



Student Government
Association

The 39th Session of the Student Body Senate

Meeting Agenda

Date: January 30, 2023

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting called to order at 4:00 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

Present: 32

Absent: 8

Quorum: Has been reached

III. Correction and Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes

A. Last meeting's minutes are not available

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

A. Agenda is adopted

V. Invited Speakers

A. FIU in Washington DC

B. Fly-in seminars: Present on the FIU in Washington DC websites

C. Available to all majors **except** for honors students

D. Internships: all information is on the website

VI. Committee Reports

A. Appropriations Committee: Nothing to report

B. International Student Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee: Tried to meet on Thursday but did not meet quorum. Will try to meet this Thursday

- C. Graduate and Professional Student Committee: Voted to approve a graduate conference and budgets are being approved. If any questions are present please report to the SGA office
 - D. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee: Meet with the office of sustainability. Please fill out the when-to-meet
 - E. Health and Well-Being Committee: Meetings will occur on Friday at 3pm
 - F. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee: No report
 - G. Committee on Rules and Administration: Still figuring out when to meet but probably on Mondays or Tuesdays
 - H. Oversight committee: Approved 3 recommendation for the check and balances act
- Total resolve of article 3
 - Revision of the fourth amendment
 - All of the articles to be separated

VII. Executive Board Reports

- A. Student Body President Cristhofer Lugo: Not present
- B. Senate President Alexander P. Sutton: BBC Senate dates: March 20th and April 3rd @Wolfe University Center
- C. Senate President Pro-Tempore Zachary Stangl:
 - This Saturday at BBC is the student leadership summit at 9am
 - A bill will be sent out later today or tomorrow
- D. Senate Floor Leader Fernando Melara: No report
- E. Student Body Vice President Valentina Casanova:
 - Able to attend the board of directors meeting.
- F. Comptroller Gabriela Alvarez: Not present
- G. Executive Administrator Mariana Machado: Not present
- H. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Ava Barnd: Not present
- I. Chief of Staff Kyomi Cabral: Not present
- J. Chief Justice Sebastian Aviles: No report

VIII. Vetoed Legislation

A.

IX. Unfinished Business

A.

X. New Business

- A. SB 03 007: The Checks and Balances Act – consideration by section

1. Amendment 5: Legislative Procedures

- Alexander Stone: Question: if there are no application for a position does it go to majority vote? Ans: Yes
- 5 Minute Discussion period
- Zackary Stengl: Why would make an amendment in
- Delano Cicconi: If we change the constitution we're being unsafe, the constitution should stay the same but just change it by 8 pages. Shouldn't be arguing Roberts rules
- Rafael Moya: Discuss on 5.2, we should follow Robert's rules. Concern is that if we don't follow the rules how are we going to differentiate our differences. Should add an amendment to make sure that the senator applying to a committee. Add language to 5.2: Standard operating procedures of the senates shall be made within the first meeting of the summer semester.
- Senator Lachapelle: Was denied of being able to get an election. Robert's rules should be followed
- Francesca Casanova: MOTION: Extend discussion portion by 3 minutes: MOTION PASSES. 5.2: Writing an amendment and overriding Robert's rules doesn't help.
- Matthew Gaynor: We don't have a standard operating procedures.
- Sen Soltero: Motion to strike 5.2: MOTION: 5.2 IS STRIKE
- MOTION: Adopting Senator Rafael's new language: MOTION FAILS
- MOTION: Strike Amendment 5 in its entirety: MOTION FAILS
- MOTION: Move forward with the next amendment: MOTION SUCCESSFUL

2. Amendment 6:

- Question and Answer Period: 3 mins allowed
- If the governor resigns or graduates, etc. Should the lutenin governor automatically become governor?
- Discussion Period:
- Sen Rafael: Add/change some of the wording on 6.1
- Sen. Gaynor: What would happen if the lutenin governor does not want to become the governor?
- Sen: Cicconi: Cannot compare governors to presidents
- MOTION: To strike 6.1 in its entirety: MOTION FAILED
- MOTION: Change the language: every word that says "shall assume" to "shall be seriously considered" FRIENDLY AMENDMENT

3. Amendment 7

- 3 Minute Question and answer period
- MOTION: moving to another amendment: MOTION SUCCEEDS
 - 4. Amendment 1
- 3 minute Question and Answer period
- Sen. Casanova: Are we doing this to change the amendment process?
- Alexander Sutton: Yes, but the changes aren't radical, they're minor changes
- MOTION: If there is no discussion to move onto the next amendment
- MOTION: moving to the next amendment: MOTION SUCCEEDS
 - 5. Amendment 2
- MOTION: Bypass the reading of the rest of the amendments (2,4): MOTION FAILS
- MOTION: Striking in its entirety Amendment 1,2 and 4: MOTION FAILS
- SENATE IS EXTENDED BY 15 MINUTES
- 5 minute discussion period:
- MOTION: Go into voting on the bill as a whole: MOTION PASSES
 - 6. Amendment 4

Vote on SB03-001				
Senator Name	Senator Position	Attendance	Vote	Reason for Abstention
Vacant	BBC Housing	Vacant	Vacant	
Tiara Campbell	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Alisha Loiseau	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Paulina Marin	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Delano Cicconi	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	No	
Nicolas Marquez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Kaitlyn Coll	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Scott Ahlren	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	Abstention	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	Vacant	
Genesis Moreno	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Abstention	
Samuel Morales	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	No	
Alexandra Miqueli	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	No	
Adrian Rodriguez	College of Business	Present	No	

Aleck Estrada Arzamendi	College of Business	Absent	Abstention	
Martyna Reiban	College of Business	Present	No	
Ian Lares-Chacin	College of Business	Present	No	
Matthew Gaynor	College of Business	Present	No	
Isabel Quintanilla	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Absent	Abstention	
Rafael Moya- Palacios	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	Yes	
Fernando Melara Barahona	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent	Abstention	
Francesca Casanova	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	No	
Karina Hernandez	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	Yes	
Gabriel Rondon	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent	No	
Grace Mccullough	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Present	Yes	
Cole Sebastian	College of Law	Present	Abstention	
Shebin George	College of Medicine	Absent	Abstention	
Kenrik Chirinos	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Present	No	
Vacant	College of Public Health and Social Work	Vacant	Vacant	
Ahmend Soliman	University Graduate School	Present	Abstention	
Sarwar Minar	University Graduate School	Present	Yes	
Haley Dawson	University Graduate School	Present	Yes	
Arturo Barahona	University Graduate School	Present	Yes	
Nick Kukuk	University Graduate School	Present	Yes	
Vacant	Honors College	Vacant	Vacant	
John Boris	Lower Division BBC	Absent	Abstention	
Zachary Stangl	Lower Division MMC	Present	No	
Mia Rodriguez	MMC Housing	Present	Yes	
Sofia Castillo	MMC Housing	Present	Abstention	
Alexander Stone	MMC Housing	Present	No	
Vacant	Online Student Senator	Vacant	Vacant	
Alexander Sutton	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	Yes	

Kaily LaChapelle	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	Yes	
Manuel Soltero	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	No	
Imani Doss	Upper Division BBC	Present	Yes	
Vacant	Upper Division BBC	Vacant	Vacant	
Vacant	Upper Division MMC	Vacant	Vacant	
Nathalie "Naty" Jusino	Upper Division MMC	Present	No	
Vote Count				
Yes	No	Abstention	Vacant	
16	14	10	7	

Motion Failed	Vote	Vote Count	Achive
	Simple Majority	17.0	Failed
	Two-Thirds	21	Failed
	Three-Fifths	19	Failed

- ROLL CALL VOTING: YES: 16 NO: 14

XI. Public Forum

A. No public forum

XII. Senate Forum

A. No senate forum

XIII. Announcements

A. BUDGET HEARING SOON

XIV. Advisor Reports

A. Please submit your office hours in order to be present on Panther Connect

B. Come into the office to DO your office hours

C. To use a conference room please reserve it and don't just pop in unannounced

XV. Meeting Adjournment

A. Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

