

Senatorial Records

The Proceedings and Debate of the 35th Session of the Student Government Council – Modesto A. Maidique Campus Senate Spring Session

GC 150 (SGA Chambers), Monday, March 4, 2019

- I. Welcome & Call to Order
 - a. The Senate met at 4:05 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker Pro Tempore Ahmadinejad.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - a. Senator Vera led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

III. Roll Call of Senators Present & Verification of Quorum

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL			
First Name	Last Name	Attendance P	
Mitra	Ahmadinejad		
Angel	Algarin	Р	
Stacey	Alpert	Р	
Brandon	Aquino	Р	
Alejandro	Arzola	Р	
Daniel	Beltran	Р	
Danny	De Leon	Р	
Dustin	Duncan	А	
Dianelis	Hernandez	А	
Samuel	Hernandez	А	
Ana	Hevia	А	
Rose	Ingraham	Р	
Jai	Jethani	Р	
Charles	Kelly	А	
Jam	Khan Aleem Nawaz	Р	
Dimitri	Lampru	Р	
Victoria	Larson	Р	
Constance	Lee	А	
Carolina	Machin	Р	
Dominique	Macon	А	
Anthony	Membreno	Р	
Ariadna	Natteri	Р	

David	Nivia	Tardy at 5:02PM
LeChara	Pryor	Р
Amelia	Raudales	Р
Rebecca	Sanchez	А
Samuel	Santos	Р
Jessica	Spencer	Tardy at 5:05PM
Luis	Suarez	А
Bertha	Vera	Р
Leila	Zahedi	Р
VACANT	VACANT	
SENATE SEATS	38	
VACANT SEATS	7	QUORUM
SENATORS PRESENT	22	ESTABLISHED
AMT FOR QUORUM	16	

- a. Roll was called and Quorum was verified with 22 Senators present.
- IV. Approval of the Minutes from February 25th, 2019
 - a. Senator Larson moves to approve the minutes from February 25th, 2019. Senator Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
- V. Adoption of the Agenda
 - a. Senator Algarin moves to adopt the agenda. Senator Larson seconds. Motion passes.
- VI. Invited Speakers
 - a. Elections Commissioner Report
 - b. Agency and Council Reports
 - i. SPC
 - 1. Kicked off the month with our Hidden Figure Movie Night
 - a. Collaborated with organizations such as the Women's Center, FIU AACP, and the Black Female Development Circle.
 - 2. Love Simon movie night on February 8th and we collaborated with Simple Pleasures.
 - 3. Wild n Out comedy show
 - a. 505 attended
 - 4. Build a Bear at MMC
 - a. We had 750 attendees building their own bears.
 - b. Able to work with an organization called Camilas House where students could donate a shirt that was used and then they could get in return a shirt that matches their bear.

- 5. First collaboration with Wellness and Recreation Center.
- 6. Made it to 10.2 thousand on Instagram.
- ii. Black Student Union
 - 1. We had our Black History Month Opening Ceremony on February 1st.
 - a. We had 139 students attend
 - 2. February 4th we had "The Talk" at the MARC Pavilion.
 - a. 14 students attended
 - 3. General Body Meeting on February 13th.
 - 4. Twisted Tuesday on February 5th at BBC.
 - 5. Sounds of Little Haiti on February 25th.
 - 6. BHM Union Wednesday the first three Wednesday's of February.
 - 7. BHM Culture Fest at BBC on February 24th.
 - a. 87 students attended
 - 8. BHM 8th Street Cotton Club on February 27th.
 - a. 801 students attended
 - 9. BHM Closing ceremony on February 28th in GC Ballrooms.
 - a. 55 students attended
 - 10. BSU Alumni Day of Service on March 2nd at Virginia Key Beach
 - 11. MLK Evening on February 1st in collaboration with Student Access of Success and the Graduate fellows.
 - 12. Film night with SPC on February 1st to show Hidden Figures.
 - 13. Honoring the Arts on February 6th hosted by the NAACP.
 - 14. Black Her Story and GC tables on February 8th hosted by the National Organization for Women.
 - 15. Sounds of Music February 9th at the Wertheim Performing Arts Center hosted by the FIU School of Music.
 - 16. Black Card Revoked hosted by the National Council of Negro Women.
 - 17. Panther Proud to the people February 14th hosted by Panther Power.
 - 18. 1st BBC Cypher hosted by the Wulf University Center in Campus Life
 - 19. "How Gentrification in Miami Affects Minority" on February 19th hosted by Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement.
 - 20. Guided tour panel discussion on Flint is Family at the Frost Museum and that is still ongoing.

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Arzola at 4:15PM; Returned at 4:22PM

iii. RHA

- 1. Working on Wanderlust on April 4th, 2019
- 2. Bottle Distribution phase 1 where we were able to distribute 480 bottles across the 7 residence halls.
 - a. Phase 2 will begin tomorrow or Thursday.
- 3. Elections for next year executive board
- 4. Lakeview Carnival on February 14th

5. Free laundry day the week before spring break

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Khan Aleem Nawazat at 4:19PM; Dismissed.

iv. CSO

- 1. Hosted a general body meeting on February 14th
 - a. 50 organizations in attendance
- 2. Processing a point filing system for both the month of January and February resulted in 352 points filed across all participating registered student organizations.
- 3. Hosted an orientation session on February 19th
 - a. Another 15 new organizations currently in the pending status of being recognized for the semester.
- 4. Currently in the process of working on the planning stages on our CSO annual banquet.
- 5. We held weekly e-board meetings.
- 6. We have been discussing the remainder of our program initiatives for the semester and as well as reviewing some of our own policies to carry on for the next academic year.
- v. Engineering Campus Council
 - 1. Town Hall meeting in February
 - a. around 30 participants
 - b. over 90 surveys admission
- vi. Homecoming
 - 1. We had our selection workshops where we had interviews for those interested in being part of the council.
 - a. After we had a second selection in the interview process
 - i. 1 vacant chair and will reopen applications in the near future.
 - 2. Starting our meetings after Spring Break
- vii. Student Ambassadors
 - 1. Completed requirement for Spring semester
 - a. Brought in 11 new student ambassadors apprentices and will become official student ambassadors on March 7th.
 - 2. Thank you for all those who were able to show support to the Kissing Bridge event.
 - a. We were able to collect 62 student donations and we were able to reach a total of \$255 in donations.
 - 3. Get the Scoop on Philanthropy event March 6th from 10:30am-1pm in the Betty Chapman Plaza.
- c. Omicron Delta Kappa
 - i. March 9th is our first annual leadership dinner from 5:30-8:30pm.
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee
 - i. We have a meeting today at 6pm
 - ii. As of now we have \$10,150 left after the allocation from the newly passed appropriations.

- iii. Info session on Wednesday at 3PM
- iv. If you have any questions, please contact sga.financecom@gmail.com
- b. Rules, Legislation, and Judiciary Committee
 - i. Will be writing a Legislation to clarify that the President is not allowed to fire the Elections Commissioner should the President be running for election due to the fact that the Elections Board does not fall under the Executive Cabinet.
 - ii. A council expressed some interest re-writing their Constitution so I will help them with the legislation process.
 - iii. My committee meets next on March 18th
 - iv. If you have any questions, please contact sga.rljcommittee@gmail.com
- c. Operational Review Committee
 - i. We will be meeting the week after spring break after Senate
 - ii. We are currently working on a ORC one on one.
 - iii. If you have any questions, please contact fiusga.orc@gmail.com
- d. Internal Affairs Committee
 - i. Our meeting are on Mondays from 3:30-4:00PM before senate
 - ii. Office Hours will be a paper sign in
 - iii. If you have not put in your office hours please do so.
 - iv. If you have any questions, please contact sga.iacommittee@gmail.com
- e. Student Advocacy Committee
 - i. Last meeting we chose our governing councils we will be focusing on and will be reporting back an concerns students may have.
 - ii. Will be taking turns on attending Cabinet meetings.
 - iii. If you have any concerns that is not specific to your delegation make sure to approach the Student Advocacy Committee and express your concerns to us.
 - iv. If you have any questions, please contact sga.sacommittee@gmail.com
- f. Graduate and Professional Students Committee
 - i. GSAW will be on the 1st week of April
 - ii. SIPA Grad Scholar will be on March 20th
 - iii. GSAW worksop will be on March 25th
 - iv. GPSC will have a meeting with UGS on March 8th and we expect to be informed about the possible changes to the stipends.
 - v. We would like to thank Student Media for the story on the stipends.
 - vi. If you have any questions, please contact GPSC@fiu.edu

VIII. Executive Board Reports

- a. Speaker of the Senate Aquino
 - i. All legislation has been uploaded to the Google Drive and will also be uploaded to the SGA Website.
 - ii. All minutes are also on the Google Drive and will also be uploaded to the SGA website.
 - iii. If you have any legislation originals, please make sure to bring them to me so I can retain copies of them to be scanned and uploaded to the website.
 - iv. Please make sure that if you are writing legislation, to additionally be writing Legislation Histories. Please reference SB1821 Legislative Reform Act

- v. Please review the SB1821 Legislative Reform Act to review the Budget Approval process. We will be reviewing the budget after spring break and approving it as per the defined process.
- vi. Spring Break is next week so no Senate on 3/11.
- vii. If you have any questions, please email sgaspeaker@fiu.edu
- b. Speaker Pro Tempore Ahmadinejad
 - i. We starting creating a shared folder with the minutes from senate meetings from both BBC and MMC
 - ii. Received suggestions from Senators to start a Groupme chat between Senator of MMC and BBC.
 - iii. If you have any questions, please email sgaprotemp@fiu.edu
- c. President Rosell
 - i. BOT meeting this morning
 - 1. Strategic Plan topic
 - 2. Passed extension on tuition waiver for puerto rican students that came after the hurricane.
 - ii. Meeting on Wednesday with Vice President Pablo Ortiz to continue conversation on Engineering Campus.
 - iii. Women in Politics is on April 1st
 - iv. Dean scholarship reception is March 28th
 - 1. Time TBA
 - v. FIU Day is on March 19th
 - vi. Social Innovation Week partnership with the Office of the Provo
 - vii. Conversation are moving forward with the Tennis Courts
 - viii. Peter and I will be meeting with the CEO of FIU Healthcare Network to discuss the student health fee and see how the clinic works and we will bring up the topic of PrEP.
 - ix. If you have any questions, please email sgapres@fiu.edu

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Pryor at 4:49PM; Returned at 4:51PM.

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Algarin at 4:49PM; Returned at 4:51PM.

- d. Vice President Hernandez
 - i. No Report
 - ii. If you have any questions, please email sgavp@fiu.edu
- e. Comptroller Correa
 - i. No report
 - ii. If you have any questions, please email sgacomp@fiu.edu
- f. Chief Justice (VACANT)
 - i. If you have any questions, please email sgajud@fiu.edu
- IX. Special Orders
 - a. There were none.
- X. Vetoed Legislation
 - a. There were none.
- XI. Second Readings
 - a. There were none.
- XII. Unfinished Business

a. There were none.

XIII. New Business

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Lampru at 4:52PM; Returned at 4:54PM. Speaker Pro Tempore Ahmadinejad relinquishes the Chair to Speaker Aquino. Speaker Aquino calls for a quorum call.

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- a. Emoluments Proposal Review
 - i. Senator Natteri moves to end discussion period. Senator Lampru seconds. Motion passes.

Point of Personal Privilege for Senator Membreno at 5:06PM; Dismissed.

- b. Confirmation of the SGC-MMC Chief Justice Natalie de la Osa
 - i. Presentation Period
 - ii. Question and Answer Period
 - 1. Senator Larson moves to close question and answer period. Senator Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - iii. Senator Arzola moves to go into discussion for 5 minutes. Senator Ingraham seconds. Motion passes.
 - 1. Senator Lampru moves to close discussion period. Senator Larson seconds. Motion passes.
 - iv. Senator Lampru moves to go into voting procedure. Senator Larson seconds. Motion passes.

VOTE ON CONFIRMATION OF NATALIE DE LA OSA AS SGC-MMC CHIEF JUSTICE				
First Name	Last Name	Attendance	Vote	REASON
Mitra	Ahmadinejad	Р	Υ	
Angel	Algarin	Р	Υ	
Stacey	Alpert	Р	Υ	
Brandon	Aquino	Р	А	I am a Student Ambassador
Alejandro	Arzola	Р	N	
Daniel	Beltran	Р	Υ	
Danny	De Leon	Р	N	
Dustin	Duncan	А		
Dianelis	Hernandez	А		
Samuel	Hernandez	А		
Ana	Hevia	А		
Rose	Ingraham	Р	Υ	
Jai	Jethani	Р	Υ	

Charles	Kelly	А		
Jam	Khan Aleem Nawaz	А		
Dimitri	Lampru	Р	N	
Victoria	Larson	Р	Υ	
Constance	Lee	А		
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Dominique	Macon	А		
Anthony	Membreno	А		
Ariadna	Natteri	Р	N	
David	Nivia	Р	N	
LeChara	Pryor	Р	Υ	
Amelia	Raudales	Р	А	I am a Student Ambassador
Rebecca	Sanchez	А		
Samuel	Santos	Р	Y	
Jessica	Spencer	Р	N	
Luis	Suarez	А		
Bertha	Vera	Р	Υ	
Leila	Zahedi	Р	Υ	
VACANT	VACANT			
		YAY	12	
QUORUM ESTABLISHED		NAY	6	PASS
		ABSTAIN	2	

1. Natalie de la Osa confirmed as SGC-MMC Chief of Justice.

XIV. Advisor Report

- a. Please sign in and do your office hours
- b. If you have not met with me please do so.
- c. If you have any questions, please email mimcast@fiu.edu

XV. Public Forum

- a. Elections board is having a Meet and Greet pool party on March 21st
- b. Concerns regarding Wellness Center Uniform Policy
- c. On behalf of Panther Now I would like to thank SGA for helping us out with our articles.

XVI. Senate Forum

- a. Senator Ingraham Update on the resolution passed on the shuttle to BBC
- XVII. Announcements
 - a. Roarthon is coming up
- XVIII. Adjournment
 - a. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:59PM