



Florida International University

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

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

July 22nd, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE

Gabriella Malak, CASE Senator/Speaker of the Senate
Gabriel Hernandez, Upper Division Senator/Speaker Pro-Tempore
Keanu Orfano, At-Large Senator
Stephanie Morisset, CASE Senator
Mickalia Paisley, At-Large Senator/Internal Affairs Chair (3:57 PM)
Catalina Nemmi, FIU at I-75 Senator/Student Advocacy Chair
Mahalia Balfour, Vice President

EXCUSED

Aaliyah Gordon, Communication & Journalism Senator

GUESTS

Pamela Ho Fung, SGA President
Brian Levine, Graduate Student
John Gatto, Graduate Student
Peter Flood, Student
Nicole Strickland, Student
Samira Peete, SGA Front Desk Assistant
Nedjina Dol, SGA Front Desk Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The SGC-BBC Senate held a meeting on July 22nd, 2019 – **WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:49 pm**, approximately, by **Speaker Malak** who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

WELCOME

Speaker welcomed everyone and stated, “Why is everyone late? You all voted to have meetings every week for the summer. You all are not in uniform and you guys use your phone too much, it is unacceptable.”

SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Malak ...

- Expects everyone to have assignments done by August 26th.

- Created a google form on Team Drive for all reports.
- Sent a document last week to put in reports but no one put in their reports.
- This is the last senate meeting of the summer semester.
- We will have a U-Wide meeting soon.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Balfour ...

- Just got back from Arizona, it was fun, learned a lot, and it was hot.
- Pharmabox is up and running, if you are passing by, please tag pictures and tag SGA.
- The president roundtable was a success.
- Will be meeting with SPC President tomorrow.

SPEAKER PRO'S REPORT

Speaker Pro Hernandez...

- Came back from the conference, had a great time, network, and grateful for the opportunity.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Minutes

Senator Orfano moves to approve Senate Meeting Minutes of 7.15.2019. Senator Nemmi seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. John Gatto (Graduate Funding \$300)

Speaker Malak asked John Gatto to present himself for 3 minutes in front of the senate followed by 3 minutes Q&A.

John Gatto presented himself.

Senator Orfano moves to approve the Graduate Funding of \$300 to John Gatto.

Senator Morisset seconds.

ROLL CALL:

Speaker Malak: Yea

Senator Hernandez: Yea

Senator Morisset: Yea

Senator Orfano: Yea

Senator Paisley: Abstain

Senator Nemmi: Yea

With a vote 5/0/1, Graduate funding of \$300 was allocated to John Gatto.

B. Peter Flood (Graduate Funding \$300)

Speaker Malak asked Peter Flood to present himself for 3 minutes in front of the senate followed by 3 minutes Q&A.

Peter Flood presented himself.

Senator Nemmi moves to approve the Graduate Funding of \$300 to Peter Flood.

Senator Paisley seconds.

ROLL CALL:

Speaker Malak: Yea

Senator Hernandez: Yea

Senator Morisset: Yea

Senator Orfano: Yea

Senator Paisley: Yea

Senator Nemmi: Yea

With a vote 6/0/0, Graduate funding of \$300 was allocated to Peter Flood.

C. Nicole Strickland (Graduate Funding \$300)

Speaker Malak asked Nicole Strickland to present herself for 3 minutes in front of the senate followed by 3 minutes Q&A.

Nicole Strickland presented herself.

Senator Orfano moves to approve the Graduate Funding of \$300 to Nicole Strickland.

Senator Morisset seconds.

ROLL CALL:

Speaker Malak: Yea

Senator Hernandez: Yea

Senator Morisset: Yea

Senator Orfano: Yea
Senator Paisley: Yea
Senator Nemmi: Yea

With a vote 6/0/0, Graduate funding of \$300 was allocated to Nicole Strickland.

D. SGA Day Planning

Speaker Malak stated, “we are finalizing planning for SGA Day today.”

Speaker Pro Hernandez stated, “I came with a draft for ideas.”

Speaker Malak stated, “We should stick to one theme.”

Senator Morisset stated, “My idea is to have an event to promote SGA in the morning. In the afternoon, we should have a movie in collaboration with SPC.”

Vice President Balfour stated, “We can have museum type of event, where we showcase what SGA have done, followed by a game of Kahoot in each section. In the afternoon, we can have a speaker in the theater.”

Point of Personal Privilege - Senator Orfano (4:24pm)

Speaker Pro Hernandez presented his plan to the senate.

- Theme: Super SGA Hero with two teams that work together to make SGA better.
(Cabinet vs Senate)
- SGA Day will have a representative and fun aspect including giveaways, games, etc.
- I included everyone’s ideas in this plan, I will also email you all the draft.

Point of Personal Privilege RETURN - Senator Orfano (4:27pm)

President Pamela stated, “I love the idea, please email it to the council so we can visualize it.”

Senator Morisset stated, “We should have a table in front of the SGA office as well.”

Vice President Balfour stated, “After this meeting, let’s meet up so we can put things in action.”

Senator Orfano open floor for nomination.

Senator Paisley nominate Senator Morisset for Finance Chair.

Senator Morisset accepts nomination.

Speaker Malak granted 3 minutes for Senator Morisset to present herself follows by 3 minutes of Q/A.

Senator Morisset presented herself.

Senator Paisley move to extend Q/A for 10 minutes.

Senator Nemmi Seconds.

ROLL CALL:

Speaker Malak: Yea

Senator Hernandez: Yea

Senator Morisset: Abs

Senator Orfano: Yea

Senator Paisley: Yea

Senator Nemmi: Nay

With a vote of 4/1/1, Senator Morisset was appointed as Finance Chair.

Senator Orfano moves to extend the meeting to 10 minutes.

Senator Paisley seconds.

Motion Passes.

DISCUSSION

A. Student Concerns

Brian Levine stated, “ I am here in regards to bayview signage, the campus have not done anything.”

Vice President Balfour stated, “I met with Dr. Ortiz, he said that they are working on it.”

Brian Levine stated, “ Also, Bayview is paying for the shuttle so that it can be free for residents. Since, it is free for students, do Bayview have to continue paying?”

Vice President Balfour stated, “Please schedule a meeting with me, President Ho Fung, and Ms. Christie so we can further discuss this”

REPORTS

I. Student Advocacy Chair’s Report

Senator Nemmi..

- No Report

II. Internal Affairs Chair Report

Senator Paisley...

- No Report

III. Finance Chair Report

Senator Morisset...

- Spoke with psychology advisors in regards to enrollment at BBC.

IV. President's Report

- Had a meeting with the Vice Provost, he wants us to have a list of classes to have at BBC.
- Attended the National Student Government Association conference in Arizona, had a chance to network and learn a lot about SGA. It was a learning experience.
- Met with Student Engagement Director with Senator Orfano.
- Tomorrow, I am having a joint meeting with President Rosenberg and Dr. DeSantis.
- Wednesday is our last general meeting of the semester.
- Thanked everyone for this wonderful summer.

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Stress Relief Week Summer
 - FIU I-75, Mon-Thurs, July 15th-18th, 4:30PM-6:30PM
- Bayview Move-In August 24
- Freshman Convocation, August 25
- Week Of Welcome
 - FIU I-75 Mon-Thurs, August 26th-29th 4:30PM-6:30 PM
 - Saturday, August 31st 11:30-1:30 PM
- SGA Day September 4th

Senator Orfano moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 PM. Senator Hernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker Malak at 5:05 PM.