



Student Government Association
 MMC Budget Committee
 Budget Hearing Minutes
 Meeting Date: Thursday Jan 24, 2019
 Start Time: 9:08 AM

1. Call to Order
 - a. Call to order by Lorenzo Correa
2. Roll Call

MMC President, Sabrina Rosell	Present
MMC Vice President, Peter Hernandez	Present
MMC Speaker, Brandon Aquino	Present
MMC Finance Committee Chair, Rose Ingraham	Present
MMC Comptroller, Lorenzo Correa	Present

3. Model United Nations (9:10 AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. We have 76% students holding internships
 - ii. 3.86 average GPA
 - iii. 55.8% of our students are in the Honors College
 - iv. FIU - 2nd Best Team in North America
 - b. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 2 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - c. Peter Hernandez moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
 - i. Budget Allocation

1. Our sole budget source is from the MUN E&G Account with funds provided by SGA.
 - a. 100% of this goes to flights, hotels, and dinner for students on Thursday and Saturday.
 2. We do not host events with SGA funding. We do not host events at all.
- d. Questions (9:26 AM)
- i. Sabrina Rosell: One concern is that we provide funding but there is no communication between SGA and Model UN other than budget. On suggestion is to provide out logo on events to show that SGA provided funding.
 - ii. Rose Ingraham: The increase in budget is it because you are bringing more students to the same competition? Yes, it is because we are bringing more students.
- e. Rose Ingraham moves to extend by 2 minutes. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
- i. Rose Ingraham: You say you have 82 students, but only a couple dozen get to go. How do you choose those students who get to go? We have stimulations, and those with the best work get to go to conferences.
- f. End time at 9:34 AM
4. Campus Life MMC (9:40 AM)
- a. Presentation
 - i. Houses 10 councils
 1. We have over 250 organization reporting to Campus Life
 - ii. 8 Campus Life Advisors, 4 Graduate Assistants and 2 support staff
 - iii. Publication team consists of 3 full time designers and two interns.
 - iv. Campus Life Programs
 1. Leadership Development Series
 2. SummerFest
 3. Week of Welcome
 4. DC Fly In
 5. Roar in Forward
 6. Fork & Key
 - v. DC Fly In
 1. Goal is to connect with the DC Office for full time internship and job opportunities in DC.
 - vi. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 8 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 1. Participants for DC Fly In are recruited from all programs
 2. Out of the 40 students sent to DC, 11 have been placed in full time opportunities or full time jobs.
 3. Campus Life is requesting an additional \$20,000 for the DC Fly in.
 - a. Increase cost of transportation and lodging
 - b. Increase number of participants to 14
 4. Working with Career and Talent Development to expand the program locally.

- b. Questions (9:57 AM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: Is it open to BBC and MMC, and is their current a collaboration with Campus Life and BBC? Yes, it is both open however we do currently have a collaboration with BBC
 - ii. Peter Hernandez: Have you thought about making this U-Wide? No, I have not because of the current political situation we are at.
 - iii. Peter Hernandez: Do you report back to academic units about the students who participated in DC Fly In? We have reported back to the Provos office and the President's office
- c. End time at 10:03 AM
- 5. Fraternity and Sorority Life (10:04 AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. 2018 Reported Community Service Hours: 17,546.5
 - ii. 2018 Reported Philanthropy Dollars Raised for Chapter/National Causes despite the Pause: \$152, 845 (excluding Relay and Dance Marathon)
 - iii. Strategic Plan
 - 1. 2018-2019
 - a. Establish IFC U for members of the IFC community to engage in essential new member conversations about academic needs, high risk management behaviors, and opportunities available to members of our community.
 - b. Develop an informational program for all fraternity men to be trained on the expectations and responsibilities of joining a Greek letter organization.
 - c. Establishment of a Greek Judicial Board
 - d. Plan and execute Greek Week
 - 2. 2019-2020
 - a. Establish Greek Wellness Initiative
 - b. Establish recruitment fees for all councils to move forward financial self-sustainability.
 - c. Expand the IFC U program to the Panhellenic Council and CBFO new members
 - d. Fully functioning Greek Judicial Board
 - e. Support the expansion of Theta Nu Xi and Delta Sigma Theta.
 - b. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - c. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Brandon Aquino seconds. Motion passes.
 - i. Partner with the Office of Student Conduct to help pay for our Hazing Prevention Software.
 - ii. Partnerd with the College of Nursing for theAlcoholEDU Software.
 - d. Questions (10:24 AM)

- i. Sabrina Rosell: How many BBC students are in Greek Life? I do not have those numbers, but we do have students that live over at Bayview that commute to MMC.
 - ii. Rose Ingraham: Can you tell me more about your Greek Judicial Board? Each of our council will have a greek judicial board to hold accountability on our council.
 - iii. Peter Hernandez: Are you planning on doing anything to advance the academic side of your community in terms of metric? We have been working with our director of scholars to engage on academics. We would like to plan a Greek academic workshop. Multicultural Greek Council have done tutoring sessions.
 - e. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - f. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 2 minutes. Peter Hernandez seconds. Motion passes.
 - i. Peter Hernandez: I see your travel detail request, how would you prioritize the importance? It is hard to prioritize because each are important and crucial and have different skills. If forced to rank, I would say that our Greek Leadership Retreat is essential and following would be UIFI and AFLV.
 - g. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 2 minutes. Brandon Aquino seconds. Motion passes.
 - h. End time at 10:40AM
- 6. Panthers for Recovery (10:42AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Our organization is here to support students who are looking for recovery from alcohol and drug uses.
 - ii. We have limited resources to outreach students
 - iii. Often time CAPS would refer to our office, however we do not have the necessary resources to help all of them.
 - iv. Funding request for outreach and promote our organization.
 - b. Questions (10:50AM)
 - i. Rose Ingraham: Tell be a little about the guest speaker? We
 - ii. Peter Hernandez: You guys said that CAPS refer students to you, what resources do you provide and do you have the numbers of students referred? CAPS have not given us that information on the number of students. We hold 4 recovery meetings for the students as well as family members affected.
 - iii. Peter Hernandez: At the moment are you supported by CSO? Yes, at the moment we are supported by CSO. For the future, we are trying to become a program
 - iv. Jose Toscano: How many students are in the organization? We have 13-14 active members. We have students that come in and out. As well, as half our meetings are anonymous so we cannot collect names or ID to keep track.
 - c. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.

- i. Jose Toscano: Currently do you reserve these meetings inside or outside the union? We use CSO for room reservation. And that is a problem to hold, because it is an issue to reserve meetings in the same room.
 - d. Ends at 10:57AM
 - e. Jose Toscano moves to have a discussion for 5 minutes. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
7. Panthers Around the World - Study Abroad (11:04AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. We are student representatives that promote study abroad opportunities to the FIU community via outreach events.
 - ii. We do not have any funding through our office department
 - iii. Goal for 2020: Double the numbers of FIU students studying abroad from 900 to 1,800
 - iv. Funding provides for:
 1. 6 co-curricular events per academic year planned by PAW rep for exchange students
 2. PAW orientation
 3. End of academic year event
 4. Monthly PAW meetings to help students build leadership and cross-cultural skills.
 - v. Budget
 1. Total: \$3,000
 - b. Questions (11:10AM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: How was funding for this events provided previously? There wasn't any. Our office of Study Abroad are tight on funding, so we would have to do special events like potluck and they have to be held in campus.
 - ii. Peter Hernandez: Does your structure include both BBC and MMC? We only have an office here in MMC, but we do visit BBC whenever we can.
 - iii. Brandon Aquino: How can the PAW mentors help in market the program? The good thing is that most of the PAW mentors have studied abroad and so they have these experiences that they can share to students.
 - c. End time at 11:15AM
 - d. Sabrina Rosell moves for a 2 minute discussion. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
8. Student Bar Association (11:21AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Ranked #101 in Best Law School across the country
 - ii. For the budget we are asking an increase for everything
 - iii. We would like to fund to send members to conferences to ensure opportunities to attain a job in the field.
 - iv. We are asking for an increase for our annual gala.
 - b. Questions (11:29AM)

- i. Peter Hernandez: You guys say you currently charge for the gala, where do those finances go? The cost of the ticket was the difference in what SBA could not cover.
 - ii. Peter Hernandez: For the Deans Cup, what exactly are you paying for that? We have to pay the referees, rent the field and pay for public safety.
 - iii. Rose Ingraham: Can you elaborate on the opportunities for undergraduates? We had this student who had an initiative to have a group chat which consists of a few law students and then the rest undergraduate students. This gives the undergraduate students who are interested in law to ask questions to out law students.
 - c. Peter Hernandez moves to extend time by 2 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - d. End time at 11:36AM
- 9. Council for Student Organizations (11:38AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Currently support 273 students organizations
 - ii. Budget Request of \$428,330 includes:
 - 1. Internal budget - \$62,400
 - 2. Organizational Basic Funding - \$255,000
 - 3. Special Allocation Funding - \$50,000
 - 4. Grad Assistant/ OPS/E-Board Stipend - \$38,600
 - b. Questions (11:49AM)
 - i. Rose Ingraham: What are the feedback for your point system? A lot of student organization have asked for guidance for the point system. The feedback that we get is that it is a very good system that keeps them involved.
 - ii. Brandon Aquino: Is there going to be a shift in having orientation online as well or hybrid, because I know it is hard to go to the orientations? That is something that we are currently trying to figure out for the next semester. That is an option that we are fully exploring, because we do have students saying from our surveys that they would like options to have different times or online.
 - iii. Rose Ingraham: Have you thought of making the club fair two days instead of asking for bigger space. That was something we experimented last semester, however the labor of having two club fairs is too much.
 - c. End time at 11:54:AM
- 10. Multifaith Council (11:55AM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. On Jan. 9th we had an event at the GC pit. It was a great turnout where we got to have a safe conversation with students. The theme of the event was “Diversity Makes us Stronger”.
 - ii. The increase in budget is for the more frequent events that we will do often.
 - b. Questions (12:00PM)

- i. Rose Ingraham: Can you talk about the Faith fair event that you have in your budget? That was the event we had on the 9th. For that event we used the funding to provide food. We are asking for the funding to have this a continuous event.
 - c. Ends at 12:03PM
- 11. Student Government Council (12:24PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Increase in GPSC funding especially for funding
 - b. Questions (12:26PM)
 - i. Rose Ingraham: Where exactly does it go for marketing? Whatever you guys deem as marketing, whether its a flyer. The group can decide what they deem marketing.
 - c. End time at 12:32PM
- 12. SGA Main Office (12:32PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. The new request is for professional development and provide the opportunities for staff to attend webinars
 - ii. The cost covers supplies in the office, payment for student assistant and graduate assistants
 - b. Questions (12:34PM)
 - c. End time at 12:35PM
- 13. Activity and Business Service Office (1:32PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Budget Request
 1. OPS students - \$20,000
 2. Office Supplies - \$4,700
 3. Materials and supplies for events - \$4,585
 4. Phones - \$4,500
 5. Professional development travel and training - \$4,060
 6. Shared Services - \$2,081
 7. TOTAL - \$39,926
 - b. Questions (1:41PM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: Why is Activity and Service Business Office not considered University-Wide? I am not sure, I have always come to MMC because it is where I service.
 - c. End time at 1:43PM
- 14. Children's Creative Learning Center (1:59PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. At part of the Center program, support services are offered:
 1. Parent Workshops, Family Meetings, Social Events & Activities
 - ii. Included in the request:
 1. Center's Winter Festival Event
 - a. SGA's support makes the focal point of the event a reality for the children - the mountain of snow

- b. Winter Festival focus changed from child centered to a fun filled family centered activity.

2. Student Support Staff Work Program

- b. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Rose Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - c. Questions (2:11PM)
 - i. Rose Ingraham: How many student assistants do you employ: We usually have about 20 student assistants, it depends on the semester.
 - ii. Brandon Aquino: Are there any plans in the future for expanding the services? Definitely, we are trying to create a fundraiser to expand our services.
 - iii. Peter Hernandez: Do you guys do any partnership with the Center for Children and Family? Yes, we do,
 - d. End time at 2:13PM
15. Engineering Campus Council (2:17PM)
- a. Presentation
 - i. Improve student life by organizing activities and services typically found at other FIU campuses, and provide educational opportunities.
 - ii. Measured Outcomes:
 - 1. Number of students who feel they are getting a more well rounded University Experience and as if they are an active part of the Engineering Center and FIU community.
 - a. Key Strategic Goal: Student Safety and Well-Being
 - 2. Average amount of time students spend at the Engineering Center apart from their scheduled class times.
 - a. Key Strategic Goal: Academic Progress Rate (2nd Year Retention with GPA above 2.0).
 - iii. Request Fund of \$35,000
 - 1. Support our 6,166 engineering students
 - b. Questions (2:28PM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: What is the office of the Dean involvement with you guys? We do not have an office for ourselves. At this moment we do not have enough communication with the Dean and ECC. They do not provide us financial support for space.
 - ii. Rose Ingraham: Can you give an example of the kind of professional development workshops? We have events planned to create the workshops. Collaborate with the office of career and development in ECC.
 - iii. Jose Toscano: What is the breakdown of the amount of students that are in groups from the 6,166 engineering students enrolled? About, 1,500 students that are involved in organizations
 - c. Rose Ingraham moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
 - i. Peter Hernandez: Is there anything you provide for your online students? Currently we do not, and that is something that we are working on to improve.

- ii. Rose Ingraham: Out of the enrolled engineering students, do you know the number of students that are computer science majors? ECC is currently trying to improve the connection between engineering majors at the engineering center and the ones here in campus for computer science.
 - d. End time at 2:37PM
 - e. Sabrina Rosell moves for a 15 minute discussion. Brandon Aquino seconds. Motion passes.
 - f. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 15 minutes. Brandon Aquino seconds. Motion passes.
- 16. Residence Hall Association (3:12PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. NRHH Academics
 - 1. 2018-2019 Allotment: \$3,500
 - 2. 2018-2019 (Projected) Expenditure: \$3,500
 - 3. 2019-2020 Requested Allotment: \$9,000
 - ii. RHA Hall Councils
 - 1. 2018-2019 Allotment: \$10,500
 - 2. 2018-2019 (Projected) Expenditure: \$10,500
 - 3. 2019-2020 Requested Allotment: \$31,500
 - iii. RHA Signature Events + Misc.
 - 1. 2018-2019 Allotment: \$38,800
 - 2. 2018-2019 (Projected) Expenditure: \$38,800
 - 3. 2019-2020 Requested Allotment: \$60,500
 - iv. RHA Fall Events
 - 1. Roar for the Cure - 144 participants
 - 2. Free Laundry Weekend - 700+ participants
 - 3. Fall Feasts - 120+ participants
 - 4. Less-Stress Fest - 500+ participants
 - v. RHA Conferencing
 - 1. 2018-2019 Allotment: \$3,000
 - 2. 2018-2019 (Projected) Expenditure: \$3,000
 - 3. 2019-2020 Requested Allotment: \$15,650
 - b. Questions (3:24PM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: I noticed that you have an expenditure of \$19,275 of your 60,000 allocation, do you have any plans on how you will use the rest of the allocations? We started working with housing to produce bottles for a sustainability initiative. As well as we have monthly events and an end of a year event, where the money will go to.
 - c. Brandon Aquino moves to extend time by 2 minutes. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
 - i. Brandon Aquino: what will you bring back from those 4 conferences? When they go to those conferences they come back with how to handle programming as well as situation within housing, for example how to handle disability in housing.

- d. End time at 3:31PM
- 17. Medical Student Council (3:35PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Goals for AY 2018-2019
 - 1. Advising and support of pre-health undergraduates
 - 2. Enhancing medical student competency for residency
 - 3. Enhancing medical education and student-led programs within HWCOM
 - ii. Requested Budget: \$85,946.63
 - iii. Goals for Ay 2019-2020
 - 1. Offer advising and support to pre-health undergraduates
 - 2. Enhance medical education and student competency for residency programs
 - 3. Strengthen community among current medical students, faculty, and alumni.
 - b. Sabrina Rosell moves to extend time by 5 minutes. Peter Hernandez seconds. Motion passes.
 - c. Questions (3:48PM)
 - i. Peter Hernandez: Why did you guys not ask for an increase in your budget? We are building a system to adequately use money before asking for more money.
 - d. End time at 3:50PM
- 18. Student Programming Council (3:53PM)
 - a. Presentation
 - i. Accomplishments
 - 1. We provided educational and entertaining event for our students
 - 2. Our event attendance is at an all time high with over 400+ students at each pit event.
 - 3. We created a programming model for the Engineering Campus and are hoping to expand it.
 - ii. SPC Budget for 2018-2019 - \$458,217
 - 1. Additional funding that we are requesting (not including online fee) - \$101,178
 - 2. Total amount requested - \$559,359
 - iii. Budget Line: Special event - \$6,000 requested
 - iv. Budget Line: Pop-Ups - \$4,000 requested
 - v. Budget Line: SPC Takeover - \$6,400 requested
 - vi. Budget Line: Lectures - \$5,000 requested
 - vii. Budget Line: Engineering Campus Events - \$12,900 requested
 - viii. Budget Line: UpRoar - \$20,000 requested
 - ix. Budget Line: Academic Programming - \$25,000 requested
 - x. Budget Line: Stipends & Positions - \$6,600 requested
 - xi. Budget Line: Online Fee - \$5,275 requested
 - b. Questions (4:05PM)

- i. Brandon Aquino: What does your retreat budget go into? We have a once a month officer meeting, and for that we need supplies because it is an all day meeting.
 - ii. Brandon Aquino: What is the co-sponsorship line item? That line item gives us the range to reach out to organization for collaboration for certain events.
 - c. End time at 4:08PM
 - d. Brandon Aquino moves to adjourn the meeting. Sabrina Rosell seconds. Motion passes.
19. Meeting Adjourned at 4:29PM