



# Senatorial Records

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

Zoom, Monday, March 22, 2021

I. Welcome & Call to Order

- a. The Senate met at and was called to order by the Senate President, Janelle Fraga at
- 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

III.

<b>Melissa Hernandez-Bautista</b>	<b>At Large - BBC</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Diamond Barnett</b>	<b>Health Services Administration - BBC+B3</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Fiorella Biagioni</b>	<b>International and Public Affairs</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Nicholas Velazquez</b>	<b>International and Public Affairs</b>	<b>A</b>		
	<b>International and Public Affairs</b>			
<b>Brianna Pumariiega</b>	<b>Public Health and Social Work</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Joshua</b>	<b>Nursing and Health Sciences</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Jocelyn Correa</b>	<b>Nursing and Health Sciences</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Alyssa</b>	<b>Nursing and Health Sciences</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>James Magee</b>	<b>Lower Division</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>David Luis</b>	<b>Lower Division</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Sergio Reyes</b>	<b>Lower Division</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Giacomo Natteri</b>	<b>Lower Division</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Alex Sutton</b>	<b>Housing</b>	<b>P</b>		
	<b>Housing</b>			

<b>Amelia Raudales</b>	<b>Honors College</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Hiba Khalil</b>	<b>Engineering and Computing</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Cristhofer Lugo</b>	<b>Engineering and Computing</b>	<b>A</b>		
<b>Karla Sofia Perez</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Nicholas Pastrana</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Kristina Khudiakova</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Mariapaz Grijalba</b>	<b>Business</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Ashley Nunez</b>	<b>At Large</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Julio Burgos</b>	<b>At Large</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Rafael Vazquez</b>	<b>At Large</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Carlos Ortiz</b>	<b>Architecture &amp; the Arts</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Joshua Mandall</b>	<b>Graduate</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Shahnawaz Rafi</b>	<b>Graduate</b>	<b>A</b>		
<b>Christian Perez</b>	<b>Graduate</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Sandro Alvarez</b>	<b>Graduate</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Jordan Morejon Castelli</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Ari Salzman</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Bryan Gomez</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Rachel Rodrigues</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>A</b>		
	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>			
<b>Amanda Ramirez</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Janelle Fraga</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		
<b>Salma Atassi</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>		

Nitya Ramalingam	Medical	P		
Kamila Fernandez	Law	A		
SENATE SEATS	37	YAY	0	AMT MAJ
VACANT SEATS	0	NAY	0	AMT 3/5
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AMT FOR QUORUM	19			AMT 3/4
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- IV. Approval of the Minutes from March 15, 2021
  - a. Senator Luis moves to approve, Sen Mandall seconds.
    - i. Motion passes
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
  - a. Senator Luis moves to adopt the agenda, Sen Salzman seconds.
    - i. Motion passes
- VI. Invited Speakers
- VII. Committee Reports
  - a. Appropriations Committee
    - i. We have \$110,000 in Senate Line Items yet to be spent for this term!
    - ii. If you have any questions, please contact sgaapprop@fiu.edu
  - b. Committee on Rules and Administration
    - i. Please reach out if you'd like help creating legislation.
    - ii. If you have any questions, please contact sgarules@fiu.edu
  - c. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee
    - i. Helped out with today's metal straw giveaway event and took the opportunity to get student feedback on biodegradable confetti.
    - ii. Considering creating a survey to gauge student support for biodegradable confetti initiative.
    - iii. If you have any questions, please contact fbiag002@fiu.edu
  - d. Student Health and Well-being Committee
    - i. Met last week for WRC initiative, waiting to hear back.
    - ii. If you have any questions, please contact sgahealth@fiu.edu
  - e. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
    - i. Meet your Dean event is **Friday, April 9th at 5:30pm**
      - 1. THIS EVENT IS MANDATORY FOR SENATORS
      - 2. All Deans confirmed that they will be in attendance, except for the Dean of the College of Medicine.
    - ii. If you have any questions, please contact sgaadvocacy@fiu.edu
  - f. Graduate and Professional Students Committee
    - i. GPSC met today to discuss preparations for GSAW and GradSkellar.
      - 1. Committee is well prepared for GSAW, simply waiting for IT to confirm webinar availability
      - 2. Gradskellar is scheduled for Wednesday night.
    - ii. GPSC and Senate thanks Senator Ramalingham for your service!!!!

- iii. If you have any questions, please contact [GPSCchair@fiu.edu](mailto:GPSCchair@fiu.edu)
- VIII. Executive Board Reports
  - a. Senate President Fraga
    - i. Honorlock Statement was sent out today by SVP of Student and Academic Affairs
    - ii. Agencies and Bureaus must re-apply under our new Governing Documents.
      - 1. Senators must sponsor the bills to form the agencies and bureaus.
      - 2. Some Agencies and Bureaus that have re-applied include RSOC, SPC, BSU, PSU, and more!
    - iii. If you have any questions, please email [sgasenatep@fiu.edu](mailto:sgasenatep@fiu.edu)
  - a. Senate President Pro Tempore Gomez
    - i. Please sign legislation before submitting!
    - i. If you have any questions, please email [sgaprotemp@fiu.edu](mailto:sgaprotemp@fiu.edu)
  - b. Floor Leader Natteri
    - i. No report
    - ii. If you have any questions, please email [sgafloor@fiu.edu](mailto:sgafloor@fiu.edu)
  - c. President Valdes
    - i. If you have any questions, please email [sgapres@fiu.edu](mailto:sgapres@fiu.edu)
  - d. Vice President Ibarria
    - i. if you have any questions, please email [sgavp@fiu.edu](mailto:sgavp@fiu.edu)
  - e. Comptroller Rubido
    - i. Senate Lines are both currently fully unspent, at \$55,000 each.
    - ii. If you have any questions, please email [sgacomptroll@fiu.edu](mailto:sgacomptroll@fiu.edu)
  - f. Executive Administrator Vale
    - i. If you have any questions, please email [sgaexecadmin@fiu.edu](mailto:sgaexecadmin@fiu.edu)
  - g. Biscayne Bay Governor Ofano
    - i. If you have any questions, please email [sgagovernor@fiu.edu](mailto:sgagovernor@fiu.edu)
  - h. Chief Justice De La Osa
    - i. Resigned
    - ii. If you have any questions, please email [sgajud@fiu.edu](mailto:sgajud@fiu.edu)
- IX. Vetoed Legislation
- X. Unfinished Business
- XI. Second Readings
  - a. SB. 01. 003 (Panther Statue Restoration Appropriation)
    - i. Recommendation and quote came from ASBO Specialist Matilde Gramling
    - ii.

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<b>Fiorella Biagioni</b>	<b>International and Public Affairs</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Nicholas Velazquez</b>	<b>International and Public Affairs</b>	<b>A</b>		

	International and Public Affairs			
Brianna Pumariiega	Public Health and Social Work	P	Y	
Joshua	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	N	
Jocelyn Correa	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	Y	
Alyssa	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	Y	
James Magee	Lower Division	P	Y	
David Luis	Lower Division	P	Y	
Sergio Reyes	Lower Division	P		
Giacomo Natteri	Lower Division	P	Y	
Alex Sutton	Housing	P	Y	
	Housing			
Amelia Raudales	Honors College	P	Y	
Hiba Khalil	Engineering and Computing	P	Y	
Cristhofer Lugo	Engineering and Computing	A		
Karla Sofia Perez	Business	P	Y	
Nicholas Pastrana	Business	P	Y	
Kristina Khudiakova	Business	P	Y	
Mariapaz Grijalba	Business	P	Y	
Ashley Nunez	At Large	P	Y	
Julio Burgos	At Large	P		
Rafael Vazquez	At Large	P	Y	
Carlos Ortiz	Architecture & the Arts	P	Y	
Joshua Mandall	Graduate	P	Y	
Shahnawaz Rafi	Graduate	A		
Christian Perez	Graduate	P	Y	
Sandro Alvarez	Graduate	P	Y	
Jordan Morejon Castelli	College of Arts, Science, and Education	P	Y	
Ari Salzman	College of Arts, Science, and Education	P	Y	

<b>Bryan Gomez</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Rachel Rodrigues</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>A</b>		
	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>			
<b>Amanda Ramirez</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Janelle Fraga</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Salma Atassi</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Nitya Ramalingam</b>	<b>Medical</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Kamila Fernandez</b>	<b>Law</b>	<b>A</b>		
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- b. SB. 01. 002 (ASCE Registrations Appropriation)
  - i. Senator Mandall moves for a 5 minute Question and Answer period, Senator Christian Perez seconds.
    - 1. Motion passes.
  - ii. Senator Luis moves for a 5 minute discussion, Senator Pastrana Seconds.
    - 1. Motion fails.
  - iii. Senator Sutton moves to enter voting, Senator Nunez seconds.
    - 1. Motion passes.
  - iv.

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<b>Diamond Barnett</b>	<b>Health Services Administration - BBC+B3</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	

Fiorella Biagioni	International and Public Affairs	P	Y	
Nicholas Velazquez	International and Public Affairs	A		
	International and Public Affairs			
Brianna Pumariega	Public Health and Social Work	P	N	
Joshua Lovo-Morales	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	N	
Jocelyn Correa	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	Y	
Alyssa Andreus	Nursing and Health Sciences	P	Y	
James Magee	Lower Division	P	Y	
David Luis	Lower Division	P	Y	until the 25th to fill out
Sergio Reyes	Lower Division	A		
Giacomo Natteri	Lower Division	P	Y	
Alex Sutton	Housing	P	Y	
	Housing			
Amelia Raudales	Honors College	P	Y	
Hiba Khalil	Engineering and Computing	P	Y	
Cristhofer Lugo	Engineering and Computing	A		
Karla Sofia Perez	Business	P	Y	
Nicholas Pastrana	Business	P	N	60 individually, and th
Kristina Khudiakova	Business	P	Y	
Mariapaz Grijalba	Business	P	Y	
Ashley Nunez	At Large	P	Y	
Julio Burgos	At Large	A		
Rafael Vazquez	At Large	P	Y	
Carlos Ortiz	Architecture & the Arts	P	Y	
Joshua Mandall	Graduate	P	Y	
Shahnawaz Rafi	Graduate	A		
Christian Perez	Graduate	P	Y	
Sandro Alvarez	Graduate	P	Y	
Jordan Morejon Castelli	College of Arts, Science, and Education	P	Y	

<b>Ari Salzman</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Bryan Gomez</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>N</b>	
<b>Rachel Rodrigues</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>A</b>		
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<b>Salma Atassi</b>	<b>College of Arts, Science, and Education</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Nitya Ramalingam</b>	<b>Medical</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>Y</b>	
<b>Kamila Fernandez</b>	<b>Law</b>	<b>A</b>		
<b>SENATE SEATS</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>YAY</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>AMT MAJ</b>
<b>VACANT SEATS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>AMT 3/5</b>
<b>SENATORS PRESENT</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>AMT 2/3</b>
<b>AMT FOR QUORUM</b>	<b>19</b>			<b>AMT 3/4</b>
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XII. New Business

- a. SR. 01. 004 (Bright Futures Resolution)
  - i. Senator Lovo-Morales moves for a 5 minute Question and Answer period, Senator Ramirez seconds.
    - 1. Motion passes.
  - ii. Senator Mandall moves for a 5 minute Discussion, Senator Luis seconds.
    - 1. Motion fails.
  - iii. Senator Nunez moves for a 2 minute Discussion, Senator Mandall seconds.
    - 1. Motion passes.
  - iv. Senator Ortiz moves to extend Discussion for 2 minutes, Senator Correa seconds.
    - 1. Motion passes.



- v. Senator Ortiz proposes a friendly amendment to include a specific credit threshold for when the notification would be sent to students.

XIII. Public Forum

- a. No discussions.

XIV. Senate Forum

- a. For graduating Senators, if you would like an SGA stole fill out the form in the SGA WhatsApp chat.
- b. Senator Magee met with the School of Music's staff, looking to put together a concert for the students.
- c. Thank you to the Senate for passing the HonorLock Resolution! - Senator Magee
- d. Planning a food drive for the food pantry in collaboration with other Senators (Senators Nunez, Andreus, Raudales, Lugo, and Luis) - Senator Sutton
- e. Student's concerns that were mentioned last week about their stay at UA when under quarantine were brought to the director of housing, Andrew Nailer - Senator Luis
- f. Working with Senator Sutton and Senator Pastrana for the Housing Laundry Initiative - Senator Luis
- g. For the Meet your Dean event, Delegations and Deans will have their own separate Zoom calls. At-Large Senators and Lower Division Senators will be asked to join the calls of smaller delegations. - Senate President Fraga

XV. Announcements

- a. Environmental Resilience Week is this week!
- b. Gradskellar will be this Wednesday, March 24th from 5:30 to 6:30
  - i. Zoom ID: 965 5309 1126
  - ii. Zoom Password: 9tXAcE

XVI. Advisor Report

- a. Shared the link for Graduation stoles in the chat
- b. SOBE Food and Wine Festival is looking for interns, offering 10\$-15\$/hour

XVII. Adjournment

- a. The Senate President adjourned the meeting at 5:26