



**Student Government  
Association**

The 39th Session of the Student Body Senate

Meeting Agenda

Date: January 23, 2023

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting called to order at 4:15 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

<b>Attendance</b>			
<b>Senator Name</b>	<b>Senators Position</b>	<b>Attendance Status</b>	<b>Additional Note on Senator</b>
Vacant	BBC Housing	Vacant	
Tiara Campbell	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	
Delano Cicconi	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Nicolas Marquez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Kaitlyn Coll	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Scott Ahlren	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	arrived at 4:52
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	
Genesis Moreno	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	arrived 4:53pm
Martyna Reiban	College of Business	Present	arrived at 4:26pm
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	
Gabriel Rondon	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Grace Mccullough	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Absent	
Cole Sebastian	College of Law	Absent	
Shebin George	College of Medicine	Present	
Kenrik Chirinos	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Absent	
Vacant	College of Public Health and Social Work	Vacant	
Ahmend Soliman	University Graduate School	Present	
Vacant	University Graduate School	Vacant	
Haley Dawson	University Graduate School	Present	
Arturo Barahona	University Graduate School	Present	
Nick Kukuk	University Graduate School	Present	
Vacant	Honors College	Vacant	
John Boris	Lower Division BBC	Present	
Zachary Stangl	Lower Division MMC	Present	
Mia Rodriguez	MMC Housing	Present	

Sofia Castillo	MMC Housing	Present	arrived at 4:28pm
Alexander Stone	MMC Housing	Present	
Vacant	Online Student Senator	Vacant	
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	
Vacant	Upper Division BBC	Vacant	
Vacant	Upper Division BBC	Vacant	
Vacant	Upper Division MMC	Vacant	
Nathalie "Naty" Jusino	Upper Division MMC	Present	

<b>Quorum is Established</b>	Present	28
	Absent	8
	Vacant	11

- III. Correction and Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes
  - A. Last meeting's minutes were approved with no objections.
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
  - A. The agenda was adopted with no objections.
- V. Invited Speakers
  - A. There were no invited speakers.
- VI. Committee Reports
  - A. Appropriations Committee
    - 1. They are finalizing their meeting dates.
  - B. International Student Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee
    - 1. They will be meeting on Thursdays at 4pm.
  - C. Graduate and Professional Student Committee
    - 1. They will meet on Thursdays at 4pm.
    - 2. They are working on a tentative GSAW schedule.

- D. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee
    - 1. They will have a meeting this week.
    - 2. They came up with some initiatives.
    - 3. They are still finalizing their meeting dates.
  - E. Health and Well-Being Committee
    - 1. They will be scheduling meetings.
  - F. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
  - G. Committee on Rules and Administration
    - 1. They are finalizing their meeting schedule.
  - H. Oversight Committee
    - 1. Make sure everyone is filling out their office hours and coming to the meetings.
- VII. Executive Board Reports
- A. Student Body President Cristhofer Lugo
    - 1. The menstrual product initiative was launched.
    - 2. No one tabled and introduced themselves to the students.
  - B. Senate President Alexander P. Sutton
    - 1. Apologized for abrupt end to the last meeting.
  - C. Senate President Pro-Tempore Zachary Stangl
    - 1. Meet your Dean event
      - a) Reached out last week.
      - b) Tentative date: Feb 22 in GC 243 6pm-8pm
      - c) The goal is for 150 students to attend.
  - D. Senate Floor Leader Fernando Melara
    - 1. Let your friends know about Meet your Dean.
  - E. Student Body Vice President Valentina Casanova
  - F. Comptroller Gabriela Alvarez
  - G. Executive Administrator Mariana Machado
  - H. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Ava Barnd
  - I. Chief of Staff Kyomi Cabral
  - J. Chief Justice Sebastian Aviles
- VIII. Vetoed Legislation
- A.
- IX. Unfinished Business

- A. Senator Cicconi motioned to reconsider the movement onto new business and amend this meeting's agenda. Motion failed.
  - B. Senator Cicconi motioned to appeal the chair's decision to table the Check and Balances. Motion failed.
  - C. Senator Stangl motioned to have a roll call vote to appeal the chair's decision to table the Checks and Balances discussion. Motion passed.
  - D. Roll call vote failed because of a tie.
  - E. Senator Cicconi motioned to have another roll call vote. Motion failed.
- X. New Business
- A. Confirmation of Sarwar Minar to Graduate Senator
    - 1. Sarwar said it is a great opportunity to serve the students and sharpen his leadership skills.
    - 2. Senator Cicconi motioned to table the confirmations until the next meeting. Motion failed.
    - 3. Senator Gaynor motioned to get back to confirmations after voting on Checks and Balances legislation. Motion failed.
    - 4. Senator Rodriguez motioned to go into a 5-minute discussion. Motion passed.
    - 5. Senator Rodriguez said that he was a good candidate.
    - 6. Senator Cicconi planned to vote no because he wanted to vote on the Checks and Balances legislation.
    - 7. Senator Rodriguez motioned to vote by a roll call vote. Motion passed.
    - 8. Senator Minar was confirmed by a roll call vote.
  - B. Confirmation of Paulina Marin to CASE Senator
    - 1. Paulina says she is passionate about standing up for what she cares about.
    - 2. She is here to listen because people want to be listened to.
    - 3. Senator Stone motioned to vote by placard vote. Motion passed.
    - 4. Paulina is confirmed by placard vote.
  - C. Confirmation of Alisha Loiseau to CASE Senator
    - 1. Alisha was in student government in high school.
    - 2. Senator Rodriguez motioned to vote unanimously. Motion failed.
    - 3. Senator??? Motioned to go into a placard vote. Motion passed.
    - 4. Alisha is confirmed by placard vote.
  - D. Confirmation of Persia Naseri to Associate Justice
    - 1. He is a part of the mock trial at FIU.

2. He says he wasn't ready last semester but is ready now.
  3. Senator Stone motioned to vote unanimously. Motion passed.
  4. Persia is confirmed by unanimous vote.
- E. Confirmation of Nor Kassar to Student Advocate
1. Nor wants to help advocate for students like her advisors when she transferred to FIU.
  2. She wants to distribute information to the students.
  3. Senator ??? motioned to vote by unanimous agreement. Motion passed.
  4. Nor is confirmed by unanimous vote.
- F. Confirmation of Alexander Cobas to Elections Board Member
1. Alexander has been in this position before.
  2. He wants to help elections run more smoothly.
  3. Senator Rodriguez motioned to extend the senate meeting by 10 minutes. Motion passed.
  4. Senator Stangl motioned to extend the discussion by 2 minutes. Motion failed.
  5. Senator Cicconi motioned to get into public forum. Motion failed.
  6. Senator Sutton motioned to vote unanimously. Motion failed.
  7. Senator Ahlgren motioned to go into a placard vote. Motion passed.
  8. Alexander is confirmed by a placard vote.
- G. Confirmation of Somtochi Dike to Director of Social Media and Marketing
1. Somtochi works as the marketing supervisor at a law firm.
  2. Senator Soltero motioned to extend the senate meeting by 10 minutes. Amended to 5 minutes. Motion passed.
  3. Senator Marquez motioned to confirm Somtochi by unanimous vote. Motion passed.
  4. Somtochi is confirmed by unanimous vote.
- H. Confirmation of Jabari Baptiste to BBC Housing Senator
- I. Confirmation of Imani Doss to BBC Upper Division Senator
1. Imani is part of the Honors College and lives at Bayview Hall.
  2. Senator Soltero motioned to vote unanimously. Motion passed.
  3. Imani is confirmed by unanimous vote.
  4. Senator Ahlgren motioned to extend the senate meeting by 10 minutes. Motion passes.

## XI. Public Forum

XII. Senate Forum

- A. Senator Cicconi does not think Senator Sutton is a good president.
  - 1. He is unhappy because they did not discuss the Checks and Balances legislation.
- B. Senator Loiseau thinks there should be patience in this matter.
- C. Senator Stone motioned to extend the meeting by 5 minutes. Motion fails.
- D. Senator Casanova motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

XIII. Announcements

- A.

XIV. Advisor Reports

- A. Blue and Gold recruitment week
- B. 3pm info session for elections.
- C. Panther Power is hosting a family feud event in GC 130
- D. Wild n Out on BBC on Thursday
- E. BHC Karaoke night on Thursday
- F. Please submit office hours
- G. New appointments will be receiving an email from Larissa
- H. Election applications are open

XV. Meeting Adjournment

- A. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.