

**Constitutional Convention of FIU**

**Meeting Agenda**

**December 1, 2023**

**5:00 PM**

**Zoom: [go.fiu.edu/WeTheStudents](https://go.fiu.edu/WeTheStudents)**

1. Call to Order
  - a. Meeting was called to order at 5:45pm.
2. Roll Call
  - a. Brian Levine
    - i. Present
  - b. Alexander Sutton
    - i. Present
  - c. Mia Rodriguez
    - i. Present
  - d. Natalie Martinez
    - i. Present
  - e. Peter Hernandez
    - i. Present
  - f. Kaily LaChapelle
    - i. Absent (excused)
  - g. Alexander Stone
    - i. Absent
  - h. Tracy Mussotte
    - i. Late but excused
3. Correction and Approval of Last Meetings Minutes
  - a. Minutes from November 27, 2023 - Approved
4. Adoption of the Agenda
  - a. Adopted
5. Public Comments Period
  - a. N/A
6. Reports
  - a. Convention Chair Brian Levine
    - i. Met on Monday
    - ii. Tuesday was referendum
      1. Passed 38-18
    - iii. Thoughts on Judicial and Accountability
      1. Fill out form if you'd like but we can go over it
  - b. Convention Vice Chair Alexander Sutton

- i. The Constitution has officially been amended!
    - 1. Charlie Andrews Interim Senior VP of Student Affairs has approved our amendment that streamlines this very process
  - ii. Executive branch discussion from Monday
    - 1. Discussed
  - iii. Yet to answer Judicial Branch Structure and Accountability Mechanisms
  - iv. Compiling our decisions
    - 1. Alex, Mia, and one other member to work on this
    - 2. Over break to present to spring semester
    - 3. Voted on by senate within mid-february
  - c. Convention Secretary Mia Rodriguez
    - i. Minutes and if any corrections are needed
    - ii. Please heed judicial advice as per the topic today!
7. Old Business
- a. Deliberations
    - i. Article VIII – Internal Committees
      - 1. Executive board composition/structure
        - a. Mia’s thoughts
        - b. Alex’s thoughts
          - i. Lieutenant Governor should be added
          - ii. Press secretary is the name exec admin should be now
            - 1. Should be a cabinet position
          - iii. appropriations chair/floor leader combined into finance chair that in a way and sits on eboard
          - iv. voted on by senate
          - v. chairs are elected
        - c. Peter’s thoughts
          - i. Figuring out how senate leadership plays into eboard and voting esp that two is possible
          - ii. Also how finance chair can be integrated
        - d. Tracy’s thoughts
          - i. Why can’t chief justice vote
            - 1. Unbiased in law
        - e. Brian’s thoughts
          - i. Finance chair once again
        - f. Consensus for the new structure of the Executive Board is:
          - i. President
          - ii. Vice President
          - iii. Governor
          - iv. Lt. Governor
          - v. Comptroller
          - vi. Senate Speaker
          - vii. Speaker Pro Temp
          - viii. Finance Chair

- ix. Chief Justice (non-voting)
- x. Chief of Staff (not-voting)
- xi. GPSC chair

2. Budgets

- a. Add a lay person
  - i. Serves as a person who would actually go to events
  - ii. But there could be people conspiring
- b. Finance chair serving as vice chair instead of SGA pres
  - i. Everyone but Sutton agrees that finance chair should be vice chair
  - ii. Rodriguez is stuck on either or akin to Martinez
- c. Budget Committee would match Executive Board – both include GPSC Chair and Finance Chair (see above). Chair of Budget Committee Comptroller and Vice Chair of Budget Committee is Finance Chair

ii. Article VI – Judicial Branch

- 1. Reviewed thoughts for Judicial Structure using Form as Template

iii. Article X – Elections

iv. Article XI – Renumeration

v. Article XII/XIII – Constitutional Amendment Process

a. Other New Business

8. Convention Forum

9. Public Comments Period

a. N/A

10. Announcements

11. Adjournment – Adjourned at 8PM.