

The 42nd Session of the Student Body Senate

Meeting Minutes

Date: June 30th, 2025

- I. Call to Order 4:09pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance/FIU Alma Mater
- III. Roll Call

Attendance			
Senator Name	Senators Position	Attendance Status	Additional Note on Senator
Carisa Lynch	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Elizabeth Ekechi	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Alyssa Allen	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Brianna Romeo	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Ariana Lopez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Jerilyn Davis	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Sean Remedios	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Janine Villalonga	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Samantha Lopez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Kleio "Kae" Jung	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Arianna Bencid	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Vacant	College of Business	Vacant	
Fernando Menendez	College of Business	Absent	
Alejandro Madrigal	College of Business	Absent	
Andrew Martinez	College of Business	Absent	
Vacant	FIU at I-75 Senator	Vacant	
Kirsten Maxwell	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Absent	
Bayan Abedulazis	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	

Amelia Luque	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Absent	
Julio Bonjoch	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Jaedon Charles	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Ashley Prado	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent	
Emilio Nieves Jr	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent	
Kamila Gonzalez	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Vacant	College of Engineering and Computing	Vacant	
Vacant	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Vacant	
Catherine Alison	College of Law	Present	
Angel Herrero	College of Medicine	Absent	
Santiago Bravo	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Present	
Alexis Lofton	College of Public Health and Social Work	Absent	
Brianna Diaz	Honors College	Absent	
Tanner Croddy	Housing- BBC	Present	
Trey Saunders	Housing-MMC	Absent	
Isabella Sojo	Housing-MMC	Absent	
Marco Elizondo	Housing- MMC	Absent	
Alison Stangl	Lower Division	Absent	
Sofia Araoz	Lower Division	Present	
Vacant	Online Student Senator	Vacant	
German Mata	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Selma Sena	School of International and Public Affairs	Absent	
David Riera	University Graduate School	Present	
Lina Peralta	University Graduate School	Present	
Julian Esquivel	University Graduate School	Present	
Vacant	University Graduate School	Vacant	
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Clover Cruz	Upper Division	Present	
Emma Selkowitz	Upper Division	Absent	
Shameka Jean-Baptiste	Biscayne Bay Campus At-Large Senator	Absent	
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AJ Seker	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Connor Tafur	College of Business	Present	
Faith St. Rose	College of Business	Present	
Isabella Romeo	Housing-MMC	Present	

Quorum is Established	Present	23
	Absent	22
	Vacant	11

IV. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

- A. Kleio “Kae” Jung & Santiago bravo needs to be added as present to attendance for June 23rd, 2025. After that the agenda is approved as stands.

V. Adoption of the Agenda

- A. Todays agenda is adopted with no objections.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Finance Chair

- 1 No committee reports at this time.

B. Floor Leader – Internal Affairs Committee

- 1 No committee reports at this time.
2 Check the groupchat for what committees you’re assigned to.

C. Rules Committee

- 1 No committee reports at this time.
2 Just a reminder, I sent a message in the groupchat so if you’re a part of the rules reach out to me.

D. SLAC Committee

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Association**

E. GPSC Committee

- 1 No committee reports at this time.

F. International Student Ad Hoc

- 1 No committee reports at this time.

VII. University-Wide Council Reports

A. Student Body President

B. Vice President

C. Speaker of the Senate

- i Ms. patty from CLS will be working closely with us overlooking SGA affairs, and congratulations to Larissa on her promotion!

- ii If you guys have any questions about your committee, please reach out.

D. Speaker Pro-Tempore

- i Meet your dean is scheduled October 9th. More information will be coming out on that soon

- ii International student forum will be happening soon, those who wanted to be a part of it will receiving messages soon.

E. BBC Governor

VIII. Advisor's Report

A. Larissa Adames:

- i Fill out the member info sheet to help us complete your stipend and other important registry information.

- ii Once the vice chairs have been elected, please let me know so I can do a part 2 of committee training for for chairs and vice chairs.

IX. New Business

A. Update on Senate Vacancies & Next Steps

B. Committee Expectations

- C. Update on Senate Requirements for Summer
 - D. Senate Bonding and Retreat Ideas
- X. Senate Forum
 - A. Senator Riera: just want to confirm July 18th will be our last senate meeting of the summer semester. Research and the ability to handle research for international student has to be a topic of concern. It also seems as there's an academic gentrification on one end with increase to housing and tuitions as well as not receiving the appropriate funding from their respective department.
- XI. Public Forum
 - A. none
- XII. Adjournment @ 5:00pm