



Florida International University

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

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

May 7th, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE

Jiaqi “Water” Chen, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Chelsea De Silva, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Leonardo Cosio, Communication + Journalism

Xin Wang, Upper Division

Stefano Selorio, Lower Division

Ruyu Hua, Housing (**3:42pm**)

EXCUSED

John Habib, Arts, Sciences, & Education

GUESTS

Larissa Adames, Campus Life Assistant Director and SGC-BBC Advisor

Gerald Johnson II, SGA Graduate Assistant

Jefferson Noël, SGA President

Jonathan Espino, SGA Vice President

Alexandra Laroche, Front Desk Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on **May 7th, 2018 - WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:39 PM**, approximately, by Vice-President Jonathan Espino who presided over the meeting in its entirety

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Espino...

- Welcomed the new senators to the meeting as it is the first one for the 2018-2019 year.
- Informed the Senate that he will be scheduling one on one meetings with each senator after this meeting.

ADVISOR REPORT

Ms. Adames...

- Reminded the council of the upcoming U-Wide Retreat—set to take place on June 22nd to June 23rd, 2018.
- Explained that usually the retreat is held at another university, however, this year it will be held at FIU. On June 22nd the activities will be held at the Modesto Maidique Campus, the BBC council will be leaving at 9:00am from the Biscayne Bay Campus to the Modesto Maidique Campus. At 9:30am the council will have breakfast and activities will begin at 10:30am. All activities will end at 9:00pm, then the council members will return to the Biscayne Bay Campus. On June 23rd, the activities will be held at the Biscayne Bay Campus and will begin and end at the same time as the previous day.
- Informed the council that they will all members, previously appointed and new, have to complete forms on orgsync.
- Informed the council that they should all have access to the google drive, which is where all of the minutes for the meetings will be found. In addition, if a council member does not have access to it, he or she should notify Ms. Adames directly.
- Stated that she will schedule one on one meetings with each of the council members later in the semester.

Gerald Johnson II...

- Informed the council of the upcoming events within “*May Madness*”, which will kick off the year. In these events the council's strategic plan and goals for the year will be discussed and more.
- Stated that the *Legislative Lounge*—held on May 16, 2018—will give the council members the opportunity to ask their questions regarding SGA. On May 23rd, 2018, the council will learn more about the budget process, and on May 30th, 2018, *Robert’s Rule* will be explained.

Vice President Espino explained that there is nothing to discuss for “Old Business” and that usually the council will go over anything mentioned in previous meetings. Whereas, under “New Business” the first readings of resolutions, bills, appointments, or information not previously shared is presented.

Vice President Espino explained that for any council bills or resolutions there typically are two readings. The first being where it is presented, and edits are made, and the second where it is usually approved of.

Today the first reading of the Senate Resolution 2018.0012 will be presented by SGA President Jefferson Noël and Council Bill 2018.0002 will be presented by Communication + Journalism Senator Leonardo Cosio.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Senate Resolution 2018.0012

President Noël presented the Senate Resolution to the council.

Vice President Espino explained that after a resolution is presented and explained the floor is open for any questions to be asked.

B. Bill 2018.0002

Senator Cosio presented and explained the bill to the council.

Questions and suggestions were made regarding the Bill.

C. Cabinet Positions

President Noël presented the modifications made to the Cabinet Positions– *Deputy Chief of Staff, Public Relations Manager, Director of Faculty and Staff Relations, Director of Lectures, Director of Campus Sustainability, Director of International Student Affairs, Elections Commissioner, Director of Events, Director of Accessibility, Director of Student Wellness, Director of Community Relations.*

Questions and suggestions for any changes were made by the council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President Espino...

A. May Madness

1. May 14, Intro to SGA, 2pm, SGA Conference room
2. May 16, Legislative Lounge 12noon- 3p, SGA Conference room
3. May 21, Constitution/Statutes workshop, 2pm, SGA Conference room
4. May 23, Budget 101, 2pm, SGA Conference room

5. May 30, Robert's Rules, 2pm, SGA Conference room
- B. General Meeting, May 30. WUC 221
- C. U-Wide Retreat, June 22-23, MMC & BBC

President Noël thanked the senators for agreeing to be a part of SGA. For he may be the president but is not SGA. He also stated that he hopes that the reason each of the senators have decided to take part in SGA is deeper than it just being able to report it on one's resume, and hopes that each will work towards creating a better FIU.

Senator Selorio presented a card to SGA Advisor, Ms. Adames on behalf of the Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Selorio moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 PM.
Senator Chen seconded the motion.

By unanimous decision the motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Espino at 4:24 PM.