office starting tomorrow until next Wednesday.

- Thank you everyone for all the hard works, I learned a lot from you all.

DISCUSSION

A. Student Concerns

Senator Levine - A student said that the FIU One Card should be able to use vending machine.

Dr. Montgomery - As long as you have money on the Wells Fargo side, you should be able to.

Senator Paisley - One week until the end of the petition.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Senate Minutes for 04/08/2019

Senator Orfano approved the minutes of April 8, 2019.

Senator Hernandez seconded the motion.

The Minutes of April 8, 2019 was approved unanimously.

B. SGA Superlatives

Presented by Vice President Espino.

Speaker Habib move Proclamation before Special Announcement.

Senator Nemmi seconded.

Motion Passes.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Proclamation 2019.0004

Read by President Noel

Vice President Espino opened floor for discussion.

Senator Balfour move to add the Election Board Members to the Proclamation.

Senator Nemmi seconded.

Two minutes discussion was given by Vice President Espino.

Senator Balfour drop the motion.

Point of Personal Privilege - Director Hernandez 4:54PM

Point of Personal Privilege - Director Nelson 4:55PM

Point of Personal Privilege - Director Malak 4:55 PM

Point of Personal Privilege RETURN - Director Hernandez 4:56PM

Point of Personal Leave - Chief of Staff Javellana 4:56PM

Senator Nemmi move to amend the Proclamation by making some slight changes.

Senator Balfour seconded seconded.

Motion Passes.

Point of Personal Privilege RETURN - Director Nelson 4:58PM

Point of Personal Privilege RETURN - Director Malak 4:58PM

Speaker Habib moves to amend Proclamation by adding “and Election Board” in Whereas.

Amend was accepted by President Noel.

At 5:03PM, Senator Orfano move to extend the meeting to 15 minutes.

Speaker Pro Ho Fund seconded.

Motion Passes.

Speaker Habib moved to add “and Election Board”

Senator Orfano seconded.

Motion passes.

Senator Balfour moved to approve Proclamation 2019.0004.

Senator Hernandez seconded.

Vice President Espino opened floor for discussion.

ROLL CALL

Speaker Habib - Abs.

Senator Balfour - Abs.
Senator Ji - Abs.
Senator Monaco - Yea
Senator Paisley - Abs.
Senator Hernandez - Yea
Senator Ho Fung - Yea
Senator Nemmi - Abs.
Senator Wang - Yea
Senator Orfano - Nay
Senator Chen - Yea

By a Vote of 5-1-5, Proclamation 2019.0004 was Approved.

B. Special Announcement

Director Gordon wishes everyone a Happy Birthday to everyone's birthday that is coming up and gave out treats and cupcakes.

C. Acknowledgement of SGC-BBC Councilmembers

A token of appreciation was presented by President Noel and Ms. Adames.

At 5:18PM, Senator Paisley move to extend the meeting until 5:30PM.

Senator Wang seconded.

Motion Passes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Composite Pictures May 3

President's Final Address

Addressed by President Noel

Passing of the Gavel

New President is Pamela Ho Fung, Former President Noel passed the Gavel to President Ho Fung.

President-Elect's First Address

President Ho Fung stated her First Address.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Nemmi moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 PM.

Senator Orfano seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by President Ho Fung at **5:28 PM.**