

## Florida International University

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

# MINUTES SGC-BBC Senate Meeting September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

## IN ATTENDANCE

Vice President Meredith Marseille
Jonathan Espino, Speaker of the Senate
Ronan Kelly, Finance Chair/Lower Division Senator
Jefferson Noel, Student Advocacy Chair/Communication + Journalism Senator
Leen Alkhouli, Arts, Sciences & Education Senator
Ashley Rosales-Tejeda Communication + Journalism
Flora Bourdeau, Lower Division

## **EXCUSE**

Doreen Patichi, Arts, Sciences & Education Senator Sigal Dahan, At- Large Senator Daniel Velasquez, Candidate for At-Large Senator

# **GUESTS**

Mitesh, Comptroller Larissa Adames, SGA Advisor Dr. Kerrie Montgomery, Director of Campus Life-BBC

## CALL TO ORDER

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a meeting on Date – Locale WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at 4:08, approximately, by Speaker Espino who presided over the meeting in its entirety

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Senator Kelly moved to table the August 28<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting minutes for September 25<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting. Senator Noel seconded the motion and the motion was pass unanimously.

#### SENATE SPEAKER REPORT

- Speaker Espino welcomed everyone to the meeting and was happy everyone made it through the hurricane safely. He mentioned that Senator Sigal and Doreen were absent in observance of the Jewish holiday Rosh Hashana.
- Speaker Espino reported that he is working on filling up the vacancies in the senate. He has a few candidates that will present themselves during Monday's meeting.
- Speaker Espino mentioned to the Council to look into the open positions for committee chair. He also mentioned that he is having some difficulties filling up the I75 and Graduate positions in the senate.
- Speaker Espino reported that he will begin scheduling one-on-one meetings soon.

• Speaker Espino reported on the state of Bayview after the hurricane and what has been done to have things back to normal. He mentioned that there has been some complaints from student about receiving bad services from the BayView staff, so he promised to look into that.

#### VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

- Vice President Marseilles reported on her meeting with the BBC Council. The purpose of these meetings is for the councils to collaborate on different event that are being planned, and these meeting will happen every other week.
- Vice President Marseilles reported that she had a meeting with Jeremy to discuss the math lab project.

## FINANCE CHAIR REPORT

• Senator Kelly reported that he's been working on updating the website to apply for funds. He is also working on a questionnaire that will help students find the forms base on the needs.

## STUDENT ADVOCACY CHAIR REPORT

- Senator Noel reported on his meeting with Senator Tejeda where they discussed what is happening with the School of Journalism.
- Senator Noel reported that he had a meeting with David, the senator for Catar
- Senator Noel Brought to the council's attention the decision made by Betsy Davos to recede guidelines under Title 9. He also talked about how this relates and can affect the "It's On Us" campaign.

## **ADVISOR REPORT**

- Ms. Adames mentioned that the fall retreat will be on October 6 at 9:00am 3:00pm, and it is open to all council members. She also reported the Homecoming is approaching and wants everyone to participate on the float and the office decoration.
- Ms. Adames reminded everyone to complete their forms and for those who have not, she will send a reminder to.
- Ms. Adames mentioned that if anyone is having a problem clocking in and out to let Marcy know.
- Mrs. Montgomery reported that she received instruction from President Rosenberg that FIU will not be doing any disaster relief effort. If student organizations wants to donate anything, there are other organization they can do it through.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## A. SGC-BBC 2017-2018 Emoluments

• VP Marseilles presented the emolument to the council. Mentioned what has been change and what stayed the same.

## B. SGC-BBC 2017-2018 Statutes

• President Cosio Presented the first reading for changes that has been made in the statutes. He mentioned that the second reading will be next senate meeting where members can vote on the changes.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. FIU vs. Charlotte (First Home Game of the Season), September 30, Time: 7pm
- B. Senator Kelly announced that the AOL retreat was cancel due to hurricane Irma, so it will be push back to the spring semester. Mrs. Montgomery clarified that those who had already signed up will be rollover, so spaces will be limited for spring.
- C. President Cosio announced that the \_\_\_ conference will be on October 20th-22nd and SGA will cover 10 spots.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Senator Kelly moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:11 PM. Senator Tejeda seconded the motion. With a unanimous vote, the meeting was dismissed by Speaker Espino at 5:11 PM.