



Budget Deliberations Meeting Minutes

Date: February 11, 2022

I. Call to Order

A. SPeMeeting Called to Order at: 9:26 a.m by Giacomo Natterri.

II. Roll Call

Position	Name	Attendance
President	Alexander Rubido	Present
Vice President	Alexandra Ibarria	Present
Comptroller	Giacomo Natterri	Present
President of Senate	Nicholas Pastrana	Present
President Pro Tempore	Mariapaz Grijibalba	Present
Senate Floor Leader	Cristopher Lugo	Present at 10:09am
Executive Administrator	Valentina Casanova	Present
SGA Governor	Brian Levine	Present

III. Remarks

A. President Rubido: today will be different than the last two days, we will go over our SGA individual line items

B. President Rubido moves to enter discussion on presidential discretionary, Senate President Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

IV. Deliberations

A. Presidential Discretionary

1. Requesting: \$50,000

a) Rubido: we know what each of these lines are and what they do. I think we should have a discussion on how things are going to be funded. I believe half funding this line item is a good amount

(1) Chair Natterri: i agree

(2) Governor Levine: do we know how much is already been spent?

(a) President Rubido: it would be inaccurate since we have pending purchases

2. Protemp Grijalba moves to close, Pastrana seconds, motion passes
3. Pastrana moves to go into discussion for 25,000, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
4. VP Ibarria moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate 25,000. Casanova seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to enter discussion on executive branch line item

B. Executive Branch

1. Requesting: \$20,000
 - a) Chair Natteri: given the amount of cuts we have had to give everyone else, i would be comfortable with funding 6,000
2. Rubido moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Grijalba moves to discuss 6,000. Rubido seconds. Motion passes
 - a) Grijalba: As mentioned by the chair, i think with all the cuts it would be appropriate to fund them that amount
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate 6,000. Pastrana seconds, motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on the legislative branch, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

C. Legislative Branch

1. Requesting: \$60,000
 - a) Legislative branch needed a special allocation so I think funding at 20,000 would still be a good amount
2. Pastrana moves to close, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
3. Pastrana moves to discuss 20,000. Rubido seconds, motion passes
 - a) Pastrana : we have had difficulties finding a way to spend the excess money
4. Chair moves to end discussion, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Pastrana moved to allocate 20,000, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on special expenses, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

D. Special Expense

1. Requesting: \$40,000
 - a) Rubido : this allows us to balance out the unexpected expenses
2. Chair moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion on 6,000. Grijalba seconds. Motion passes.
4. Chair moves to close discussion, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate \$6,000 to special expense, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on contingency, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

E. Contingency

1. Requesting: \$0
 - a) Rubido: we do not have contingency items anymore
2. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close discussion, Casanova seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion on zero dollars, VP Ibarria seconds, motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria seconds, motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate two dollars to contingency, Pastrana seconds, motion passes
6. VP Ibarria Ibarria move to go into discussion on recharge for finals, Casanova seconds. Motion passes

F. Recharge for Finals

1. Requesting: \$57,500
 - a) VP Ibarria; this has been an incredible successful event and i would be comfortable allocating \$30,000
2. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to discuss \$30,000 casanova seconds. Motion passes
4. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close, Pastrana second. Motion passes
5. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to allocate \$30,000 to recharge, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to enter discussion on blue books. VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

G. Blue Books

1. Requesting: \$5,000

a) Rubido: blue books is one of the most frequent services we give out to students. I recommend keeping this item at current amount

2. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to discuss \$3,000, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
5. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to allocate \$3,000 Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to enter discussion on travel, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

H. Travel

1. Requesting: \$35,000
2. Chair move to close discussion, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion on \$20,000, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

13 minute recess at the discretion of the chair

Rubido moves to enter discussion on convocation shirts, VP Ibarria ibarria seconds. Motion passes

I. Convocation Shirts

1. Requesting: \$8,000
 - a) Rubido: this is one of those items that if we do not fund fully we wont be able to fund it at all
2. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to enter discussion on 8000, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to close, casanova seconds. Motion passes
5. VP Ibarria Ibarria moves to allocate 8,000, casanova seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubdo moves to go into discussion on sga banquet, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

J. SGA Banquet

1. Requesting: \$3,000
 - a) Rubido: irecommend runding 2,200
2. Chair moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter the discussion on 2,200, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate 2,200, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

6. Rubido move to go into discussion on elections, Casanova seconds. Motion passes

K. Elections

1. Requesting: \$5,000
2. Chair moves to end discussion, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to go into discussion for 2,600, Levine seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate 2,600, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion for emoluments, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

L. Emoluments

1. Requesting: \$154,000
2. Rubido moves to close discussion
3. Rubido moves to fully fund, Casanova seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate \$154,000 to emoluments, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on GPSC, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

M. Graduate and Professional Student Committee

1. Requesting: \$300,000
 - a) Levine: we might have to make a cut here. While it is painful, i think we may need to cut so others can be properly funded
 - (1) Grijalba: I agree with governor Levine, our GPSC members work extremely hard to keep our graduate students involved but a cut is necessary
 - (2) Pastrana: based on the amount of money we have left, funding fully wont be an option because we will be severely cutting other entities
2. Grijalba moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion on 100,000. Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
 - a) Rubido: It is our duty to look out for other student organizations, if that means we need to cut back on our own budget, I am comfortable with this sacrifice.

4. Rubido moves to table GPSC, chair Natteri seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to enter discussion on room rentals, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds.
Motion passes

N. SGA Room Rentals

1. requesting : \$316,500
 - a) Rubido: I believe rounding down to \$300,00 would be sufficient
 - b) Levine: this is a year that could be possible for other entities to attend conferences, perhaps cutting this entity by 50,000 could help others as well
 - c) Lugo: I believe cutting from room rentals could severely impact other entities in ways that are not visible at the moment. As student leaders we need to make sure the A&S funds cover and help as many students as possible
 - (1) Grijalba: I agree with the sentiments of floor leader lugo
 - d) Levine: I would like to point out that we are a university that helps graduates with their research which can also bring interest and money into FIU
 - (1) Rubido: any of the line items we approve on will be used by everyone whether they are undergraduates or graduate students. The graduate research programs have other fundings that help keep the programs highly ranked and programmed, sgas funding will not be detrimental to this process
2. Pastrana moves to close discussion, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Pastrana moves to allocate 290,000 Rubido seconds. Motion passes
 - a) Levine: I believe 250,000 could be enough without having a sizeable impact on student life.
4. Lugo moves to close discussion, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
5. Lugo moves to allocate 290,000, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to enter discussion on GPSC

O. Graduate and Professional Student Committee

1. Requesting: \$300,000
 - a) At this point in the meeting we are starting to go into the negative, in order to maintain our budget I think 100,000 would be enough
2. Rubido moves to close discussion, Lugo seconds. Motion passes

3. Lugo move to go into discussion for 100,000, Rubido seconds, motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate 100,000 to GPSC line item, Pastrana seconds.
Motion passes
6. Move to go into discussion on governors discretionary, Grijalba seconds.
Motion passes

P. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Discretionary

1. Requesting: \$20,000
 - a) Levine: While i would like to maintain the amount requested, given the budgets limits i think going down t o 6,000 would be enough
2. VP Ibarria moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moes to go into discussion on 6,000
4. Rubido move to close, Pastrana seconds.
5. Rubido move to allocate 6,000, casanova seconds. Motion passes
6. Levine moves to go into discussion on medallions and stoles, Grijalba seconds.
Motion passes

Q. Medallions and Stoles

1. Requesting: \$1,100
 - a) Levine: while i would love to fund this, we can no longer so i suggest zero funding this item.
2. Pastrana moves to close discussion, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Pastrana moves to go into discussion for zero funding, Casanova seconds.
Motio passes
4. Pastrana moves to close, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
5. Pastrana movies to zero fund, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
6. Pastrana move to go into discussion on marketing, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion pases

R. Marketing

1. Requesting: \$12,000
 - a) Rubido: given the strains of the pandemic, I think we can market effectively with less money. Perhaps 4,000
2. Grijalba moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Grijalba movs to enter discussion on \$4,000 Rubido seconds. Motion passes
4. VP Ibarria moves to close, casanova seconds, moton passes

5. VP Ibarria moves to allocate 4,000, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into student engagement, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

S. Student Engagement

1. Requesting: \$9,000
2. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to go into discussion on 6,000. VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate \$6,000 to student engagement, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

Rubido moves to go into 5 minute recess at 10:33am

Rubido moves to enter discussion on executive board line, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

T. Executive Board

1. requesting : \$20,000
 - a) Rubido: i would be comfortable with funding 6,000
2. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
3. Lvine moves to go into discussion for 7,000. Casanova seconds. Motion passes
 - a) Levine: I do think it's important for the E board to have funding in order to pursue initiatives throughout the year.
4. Rubido moes to close, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate \$7,000. Casanova seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to enter discussion on special projects. VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

U. Special Projects

1. Requesting: \$0
2. Rubido moves to close, VP Ibarria ibarria seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion for zero funding, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close discussion, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to vote on zero funding. VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes.
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on sga lecture series, Pastrana seconds, motion passes

V. SGA Lecture Series

1. Requesting: \$39,000
2. Pastrana moves to close, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to enter discussion on VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido move sto close, casanova seconds. Motion passes
5. Pastrana moves to allocate 10,000 Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido move to discuss sga attire, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

W. SGA Attire

1. Requesting: \$14,000
 - a) Since this attire is what distinguishes sga members i believe we should fully fund the line
2. Pastrana moes to close discussion, Pastrana seconds, motion passes
3. Pastrana moves to go into discussion for fully fund, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
4. Pastrana moves to close, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
5. Pastrana moves to fully fund \$14,000. Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into affinity program, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes.

X. Affinity Programs

1. Requesting: \$9,000
2. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to go into discussion on \$6,000. VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido move to close, casanova seconds. Motion passes.
5. Rubido moes to allocate \$6,000, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

Y. SGA Environmental Resilience Lecture Series

1. Requesting: \$10,000
 - a) Levine suggests \$5,000
2. Levine moves close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
3. Levine moves to enter discussion on allocating 5,000. Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana second. Motion passes
5. Pastrana moves to allocate \$5,000. Casanova seconds. Motion passes
6. Rubido moves to go into discussion on office decor

Z. Office Decor

1. Requesting: \$5,000
 - a) Rubido: this is a new line item in terms of holiday decorations, i don't think we can fund it however
 - (1) Pastrana: unfortunately i agree with president Rubido
 2. Pastrana moves to close discussion, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
 3. Pastrana moves to go into discussion about zero funding, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
 4. Rubido moves to close discussion, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
 5. Rubido moves to allocate zero to office decor, casanova seconds. Motion passes
 6. VP Ibarria moves to go into discussion for VP Ibarria discretionary
- AA. Vice President's Discretionary
1. Requesting: \$10,000
 - a) VP Ibarria: this is a new line item that i would like to fund fully, but \$7,000 would also be acceptable.
 2. Grijalbas moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
 3. VP Ibarria moves to go into discussion for \$7,000
 4. VP Ibarria moves to close discussion, Rubido seconds, motion passes
 5. VP Ibarria moves to allocate \$7,000, Rubido seconds. Motion passes

Two minute recess at the discretion of the chair

Rubido moves to reopen GPSC, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

BB. Graduate and Professional Student Committee (continued)

1. Requesting: \$300,000
 - a) Rubido: i believe we should fund them the rest of the budget which is about \$129,050
2. Rubido moves to close, ibarria second. Motion passes
3. Rubido moves to go into discussion for \$129,050, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
4. Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
5. Rubido moves to allocate \$129,050. VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes

Rubido moves for one minute discussion with one minute speaking time, granted by chair.

Rubido moves to go into recess until after lunch, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

Meeting reconvened at 12:31pm

Rubido moves for one minute discussion with one minute speaking time, granted by chair.

- President Rubido moves to officially allocate all entities for the temporary amount addressed in deliberations, the chair seconds, motion passes with a 6-0-0 vote in favor
- Rubido moves to vote on A&S shared service fees, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes with a 6-0-0 vote in favor.
- Rubido moves for 10 minute recess, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
- Meeting is called to order at 12:56pm
- Rubido moves to go into 3 minute reading for statement of intention on allocation, Grijalba seconds. Motion passes
- Rubido moves to go into 5 minute discussion of statement of intent, levine seconds. Motion passes
 - This is a way for the committee to show their sentiments without having to write strict proviso language. This will be seen by all entities when they receive their funding so the entities understand the mindset of the budget committee.
- Rubido moves to close discussion, casanova seconds. Motion passes
- Rubido moves to approve the statement of intention, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes with a 7-0-0 vote
- Rubido moves to discuss proviso language, VP Ibarria seconds. Motion passes
 - Proviso 1: fiu online Esports allocation is separated from fiu online allocation
 - Rubido moves to close, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
 - Rubido moves to go into voting, Pastrana seconds. With a 7-0-0 vote the motion passes
 - Proviso 2: in allocating \$190,000 for fiu online, SGA specifically allocated \$45,000 to be used for the online student engagement initiatives

Rubido moves to have a 10 minute recess, given at the discretion of the chair.

- Governor Levine moves to continue discussion for proviso 2, Rubido seconds. Motion passes
- Rubido moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes
- Rubido moves to vote on proviso 2, Pastrana seconds. With a 1-6-0 vote, the motion fails.
- Proviso 3: no more than \$145,000 of the allocated budget may be used to fund OPS-LMS help desk (student support team)

- Rubido moves to close discussion, Pastrana seconds. Motion passes

Levine moves to enter 10 minute recess, chair seconds

- Proviso 4: SGA budget committee is of the opinion that while the A&S fee currently funds the LMS help desk

- Levine moves to amend Proviso 4 with the following language:

- The Student Government Association Budget Committee is of the opinion that while the Activity and Service Fee currently funds the LMS Help Desk, members of the committee recommended that going forward the LMS Help Desk should be funded by other funding sources. FIU Online is being made aware that it should not assume Activity and Service Fee funding for LMS Help Desk in future fiscal years.

- Pastrana moves to go into voting on Proviso 4 as amended, Second Valentina with a 6-0- 0 motion passes

- Proviso 5: SGA budget committee strongly supports OSJI Black Diaspora & Student Success Center

- Governor Levine moves to go into discussion on Proviso 5, second Ibarria. Motion passes

- Discussion was held on the Proviso language, questioned if this was a proviso, may be redundant language or statement. Message is important and sends a positive message to those offices.

- Pastrana moves to vote on proviso 2, Ibarria seconds. With a 5-2-0 vote, the motion fails.

- Proviso 6: SGA - University Wide Leadership Retreat

- Governor levine moves to open discussion, second

- Closed discussion

- Moved to go into voting

- 4-3-0 motions passes

- Proviso 7: SGA budget committee - RHA supplemental housing events

- Pastrana moved to open discussion on Proviso 7, Second Governor Levine, unanimous motion passes

- Discussion held about if this proviso is needed, this is for housing and residential life. Should this be included in proviso, asked directly to Governor Levine.

- Nick moved to close discussion, Valentina second, motion passes
 - Pastrana moved to vote, Second Governor- 6-1-0 motion passed
- Proviso 8: SGA budget committee Maxient not appropriate use of A&S Fund
 - Rubido motion to go into discussion, Governor second, motion passed
 - Discussion was held about why this proviso was written and why it has been included
 - Pastrana motioned to close discussion, Rubido second, motion passed
 - Pastrana moved to go into voting, Rubido second, 2-5-0 motion failed
- Proviso 9:
 - Rubido motioned toto bypass discussion and vote on proviso, Pastrana second, motion passed
 - Vote on proviso, 2-5-0 motion failed
- Governor Levine moves to withdraw proviso 10 and 11 , Rubido seconds, motion passed
- Rubido moves to scratch main motion to approve allocation, Governor Levine second, motion passed, Budget is reopened
- Governor moves to reopen discussion on FIU online, no second, dilatory
- Rubido motion to allocated FY 22-23 budget, Second by Comptroller Natteri , 6-1-0 motion passed
 - ASBO Office - \$38,697
 - Bayview Hall Council - \$4000
 - Black Student Union - \$130,00
 - BMI License - \$37,980
 - Campus life BASE- \$745,000
 - Center for Leadership and Service BASE - \$300,000
 - CLS Relay for Life, Alternative Breaks - \$85,000
 - Center Student Engagement - \$17,500
 - Children's Creative Learning Center -\$85,000
 - Convocation- \$60,000
 - Engage Platform \$59,538
 - Financial Wellness Program - \$5000
 - FIU I-75 - \$40,000
 - FIU Museum Insiders - \$0
 - FIU Online - \$190,00 w/o E-sports; E-sports \$35,000 - total \$225,00

- Fraternity and Sorority Life - \$140,000
- Graham Center Base - \$3,087,872
- Higher Education Student Association - \$9,000
- Homecoming - \$470,000
- Honors College - \$23,000
- International Student & Scholar Services- \$19,000
- Medical Student Council - \$85,000
- Model United Nations - \$130,000
- Multifaith Council - \$4900
- National First Generation Celebration Week - \$11,236
- Office of Social Justice & Inclusion - \$70,000
- Office of Ombudsperson - \$5000
- Order of the Torch - \$4220
- Orientation & Family Program - \$200,000
- OSJI - Black Diaspora & Student Success Center - \$0
- Outstanding Student Life Awards - \$19,940
- Panther Power - \$10,000
- Pride Center - \$66,000
- Pride Student Union - \$14,000
- Registered Student Organization Council- \$280,000
- Residential Hall Association - \$0
- SA Technology Center - \$12,942
- SGA Room Rental - \$290,00
- SGA Office BBC - \$60,000
- SGA Office MMC - \$132,000
- SGA Council Lines
 - Presidential Discretionary - \$25,000
 - Executive Branch - \$6,000
 - Legislative Branch - \$20,000
 - Special Expense - \$6,000
 - Contingency - \$0
 - Recharge For Finals - \$30,000
 - Blue books - \$3,000
 - Travel - \$20,000

- Convocation Shirts - \$8,000
- SGA Banquet - \$2,200
- Elections - \$2,600
- Executive Board - \$7,000
- Special Projects - \$0
- Emoluments - \$154,000
- Graduate & Professional Student Committee - \$129,050
- Medallions & Stoles - \$0
- Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Discretionary - \$6,000
- Marketing - \$4,000
- Student Engagement - \$6,000
- SGA lecture Series - \$10,000
- SGA Attire - \$14,000
- Affinity Programs - \$6,000
- SGA Environmental Lecture Series - \$5,000
- Office Decor - \$0
- Vice President Discretionary - \$7,000
- Shared Services - \$25,897
- Student Ambassadors - \$0
- Student Bar Association - \$85,000
- Student Conduct & Academic Integrity - \$10,417
- Student Creative and Media BASE - \$100,000
- Student Media - \$300,000
- Student Programming Council - \$590,000
- Student Tailgate and Safety - \$5,170
- UWide Leadership Retreat - \$25,000
- Veterans & Military Affairs - \$43,000
- Wellness & Recreation Services BBC BASE - \$1,000,001
- Wellness & Recreation Services MMC BASE - \$3,200,000
- Wolfe University Center BASE - \$1,600,000
- Women's Center BASE - \$60,000
- Governor Levine discussed his concerns on why they opened the budget and his position on budget. It is in regards to FIU Online. Governor stated he will vote in the negative
- Rubido move to close discussion, Pastrana Second, motion passed

- Chair discretion 5 minute recess
- Chair discretion 30 minute recess
- Meeting reopened at 3:51
- Rubido motions for 2 min discussion 2 min speaking time
 - Formal budget process has concluded, huge thank you to advisors and ASBO team
 - Expending \$500,000 from A&S fund balance to fund some of the deficit and will be one time, reasoning: 50th anniversary is next year
 - Matilde Gramling explained the Fund Balance and how the budget projections work with the Activity & Service Fee allocations. The fund balance may be at \$14 million, there are commitments.
 - \$4.5 million in main reserves - used for emergencies
 - \$643,000 in Accumulated Cash Balance - Contingency address needs
 - \$ deferred maintenance
 - This is a one time allocation using the fund balance
- President Rubido discussed the process on how the funds will be allocated, conversation on entities that may be funded by the fund balance being mentioned
- Rubido motions for 10 min discussion on use of fund balance, Governor Levine seconds, motion passes
 - Conversation was held regarding the programs that are engaging to students
 - Black Student Union
 - Relay, Roar-thon
 - FIU I-75
 - Homecoming Council
 - Orientation and Family Programs
 - Panther Power
 - RSOC
 - RHA
 - Student Programming Council
 - Governor Levine shared his sentiments regarding the list. He added
 - Student Programming Council
 - Pride Student Union
 - Residential Hall Association
 - Student Government

- Governor Levine asked about the guidance of the funding and if the senate needs to approve this special allocation- ratification does not need to go to the senate
- Rubido moves to close discussion, Comptroller Natteri seconds, motion passes
- Rubido moves to allocate from the Fund Balance, Comptroller seconds, 8-0-0 motion passes
 - \$34,000 to Black Student Union
 - \$11,470 to CLS: Relay, Roar-thon and AB
 - \$73,009 to Homecoming
 - \$90,000 to Orientation & Family Programs
 - \$23,000 to Panther Power
 - \$10,000 to Pride Student Union
 - \$20,000 to RSOC
 - \$50,000 to RHA
 - \$175,866 to SPC
 - \$12,561 to FIU I-75
 - Total amount: \$499,906

Meeting Adjourned at 4:15 p.m. by Chair Natteri

Addendum

Statement of Intent for Allocation FY 2022-2023

This letter is drafted the eleventh day of February, in the year two-thousand and twenty-two to serve as a letter of the intent and purpose of the Student Government Association Budget Committees view, oversight, and directive in the formulation of the official Activity and Service Fee budget allocation for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023. Enforceable provisions of the letter shall be labeled as such and shall be adhered to. Compliance with specific enforceable provisions of the letter of intent shall be reviewed for compliance upon the conclusion of the fiscal year. Recommendations for actions to be taken by the next budget committee shall also be compiled in this letter for future record purposes.

Acknowledgment and General Declaration of Updated Governing Documents

The Student Government Association passed and enacted a new set of governing documents, statutes and constitution effective as of February 1, 2021. This letter shall serve as an official notification and documentation to be attached with the final budget of the changes and the requirement for all entities and organizations to follow said documents. The new Governing Documents have been made available through the official Student Government Association Website sga.fiu.edu. Compliance with the Governing Documents is expected and required of all Activity and Service Fee funded entities for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and all future fiscal years.

State of the Activity and Service Fee

The Student Government Association recognizes that the state of the activity and service fee is in a dire position. As credit enrollment numbers continue to both decrease and remain stagnant, revenue streams for the Activity and Service Fees have taken substantial cuts. This budget committee oversaw an eight-hundred thousand dollar cut to projected revenue and allocated on that assumption. Additionally, State-wide minimum wage increases by one dollar each fiscal year until the fiscal year including September 30th, 2026 have meant that operating costs supported by the Activity and Service Fee have increased substantially and will continue to do so. One of the most critical aspects of the Activity and Service fee is supporting student programming and engagement, and due to the importance of funding departments and services for students, this aspect of the budget has taken substantial cuts. As an entity we strongly encourage university departments to make a serious effort to look for revenue streams outside of the Activity and Service Fee. Additionally, there is no support for the potential of a fee increase and the Student Government Association recognizes this, and does not support a fee increase.

Usage of the Fund Balance to supplement Activity and Service Fee Revenue

The budget Committee this fiscal year has decided that a portion of the fund balance totaling five-hundred-thousand dollars go towards supplementing programming and engagement for the Student Body. Due to the nature of the fiscal year 2022-2023 and the Universities engagement efforts in the fiscal year, programming is essential. Entities receiving additional funding via the fund balance will be communicated with separately. The fund balance is not designed nor able to support this in the long term. This is a **One**-time allocation used to lessen the impacts of the revenue decrease in the current year and will not be repeated. Entities regardless of receiving fund balance funding should plan to adapt to the amount that was allocated in the general budget deliberation.

On the Zero-Funded Entities

The Budget Committee recognizes the impact, importance and value of the entities that have not received an allocation this fiscal year. The standing recommendation from the committee is that each of these entities request funding again from the Budget Committee in the next fiscal year in the anticipation of the committee having additional Activity and Service Fee revenue to provide. The reflection of a zero-fund by this committee is not a statement on the value or importance of the entity but of the situation regarding revenue streams.

Sincerely,

The 2021-2022 Budget Committee sitting on the FY 2022-2023 Budget

Proviso Language

1. The FIU Online E-Sports Allocation is hereby separated from the FIU Online allocation. The expenditure of the E-Sports allocation shall be contingent upon the unanimous consent of the following individuals: Evangelia Prevolis, Jose Toscano, and Sanyo Matthew **Motion passed**
2. In allocating a total of \$190,000 for FIU Online, the Student Government Association Budget Committee is specifically allocating \$45,000 to be used for the Online Student Engagement Initiatives included FIU Online's Budget and not for any other purpose. The Budget Committee strongly supports the proposed Online Student Engagement Initiatives and believes it essential that FIU Online Students, as Activity and Service Fee paying students, are effectively engaged in order to be lifelong affinity to FIU. **Motion failed**
3. No more than \$145,000 of the allocated budget may be used to fund the OPS - LMS Help Desk (Student Support Team). **Motion failed**
4. The Student Government Association Budget Committee is of the opinion that while the Activity and Service Fee currently funds the LMS Help Desk, that this is not the most appropriate use of the Activity and Service Fee funds and that going forward the LMS Help Desk should be funded by other funding sources. The Budget Committee is allocating a maximum of \$145,000 of Activity and Service fee funds for the LMS Help Desk for FY 2022-2023 to give FIU Online time to identify and transition to alternative funding sources for future years. FIU Online is being made aware that it should not anticipate Activity and Service Fee funding for LMS Help Desk in future fiscal years and advised to not include the LMS Help Desk in future budget proposals.

Number 4 AMENDED TO:

The Student Government Association Budget Committee is of the opinion that while the Activity and Service Fee currently funds the LMS Help Desk, members of the committee recommend that going forward the LMS Help Desk should be funded by other funding sources. FIU Online is being made aware that it should not assume Activity and Service Fee funding for LMS Help Desk in future fiscal years. **Passed as amended**

5. The Student Government Association strongly supports the Office of Social Justice Initiative's (OSJI) proposal to establish a Black Diaspora and Student Success Center at FIU. Due to limited funding available for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year, the Budget Committee is unable to fund this initiative at this time but strongly urges that OSJU request funding for the Black Diaspora and Student Success Center for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year and recommends that future SGA Budget Committees fully fund important initiative. **Motion failed**
6. The Student Government Association in funding the University Wide Leadership Retreat urges Retreat planners to endeavor to find ways to collaborate with other Activity and Service

Fee funded entities outside of Student Life and Development (e.g. Bayview Hall Council, Multi-Faith Council, the Pride Student Union, etc.) to include their student leaders in the University Wide Leadership retreat. **Motion passed**

7. The Student Government Association strongly recognizes the importance of providing our residential students living on campus with quality student programming and engagement. Due to limited funding available for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year, the Budget Committee is unable to fund the Residential Hall Association at this time. The SGA is committed to working with the Residential Hall Association to provide supplemental housing events through the SGA Budget while it enters into negotiations with Housing and Residential Life to provide continued financial support for the Residential Hall Association. **Motion passes**

8. The Student Government Association Budget Committee is of the opinion that while the Activity and Service Fee currently funds the Maxient Software used by the Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity, that this is not the most appropriate use of the Activity and Service Fee funds and urges the Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity to seek alternative funding sources to fund its Maxient Software in future years. The Office of Student Conduct and Academic Integrity is being made aware that it should not anticipate Activity and Service Fee funding for its Maxient Software in future fiscal years. **Motion failed**

9. The Student Government Association Budget Committee recognizes the importance of OpenWater software to the administration of the Outstanding Student Life Awards but urges to Outstanding Student Life Awards Committee to 1) explore alternative funding options for this software in future years; 2) explore if there is alternative software that can meet the needs of the Outstanding Student Life Awards that the University already licenses; and 3) explore if there is alternative software that meets the needs of the Outstanding Student Life Awards and is available for lower cost than the OpenWater software. **Motion fails**

10. The Student Government Association believes FIU Museum Insider proposal is a worthy initiative. Due to limited funding available for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year, the Budget Committee is unable to fund this initiative at this time but strongly urges that the FIU Museums requests funding for this proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year and recommends that future SGA Budget Committees fund this initiative. **BBC Governor withdrew proviso**

11. The Student Government Association very much values FIU's Student Ambassadors and the work they do. Due to limited funding available for the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year, the Budget Committee is unable to fund the Student Ambassadors at this time but strongly urges that the FIU Museums requests funding for this proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year and recommends that future SGA Budget Committees fund this initiative. **BBC Governor withdrew proviso**

