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The 40th Session of the Student Body Senate
Meeting Minutes
Date: March 11, 2024

- I. Call to Order
 A. Meeting called to order at 4:07 p.m.
- II. Roll Call

Attendance

Senator Name	Senators Position	Attendance Status	Additional Note on Senator
Alexandra Barriga	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Anastasia Legoute	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Chanita Jacques	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Daniel Del Riesgo	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Daniel Salup-Cid	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	
Genesis Moreno	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	
Lerick Sequeira	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Manuela Trejos	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Olivia Gibson	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	
Anne Martinez	College of Business	Absent	
Brian Velez	College of Business	Present	
David Almansa	College of Business	Present	
Vacant	College of Business	Vacant	
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Vacant	College of Communication Architecture and the Arts	Vacant	
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Erika Noel	College of Engineering and Computing	Present	



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Liana Adaza	College of Engineering and Computing	Present
Hua Hui Vogel	College of Engineering and Computing	Present
Vacant	College of Hospitality and Tourism Management	Vacant
Ciara Jeneske	College of Law	Present
Daniel Cambron	College of Medicine	Present
Alyssa Andreus	College of Nursing and Health Sciences	Absent
Vacant	College of Public Health and Social Work	Vacant
Anish Sharma	Honors College	Present
Jabari Baptiste	Housing- BBC	Present
Alexander Stone	Housing- MMC	Present
Vacant	Housing- MMC	Vacant
Rhea Watkins	Housing- MMC	Present
Yamila Hernandez	Lower Division MMC	Present
Dale Brochinsky	Lower Division BBC	Present
Vacant	Online Student Senator	Vacant
Jordan-Ashley Brown	School of International and Public Affairs	Present
Sergine Metellus	School of International and Public Affairs	Present
Ahmed Soliman	University Graduate School	Absent
Haley Dawson	University Graduate School	Present
Hossam Hussien	University Graduate School	Present
Kanayo Nومه	University Graduate School	Present
Sarwar Minar	University Graduate School	Absent
Ashley Young	Upper Division BBC	Present
Sergine Metellus	Upper Division BBC	Present
Keren Keys	Upper Division MMC	Present
Rocki (Raquel) Fleites	Upper Division MMC	Present
Karina Hernandez	College of Engineering and Computing	Absent
Tiara Campbell	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present
Kaily La Chapelle	School of International and Public Affairs	Present

	Present	30
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Quorum is Established	Absent	8
	Vacant	9

- III. Correction and Approval of Last Meeting's Minutes
 - A. None
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
 - A. Sen. Campbell moves to move straight to unfinished business, motion passed.
Sen. President Lachapelle welcomed the new Medical Senator Daniel Cambron
- V. Invited Speakers
 - A.
- VI. Public Forum
 - A.
- VII. Committee Reports
 - A. Appropriations Committee
Sen. Lachapelle: approved the request that was submitted, other request taken on the Presidents line.
 - B. Committee on Rules and Administration
Will meet tomorrow for Student Support and Wellness act.
 - C. Graduate and Professional Student Committee
Met of Friday, SOP voted on.
 - D. University Sustainability and Innovation Committee
No reports currently, Chair position has become vacant.
 - E. Health and Well-Being Committee
Meeting tomorrow, initiatives discussed individually, collaboration encouraged.
 - F. Student Life and Academic Concerns Committee
Passed Nursing and Health Sciences Student Council bill.
 - G. International Student Affairs Ad-Hoc Committee
Did not meet last week, goals set for this week, work on tasks ongoing, plans to meet the week after
- VIII. Executive Board Reports
 - A. Student Body President Alexander P. Sutton
Voting tomorrow on the previously unspent funds

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- B. Senate President Kaily Lachapelle
Available for reference and support, CASE Club Fair led by Sen. Barriga, repost encouraged; 5 more meeting remain in the semester, amendments to be sent by email.
- C. Senate President Pro-Tempore Tiara Campbell
Meet Your Dean event cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, to be held in the fall, survey on graduate exam preparation course created work on international student resolution ongoing; Board of Trustees approved building of new dorms on campus. Sen. Floor Leader Hernandez is at the climate change conference.
Sen. Brochinsky moves to extend the meeting until the end of reports, passed.
- D. Senate Floor Leader Karina Hernandez
- E. Student Body Vice President Santana Way
- F. Comptroller Iara Raggio
- G. Executive Administrator Natalie Martinez
The Constitutional convention will host quorums this week, in-person discussion is also possible.
- H. Governor of the Biscayne Bay Campus Grace King
- I. Chief of Staff Anna Meredith
- J. Chief Justice Mia Rodriguez
- IX. Vetoed Legislation
A.
- X. Unfinished Business
A. 2024-2025 Budget
i. Sen. Body President Alexander Sutton presented the budget overview.
ii. Sen. Stone motioned to go into roll call, motion passed.

Vote on 2024-2025 SGA Budget

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Daniel Salup-Cid	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	No	
Vacant	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Vacant	Vacant	
Genesis Moreno	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Absent	Absent	
Lerick Sequeira	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Manuela Trejos	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Olivia Gibson	College of Arts Sciences and Education	Present	Yes	
Anne Martinez	College of Business	Absent	Absent	
Brian Velez	College of Business	Present	Yes	
David Almansa	College of Business	Present	Yes	
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Vote Count			
Yes	No	Abstention	Vacant
26	1	0	10

	Vote	Vote Count	Archive
Motion Passed	Simple Majority	16.0	Passed
	Two-Thirds	20	Passed
	Three-Fifths	18	Passed

With 26 yes, 1 no, 0 abstentions the Budget passed.

- B. S.B. 04 025 - The Constitutional Revision Act (1st reading)
 - i. Sen. Campbell moves to bypass the reading, amended to reading the title; then move to 8-min discussion, motion passed.
 - ii. Sen. Body President Sutton read the title.

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- iii. Sen. Campbell: considers some changes, opposes the change of Senate President to Speaker, amendable.
- iv. Sen. Stone: proposes to go over every article and vote on the entirety of the document, one person is elected from BBC.
- v. Sen. Brochinsky: asks about the amendment process.
- vi. Sen. Campbell: thinks that Exec Administrator post should be kept.
- vii. Sen. Salup-Cid thinks SGA should go straight into special election, disagrees with 3-year terms, thinks that Senate President position name should be changed.
- viii. Sen. Stone: agrees regarding the Exec Administrator suggestion from Sen. Campbell
- ix. Vice Pres Way: agrees regarding the BBC campus point.
- x. Sen. Salup-Cid: asked about election.
- xi. Sen. Stone: moved to extend discussion by 2 min, passes.
- xii. Sen. Stone: makes a point about equal representation for BBC, proposes adding a third representative.
- xiii. Sen. Brochinsky: committee is permanent and confirms BBC positions, for elections there has not been any BBC representative.
- xiv. Sen. Salup-Cid moves to extend the discussion by 10 min, motion passes.
- xv. Sen. Student Body Pres Sutton: agrees that the position of Sen President should be renamed, Exec Admin position should exist but be renamed, should not be on the budget committee.
- xvi. Sen. Lachapelle: agrees with the name change, would like to get reflections on the legislative session, agrees with the point on special elections, 2-year terms for judicial.
- xvii. Sen. Campbell: the Comptroller name should be changed to the Chief Fin Officer; position holds importance since he/she manages budget hearings and budgeting.
- xviii. Vice Pres Way: Lt Government position clarification should be elected.
- xix. Sen. Stone: thinks it should not be elected position, Floor Leader position should be part of oversight committee.

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- xx. Student Body Pres Sutton: Lt Government and Government proposed as elected positions, Floor Leader position is not eliminated but proposed to rename to budget related (Finance Chair)
- xxi. Sen. Stone moves to extend discussion by 7 min, passes.
- xxii. Sen. Stone: speaks regarding another SGA for BBC by giving the executive ticket, would be going back in that direction.
- xxiii. Sen. Baptiste: Provides opinion on the matter regarding BBC.
- xxiv. Sen. Brochinsky: the original draft of the constitution is done by MMC, some more independence for BBC would be good, only BBC confirmations are localized.
- xxv. Sen. Lachapelle: agrees with comments on BBC, agrees with Finance Chair proposal, Floor leader should have own responsibilities.
- xxvi. Sen. Dawson: suggestions to be emailed, regarding payment for Chairs: Vice Chairs may be encouraged if payment provided.
- xxvii. Sutton: if Finance Chair not merged with Floor Leader, other organizational structure is proposed.
- xxviii. Sen. Stone: does not consider Floor Leader position name change necessary.
- xxix. Sen. Campbell moves to extend discussion by 3 min, motion passes.
- xxx. Sen. Body Pres Sutton: proposes a separate discussion on changes.
- xxxi. Sen. Lachapelle: would allow specific topic discussion, other items on the agenda need to be addressed.
- xxxii. Sen. Campbell: think that Senate Floor Leader position should be kept, should be taken off the budget committee and Appropriations Chair to be put on the committee.
- xxxiii. Vice Pres Way: asks if the Floor Leader will still be in the leadership, regarding the changes proposes to reach out to the Constitutional committee members.
- xxxiv. Sen. Vogel: agrees with Sen. Dawson, proposed changes should be emailed to the Senate President for subsequent discussion, thinks Senate Floor Leader position is vital and should stay, should be on the Budget committee, proposes adding a fourth position. Lachapelle: a formal discussion is needed; amendments should be received by email for discussion and vote.
- xxxv. Sen. Vogel: asks how many senators sent emails about revisions.
- xxxvi. Sen. Lachapelle: one email was received.

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- i. Sen. Lachapelle moves to read title only, passed.
- ii. Sen. Vice Pres Way asks about entities not existing or misspelled.
- iii. Sen. Lachapelle: amendments can be offered, and misspellings can be corrected.
- iv. Opening statements: Sen. Lachapelle: research was done on what the higher ed is doing to combat the issue, has been part of harm reduction training; discussions were held on policies to expand addiction support activities. Tools and connections for providing support were outlined.
- v. Sen. Vogel: the document is important, based on research, examines the measures taken by other universities on harm reduction and outlines harm reduction movement measures to combat addiction epidemic.
- vi. 5 min Q&A:
- vii. Sen. Vogel moves to bypass Q&A and go into roll call vote, motion passes.

Vote on S.R. 04 019 – SAFE

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Brian Velez	College of Business	Present	Yes	

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With 24 yes, 0 no, 0 abstentions the bill passes.

D. S.B. 04 011 – Senate Town Halls

- i. Sen. Salup-Cid gave the outline of the bill.
- ii. Opening statements: Sen. Salup-Cid thinks that the plan is comprehensive, only limited number of townhalls to be held per senator, would be helpful for legislative work.
- iii. Q&A: Sen. Campbell agrees that it is an effective feedback tool, every 2 weeks could be daunting due to other responsibilities, proposes frequency once per month.
- iv. Sen. Salup-Cid: the panel of senators would be different, so each senator will have one townhall per semester, involving the public in the legislative process is important.



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- v. Sen. Young: would be more of a sit down than one-on-one connection as in office hours, all 47 senators do office hours, purpose of addition of the townhall is not clear.
- vi. Sen. Salup-Cid: townhall is an event, townhall can be held in lieu of office hours, advantage is congregating people with more people attracted.
- vii. Sen. Stone moves to extend Q&A by 5 min, passed.
- viii. Sen. Stone: asks whether it is amendable to once or twice per semester.
- ix. Sen. Salup-Cid: not to once per semester, potentially every 4 weeks, twice per semester too rare as well
- x. Sen. Brown: thinks townhalls are beneficial, does not agree with the frequency, asks about specific schools and potential redundancy.
- xi. Sen. Salup-Cid: may be amendable to specific townhalls, is not concerned about student attendance redundancy, can consider composition amendments.
- xii. Sen. Baptiste: asks about frequency about 3-4 per semester, meetings at MMC and BBC
- xiii. Sen. Salup-Cid: has included min frequency for BBC, for each senator one session per legislative session, potential amendment to 1/month.
- xiv. Sen. Dawson: asks about 5-6 senators on the panel.
- xv. Sen. Salup-Cid: a small panel would be preferable; events should not be too long.
- xvi. Sen. Stone: motions for a 5-min discussion, passed.
- xvii. Sen. Stone: likes the bill in theory but difficult, difficult to hold sessions every 2 weeks, should be left to Senate leadership, if bill is amendable to lower frequency could be supported.
- xviii. Sen. Dawson: thinks less stringent timeline would be appropriate, with room for Q&A, 1 townhall per semester appropriate for BBC, 3-6 senators per session proposed.
- xix. Sen. Salup-Cid: event planning is challenging, townhall organizing should be straightforward, amendable to frequency every 4 weeks, townhalls are about visibility of SGA.
- xx. Sen. Young: at BBC only 4 senators, 5-6 senators are proposed for the panel.



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- xxi. Sen. Brochinsky: has a lot of other activities, if the system is to be tested specific requirements should not be included.
- xxii. Sen. Salup-Cid moves to extend discussion by 5 min, passed.
- xxiii. Sen. Salup-Cid understands that BBC delegation is low, open to amendments to frequency from BBC students, structure is amendable as well for more flexibility.
- xxiv. Sen. Lachapelle: inclined to implementation of townhall, every 4 weeks amendment to be considered, the job of the senators is to connect with constituents, letter can be added if necessary.
- xxv. Sen. Brochinsky: before solidifying the practice should be tested.
- xxvi. Sen. Stone moves to extend the Senate by 10 min, passed.
- xxvii. Sen. Stone move to elapse discussion and go to advisor reports and table remaining business for the next session, amended to going back to committee/exec board reports; passes.

E. S.B. 04 012 – ABC's

F. S.B. 04 013 – ASBO Act

G. S.B. 04 021 – Election Streamlining

- XI. New Business
 - A.
- XII. Senate Forum
 - A.
- XIII. Announcements
 - A.
- XIV. Advisor Reports
 - A. Larissa Adames: Constitutional quorum on MMC, Thu on BBC, CASE Fair tomorrow, Day on the Bay on Mar 23, Mar 30 Night at the Museum event
Michelle Castro: attendance encouraged for Day on the Bay and Night at the Museum
- XV. Meeting Adjournment
 - A. Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.