



Florida International University

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

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting

November 27, 2017

IN ATTENDANCE

Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education

Mers Gabrielle San Pedro, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Jennell Barnett, Hospitality & Tourism Management

Ashley Rosales-Tejeda, Communication + Journalism

Jefferson Noel, Communication + Journalism and Speaker Pro Tempore

Sigal Dahan, Upper Division

Doreen Patichi, Upper Division

Jessalyn Morel, Lower Division

Ronan Kelly, At-Large

Jonathan Espino, Housing and Speaker of Senate

Meredith Marseille, Vice President

EXCUSED

Daniel Velasquez, At-Large

ABSENT

GUESTS

Leonardo Cosio, SGA President

Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor

Christopher Morisset, FIU Alumnus

Stefano Carl Selorio, Front Desk Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Date – Locale WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at 3:36 PM, approximately, by Speaker Jonathan Espino who presided over the meeting in its entirety

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes of the [November 20, 2017] meeting was made by Senator [Ashley Rosales-Tejeda] and seconded by Senator [Sigal Dahan].

SPEAKER OF SENATE REPORT

Speaker Jonathan Espino stated the following,

- I. Bayview Open Forum, Wednesday, November 29, 2017

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Meredith Marseille stated the following,

- I. Student Food Pantry Drive
- II. Bayview Open Forum
 - a. Wednesday, November 29, 2017
 - b. Flyers are going to be distributed to students.
- III. Reflexology Path
 - a. Training will be held at Nova Southeastern University (NSU) on December 2, 2017

SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE REPORT

Speaker Pro Tempore Jefferson Noel stated the following,

- I. Meeting with the Dean of CARTA before the end of the semester
- II. In collaboration with the Director of Lectures Christine Massesus, we will be handing out surveys to students to pick out an individual for the first lecture.

FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

Senator Ronan Kelly stated the following,

- I. The meeting date with all Finance Committee members are to be announced.

RLJ CHAIR REPORT

Senator Jessalyn Morel stated the following,

- I. A meeting with Senator Daniel Velasquez will be held during this week.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS REPORTS

Senator Leen Alkhoul stated the following,

- I. In collaboration with SGA Intern, the survey for CASE Students are finished.

STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

Senator Ashley Rosales-Tejeda stated the following,

- I. No report was to be made.

ADVISOR REPORT

SGA Advisor Larissa Adames stated the following,

- I. United Way Bake Off Winner
- II. Stipend Packets need to be filled if done so already
- III. NACA Assessments have to be completed by students.
- IV. Sundaes with the Senate
 - a. Supplies need to be bought a week before the day of the event.

OLD BUSINESS

- I. Please refer to APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- II. Joint Resolution 1702 Reading and Discussion

A motion to vote on the Joint Resolution 1702 was made by Senator Jessalyn Morel and seconded by Senator Ashley Rosales-Tejeda.

The motion passed with 4 AYE and 6 NAY.

- AYE Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education
- AYE Mers Gabrielle San Pedro, Hospitality & Tourism Management
- AYE Jennell Barnett, Hospitality & Tourism Management
- NAY Ashley Rosales-Tejeda, Communication + Journalism
- NAY Jefferson Noel, Communication + Journalism and Speaker Pro Tempore
- AYE Sigal Dahan, Upper Division
- NAY Doreen Patichi, Upper Division
- NAY Jessalyn Morel, Lower Division
- NAY Ronan Kelly, At-Large
- NAY Jonathan Espino, Housing and Speaker of Senate

NEW BUSINESS

- I. Constitutional Review by President Leonardo Cosio
 - a. In collaboration with Vice President of Student Affairs, Dr. Larry Lunsford
 - b. Discussion was opened up to the council members
 - c. An initiative is taking place to combine both of FIU's SGAs (Modesto Maidique and Biscayne Bay) into one student council
 - d. Allowed for more of accountability for the U-Wide Council
 - e. The legislature for both campuses and student governments will be combined
 - f. Upcoming Constitutional Review, November 28, 155 WUC, 4:30PM – 7:30PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- I. SGA Gives Thanks, November 27, 5pm-7pm, WUC 223
- II. Bayview Housing Forum, November 29, Noon-2pm

- III. SGA Holiday Potluck, November 29, after general meeting
- IV. Sundaes with the Senate, December 4, 2017, after the senate meeting
 - A. Graphics Request
- V. Budget Request due, December 18
- VI. Senator Jennell Barnett
 - A. Looking forward to meeting with the new Dean of Hospitality
- VII. Front Desk Assistant Reminder

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at [4:36 PM] was made by Senator [Senator Jennell Barnett] and seconded by Senator [Jessalyn Morel].