

# Florida International University

*Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center*

## MINUTES

**SGC-BBC Senate Meeting**

**June 5, 2017**

### IN ATTENDANCE

Jonathan Espino – Speaker of the Senate/Housing  
Ronan Kelly – Finance Committee Chair/Lower Division  
Elizabeth Gomez – Arts, Sciences & Education  
Harry Castillo – Communication & Journalism  
Jefferson Noel – Communication & Journalism  
Maria Fauve – At-Large

### EXCUSED

Doreen Patichi – Arts, Sciences & Education  
Sigal Dahan – At-Large

### ABSENT

Meredith Marseille – Vice President

### GUESTS

Larissa Adames – Assistant Director of Campus Life/ SGA Advisor  
Jamie Adelson – Chief of Staff  
Mitesh Addhate

### CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Monday, May 8, 2017 in **WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:36 p.m.** by Jonathan Espino, Speaker of the Senate, who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

### SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Espino welcomed the senate and stated that presiding over this meeting today is an honor, most specifically because it is his first meeting as Speaker of the Senate.
- Speaker Espino stated that he met with the manager of housing and discussed what projects SGA would like to do in collaboration with the housing community.
- Speaker Espino explained that it was requested to have at least one RA if a housing council is established.
- Speaker Espino explained that due to the loss of the SGA document from Bay Vista, the council will have to find ways to effectively ensure that Bay Vista retrieves all the documents lost.
- Speaker Espino stated that Bay Vista will be in need of help during move-in day, and would like the council as a whole to assist them. Move-In day will be held on August 19, 2017.

### **FINANCE REPORT**

- Finance Chair, Kelly, stated that he was working on one or two things.
- Finance Chair, Kelly, welcomed any senators to join the finance committee. If interested, he or she would just need to contact him.

### **ADVISOR REPORT**

- Ms.Adames stated that the sign-up sheet for tabling has been updated and a few things were added as well. Monday and Tuesday there will be events in Panther Square.
- Ms.Adames notified the Senate that on Wednesday, June 21st, the Campus Life Department and SGA will be giving tours from 11:00am - 2:00pm, for this reson council members will be needed in the office.
- Ms.Adames stated that Orientation for both Summer B and Fall are also up and all senators should be able to sign up for those events.
- Ms.Adames reminded the Senate to fill out the Info Member sheet, through orgsync, if he or she has not done so. It is also needed to receive SGA shirts.
- Ms.Adames also reminded the Senate that the U-Wide Retreat is from August 4-6 and will be held at UCF.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Approval of Senate Minutes – May 22, 2017**

The Senate Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2017 was presented to the Senate.

Senator Castillo moved to approve the Senate Meeting Minutes of May 22, 2017.

Senator Gomez seconded the motion.

By an unanimous decision the motion was passed.

**b. Second Reading of Bill 2017.0004 - Director of Lectures**

Chief of Staff, Adelson, presented Bill 2017.0004 to the Senate.

Senator Noel moved to amend Section 404.11 Director of Lectures in Article IV in SGC-BBC Statutes.

Senator Kelly seconded the motion

Roll Call Vote:

Jonathan Espino – Yay  
Ronan Kelly – Yay  
Elizabeth Gomez – Yay  
Harry Castillo – Yay  
Jefferson Noel – Yay  
Maria Fauve – Yay

By an unanimous vote of 6/0/0, Bill 2017.0004 – Director of Lectures was passed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Appointments**

**1. Comptroller Candidate, Mitesh Addhate**

Mitesh Addhate presented himself to the Senate.

Questions were asked and answered.

Senator Kelly moved to appoint Mitesh Addhate as Comptroller

Senator Harry seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Jonathan Espino – Yay  
Ronan Kelly – Yay

Elizabeth Gomez – Yay  
Harry Castillo – Yay  
Jefferson Noel – Yay  
Maria Fauve – Yay

By an unanimous vote of 6/0/0, Mitesh Addhate was appointed as Comptroller.

**b. Tabling Presentation by Ms.Adames**

Ms. Adames presented a powerpoint presentation to the Senate, regarding tabling.  
Ms. Adames explained why SGA tables at different events, and its importance.  
Ms.Adames also stated the best ways to introduce yourself, and different tips e.g speaking to students, how many people should be at the table etc.

Senator Noel moved to amend the agenda and add Resolution 2017.0005  
Senator Fauve seconded the motion.  
By an unanimous decision the motion was passed

Senator Fauve moved to add a nomination to the agenda.  
Senator Noel seconded the motion.  
By an unanimous decision the motion was passed.

**c. Resolution 2017.0005**

Senator Noel presented the resolution to the Senate.

Senator Fauve asked for a point of inquiry: How many sponsors is needed to present a resolution to the senate?

Ms.Adames answered by explaining that there should be at least two sponsors for it to be officially presented to the Senate, and the sponsor cannot be the author as well. Senator Noel can still show the resolution to the Senate, however, it will not count as the official presentation of the resolution.

Ms.Adames stated that for safety measures were to be implemented another resolution would have to be created. Ms.Adames further explained the benefits of keeping a resolution short and straight forward; and the key sections of a resolution.

**d. Chair Nomination**

Senator Fauve nominated Senator Noel for Student Advocacy Chair.  
Senator Kelly seconded the motion.  
Senator Noel accepted the nomination.

Senator Fauve asked for a point of personal privilege at 4:28pm.  
Speaker Espino granted the point of personal privilege.

Senator Noel presented himself to the Senate.

Senator Kelly moved to appoint Senator Noel as Student Advocacy Chair.  
Senator Gomez seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Jonathan Espino – Yay  
Ronan Kelly – Yay  
Elizabeth Gomez – Yay  
Harry Castillo – Yay  
Jefferson Noel – Yay

By an unanimous vote of 5/0/0, Senator Noel was appointed as Student Advocacy Chair.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Second General Meeting, June 28, 2017
  - 1. July 26, 2017-Last General Meeting for the Summer Semester
- B. Orientation Tabling, Panther Square, 12pm-1pm
  - 1. June 12
  - 2. July 10
  - 3. August 10
- C. Summer B/Early Fall Welcome Week

Speaker Espino asked for a point of inquiry: What dates does Welcome Week Start

Ms.Adames answered June 19

D. U-Wide Retreat– August 4-6, 2017, UCF- Mandatory

E. BayView Move-In- August 19, 2017

F. Freshman Convocation August 20

G. SGA Day- August 30

Senator Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

Senator Noel seconded the motion.

By an unanimous decision the motion was passed.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker Espino at 4:33p.m