



Florida International University

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

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

November 20, 2017

IN ATTENDANCE

Mers Gabrielle San Pedro, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Jennell Barnett, Hospitality & Tourism Management (Point of Personal Privilege 4:24 - 4:29 PM)

Ashley Rosales-Tejeda, Communication + Journalism (Point of Personal Privilege 4:43 PM)

Jefferson Noel, Communication + Journalism and Speaker Pro Tempore

Doreen Patichi, Upper Division

Jessalyn Morel, Lower Division

Ronan Kelly, At-Large

Daniel Velasquez, At-Large (Point of Personal Privilege 4:12 - 4:14 PM)

Jonathan Espino, Housing and Speaker of the Senate

Meredith Marseille, Vice President

EXCUSED

Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education

Sigal Dahan, Upper Division

GUESTS

Dr. Kerrie Montgomery, Campus Life Director

Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor

Stefano Carl Selorio, Front Desk Assistant

Leeche Labranche, SGA Intern

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Date – Locale WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM, approximately, by Speaker Espino who presided over the meeting in its entirety

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the [November 13, 2017] meeting was made by Senator [Mers Gabrielle San Pedro] and seconded by Senator [Jennell Barnett]

SPEAKER OF SENATE REPORT

Speaker Jonathan Espino stated the following,

- I. Sundaes with the Senate, December 4, 2017
- II. We will be doing the 2nd Reading of the “Joint” Resolution 1702
- III. CAPS Counseling
 - A. Senator Dahan and Patichi met with Mercedes Cesin the manager of the one card office to talk about adding the suicide hotline to the back of the card but they cannot add because the ones for next year have already been ordered however they will be adding it to the back of the maps for the school that are given with the Id’s and the maps will have the number as well as the number to CAPS counseling.
- IV. Committees Status
 - A. Almost all committees are filled as of right now, with the exception of RLJ Chair.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Meredith Marseille stated the following,

- I. Food Drive Competition
 - A. Boxes have been decorated and distributed to their designated locations.
- II. Reflexology Path
 - A. As of right now, five quotes are needed, from either Richard Blanco or the Dalai Lama.
 - B. Student Ambassador
 1. There will be a student ambassador training for anyone who is interested in the preservation and continuation of the project.

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Speaker Pro Tempore Jefferson Noel stated the following,

- I. Graduation Celebration/Book Signing, December 2017
- II. Transition of Power
 - A. I will be working with Senator Ashley Rosales-Tejeda to transition responsibilities and projects in order to continue the work.

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

Senator Ronan Kelly stated the following,

- I. Committee Status
 - A. Currently, establishing proper meeting times that would fit with the other member’s schedules.

RLJ CHAIR REPORT

Senator Jessalyn Morel stated the following,

- I. Committee Status
 - A. Currently recruiting Senators to be partake in the RLJ Chair
 - B. Senator Daniel Velasquez joined the RLJ Chair

OPERATIONAL CHAIR REPORT

Senator Daniel Velasquez stated the following,

- I. Committee Status
 - A. Six different event submissions have been audited and approved, some need editing, and will be approved once the discrepancies are fixed. We will be going over how to handle a report that could not be approved with due process. Meetings Friday's 1pm. However, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday we will be meeting this Wednesday at 1pm.

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

Senator Ashley Rosales-Tejeda stated the following,

- I. Spoke to students in my hometown high school about FIU's SGA in the Biscayne Bay Campus.
- II. Food Drive
 - A. In collaboration with Senator Jonathan Espino and Vice President Meredith Marseille, decorated the Food Drive boxes.

ADVISOR REPORT

SGA Advisor Larissa Adames stated the following,

- I. NACA Assessments need to be filled out
- II. United Way Bake-Off event is coming soon
- III. Mocktails and Manicures
 - A. Currently, on the search for a bartender.

OLD BUSINESS

- I. Please refer to the APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- II. 2nd Reading of Joint Resolution 1702
 - A. Senator Morel stated that some of the writing needs to be more general, rather than specifically mentioning Tau Kappa Epsilon.
 - B. Approval of Edits

A motion to table the approval of edits for Resolution 1702 was made by Senator [Jessalyn Morel] and seconded by Senator [Daniel Velasquez]

The motion passed unanimously.

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C. Tabling Discussion

A motion to table the discussion of Resolution 1702 to the next Senate meeting was made by Senator [Jessalyn Morel] and seconded by Senator [Jefferson Noel]

The motion passed unanimously.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. ISS Thanksgiving, November 20
- B. United Way Bake Off, November 27, 11am-2pm, Panther Square
- C. SGA Gives Thanks, November 27, 5pm-7pm, WUC 223
- D. Bayview Housing Forum, November 29, Noon-2pm
- E. SGA Holiday Potluck, November 29, after general meeting
- F. Sundaes with the Senate, December 4, 2017, after the senate meeting
- G. Budget Request due, December 18
- H. Front Desk Reminder

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at [4:56 PM] was made by Senator [Jefferson Noel] and seconded by Senator [Daniel Velasquez]

Speaker Espino adjourned the meeting at 4:56 PM.