

FIU**Student Government
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The 41st Session of the Student Body Senate
Meeting Minutes
November 25, 2024

- I. Call to Order 4:03 pm
- II. Pledge of Allegiance / FIU Alma Mater
- III. Roll Call

Attendance

Senator Name	Senators Position	Attendance Status	Additional Note on Senator
Alyssa Allen	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Efrain Gonzalez	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Shreeya Gudipati	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Brianna Romeo	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Daniel Salup-Cid	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Alison Stangl	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Nicholas Sutton	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Manuela Trejos	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	
Alie Francois	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Vacant	College of Business	Vacant	
Callista Peterson	College of Business	Absent	
Faith St. Rose	College of Business	Present	
Fernando Menedez	College of Business	Absent	
Sarahi Perez	College of Business	Absent	
E.M. Krause	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	
Rashard Gowie	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	
Olivia Derechin	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Present	

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Rayhan Marreroo	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Chloe McGuire	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Lucas Menendez	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Angela Banov	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
Kamila Gonzalez	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	
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Hailey Menendez	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Present	
Noah Fineberg	College of Law	Vacant	
Daniel Cambron	College of Medicine	Present	
Santiago Bravo	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Absent	
Vacant	College of Public Health and Social Work	Vacant	
Anish Sharma	Honors College	Present	
Vacant	Housing- BBC	Vacant	
Alex Wagenman	Housing-MMC	Present	
Martavius Lyons	Housing-MMC	Present	
Davari Demps	Lower Division	Absent	
Vacant	Lower Division	Vacant	
Vacant	Online Student Senator	Vacant	
James Hernandez	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
German Mata	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Liz_angela Tillias	School of International and Public Affairs	Present	
Mahmoud Abdelrahman	University Graduate School	Present	
Oghoritsewarami Boyo	University Graduate School	Present	
Patraillia Davis Bryant	University Graduate School	Absent	
Hossam Hussein	University Graduate School	Absent	
Anurag Sharma	University Graduate School	Present	

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Gabriel Diaz-Gonzalez	Upper Division	Present	
Kassandra Toussaint	Upper Division	Present	
Dale Brochinsky	Biscayne Bay Campus At-Large Senator	Present	
Shilat Jayo-Acuna	Biscayne Bay Campus At-Large Senator	Present	
Aidana Kubatbekova	Biscayne Bay Campus At-Large Senator	Present	
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Gianlucas Lemoine	FIU at I-75 Senator	Absent	
Marc Gedeon	Housing- MMC	Present	
Wilkin Caseres	College of Business	Present	
Alexandra Barriga	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Alexander Stone	Housing-MMC	Present	

Quorum is Established	Present	37
	Absent	9
	Vacant	10

IV. Approval of Last Meeting Minutes

A. November 18th, 2024

Sen. Cambron moves to approve the minutes by unanimous consent, motion passes.

V. Adoption of the Agenda

Sen. Boyo proposes a minute of silence for A. Persaud, motion passes by unanimous consent.

A bill is proposed for addition to the agenda, Sen. Stone: better to add to the agenda for the next meeting.

VI. Invited Speakers

A. N/A

VII. Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

Meeting is planned for this week

B. Internal Affairs

Met last week, discussed ways to make office hours more effective. Will reach out to those who missed a significant amount of office hours

C. Graduate and Professional Student Committee



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Met last week, heard an appeal for travel request. Processed the resignation of Sen. Fineberg, discussed several events

- D. Rules
 - Didn't meet quorum in the last meeting, next meeting planned
 - E. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
 - Did not meet last week, an event took place
 - F. Biscayne Bay Campus Legislative Council
 - Did not meet last week due to an event, survey of classes ongoing
 - G. Student Unity and Fellowship Ad-Hoc Committee
 - Did not meet last week, meeting planned next week
 - H. International Student Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee
 - Couldn't meet last week due to lack of quorum, new Chair was selected due to graduation of the current Chair
 - I. Student Health and Wellness Ad-Hoc Committee
 - No update for the moment
- VIII. University-Wide Council Reports
- A. Student Body President: Franchesca Cassanova
 - B. Speaker of the Senate: Alexander Stone
 - No legislation for today's agenda, legislation will be on the next week's agenda, celebration will be held for graduating senators
 - C. Speaker Pro-Tempore: Alexandra Barriga
 - Meet Your Dean event took place, next one planned for the next semester. Senators who haven't filled out the HR paperwork should do it
 - D. Vice President: David Almanza
 - E. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus: Jabari Baptiste
 - F. Lieutenant Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus: N/A
 - G. Comptroller: Anayre Martinez
 - H. Floor Leader: Marc Gedeon
 - If response not received regarding office hours the matter is resolved, Senators to attend committee meetings
- IX. Vetoed Legislation
- A. N/A
- X. Unfinished Business
- A. N/A

FIU**Student Government
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1. Candidate gave a speech, thanks the Senators for the service, outlined the commitment to service, serve with independence and uphold the duties of the position
2. 5 min Q&A: Sen. Brochinsky: asks about the ability to put aside personal relationships with Senators, Candidate: makes a point about the commitment to judicial independence
Sen. Jayo-Acuna: asks about long-term goals for the role, Candidate: has served in a variety of positions, plans to apply the experience and uphold the duties and adherence to the governing document
Sen. Anish Sharma: asks about management of conflicts involving the Constitution, Candidate: each Justice to make decisions according to their interpretation of the Constitution, plans to apply facts and laws to each case
Sen. Boyo: commends the Candidate on the Senate service, asks about use of Constitution and University policy in ruling in case of conflict; Candidate: University policy would take precedence, however the conflict is unlikely
3. Sen. Tillias moves to approve the Candidate by unanimous consent, Sen. Stone: roll call vote is needed
4. Sen. Tillias moves for a roll call vote, motion passes.
5. Roll call vote: with 32 yes, 3 no the Candidate is appointed

Vote on Appointment of Associate Justice: Noah Fineberg

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Vote Count			
Yes	No	Abstention	Vacant
32	3	0	10

6. The Candidate is sworn in

XII. Senator Forum

1. Sen. Jayo-Acuna: wishes the Senators a Happy Thanksgiving. A bus was recently set on fire, legislation is necessary to address the matter and to ensure safety of transportation
2. Sen. Gedeon: World Fair event successfully took place, ISU is encouraging membership
3. Sen. Boyo: wishes happy Thanksgiving to Senators, encourages support on legislation, a course is available on AI
 Makes a comment about passing an FIU student killed by a school bus; safety measures and enhanced awareness are needed
 Presented a case last week, support from the Leadership is requested

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4. Sen. Brochinsky: BBC class survey is ongoing, no survey on food options for students at BBC is in place, vegetarian options may not be available, suggests weekly menu options. Climbing activities for students are proposed
5. Sen. St. Rose: makes a comment on menu inaccuracies; working on the Coffee Chat is Jan, assistance is appreciated
6. Sen. Touissant: makes a comment about AI and animation in CARTA, support from Senators is encouraged. Facility maintenance needs to be addressed, working with the clinic and sexual education on birth control
7. Sen. Lyons: encourages students for the finals, mental health needs need to be maintained
8. Sen. Brochinsky: work on the Build a Better Campus forum planning is ongoing
9. Sen. Stone: students should take mental health seriously, resources are available

XIII. Public Forum

A. N/A

XIV. Advisors Report:

1. Larissa Adames: dates for planned events for Spring should be shared, those who have not completed the HR paperwork should do it, Recharge for Finals will take place the week of Dec 9

XV. Adjournment 5:02 pm