

Senatorial Records

The Proceedings and Debate of the 1st Session of the Student Government Association Senate — Spring Session

Zoom, Monday, March 1, 2021

- I. Welcome & Call to Order
 - a. The Senate met at and was called to order by the Senate President, Janelle Fraga at 4:03pm
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance, senator Burgos Led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows: I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
- II. Roll Call of Senators Present & Verification of Quorum

| ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL | | | | |
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| Amelia | Raudales | Р | | |
| Ari | Salzman | Р | | |
| Ashley | Nuñez | Р | | |
| Brianna | Pumariega | p | | |
| Bryan | Gomez | Р | | |
| Carlos | Ortiz | P | | |
| Christian | Perez | p | | |
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| James | Magee | Р |
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| Janelle | Fraga | P |
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| Jocelyn | Correa | p |
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| Jordan Morejon | Castelli | A |
| Julio | Burgos | Р |
| Kamila | Fernandez | р |
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| Nicholas | Pastrana | Р |
| Nitya | Ramalingam | Р |
| Rafael | Vasquez | Р |
| Salma | Atassi | Р |
| Sandro | Alvarez | Р |
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| VACANT SEATS | 5 | QUORUM |
| SENATORS | | ESTABLISHED |
| PRESENT | 30 | |
| AMT FOR QUORUM | 16 | |

- III. Approval of the Minutes from February 22, 2021
 - a. floor leader Natteri moves to approve minutes from February 22nd, senator ramirez seconds. motion passes
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
 - a. senator lugo moves to adopt todays agenda, senator velasquez seconds. motion passes
- V. Invited Speakers
 - a. The Accessibility Committee for the University
- VI. Committee Reports
 - a. Appropriations Committee
 - i. thank you to comptroller Rubido for answering our questions at last weeks meeting!
 - ii. If you have any questions, please contact sgafinance@fiu.edu
 - b. Committee on Rules and Administration
 - i. went over two pieces of legislation as well as resolutions.
 - ii. templates for legislation can be found on the google drive

- iii. If you have any questions, please contact sgarules@fiu.edu
- c. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee
 - i. met for the first time last week
 - ii. chose senator Khudiakova as vice chair
 - iii. If you have any questions, please contact
- d. Student Health and Well-being Committee
 - i. went over legislation as well as voted on it, it was sent to senator salzman to try to get it on the senate floor
 - ii. continued brainstorming possible ideas for legislation, ideas are centering around the wellness and recreation center
 - iii. volunteering opportunities were also discussed
 - iv. If you have any questions, please contact
- e. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
 - i. met with secretary of online, continued brainstorming on ways to pass legislation
 - ii. working on initiatives in order to turn them into legislation
 - iii. wednesday 3:30-4:40 is the new meeting times for committee
 - iv. If you have any questions, please contact sgaadvocacy@fiu.edu
- f. Graduate and Professional Students Committee
 - i. continuing work on GSAW
 - ii. also working on Gradskeller, looking to invite significant alumni
 - iii. If you have any questions, please contact GPSCchair@fiu.edu

VII. Executive Board Reports

- a. Senate President Fraga
 - i. we have a few candidates awaiting confirmation on eligibility
 - ii. vacancies with no candidates are housing and SIPA, if you know anyone interested please pass the information along!
 - iii. go.fiu.edu/joinsga is the proper link for applying
 - iv. first resolution of the first senate session will be up today!
 - v. two other pieces of legislation are in the works. exciting news!
 - vi. If you have any questions, please email sgasenatep@fiu.edu
- a. Senate President Pro Tempore Gomez
 - i. If you have any questions, please email sgaprotemp@fiu.edu
- b. Floor Leader Giacomo Natteri
 - i. If you have any questions, please email sgafloor@fiu.edu
- c. President Valdes
 - i. more dining availability will be opening up soon!
 - ii. student events will also begin taking place. keep an eye on the chat for more information
 - iii. If you have any questions, please email sgapres@fiu.edu
- d. Vice President Ibarria
 - i. if you have any questions, please email sgavp@fiu.edu
- e. Comptroller Rubido
 - i. the budget was sent to Dr. Bejar and pending her decision.
 - ii. If you have any questions, please email sgacomptroll@fu.edu
- f. Executive Administrator Vale
 - i. If you have any questions, please email sgaexecadmin@fiu.edu
- g. Biscayne Bay Governor Ofano

- i. events are still scheduled for this month and the beautiful biscyane bay campus! we will have something similar to the GC lawns study breaks event that was last week. there will be kayaking!
- ii. If you have any questions, please email sgagovernor@fiu.edu

pro temp Gomez present at 4:15pm

- h. Chief Justice De La Osa
 - i. governing documents workshop was a success so far! i've set up a second meeting to avoid burning out
 - ii. link to meeting is in panther connect
 - iii. If you have any questions, please email sgajud@fiu.edu
- VIII. Vetoed Legislation
 - IX. Unfinished Business
 - X. Second Readings
 - XI. New Business
 - a. Confirmation Elections Board
 - i. Scarlett Chirino
 - 1. senator velasquez moves to close q&a. senator lugo seconds. motion passes
 - 2. senator lugo moves to go into 5 minute discussion, senator ortiz seconds, motion passes.
 - 3. senator velasquez moves to extend discussion by 2 minutes, senator nunez seconds. motion passes
 - 4. senator nunez moves to extend discussion by 2 minutes, senator ortiz seconds. motion passes
 - 5. senator biagoni moves to extend discussion by 5 minutes, senator sutton seconds. motion passes
 - 6. senator lugo moves to go into voting, senator ortiz seconds, motion passes

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| QUORUM ESTABLISHED | | YAY | 24 | |
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ii. Linabel Armas

- 1. senator lugo moves to go into 5 minute discussion, senator velasquez seconds. motion passes
- 2. pro temp gomez moves to go into voting, senator lugo seconds, motion passes.

- 3. pro temp gomez moves to vote by unanimous consent. senator lugo seconds. motion passes
- b. SR 01.001
 - i. senator sutton moves to enter 5 minute q&a period, senator ramirez seconds. motion passes
 - ii. senator sutton moves to close q&a period, senator ortiz seconds. motion passes
- XII. Public Forum
- XIII. Senate Forum
 - a. pro temp gomez:
 - i. just want to reiterate that senate leadership is here to help YOU!
 - ii. if you are uncomfortable addressing issues in senate, please feel free to reach out and we can coordinate a time to work together
 - b. Jocelyn Correa
 - i. bright futures legislation is gaining momentum
 - c. Alexander Sutton
 - i. looking to help students living on campus who are low income, perhaps working with office of scholarship? according to president fraga there already is a scholarship, but i wont be deterred, i intend on helping housing students in any way possible.
 - ii. is there a particular issue that needs to be addressed?
- XIV. Announcements
- XV. Advisor Report
- XVI. Adjournment
 - a. The Senate President adjourned the meeting at 5:40pm