



The 39th Session of the Student Body Senate

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 13, 2022

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting called to order at 4:07 p.m.

B. The Pledge of Allegiance

1. "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."

C. Alma Mater

1. "We pledge to thee dear FIU, with voices loud and true. Alma Mater falter never, shine forever Gold and Blue. We fly our banners high, every culture we embrace. All our love and Panther spirit, young and old we make this place. We hail together FIU, every scholar side by side. And we hail to Alma Mater, Alma Mater be our guide!"

II. Roll Call

Senators Name	Senators Position	Attendance Status	Additional Note on Senator
Tiara Campbell	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Sergio Morizot-Leite	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	arrived at 507pm
Nathalie Mendoza-Salas	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	arrived at 410pm
Delano Cicconi	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Nicolas Marquez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Kaitlyn Coll	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Alexandria Moore	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Taylor Sokolosky	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Brian Fogel	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Samuel Morales	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Alexandra Miqueli	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Adrian Rodriguez	College of Business	Absent	
Aleck Estrada Arzamendi	College of Business	Present	
Dylan Salem	College of Business	Absent	
Ian Lares-Chacin	College of Business	Present	
Matthew Gaynor	College of Business	Present	

Isabel Quintanilla	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Absent	
Rafael Moya-Palacios	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	
Fernando Melara Barahona	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Francesca Casanova	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Karina Hernandez	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Sebastian Trevino	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent	
Grace Mccullough	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Present	
Cole Sebastian	College of Law	Absent	
Shebin George	College of Medicine	Present	
Kenrik Chirinos	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Present	
Matthew Micalizzi	College of Public Health and Social Work	Present	
Cassandra Soriano	Honors College	Absent	
John Boris	Lower Division BBC	Present	
Zachary Stangl	Lower Division MMC	Present	
Mia Rodriguez	MMC Housing	Present	
Sofia Castillo	MMC Housing	Present	
Amanda Guerra	Online Student Senator	Absent	
Alexander Sutton	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Kaily LaChapelle	School of International and Public Affairs	Absent	
Manuel Soltero	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Iara Raggio	Upper Division MMC	Present	
Nathalie "Naty" Jusino	Upper Division MMC	Present	

III. Correction and Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes

A. Approved with no objections

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

A. Senator Casanova moved to adopt the agenda; Senator Moya-Palacios seconded.
Motion passed.

V. Invited Speakers

A. Vice President Valentina Casanova, for a forum on directly advocating for students' views through the Presidential Search Committee

1. Vice President Casanova presented on the president search committee. The member consists of a wide range of individuals, directors, trustees, students, and faculty. The committee held a few listening sessions. The criterion for the position is listed on the BOT website. There is a soft deadline of June 15. The committee will meet on June 16th; it is a closed meeting. The committee will

meet on June 24th as well. Send any items that we should look for in the applicants and any questions you like Vice President to ask the candidates. The final three candidates will be shared.

2. Senator Gaynor asked if a description of the candidate can be shared. Vice President Casanova stated that cannot be shared. Senator Fogel wants to ensure that the candidate is relatable to student and is qualified. Senator Moya-Palacios stated that the new president be an advocate of international students. Senator Mccullough stated that the next president needs to be actively visible and involved. Senator Rodriguez expected the incoming President to represent marginalized groups. Senator Cicconi wanted the incoming president to know how to serve the large Hispanic population. Senator Gaynor mentioned that the next president should be young, 30/40 years of age.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Appropriations Committee

1. No Report. First meeting set goals and expectations

B. International Student Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee

1. Changes meeting date to Thursdays at 3pm. Review the resolution on DACA students

C. Graduate and Professional Student Committee

1. No Report

D. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee

1. Meeting next Monday at 6:30pm. A few committee members have not replied to meeting time. Will discuss Green Campus Initiative and Text mate at first meeting

E. Health and Well-Being Committee

1. No report

F. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee

1. Had first meeting last week and discussed the PRES Act. Meeting is on Thursdays at 5:30pm

G. Committee on Rules and Administration

1. Met last week Tuesday, discussed PRES Act, and made a few changes to it.

VII. Executive Board Reports

A. Student Body President Cristhofer Lugo

1. Not Present

- B. Senate President Alexander P. Sutton
 - 1. Asked Senators to fill out Doodle for Senate Retreat. Committee are encouraged to the dates listed. Tabling is available at MMC, BBC and EC. Please email him with dates and location committee will table at. Please support President Lugo's Barber Shop event after senate meeting
- C. Senate President Pro-Tempore Zachary Stangl
 - 1. Met with Charlie Levine from Textmate. Mr. Levine was able to answer some questions and concerns they had from the previous meeting. Textmate service differs in service from Canvas is that Textmate is a SMS messaging service and Canvas does not offer that.MR. Levine will follow up some data that was request in the meeting. We have begun the process to get to see if there is consensus on getting the service. If there is a consensus, the service would ideally start Spring 2023.
- D. Senate Floor Leader Fernando Melara
 - 1. No Report
- E. Student Body Vice President Valentina Casanova
 - 1. No Report
- F. Comptroller Gabriela Alvarez
 - 1. Not Present
- G. Executive Administrator - *Vacant*
- H. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Ava Barnd
 - 1. Not Present
- I. Chief of Staff Kyomi Cabral
 - 1. Not Present
- J. Chief Justice Sebastian Aviles
 - 1. President Lugo has begun review Associate Justice applications. If you know of anyone who would be in interested in being a justice, please encourage them to apply. There is no need to have legal experience.
- VIII. Vetoed Legislation
 - A. Not applicable
- IX. Unfinished Business
 - A. Not Applicable
- X. New Business
 - A. First Reading of Legislation: *SR 03 001: FIU PRES Act*

1. Senator Gaynor read the Resolution to the senators. President Sutton opens for the floor for a five-minute discussion. Senator Cicconi began stating that the Rules committee made a few changes to the legislation presented that are not reflected: the speaking Spanish as a requirement. Senator Moya-Palacios reiterate that speaking Spanish is necessary. Senator Rodriguez appreciates clause four and five on the resolution that highlight Fraternity and Sorority Life and Football, but we should include extracurricular activities as well. There are some activities and group that give the university recognition like Model UN, Orientation and Panther Camp. Senator Gaynor understands why know the Spanish language would be important, but all qualify candidate should be considered.
2. President Pro Tempore Stangl moves for a five-minute extension, Cicconi seconded. Motion passes. President Pro Tempore Stangl understands the speaking Spanish is a key point but wants to highlight an approved criteria by the President search committee on April 26, "*An appreciation for the multicultural nature and explosive growth of the greater Miami and South Florida area... and the ability and intention to engage with the community;*". Senator Mccullough hopes the president will improve sustainability. Vice President Casanova mentioned that one of the criteria is to have environmental resilience. She also encouraged the senators to review the criteria
3. Senator Cicconi moved to suspend the rules for three minutes at 4:59pm, Senator Gaynor seconds. Motions Passes.

Meeting is called back to order at 5:02pm

B. Confirmation of Jillian Salvi Cruz for Deputy Chief-of-Staff to the Vice President

1. Jillian presented herself to the senate. She is currently a junior majoring in Broadcasting. She was involved in student government in high school.
2. Senator Rodriguez asked how she will collaborate with Chief of Staff Kyomi. Ms. Cruz stated that she will be working with Vice President. Senator Moya-Palacios asked Ms. Cruz why should vote for her and what is bringing to SGA. Ms. Cruz is goal oriented and will assist where needed. Cicconi asked if she is too busy for the positions. Ms. Cruz has nothing to do.
3. Senator Cicconi moves to go to voting, Senator Gaynor seconds

Confirmation for Jillian Salvi-Deputy Chief of Staff to VP

Senators Name	Senators Position	Vote	Reason for Abstention
Tiara Campbell	College of Arts Sciences and Education	No	
Sergio Morizot-Leite	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Yes	
Nathalie Mendoza-Salas	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Yes	
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Iara Raggio	Upper Division MMC	Yes	
Nathalie "Naty" Jusino	Upper Division MMC	Yes	

Yes	No	Abstention	Vacant
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With a 24-1-0 vote, Jillian Salvi is confirmed as the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Vice President.

- XI. Public Forum
 - A. None
- XII. Senate Forum
 - A. None
- XIII. Announcements
 - A. Senate Gaynor announced that the Student Life & Concerns committee will be tabling on the 23rd. They have an idea creating a survey that ask students for their major/school and any concerns they have about their major/school
 - B. Senator Moya-Palacios announced that some of the CARTA students must rent equipment from MMC and take to BBC for their classes. He asked if there is way to address that.
 - C. Senator Morizot-Leite has an idea of hosting a medical neither where all the medical related clubs and fraternities can table, and student can learn about them
- XIV. Advisor Reports- Larissa James

- A. Committee Chairs please submit publications request for your committee hours
- B. Please RSVP for the Student Leadership Retreat on August 4, 2022. Let her know if you are not able to attend.

XV. Meeting Adjournment

- A. Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.