



Florida International University

Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting September 26th, 2016

IN ATTENDANCE

Tonie Jean, SGC-BBC Speaker of the Senate
Michema Lafontant, SGC-BBC Vice President
Micaela Suarez, Business Senator
Armani Someillan, Hospitality Management Senator
Nikole Torregiante, Hospitality Management Senator
Nicole Mare, Lower Division Senator
Maria Fauve, Speaker Pro Tempore

ABSENT

GUESTS

Larissa Adames, SGC-BBC Coordinator
Gerald Johnson II - SGA Graduate Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The SGC-BBC Senate held a meeting on Monday, September 26th, 2016 in WUC room 221. The meeting was called to order by SGC-BBC Speaker at **3:34 p.m.**, who chaired over the meeting in its entirety.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes for September 9th, 2016 were sent out last week to be reviewed. Speaker Jean asked if there was a motion in regards to the September 9th, 2016 minutes. Senator Suarez moved to approve the September 9th, 2016 minutes. Senator Mare seconded the motion. After an all in favor call, the motion was passed unanimously.

SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Jean is taking the steps to work on the reflexology and fitness path. Speaker Jean thanks her senators for completing their assignment and she will present their results to President Mejia. Speaker Jean requested for the Senate to go through their duties and update them. This assignment will be due on October 10th, 2016.

The Senate will be updating the Meet Your Dean event and any ideas or suggestions should be emailed to Speaker Jean by Wednesday, September 28th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

The gift exchange will be now in partnership with His House non-profit organization. We will be receiving email with more information on this shortly from our Director of Events. We will also be having a Thanksgiving potluck and Speaker Jean will be emailing everyone with more information.

Online A&S Fees Deliberation will be held in Spring. It will be held on January 20th, 2017.

The Senate will no longer be accepting finance requests.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

There will be a tabling opportunity for Tuesday, September 27th, 2016 at 1-2 p.m. and on September 29th, 2016. More information will be provided on the Google Drive.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

When filling out the senate report, clarification needs to be provided if whether or not you are reaching out to other councils, then it needs to be stated on the form.

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

The Finance Committee will be working on getting more members involved.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORT

Students need to write the dates on the timecards for efficiency. Senator Mare thanks everyone for turning in their timecards on time.

STUDENT ADVOCACY REPORT

The food survey needs to be approved by the SGC-BBC executive board before the survey can be promoted.

ADVISOR REPORT

SGA scholarships are now available and it needs to be promoted to the students. There are different varieties of scholarships and the deadline is October 7th, 2016. The scholarship amounts range from \$500 to \$1000 dollars.

MajorFest begins this week from September 26th-28th, 2016 and other events included in that series will occur throughout the week.

OLD BUSINESS

N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Senators must update their duties within the BBC specific statutes. The suggestions are due to Speaker Jean by Wednesday.

Online A&S Fees Budget Presentation- A first reading of the online A&S fees budget allocation was presented by Comptroller Marseille.

Finance Request- Victoria Suarez Ulloa

Requesting funds in the amount of \$300 dollars to present her research and represent FIU at the SETAC world congress conference in Orlando, Florida

Speaker Jean asked if there was a motion on the floor. Senator Suarez moved to allocate \$300 for transportation expenses to graduate student Victoria Suarez Ulloa to attend the SETAC world congress conference in Orlando, Florida. The motion was seconded by Senator Maria Fauve.

Speaker Jean called for a roll call vote.

Tonie Jean, SGC-BBC Speaker of the Senate - Yay

Micaela Suarez, Business Senator- Yay

Armani Someillan, Hospitality Management Senator- Yay

Nikole Torregiante, Hospitality Management Senator- Yay

Nicole Mare, Lower Division Senator- Yay

Maria Fauve, Speaker Pro Tempore- Yay

The motion passed unanimously with 6 yays, 0 nays, and 0 abstained.

Senate Appointment – Ronnan Kelly – Lower Division Senator

Ronnan Kelly presented himself in front of the Senate in order to become a Lower Division Senator.

Speaker Jean asked if there was a motion. Senator Suarez moved to appointed Ronnan Kelly as a Lower Division Senator. Senator Someillan seconded the motion. Speaker Jean called for a roll call vote.

Tonie Jean, SGC-BBC Speaker of the Senate - Yay

Micaela Suarez, Business Senator- Yay

Armani Someillan, Hospitality Management Senator- Yay

Nikole Torregiante, Hospitality Management Senator- Yay

Nicole Mare, Lower Division Senator- Yay

Maria Fauve, Speaker Pro Tempore- Yay

The motion to appoint Ronnan Kelly as an SGC-BBC Lower Divison Senator was passed unanimously with 6 yays, 0 nays, and 0 abstained.

ANNOUCEMENT/CONCERNS

The annual SGC-BBC Kickoff is to be held on Wednesday, September 28th, 2016 at 2:00 p.m in the WUC Grand Ballrooms. This year's theme is a casino theme and everyone is expected to be there.

SGC-BBC Speaker of the Senate Jean asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting. Senator Suarez moved to adjourn the SGC-BBC Senate meeting at 4:38 p.m. Senator Mare seconded the motion.

The September 26th, 2016 SGC-BBC Senate meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.