



# Florida International University

*Student Government Council – Biscayne Bay Campus & Pines Center*

## MINUTES General Meeting February 25, 2015

### IN ATTENDANCE

Jazmin Felix, President - **Excused**  
Camille Williams, Vice-President - **Excused**  
Elina Sibony, Chief of Staff  
Carlos Burgos, International Student Services Coordinator  
Zico Fremont, Director of Governmental Relations  
Allhan Mejia, Business Administration/ Speaker  
Rebecca Merek, Hospitality Management  
Lauren Peterson, Lower Division  
Bendjy Calixte, At-Large  
Christopher Morisset, At-Large  
Kai Chen, Graduate  
Michema Lafontant, Director of Internal Relations  
Meredith Marseille, Lower Division  
Kenley Jean-Louis, At-Large  
Henry Dube, At-Large  
Adam Azzaoui, Justice  
Paola Bayron – Justice  
Dulange Abeysirigunawardena, Court Clerk

### ABSENT

Ashley Reid, Comptroller  
Marquele Brown, Elections Commissioner  
Geraldine Gascon, Special Events Coordinator  
Kimberly Elliott, Press Secretary  
Stephanie Felix, Director of Lectures  
Ana Correa, Journalism and Mass Communications  
Whitney Saint Fleur, Chief Justice  
Maria Pulido-Velosa, Arts & Sciences  
Yumeng Zhang, Hospitality Management  
Abigal Morales, Justice  
Stefy Moreau, Justice  
Ying Lin, Events Coordinator  
Shaonan Dong, Marketing/Public Relations Planners  
Peiwen Jiang, Marketing/Public Relations Planners

## **GUESTS**

Ryan Keesee – CLS (Pride Month)  
Demetrius Villa – **3:45pm**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Student Government Association (BBC) held a General meeting on February 25, 2015 in room WUC 221. The meeting was called to order at **3:37 p.m.** by Speaker Allhan Mejia.

## **SENATE SPEAKER REPORT**

- Speaker Mejia reminded everyone that election deadlines were on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Speaker Mejia reminded the council that Cabinet positions must be appointed.

## **CHIEF OF STAFF REPORT**

- Sibony reminded everyone that the Soledad O'Brian Lecture is tonight and everyone should be in attendance.
- Sibony spoke about the Council VS Staff event on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- Sibony also reminded the council about JWU VS FIU, Match 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and that it is 90s themed.

## **ADVISOR'S REPORT**

- Coordinator Adames, spoke about ALs Forum, which is February 26<sup>th</sup> from 2pm – 3pm.
- Coordinator Adames also mentioned the Leadership Forum with Dr. Arneston on February 27<sup>th</sup> from 12pm – 1pm.
- Coordinator reminded the council about the MAST Academy meet and greet, March 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:30pm – 2pm.
- Lastly, Coordinator Adames mentioned FIU Day which will be held March 24<sup>th</sup> – March 26<sup>th</sup> in Tallahassee, FL.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **I. CLS Pride Month**

- Ryan Keesee spoke to the council about LGBTQA Pride Month, but especially about the Miami Beach Pride Parade. He invites the council to join the FIU float on April 12, 2015 at 9:30am. 8am if transportation is needed from BBC. For more info – [lgbt@fiu.edu](mailto:lgbt@fiu.edu)

### **II. Finance Code**

- Senator Morisset spoke on the changes on the updated Finance Code.

Senator Merek motioned to approve and add the Finance Code as title nine to the statutes.

Senator Calixte seconded the motion.

## **Vote**

Kai Chen - yay  
Meredith Marseille- yay  
Henry Dube - yay  
Lauren Peterson- yay  
Kenley Jean-Louis - yay  
Bendjy Calixte- yay  
Rebecca Merek- yay  
Allhan Mejia- yay

By anonymous acclamation, the Finance Code was approved and added as title nine to the statutes.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- i. Council VS Staff Field Day (March 7<sup>th</sup>)
- ii. JWU FIU Meet & Greet (March 18<sup>th</sup>)

Senator Morisset moved to adjourn the meeting.  
Senator Jean-Louis second.

Speaker Mejia adjourned the meeting at **3:55 p.m.**