



**Student Government
Association**

Student Body Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: October 4th, 2021

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting Called to Order at: 4:05 p.m.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance

1. VP Ibarria led the pledge 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

Name	Position	Attendance
Vacant	BBC Housing	Vacant
Christine Rubido	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Daniela Cruz	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Gabriela Alvarez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Jordan Castelli	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant
Daniella Mederos	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent
Tyler Lopez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Alex Benin	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Edward Hernandez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant
Valentina Cassanova	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Alejandro Suarez	College of Business	Absent
Aiden Muller	College of Business	Absent
Mariapaz Grijalba	College of Business	Present
Sachintcha Peiris	College of Business	Present
Sergio Reyes	College of Business	Present
Gabriela Tovar	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present
Vacant	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Vacant
Cristhofer Lugo	College of Engineering and Computing	Present
Fernando Melara	College of Engineering and Computing	Present
Hervangelot Lordeus	College of Engineering and Computing	Present
Natalie Meneses	College of Engineering and Computing	Present

Celesse Temes	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Absent
Vacant	College of Law	Vacant
Manuela Jaramillo	College of Medicine	Present
Joshua Lovo-Morales	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Present
Tyra Moss	College of Public Health and Social Work	Absent
Joshua Mandall	Graduate School	Present
Vacant	Graduate School	Vacant
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Jean Rodriguez	Honors College	Present
Vacant	Lower Division BBC	Vacant
Zoilo Batista	Lower Division MMC	Present
Jacob Bharat	MMC Housing	Present
Sebastian Aviles	MMC Housing	Present
Taylor Sokolosky	MMC Housing	Absent
Vacant	Online Student	Vacant
Alexander Sutton	School of International and Public Affairs	Present
David Luis	School of International and Public Affairs	Present
Sadie Testa-Secca--	School of International and Public Affairs	Absent
Vacant	Upper Division BBC	Vacant
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Rodrigo Alea	Upper Division MMC	Present
Nicholas Pastrana	Upper Division MMC	Present
TOTAL NUMBER OF SENATORS PRESENT		26
TOTAL NUMBER OF SENATORS ABSENT		7
TOTAL NUMBER OF SENATE SEATS VACANT		13
Quorum Established		

III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

- A. Senator luis moves to approve minutes from 9/27/2021 senator luis seconds, motion passes.

- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
 - A. Senator castelli moves to adopt agenda 10/4/2021 senator lordeus seconds. Motion passes
- V. Invited Speakers
 - A. Jacob Burns – Student Deans Office
 - B. Todd Lengnick – Director of Caps
- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. Appropriations Committee
 - 1. Meeting will be virtual
 - 2. Panther motorsports appropriation meeting will be tomorrow
 - B. Graduate and Professional Student Committee
 - 1. Meeting will be at 12 on Thursday over zoom
 - 2. Travel request will have a formal review
 - C. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee
 - 1. Meeting will be tomorrow at 3:30
 - D. Health and Well-Being Committee
 - 1. Will meet again this Friday and discuss legislation
 - E. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
 - 1. Meeting tomorrow at 4pm
 - F. Committee on Rules and Administration
 - 1. Meeting on Thursday at 4pm
- VII. Executive Board Reports
 - A. Student Body President
 - 1. GameRoom modifications are underway
 - B. Senate President
 - 1. Met one on one with many of you last week
 - 2. Next senate will be at BBC
 - 3. Senate attendance is expected, any reason otherwise needs to be addressed by Sunday at noon.
 - 4. Decorum is also expected, not following decorum will result in not being able to attend senate
 - 5. Renovations for college of business are underway, anyone who is interested please reach out
 - C. Senate President Pro-Tempore
 - 1. Football game on Friday! If you are interested please reach out to E-board
 - 2. Id like to echo the sentiment of president pastrana, keeping up appropriate decorum is crucial

D. Senate Floor Leader

1. I'd like to encourage open discussions in senate! Let other senators hear what you have in mind! You never know what kind of legislation can be made like that!

E. Student Body Vice President

1. Cocoa and concerns event will be happening soon! Around the holidays to be exact
2. "Pop in" to the sga office will happen Wednesday. Anyone who is interested can attend!
3. Outdoor spaces is my SSIC if anyone is interested

F. Comptroller

G. Executive Administrator

H. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus

1. Very much looking forward to having senate back next week at BBC!
2. We encourage everyone to come in person and observe the beautiful Biscayne Bay campus
3. Tabling at I-75 was a success
4. Cabinet met last week
5. Funding for SGA may be impacted due to possible salary changes for SGA members, further information will be given within the coming weeks

I. Chief of Staff

1. Secretary of online is planning a meet and greet between senate and cabinet
 - a) We would like to encourage collaborations! Committee chairs, please be on the lookout for senators reaching out to attend meetings.
2. Attending events is a high priority! While it is not mandatory this semester, we are the voice of the student body, it is important that students see their peer representatives

J. Chief Justice

VIII. Vetoed Legislation

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IX. Unfinished Business

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X. New Business

A. Confirmation of Wrendly Mesidor for Lieutenant Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus.

1. Senator Castelli moves to extend discussion period by 5 minutes, senator Rubido seconds. Motion passes.

2. Senator castelli moves to extend discussion by 3 minutes, senator sutton seconds. Motion passes
 3. Senator rubido moves to table confirmation until next week. Senator castelli seconds. Motion passes.
- B. Confirmation of Alexandra Abad to the post of Director of Social Media and Strategic Communications
1. Senator luis moves to close q&a, senator sutton seconds.
 2. Senator castelli moves to go into voting, senator alvarez seconds. Motion passes

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C. S.R. 02 006 *Mental Health and Suicide Awareness Act*

1. Senator sutton moves to enter 3 minute discussion period, senator castelli seconds. Motion passes
2. Senator castelli moves to vote by unanimous consent, senator sutton seconds. Motion passes.

- XI. Public Forum
 - A. BBC Governor: minimum wage increase can bring possible issues to funding
- XII. Announcements
 - A. Senator Luis: there is issues with petitioners harassing students, anyone who wants to help please reach out
 - B. President Pastrana: meet your dean event will be happening soon
- XIII. Advisor Reports
 - A. Larissa: committee and office hours have been uploaded, please inform me if there are any issues
 - 1. If there are any ideas you need help with please do not hesitate to reach out
- XIV. Meeting Adjournment
 - A. Meeting Adjourned at 5:39 p.m.