



MINUTES
SGC-BBC Senate Meeting
November 19th, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE

John Habib, Speaker / Arts, Sciences, & Education Senator
Pamela Ho Fung, Speaker Pro Tempore / Lower Division Senator
Jiaqi “Water” Chen, Finance Chair / Graduate Senator
Xin Wang, Operational Review Chair / At-Large Senator
Mahalia Balfour, Arts, Sciences, and Education Senator / Student Advocacy Chair
Yuze “Crystal” Ji, Hospitality & Tourism Management Senator
Xu Chang, Hospitality & Tourism Management Senator
Catalina Nemmi, Lower Division Senator
Brian Levine, Housing Senator
Jonathan Espino, Vice President

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE

Priscila Sevil, At-Large / Internal Affairs Chair

GUESTS

Larissa Adames, Campus Life Assistant Director and SGC-BBC Advisor
Jefferson Noel, SGC-BBC President
Mark Monaco, Student (Appointment)
Nedjina Dol, SGA Front Desk Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The SGC-BBC Senate held a meeting on November 19, 2018– **WUC 221**. The meeting was called to order at **3:34pm**, approximately, by **Speaker Habib** who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

WELCOME

Speaker Habib welcomed the senate with a game of Kahoot and stated that, “it's nice to see you all, hope everyone enjoyed the kahoot game.”

SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Habib...

- Stated that, “Kahoot is for you all to reflect and for me to see how well you guys know. However, you guys are not fulfilling your duties, you guys do not know what’s in the constitution and statutes.”
- Continued and stated, “I am preparing you all to be leaders. I want you all to move up, however, you need to be educated and know what’s going on.”

- Mentioned that they will be going over a lot today.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Espino...

- Informed the senate that he does not have any updates regarding any of the special projects that he has been working on.
- Mentioned that he will be sending doodles for one on one meetings to the senate.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Speaker Pro Ho Fung...

- Mentioned that they had a lot of meetings today which were, Student Advocacy, Finance, Operational Review and Eboard Meeting. She stated that the meetings were good.
- Reported about the senate focus board that Senator Nemmi will explain further more and senate will be working on it before the end of the semester.
- Updated the council on resolution homework, "I will meet with Edward Furnas to discuss the possibility of giving access for students to charge their electronics in the gliders."

ADVISOR REPORT

Ms. Adames...

- Informed that senate that if they have received an email about payroll, they need to complete everything ASAP because the sooner they replied, sooner they will receive stipend.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Minutes

Senator Levine asked for Unanimous Consent that the Senate Minutes of November 14, 2018, as corrected, be approved.

There was no objections, therefore the Senate Minutes of November 14, 2018, as corrected, were approved.

B. Appointments

Mark Monaco for Health Services Administration (H.S.A.) Senator

Speaker Habib gave Mark Monaco 2 minutes to present himself in front of the senate followed by 2 minutes of discussion.

Mark Monaco presented himself and explained why he should be appointed as the senator of Health Services Administration. Speaker Habib then opened the floor for 2 minutes of discussion.

Senator moved to end discussion time, Senator Chen seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Senator Balfour moved to appoint Mark Monaco for position as Senator of Health Services Administration.

Senator Levine seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

John Habib–Yea
Mahalia Balfour-Yea
Jiaqi “Water” Chen–Yea
Yuze “Crystal” Ji- Yea
Xin Wang–Yea
Xu Chang- Yea
Pamela Ho Fung-Yea
Catalina Nemmi-Yea
Brian Levine- Yea

By a vote of 9/0/0, Mark Monaco was appointed as Senator of Health Services Administration.

C. Nominations

- **Finance Committee Nominations**

Senator Chen nominated Senator Levine to be a member of the Finance Committee. Senator Levine accepted the nomination.

Speaker Habib gave Senator Levine one minute to present followed by 2 minutes of Q/A.

Senator Balfour moved to appoint Senator Levine as a member of the Finance Committee. Senator Nemmi seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

John Habib–Yea
Mahalia Balfour-Yea
Jiaqi “Water” Chen–Yea
Yuze “Crystal” Ji- Yea
Xin Wang–Yea
Xu Chang- Yea
Pamela Ho Fung-Yea
Catalina Nemmi-Yea
Brian Levine- Abstain
Mark Monaco -Yea

By a vote of 9/0/1, Senator Levine was appointed as a member of the Finance Committee.

- **Rules, Legislation, and Judiciary (R.L.J.) Chair Nominations**

Speaker Pro Ho Fung nominate Senator Levine for Chair of the Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Committee. Senator Levine accepted the nomination.

Speaker Habib gave Senator Levine one minute to present followed by 2 minutes of Q/A.

Senator Balfour moved to end discussion time.

Senator Chen seconded the motion. Motion passes.

Senator Wang moved to appoint Senator Levine as Chair of the Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Committee

Senator Balfour seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

John Habib–Yea
Mahalia Balfour-Yea
Jiaqi “Water” Chen–Yea
Yuze “Crystal” Ji- Yea
Xin Wang–Yea
Xu Chang- Yea

Pamela Ho Fung-Yea
Catalina Nemmi-Yea
Brian Levine- Abstain
Mark Monaco -Yea

By a vote of 9/0/1, Senator Levine was appointed as Chair of the Rules, Legislation and Judiciary Committee.

D. First Reading of Resolution 2018.0014

Speaker Habib opened the floor to Senator Balfour to present the resolution to the senate.

Senator Balfour did the first reading of Resolution 2018.0014

Speaker Habib asked the senate for suggestion of the first reading.

E. Allocation for the SGC-BBC Senate Tri-fold

Speaker Habib asked Senator Nemmi to present the Allocation for the SGC-BBC Senate Tri-fold to the council.

Senator Nemmi explained how the Tri-fold will be set up and stated that the total price for everything will be around \$28 but she asked for a total of \$40 for extra fees and tax.

Speaker Habib opened the floor for Q/A.

Senator Levine moves to approve an allocation for up to \$40 from the Senate Discretionary for the for the SGC-BBC Tri-fold.

Senator Nemmi seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

John Habib–Yea
Mahalia Balfour-Yea
Jiaqi “Water” Chen–Yea
Yuze “Crystal” Ji- Yea
Xin Wang–Yea
Xu Chang- Yea

Pamela Ho Fung-Yea
Catalina Nemmi-Yea
Brian Levine- Yea
Mark Monaco -Yea

By a vote of 10/0/0 , Allocation for up to \$40 from the Senate Discretionary for the SGC-BBC Senate Tri-fold was approved.

DISCUSSION

A. Student Concerns

Speaker Habib asked the senate if they have heard any concerns from students.

Senator Chen mentioned that there is a hospitality student who wants to hold more events in panther square specially for hospitality students. He also wants to mae free events for students that includes food from different countries and that has food from the students' recipe. The student is simply asking for SGA to help him pronote these ideas and the student mentioned that, he is not asking SGA for any money because he already have sponsors.

Senator Chen stated that she asked the student for a business plan and asked him if he can come to the next senate meeting to fully present his idea.

REPORTS

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

Senator Chen...

- Stated that she reached to the Fiance Chair at MMC and want to create relationships with them.
- Mentioned that during the Finance meeting, they discuss how to solve the problems with Finance Committee at MMC.
- Stated that taking a video is a good way to educate students about requirements applying the financial request.

OPERATIONAL REVIEW CHAIR REPORT

Senator Wang...

- Spoke about what is Operational Review, why we should go through operational review.

- Spoke about what was audit reports and how to work with the Operational Review Committee to help view audits and make comments.

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

Senator Balfour...

- Welcomed the new senators.
- Stated that she would like to get in contact with Lyft & Uber to see if the students living at Bayview can get a discount during the holiday season.
- Mentioned that she postponed her SGA meet & greet at Bayview to possibly week of welcome
- Stated that, “we are trying to meet and get in contact with parking and transportation to find out how we can improve the panther mover experience.”
- Stated that, “we are working on several initiatives including a way to provide Bayview students with discounted rides to the supermarket.”
- Stated that she is creating a Bayview flyer for the food pantry
- Mentioned that she is asking Barnes & Noble to add Kosher options to the store.
- Reminded the council that next committee meeting will be on Wednesday at 2:45 pm

Senator Levine moved to have RLJ Chair Report after Student Advocacy Chair Report.

Senator Balfour seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

RLJ CHAIR REPORT

Senator Levine...

- Mentioned that he wants to meet next week.
- Stated that if any senators needed assistance with Legislation, to reach out to him.

SENATOR’S REPORT

Senator Nemmi...

- Stated that she wants to create a brochure with the pre requirements for each college/school and to give out to students.

Senator Ji...

- Stated that she had attended the student advocacy and operational review meetings, and mentioned that she learned how to comment and learn more from the forms of many events.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Noel...

- Mentioned that the I-75 Campus had only one food option which was subway, however, it is closed down and he stated that the BBC are trying to help them with a solution.
- Stated that SGC-BBC is thinking about having more vending machines for the I-75 Campus as for right now.
- Stated that he was impressed by the senate at the "Conversation Series with President & Provost" because of the questions that was asked and how the senate care about the students.

Senator Levine moved to extend President's Report by 90 seconds.

Senator Nemmi seconded the motion. Motion passes.

- Stated that he spoke with the person who is in charge of the strategic plan and they are asking questions to students, a survey to see how FIU BBC can move forward as a university.
- Stated that when the senate want to take the survey, to come to his office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Thanksgiving Dinner (BSU + Panther Power), November 19th**
6:00pm
WUC Ballrooms
- B. Artsy Event, November 20th**
4:00pm - 7:00pm
Panther Plaza
- C. Self Defense Class, November 29th**
6:00pm - 8:00pm
WUC Ballrooms
- D. First Annual HSA (Haitian Student Association) Pageant, November 30th**
6:00pm
WUC Ballrooms
- E. The Rise Exposition, December 7th**
5:00pm-1:00pm
387 NE 70th St., Miami Florida

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Nemmi moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:01pm.

Senator Levine seconded the motion.

The meeting was dismissed by Speaker Habib at **5:01pm.**