

Florida International University

Student Government Council - Biscayne Bay Campus & FIU at I-75

MINUTES SGC-BBC General Meeting October 30th, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE

Pamela Ho Fung,, President
Mahalia Balfour, Vice President
Patricia Moreno, Chief of Staff
Kelli Perkins, Director of Community Relations
Gabriella Llana, Director of Sustainability
Gabriella Malak, Speaker of the Senate
Gabriel Hernandez, Upper Division Senator/ Speaker Pro Tempore
Mark Monaco, Health Services Administration
Diamond Barnett, Upper Division Senator
Catalina Nemmi, FIU at I-75 Senator (Student Advocacy Chair)
Mickalia Paisley, At-Large Senator (Internal Affairs Chair)
Junia Benoit, Director of Student Wellness
Stephanie Morisset, CASE Senator (Finance Chair) -On the Phone
Keanu Orfano, Chief Justice

EXCUSED

Karla Hernandez, Public Relations Manager Shinise Lewis, Director of International Cultural Affairs Aaliyah Gordon, Communication + Journalism Senator Vivian Desme, Communication + Journalism Senator Lauren Doughty, Hospitality & Tourism Management

UNEXCUSED

Dora Febles, Comptroller Abu Chowdhury, Director of Events Johanna Rabanzi, Justice

GUEST

Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor

CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on October 30th, 2019 – Located in **I-75 336.** The meeting was called to order at **4:03 PM**, by President Ho Fung who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

- She stated a greeting.
- Welcome to I-75
- Presence here is important
- Thank you for those who came. Glad that we are able to make it and have this campus as one of our priorities this year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President's Official Report Is As follows...

- Academic Advancement sent out to students at BBC needed their voice to do this
 - o In the middle of this survey
 - Response amount not as expected (Low) need all our help to continue this push for our campus and our students
- Next week
 - o TBH Series -
 - Vice Provost council scholarship ceremony
 - Invited to have a presence and represent SGA
 - Meeting with Dean CASE
 - Initiatives
- Goals for the Year
 - Academic advancement
 - Survey
 - FIU Affinity
 - Support Panther Power
 - Events
 - Day on the Bay Nov 16th
 - Donuts with the Deans Nov 12th
 - Veterans Event Nov 13th
 - Personal Development and Personal Growth
 - TBH, Blue Table Talk, etc.
 - Skills for students
- I-75
 - Catering students outside BBC.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President Balfour ...

- Happy and grateful for being able to represent this campus. Stressing that we are the student government council of BBC and I-75.
- Monday Nov 4th Dr. Roldan presenting to senate
 - Future of Student Health Services

- Please come with concerns and questions
- One question from each person on monday to ask her.
- Student Report form that I am working on will be sent out on monday.
 - Have on record what the concern is and be able to handle it.
- Working on Flu Shot event
 - All day where they go to different places on campus to promote this free benefit.
 - o President Ho-Fong: Please work with Junia
- Please remember to sign up for events.

SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Malak ...

- Initiatives Since last general meeting
 - Congress meeting on past monday
 - Passed resolution concerning recycling process.
 - o Senator Morisset and I wrote U-wide Bill.
 - o Veterans affairs Collab with him and MMC senator
 - Letters to send to VMA officers
 - Senator Paisley and senator morisset work
 - Nov 14th
 - Biodegradable straws Senator Nemni and Student Advocacy interested in working on it
 - You don't have to be a senator to write legislation, initiative, etc.
 - Student Advocacy working on event with Director Llana
 - Date: TBA
 - o Senators for the Month: Senator Morisset and Senator Nenmi
 - Both have been working very well with SGA

SPEAKER-PRO REPORT

Speaker Pro Hernandez ...

- Student Concern regarding Parking
- Met with Dr. de Santis
- Working on resolution
- Email to senators with description of committees
 - Have decision on what committee to be part of by next senate meeting
- Will be attending FSA Rally in Tally Nov 12th to Nov 16th

CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT

Chief of Staff Moreno...

- One-on-ones
 - o Director of Community service Thursday 10/30
 - o Director of Events Thursday 10/31
 - o Director of Sustainability -
- Composed weekly report from Cabinet to be shared at Senate.
- Working on Cabinet retreat

- o Tentative on a Friday
- o To be discussed at the next cabinet meeting which would be next week.
- Break-down/Refresher of role of each position.

CHIEF JUSTICE

Chief Justice Orfanu...

- Working with Speaker of the Senate Congress regarding rules and procedures.
 - MMC counter parts
- Legislation that was passed will revise that
- For our new council members
 - o Rules and Procedure more than happy to help you learn those
- Excited to attend FSA on Nov 12th to Nov 16th

FIU AT I-75 REPORT

Diana...

- Thank you for being here.
- Only Saturday option for Commencement.
 - Process over 400 students and their families.
- FIU Leases from Broward College
 - Not FIU choice with vendors.
- October
 - Homecoming week
 - Student got shirts and donuts
 - 5 day events (except friday but saturday)
 - Saturday Busiest day
 - Over 500 sign ins.
- November
 - Cultural week with ISSS.
 - Will have Cafe con leche
 - Senator Nenmi thank you for your work.

Senator Nenmi...

- Mid term motivational event
 - Tuesday 4:30pm to 6:30pm
 - o Thank you mark for helping
 - Gave out testing supplies
 - o 50 sign ins
- Conversation with panthers every other monday.
 - Spoken to a lot of students
 - no concerns/ same as others
- Finishing planning for art therapy event.
 - Looking for paint markers instead of paint
- Planning two town halls
 - One in December here and the next at BBC
 - Responding to students concerns.
 - Not to collect (will be nice)

o Please attend.

CABINET REPORTS

Director of Community Relations Perkins...

- Breast Cancer awareness event
 - Timing was a bit off...
- Working on Spring fling
 - o Promote civic engagement among students and communities.
 - o Follow up with Larissa
- Food Drive
 - o November 1st to November 23rd
 - Dispersed between FIU Food Pantry and a
 - o Team up with Bay view hall or it can be
- One-on-one with Chief of Staff
 - Community Service
 - o Updates
- Invite SGC-MMC to Day on the Bay
 - More cohesiveness
 - Collaborate with Karla
- Scholarship opportunity for kids at OYC
 - o Follow up with Larissa

Director of Student Wellness Benoit

- Tennis Class Nov 20th
 - o 6:00pm to 8:00pm
- Yoga class.
- Finals week event
 - o CAPS and Healthy Living Lauren
 - o Bagels and Tea
- Nov Diabetes event for National Diabetes month

Director of Sustainability...

- Excited to collaborate on Projects.
- Working together is great.
 - Appear to one place empty is not as effective as showing up with people.
- Want to start a project Community Garden

SENATORS REPORTS

Senator Monaco...

- Collaborating with Gaby and Catalina assisting VMA team who is luis, syrus and Amanda Vet Appreciation day
 - Sending letters to VMA Hospital
- Spoke to Harrison about potential events for the future.

Senator Paisley...

- Level up Leadership event
 - Next thursday
 - 12:30pm
- Next internal affairs meeting
 - Tomorrow at 12:00pm
- September -
 - Office hours
 - September
 - Two council members that did not meet office hour requirements.
 - Abu and Keanu
 - October
 - Abu, Vivian

Point of personal Privilege, Vice President Balfour 4:58pm - Granted Vice President Balfour returns at 5:01pm
Point of personal Privilege, Senator Barrett 4:58 - Granted Senator Barrett returns 5:01pm

Chair relinquished to Vice President Balfour at 5:03pm

Point of personal Privilege, Senator Paisley 5:03 - Granted Senator Paisley returns at 5:05 pm

President Ho Fung reads proclamation

Senator Nemi moves to amend the proclamation to say FIU at I-75. Speaker Mallack seconds Motion passes unanimously.

Point of personal Privilege, Director Llana 5:10 - Granted Director Llana returns at 5:16 pm

Senator paisley moves to rename proclamation 2019-0003 to Proclamation 2019-0005 senator Monaca seconds. Motion passes unanimously

Senator Monaco moves to approve of Proclamation 2019.0005, Senator barnet seconds,

Motion passes unanimously

Point of personal Privilege, Director Benoit 5:16 - Granted Director Benoit returns at 5:20 pm

Vice president Balfour releases relinquishment of the chair to President Ho-Fung at 5:19pm

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Senator Nemmi...

- Working on flyer for new tabling days for conversation with panthers
 - o every other Monday, every Tuesday, every wednesday and now working on saturday.
- Post free-shuttle bus
- Town halls
 - Respond to student concerns
 - Here on December, BBC on January
- Working on event
- Resolution for Parking tickets
 - Put a time frame for students to fix it
 - Time after to not harm transportation department's revenue.
- Career expo
 - o Can't do it this year
 - o Earlier than expected
 - Second one in the spring will be working on that
- Tailgate for Swim Team
 - Been winning for Six years
- UM game Nov 23rd
 - Had to had gone to at least three football games
 - o if did not attend game, you have to buy a ticket but you could ride for free.
 - Free transportation from BBC.
- Football game on Saturday
 - Veterans appreciation game.
 - O Collab with VMA can't occur

ADVISOR'S REPORT

Ms. Adames...

- Class registration on Tuesday Nov 5th.
- Stipend The sooner the better
- Volunteer with Career and Talent
- AOL
 - Spring
 - Please let her know by friday
- Elections earlier this year by a month.
 - By the end of January

Point of personal Privilege, Director Nenmi at 5:24 - Granted Director Nenmi returns at 5:24 pm

Point of personal Privilege, Chief Justice Orfano at 5:25pm - Granted

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The council reviewed the minutes of September 25th, 2019.

Senator Monaca moved to approve the minutes of September 25th, 2019 at pm. Senator Paisley seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Allocation of funds for TBH Series

B. Donuts with the Deans

- a. Nov 12th
- b. 12:00pm to 2:00pm
- c. Senator Monaco, Senator Barret, Director Perkin, Director Benoit, Director Llana will be attending Confirmed
- d. Formal and Informal session.

C. Day on the Bay

- a. Nov 16th
- b. 9:00 am to 12:00pm
- c. Director Llana, President Ho-Fung, will be attending Confirmed
- d. Expecting majority of council to be there.

D. Council improvements

- a. Enhance communication
 - i. Discussion on the most effective way of communication outside office hours
- b. Attendance of events within the council
 - i. Please help other council members in their events.
 - ii. Discussion
 - iii. More creative on our events.

DISCUSSION

A. Student Concerns

President Ho Fung emailed the Vice Provost and the Department of Parking and Transportation. She states what happened and how the student wanted to remain anonymous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker Mallack moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 PM. Senator Paisley seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by President Ho Fung at 6:03 PM.