

Florida International University

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

MINUTES

SGC-BBC Senate Meeting September 23, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE

Gabriella Malak, CASE Senator/Speaker of the Senate Gabriel Hernandez, Upper Division Senator/Speaker Pro-Tempore Aaliyah Gordon, Communication & Journalism Senator Stephanie Morisset, CASE Senator/Finance Chair Mickalia Paisley, At-Large Senator/Internal Affairs Chair Catalina Nemmi, FIU at I-75 Senator/Student Advocacy Chair Lauren Doughty, Hospitality & Tourism Senator Vivian Desme, Communication & Journalism

EXCUSED

Mark Monaco, Health Services Administration

Mahalia Balfour, Vice President

GUESTS

Pamela Ho Fung, SGA President
Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor
Dr. Kerrie Montgomery, Director of Campus Life
Kaila Josprite, Graduate Assistant
Sahara Martin, SGA Graphic Artist
Diamond Barnett, Student/ Appointment
Keanu Orfanu, Chief Justice

CALL TO ORDER

The SGC-BBC Senate held a meeting on September 23, 2019 – WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at 3:32 pm, approximately, by **Speaker Malak** who presided over the meeting in its entirety.

WELCOME

Speaker Malak stated a greeting.

SPEAKER REPORT

Speaker Malak ...

- Has a lot to report
- States that SGA Day was a success and wish more people had attended the movie.

- Congress Meeting Day is scheduled for October 21st. Time has changed to 4pm and it is mandatory.
- Speaker Pro (MMC) Angel will attend next week's meeting. He will present the U-Wide Bill on a change for the Finance code that relates to the Finance Committee Composition.
- Reminder that on October 7th Legislation is due for all senators. Suggests to bring any possible ideas for the Congress meeting and mentions that Senator Monaco has already given an idea.
- Reminds that all senators need to submit their reports.
- Wants to place Robert's rules on the back of name plates.
- Eboard discussed Mentor Mondays and to personalize their (SGA BBC) Instagram.
- Tour OYC with Kelli is this friday at 10:30am.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Vice President Balfour ...

- Greeting
- Finalized reports for Blue Table Talk on October 14 from 12pm-3pm. There's going to be refreshments.
- Tabled for SGA Day and came up with new ideas for tabling such as the spot debates..
- Mentor Monday is used as a Marketing Strategy for SGA BBC.
- States that members need to schedule their one on ones with her.

SPEAKER PRO'S REPORT

Speaker Pro Hernandez...

- Greeting
- SGA Day was successful. Both portions of events were eye opening.
- Wants to print rubrics to Roberts Rules.
- Reminder of Legislation Deadline being October 7th.
- Mentions to schedule one on ones with Chairs.

ADVISOR'S REPORT

Ms. Adames...

- Email to know for availability of Meet & Greet at 2pm with common reading author Martin Baranek.
- Embrace intern works on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Ms. Josprite...

- Meet with her for programming ideas.
- Reminder of Donuts with the Deans, needs to be scheduled.

Dr. Montgomery...

• No report.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Minutes

Speaker Pro Hernandez moves to approve Senate Meeting Minutes of 9.16.2019. Senator Paisley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Victoria Reyes

Speaker Malak granted Victoria Reyes to present herself.

Victoria Reyes presented herself.

Dr. Montgomery gives clarification.

Ms. Reyes continues presentation.

President Ho Fung asks a question.

Ms. reyes answers and continues presentation.

Ms. Adames asks a question.

Dr. Montgomery states a comment for clarification.

Ms. Adames provides a comment towards presentation.

Dr. Montgomery provides a comment and a suggestion.

Ms. Admes asks a question.

Ms. Reyes answers and continues.

Dr. Montgomery and Ms. Reyes answer each other back and forth

B. Appointment of Diamond Barnett for Senator of Upper Division

Speaker Malak granted Diamond Barnett to present herself for the position of Upper Division Senator.

Diamond Barnett presents herself.

Questioning happens.

Senator Morisset moves to extend questioning.

Senator Paisley seconds.

More questioning happens.

Senator Morissett moves to extend questioning for 5 more minutes.

Senator Nemmi seconds.

Vice President Balfour states a comment.

Senator Nemmi moves to appoint Ms. Barnett for Upper Division Senator position.

Senator Morisset seconds.

ROLL CALL

Speaker Malak - Yea

Senator Morisset - Yea

Senator Doughty - Yea

Senator Gordon - Yea

Senator Desme - Yea

Speaker Pro Hernandez - Yea

Senator Paisley - Abs.

Senator Nemmi - Yea

With a vote of 7/0/1, Ms. Barnett was approved for the position of Upper Division Senator.

C. Chair/ Committee Nominations

Speaker Malak...

- Reminder of Finance Committee
- Think about joining Committee Chairperson Position
- Senator Desme asks questions
- Senator Paisley states a comment

D. Senate Academic Commission

- Vice President Balfour asks members to join Senate Academic Commission
- Speaker Malak gives a comment on the subject
- Senator Desme asks a question.
- Speaker Malak answers
- Senator Morrisett asks about position

E. Conference Room

• Wants members to visit the conference room after the Senate meeting.

DISCUSSION

A. Open Forum

I. Student Concerns

Senator Desme states that she is not on the chat.

Vice President Balfour speaks on scheduling one on ones.

Senator Paisley spoke on drivers asking for tips.

Dr. Montgomery gives solution to the situation.

Ms. Adames states a comment.

Senator Desme gives experience on rude bus driver.

Ms. Adames suggests to put add that experience to the email.

Senator Paisley asks a question.

Dr. Montgomery answers.

II. Senate Concerns

There was no Senate Concerns.

III. Additional Comments, Suggestions, Concerns

No Concerns.

REPORTS

I. Student Advocacy Chair's Report

Senator Nemmi...

- Reminder of Student Advocacy meeting at Campus Life.
- Talks about the LGBT program.
- Mentions healthy Living collaboration with getting massages for an event.
- Mentions meeting with Diana.
- Was not able to get a bus for the previous soccer game.
- Soccer game happening on November 8th, Friday at 7pm.
- Tabling continues for BBC and at I-75.
- Mentions small homecoming events.

II. Internal Affairs Chair Report

Senator Paisley...

- Meeting this Thursday
- Met with President Ho fung and Vice President Balfour for Leadership Lounge.
- Mentions an Info session event happening on October 24th.
- Reminds members of office hours.

III. Finance Chair Report

Senator Morisset...

- Greeting
- Talks about Access Funding

IV. Senate's Report

- Senator Desme says that she filled her new member sheet and is getting ideas.
 - Mentions internship for South FL media for Communication + Journalism students
 - Mentions that student concerns that an Intro class for Communication + Journalism is only offered at BBC, possibly making an online option.
- Dr. Montgomery answers and provides comments along with Senator Doughtery
- Vice President Balfour states that Career and talent for Mentor monday can be helpful with internships.
- Senator Desme provides further comments.
- President Ho Fung finds it interesting and gives more comments.

V. President's Report

• No Report.

ANNOUNCEMENT

• No Announcements.

Senator Paisley moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:31 PM. Senator Morisset seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned by Speaker Malak at 4:31 PM.